



Monday, March 14, 2022

Debra Savage, Chairperson
Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

RE: Project #22-008
Montrose Behavioral Health Support Letter for Modernization of Hospital

Dear Ms. Savage:

The Admiral at the Lake submits this letter in support of the modernization of the behavioral health hospital located at 4840 N. Marine Drive in Chicago, operated by Acadia Healthcare (“Acadia”) under the name Montrose Behavioral Health Hospital (“MBHH”).

The Admiral at the Lake is a senior assisted living community located on Chicago’s lakefront where residents enjoy programs, classes, and facilities that make living well possible in retirement. We have an on-site wellness center staffed by some of Chicago’s top physicians for our residents to receive care and we strongly believe that quality behavior health services should be accessible to all Chicagoans.

Mental health and well-being are as important in older age as at any other time of life and approximately 15% of adults aged 60 and over suffer from a mental disorder according to the World Health Organization. Many older adults are at risk of developing mental disorders, neurological disorders, or substance use problems as well as other health conditions.

Acadia is the nationally recognized leading provider of inpatient and outpatient behavioral health and substance abuse treatment services and is the largest stand-alone behavioral health company in the United States. Acadia, through its adult and pediatric programs at MBHH, will be a key contributor to behavioral health and wellness in Chicago by providing a broad continuum of behavioral services for patients of all ages in the community.

The Admiral at the Lake is encouraged by Acadia’s commitment to treating patients of all ages including the senior population and to the advancement of behavioral health and urge your favorable consideration of the hospital’s modernization project.

Sincerely,

The Admiral at the Lake

Nadia Geigler, Chief Executive Officer