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August 6, 2021

Ms. Courtney Avery  
Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 W. Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761

RE: CON PERMIT APPLICATION – No. 21-16  
NorthShore University HealthSystem – Cardiovascular Institute

Dear Ms. Avery:

As Illinois State Senator for the 29<sup>th</sup> District, which includes in its boundaries parts of Northern Cook County along with parts of Lake County – all areas served by NorthShore University Health System hospitals and its affiliated practitioners, I consistently support initiatives to improve health care access and outcomes for my constituents. This letter is written with that purpose – to urge the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve the Certificate of Need application filed by NorthShore University HealthSystem to modernize its cardiovascular services. As an Illinois State Senator, my focus is on the issues that affect our quality of life and the most vulnerable members of our communities. NorthShore remains committed to providing high-quality care and advocating for the medical needs of my constituents.

The planned project will result in the construction of an addition to NorthShore Glenbrook Hospital for the Cardiovascular Institute with space focused on diagnostic and interventional procedures. It will become the focus for the large and diverse NorthShore Medical Group cardiology and vascular health specialists. This new building will promote interdisciplinary care and improve patient experience by allowing clinicians to practice alongside one another and streamline efficiencies. The project will also allow NorthShore University HealthSystem to make significant investments to create state-of-the-art facilities which will further enhance the quality of cardiovascular care delivered and grant patients improved access to the latest clinical techniques for the treatment of cardiovascular disease.

I am thrilled to see NorthShore's commitment in pursuing state-of-the-art advancements in its facility to continue delivering high-quality healthcare services to my constituents. I fully support this project and thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julie Morrison".  
Julie A. Morrison  
State Senator, 29<sup>th</sup> District