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Dear Hearing Officer:

I am writing to implore you and the purported elected officials in the State of Illinois to work diligently to aid and assist in keeping Mercy Hospital open for the express benefit of the underserved Black & Brown Community within the Chicagoland demographic. As you may well know, the University of Chicago at one time disbanded their trauma center in order that they would no longer have to provide much needed medical aid and assistance to the underserved Black & Brown Community!! Provident Hospital was closed and eventually taken over by Cook County and then re-closed; thus, unable and unwilling to serve the underserved Black & Brown demographic.

Your immediate attention is needed in this area of "Quality" healthcare for the benefit of Black & Brown people; who, have been unserved, unheard and medically disrespected for more than five (5) decades in Chicago!!

Regards,

Terry Calhoun