



Rickey Williams, Jr., Mayor

Ms. Debra Savage, Chair
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson, Second Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Carle Danville CON Applications (Projects #20-047 and #20-048)

Dear Chair Savage,

As Mayor of the City of Danville in Vermilion County, I encourage the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve the request by Carle Health to consolidate services and maximize resources for the 33,000 residents I serve.

Carle's planned updated medical facility is future-focused, not only in revitalizing our community, but allowing those in the area to receive enhanced, quality care close to home. In our current environment, with travel complicated by COVID and uncertainly as to whether this is the new norm, this redevelopment is key to meeting the health needs of people in our community.

I love Danville! Not only is it where I grew up, but it is where I have chosen to make my home. I want what is best for our community, and Carle, as a partner since 1986, has proven the same commitment. In an area that's had some of the lowest overall health rankings in the state, Carle's updated medical campus will provide enhanced healthcare access and convenience to residents, especially our seniors and others working to effectively manage chronic conditions.

The benefits of this consolidated, comprehensive facility will also economically serve our community, re-energizing the downtown area while growing job opportunities. As one of the largest investments in Danville in 50 years, it provides enormous possibilities for our residents and future generations.

Again, I fully support Carle's plans and urge you and your colleagues to do the same. Thank you for your consideration, and if I can answer any questions about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rickey Williams, Jr." in a cursive style.

Rickey Williams, Jr.
Mayor