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Ms. Debra Savage, Chair  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
25 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

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Re: Orthollinois Surgery Center Elgin, LLC  
Project No. 20-040, Letter of Opposition

Dear Ms. Savage,

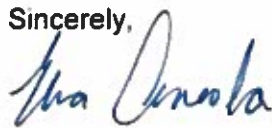
I've been a resident of the Elgin area since I immigrated from Mexico over 30 years ago. Since arriving in Elgin my family and I have endured our share of struggles as most immigrants are forced to encounter. For example, our family suffered from the inability to obtain quality health

Today, I serve as the Executive Director of the Elgin Coalition For Immigrant Rights and continue to work with immigrant families who encounter the same barriers to affordable health care my family and I were met with.

I worry that allowing an organization such as Orthollinois to operate in the Elgin area will only make the problem worse. As a community organizer, I am opposed to a solely-profit driven organization coming into our community. This will only add to the problem my community faces in finding health care organizations willing to serve them.

For the reasons stated above, I am opposed to Orthollinois' presence in our community. It is my hope that your board take my position to heart.

Sincerely,



Elva Arreola, President  
Elgin Coalition for Immigrant Rights