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Amy Stclair
Blessing Hospital
Monroe City, MO 63456

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Blessing Physician Services
Macomb, IL 61455

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quincy, IL 62301

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Quincy, IL 62305

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It has been proved in the past years that the population in the past ,now , and future does not warrant a second hospital. The need is just not there. Nobody in this area and surrounding area could ask for a better hospital than Blessing . They truly care for not only all patients but all employees. They do not turn anyone away . I am proud to be a part of Blessing services .

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Hannibal Clinic
hannibal, mo 63401

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Finally, while having the utmost respect for providers who practice healthcare in our communities, I am deeply concerned with a proposed facility whose leadership will be provided exclusively by physicians as opposed to additional representation by patients/families as well as other business and community members. I am also disappointed that with this unnecessary duplication of healthcare including the provision of only those highly reimbursed services gives no consideration as to how resources will be pulled away from the provision of critical behavioral health and higher acuity care needs.

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Michelle Kasparie
Blessing Health
Quincy, Illinois 62305

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I live in a quiet neighborhood behind the Mall, where they are wanting to build. We have small kids in our neighborhood, putting that hospital in will cause the traffic to be heavier and dangerous for the kids. We do not need another hospital, Blessing does an outstanding job taking care of Quincy. I do not see any good coming from adding another hospital in a small town like this. Blessing never turns anyone away no matter what kind of insurance they have, or if they don't have insurance. The hospital they are wanting to put in will not take just anyone, and I can bet you that most people that go to their ER will be sent to Blessing to be taken care of. It makes absolutely no sense to add another hospital in this town.

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Thank you,
Penny Leytham
Denman
Quincy, Illinois 62301

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Liberty, Illinois 62347

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Jill Stegeman
Lab Manager, Blessing Hospital

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3/26/2021

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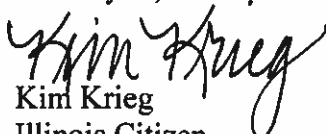
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Illinois Citizen

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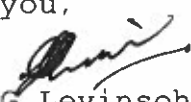
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Katie McGuire
Director, Blessing Surgery Center

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Donna Northware RN

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Quincy, IL 62305

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Thank you,
Melissa Damon
Illini Community Hospital
Pittsfield, illinois 62363