

December 14, 2020

Courtney Avery, Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson, Second Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Ms. Avery,

I am writing in support of Quincy Medical Group's small-format hospital.

Healthcare is changing. We've seen this time and again, in communities large and small, through our work as a leading builder of integrated healthcare facilities, including many projects similar to the proposed Quincy Medical Group Hospital.

The need to improve healthcare is leading to dramatic innovations and smaller facilities, such as a small-format hospital, can optimize patient experiences. There are more than 60 small-format hospitals currently operating in 19 states, with 40 new projects expected in the next few years. We have been fortunate to design and build more than a dozen small-format hospitals, and more than 6,000 hospitals, ambulatory health facilities, and residential facilities for older adults in our 69-year history.

We've also had the privilege of working with the physicians and leadership of Quincy Medical Group (QMG) on other projects and find we share the same values of improving every life we touch. QMG has developed their Cancer Institute, which opened in March 2020, and are on-track to open QMG's Surgery Center in 2021. These offerings, along with ongoing investments at existing facilities, show QMG's deep commitment to the greater Quincy community. Their dedication to service is evident in everything they do.

At ERDMAN, we believe that new healthcare service offerings for population health management, improved patient experience, and new care models require different and innovative facilities. Together with QMG, we've come up with more effective and efficient solutions like the small-format hospital. At ERDMAN, we take on the complex challenges of healthcare to help our clients build healthier communities.

We are proud to partner with QMG on this transformative project. I encourage you to approve the application. Thanks for considering it.

Sincerely,



Rustin Becker  
President & Chief Operating Officer, ERDMAN