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Ms. Courtney R. Avery
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Ms. Avery,

I write to you in full support of Advocate Lutheran General Hospital's Certificate of Need (CON) application for their surgical modernization project.

Lutheran General Hospital plays an important role in the Park Ridge community and many surrounding areas, and this modernization project would continue to allow the hospital to provide tertiary and quaternary surgical services for the community. The hospital is one of the largest employers in the area and is the leading health care provider in Chicago's North and Northwest suburbs, offering a Level I Trauma Center, access to national clinical trials and advanced medical technologies.

This investment would provide the infrastructure to continue to provide the critical care services needed to maintain a strong and healthy community well into the future. It is vital that we continue to strengthen these services, not only for Park Ridge residents but the surrounding communities.

I ask the Planning Board to approve the Advocate Lutheran CON application.

Sincerely,

Senator Robert F. Martwick

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