



CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

September 22, 2022

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

RE: Letter of Support, Springfield Clinic – Springfield Ambulatory Surgery Center Establishment of Cardiac Catherization

Dear Chairwoman Savage,

We are fortunate to have top-performing primary and specialized healthcare providers like Springfield Clinic serving the citizens of Springfield and central Illinois. I write in support of Springfield Clinic's application for a Certificate of Need to establish cardiac catherization services at its Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) in Springfield.

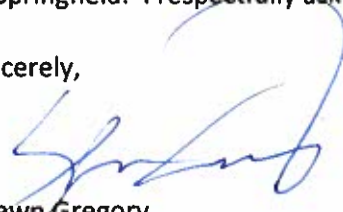
The ASC at Springfield Clinic is currently ranked #2 in Illinois and named one of America's Best Ambulatory Surgery Centers by Newsweek. The outpatient surgeries and procedures performed provide a cost-savings for our citizens compared to traditional hospital-based centers.

If approved, I understand that Springfield Clinic will begin a \$5.9 million construction project to expand their current ASC. This is of particular importance to the community because they are not exempt from property taxes and help fund services that are reliant on these taxes.

Finally, this expansion will provide ongoing job opportunities for our citizens and increased access to these critical, life-saving health care services.

I support Springfield Clinic establishing cardiac catherization services at the Ambulatory Surgery Center in Springfield. I respectfully ask your approval of this CON application.

Sincerely,


Shawn Gregory
Alderman – Ward 2