February 1, 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,

I am writing in support of Quincy Medical Group Hospital. Quincy Medical Group Hospital will be patient-centered, physician-led and state-of-the-art, expanding access to the latest highquality healthcare services while reducing healthcare costs.

The new hospital will empower patients to continue care with their physician of choice across all care settings, including an overnight stay in the hospital, if necessary. This improves the quality of care and clinical outcomes while reducing costs and ensuring the highest level of patient satisfaction.

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.

Scott BAUMANN FIRE