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January 13, 2023

Justin D. Harris Chief Executive Officer Southern Illinois Orthopedic Center, LLC 510 Lincoln Drive Herrin, IL 62948 jdharris@sioc.com

Re: EXEMPTION APPROVAL

EXEMPTION: #E-082-22 Southern Illinois Orthopedic Center, LLC

EXEMPTION HOLDERS: Southern Illinois Orthopedic Center, LLC., Southern Illinois Orthopedic Associates, LLC., Southern Illinois Hospital Services, Inc., Southern Illinois

Healthcare Enterprises, Inc.,

LICENSEE/OPERATING ENTITY: Southern Illinois Orthopedic Center, LLC.

OWNER OF THE SITE: Southern Illinois Orthopedic Center, LLC.

Dear Mr. Harris:

On January 12, 2023, the Chairwoman of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board ("State Board") acting on behalf of the State Board under 77 IAC 1130 approved your request for the change of ownership of Southern Illinois Orthopedic Center, LLC located at 510 Lincoln Drive, Herrin, Illinois. The operating entity/licensee and the owner of the site is Southern Illinois Orthopedic Center, LLC has been approved for the following surgical specialties: orthopedic, pain management, podiatry, and neurology.

The approval was based upon the application's compliance with applicable provisions of 77 IAC 1130. Southern Illinois Hospital Services, Inc. will be acquiring a 2% ownership interest currently held by Southern Illinois Orthopedic Associates, LLC. and will obtain control of Southern Illinois Orthopedic Center, LLC. The cost of the 2% interest is \$355,900 and expected completion date is March 1, 2023. The change of ownership is considered a stock transfer resulting in no change from the current licensee.

You are reminded that a final cost report must be submitted to the State Board no later than 90 days following the anticipated project completion date. You are also reminded that failure to complete the project within the 24 months after the Board approved the exemption will invalidate the exemption. Failure to provide the required notification shall subject the exemption holder to the sanctions provided under Section 14 of the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act.

The State Board's approval does not exempt the transaction from any other regulatory, certification or licensure requirements that may be applicable to this transaction.

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Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mike Constantino or George Roate of my staff at Mike.Constantino@illinois.gov or George.Roate@illinois.gov or 217.782.3516

Sincerely,

John P. Kniery Administrator

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board

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