

January 20, 2021

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

Re: Quincy Medical Group Hospital, Project #20-044

Dear Ms. Avery,

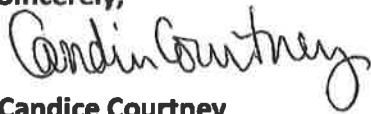
My name is Candice Courtney, and I own Shears Salon in Quincy Mall. I am writing in support of Quincy Medical Group Hospital. I understand that the Quincy Medical Group Hospital will be patient-centered, physician-led and state-of-the-art, expanding access to the latest high-quality healthcare services while reducing healthcare costs.

As the owner of a full service hair salon on the west Slumberland end of the mall, we're enthusiastic about the addition of the newest expansion here in the Quincy Mall footprint and anticipate the positive impact it will have on our business.

The physicians, nurses and staff of QMG have cared for our families and community for nearly 85 years. With more than 1,000 employees and 18 existing practice sites across three states, QMG provides care where it's needed most.

The proposed small-format hospital ensures we have the choice and care we need. I encourage you to approve Quincy Medical Group Hospital, project #20-044.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Candice Courtney". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**Candice Courtney
Shears Salon
3242 Quincy Mall
Quincy, Illinois 62301**