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

Re: Support for Project #21-007 (Winchester ASC)

Dear Chair Savage,

I am the Chief of Police for the Village of Deerfield and a longtime Libertyville resident. As a Chief for 20 years and law enforcement professional for 45, I recognize the need for quality health care which is affordable and convenient for all. As a Northshore Center for Gastroenterology patient, I'm writing to encourage the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve Project #21-007 to establish Winchester Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) in Libertyville. This ASC will allow patients like me and other community members to obtain lower cost, high-quality care closer to home. With the current arrangement, I can see my gastroenterologist in Libertyville; however, I must travel to Gurnee to undergo a colonoscopy or other procedures. This was not the case in 2016 and now creates an unnecessary inconvenience for both patients and physicians.

Other than the location of its procedural suite, I have nothing but tremendous things to say about the staff and facilities at this center. They quite literally saved my life.

I urge the Planning Board to approve this surgery center, which will improve access to care in the community.

Sincerely,

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