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**Subject:** [External] stop Mercy from being given to a neurosurgical and pain management company based out of Michigan  
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To Whom It May Concern,

It has come to my attention that Insight Chicago Corporation, established March 1, 2021, in the state of Illinois, is in the process of presenting as an institution with interest in my community. This company, based out of Michigan under the name Insight Institute of Neurosurgery and Neurosciences, is focused on neurological services and pain management. As a stakeholder in the wellness of this community and the vitality of our access to care, I stand concerned that this entity lacks demonstrated interest in delivery of culturally appropriate preventive, emergency and inpatient care for the residents of our catchment area.

In a time when access to preventive, emergency and inpatient health services are desperately needed, pivoting to an external source with no historical stake in the community, could never be part of any realistic solution. I write this letter in request that the application for transfer of ownership from Trinity Health Services to Insight Chicago Corporation be denied. Denial of this application does not need to lead to the even worse outcome of closure of the Mercy Hospital and Medical Center facilities. There are other entities, which possess access to the requisite skills, experience and resources to properly utilize the assets of Mercy Hospital and Medical Center and Mercy Health System for the benefit of the community.

Thank you for your careful deliberations regarding this matter.

Dr Chernara Baker

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