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HEALTH FACILITIES &
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Re: NorthShore - CON Permit Application No. 21-016

Dear Ms. Avery:

As the Illinois State Senator for the 9th District, I proudly represent all or portions of Evanston, Glencoe, Glenview, Golf, Kenilworth, Morton Grove, Northbrook, Northfield, Skokie, Wilmette and Winnetka. This is an area distinctively served by NorthShore University Health System and its health care practitioners. During my tenure as an elected official, I have fought hard and made it my goal to ensure the availability of quality health care for my constituents. In that vein, I ask that the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board approve NorthShore's CON permit application to invest \$170 million in an interventional care pavilion for the diagnosis and treatment of heart and vascular conditions.

NorthShore Glenbrook Hospital launched its Cardiovascular Institute program in 2015 and offers more than 16 programs in cardiology, cardiovascular surgery, vascular surgery and related practices. In recent years, it has developed improved surgical interventions for peripheral artery disease and deployed many of those new procedures. The planned project will result in the construction of an attached building to NorthShore Glenbrook Hospital that will include operating rooms, procedure rooms and related state-of-the-art surgical equipment. With this expansion, the Institute will also expand community-based cardiovascular programs, such as increased cardiovascular screening, prevention program and chronic disease management to enrich the health of all in our area.

This project will be of great value to my constituents residing in my district and I urge you to approve NorthShore's application.

Sincerely,

Laura Fine

State Senator, 9th District