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Courtney Avery
Board Administrator
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Re: Rush Specialty Hospital

Dear Ms. Avery,

On behalf of Chicago's 27th Ward I am happy to support the proposal for the Rush Specialty Hospital ("Rush"). Rush is a trusted voice in our community, providing a broad array of healthcare services to my constituents. During my time in office, I have worked with Rush on countless occasions and I consider them a partner that is committed to serving the West Side.

I have seen healthcare facilities come and go around Chicago, but Rush has always been here and continues to invest in the community and increase the services they offer. The proposed project is needed not just for my ward but for the benefit of the entire city. It will take years for the West Side to recover from the impact of COVID-19, and what we need most is to put people back to work and ensure that those who require access to specialty services have them in their community.

I could not be more excited about, and supportive of, this proposed project. I ask the Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve this worthy project.

Sincerely,



Walter Burnett, Jr.
Alderman, 27th Ward

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