

February 8, 2023

Mike Constantino, Chief, Project Review Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 W. Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Meadowview Behavioral Hospital, Peoria, Project: 23-008 Letters of Support

Dear Mike:

We received the enclosed letters of support for the Meadowview Behavioral Hospital Certificate of Need, Project:23-008. Please have each letter posted individually to the website.

Thank you.

- Lossela Shuret

**Tonda Stewart** 

**Certificate of Need Coordinator** 

c: Mark Hohulin, Senior Vice President Ralph Weber, CON Consultant

**Enclosures: 12** 

# Sue Rezin

#### **DEPUTY MINORITY LEADER**

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October 24, 2022

Ms. Debra Savage, Chair Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Springfield, IL 62761

Re: US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System Behavioral Health Hospital Letter of Support

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

As the Deputy Minority Leader of the Illinois State Senate, addressing my constituents' concerns is of the utmost importance to me. I am writing to express my support of the plans by US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System to build a 100-bed adult behavioral health hospital in Peoria, Illinois through a joint venture.

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I stand with US HealthVest and OSF in supporting patients and families throughout Illinois who are seeking local access to inpatient behavioral health care. I appreciate your consideration and request your support of this project and approval by the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board.

Sincerely,

Sue Rezin

Illinois State Senator- 38th

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JIL TRACY
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47TH DISTRICT
SENATE MINORITY WHIP

October 20, 2022

Ms. Debra Savage, Chair Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Springfield, IL 62761

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State Senator Jil Tracy Illinois 47<sup>th</sup> District

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### ILLINOIS STATE SENATE

#### DAVID KOEHLER

STATE SENATOR • 46TH DISTRICT
ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER

Thursday, October 20, 2022

Ms. Debra Savage, Chair Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Springfield, IL 62761

Re: US Health Vest and OSF Healthcare System Behavioral Health Hospital Letter of Support

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

As State Senator for the 46th district, addressing my constituents' concerns is of the utmost importance to me. I am writing to express my support of the plans by US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System to build a 100-bed behavioral health hospital in Peoria, Illinois through a joint venture.

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Sincerely,

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State Senator Dave Koehler Assistant Majority Leader 46<sup>th</sup> Legislative District

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## Jehan Gordon-Booth

Deputy Majority Leader • Speaker Pro Tempore State Representative • 92nd District

October 19, 2022

Chairwoman Debra Savage
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2 nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System Behavioral Health Hospital Letter of Support

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

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Sincerely,

Jehan Gordon-Booth

State Representative - 92nd District

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October 20, 2022

Ms. Debra Savage, Chair Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Springfield, IL 62761

Re: US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System Behavioral Health Hospital Letter of Support

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

As an elected official for the Illinois 68th District, addressing my constituents' concerns is of the utmost importance to me. I am writing to express my support of the plans by US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System to build a 100-bed behavioral health hospital in Peoria, Illinois through a joint venture.

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Sincerely,

DAVE VELLA

State Representative - Illinois 68th District

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# MIKE MARRON STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 104TH DISTRICT

October 25, 2022

Ms. Debra Savage, Chair Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Springfield, IL 62761

Re: US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System Behavioral Health Hospital Letter of Support

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

As an elected official of the Illinois House District 104, addressing my constituents' concerns is of the utmost importance to me. I am writing to express my support of the plans by US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System to build a 100-bed adult behavioral health hospital in Peoria, Illinois through a joint venture.

Nationwide, one in five adults suffers from a diagnosable mental illness in a given year. Every day, 123 Americans die by suicide, and there is one death by suicide in the US every 12 minutes. Mental illness, whether acute or chronic, is a serious concern across communities I represent.

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Sincerely,

Mike Marron

State Representative District 104

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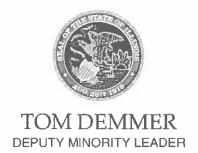
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October 24, 2022

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

Re: US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System Behavioral Health Hospital Letter of Support

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

As an elected official, addressing my constituents' concerns is of the utmost importance to me. I am writing to express my support of the plans by US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System to build a 100-bed adult behavioral health hospital in Peoria, Illinois through a joint venture.

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**Deputy Minority Leader** 

Illinois House of Representatives



#### OFFICE OF MAYOR RITA ALI

November 1, 2022

Ms. Debra Savage, Chair Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Springfield, IL 62761

Re: US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System Behavioral Health Hospital Letter of Support

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

As Mayor of the City of Peoria, addressing my constituents' concerns is of the utmost importance to me. I am writing to express my support of the plans by US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System to build a 100-bed behavioral health hospital in Peoria, Illinois through a joint venture.

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I stand with US HealthVest and OSF in supporting patients and families who are seeking local access to inpatient behavioral health care. I appreciate your consideration and request your support of this project and approval by the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board.

Sincerely.

Rita Ali Mayor

# Associates in Mental Health, SC

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November 4, 2022

John P. Kniery, Administrator filinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 W. Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Mr. Kniery:

My name is Baljit Singh, MD and I am President and Managing Partner of Associates in Mental Health, SC specializing in Psychiatry. We support the proposal to establish a 100 bed Acute Mental Illness hospital in Peoria as a joint venture of US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System.

There is an unmet need in the surrounding area for psychiatric services that is resulting in patients being deferred or denied inpatient treatment. Approval of this application will increase access to these important services in our community and help provide relief from the following current situations:

- Patients waiting for psychiatric beds in hospital emergency departments
- Patients in need of psychiatric services and unable to find treatment close to their communities
- Health care professionals unable to find patients beds at existing facilities
- Local psychiatric recidivism due to lack of aftercare services near patients' homes
- Lack of family involvement during inpatient treatment due to distance or travel time

Based on the patients we currently provide care, our experience in referring patients to the nearest hospital and the growing demand for inpatient behavioral health care, we are certain that the community could benefit greatly from this new proposed facility.

Sincerely,

Signature \_

Baljit Singh, MD

Associates in Mental Health, SC

900 Main St, Ste 580

Peoria, IL 61602

Notarization:

Subscribed and sworn to before me

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Signature of Notary

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## Congress of the United States

#### **House of Representatives**

November 3, 2022

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

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

I am pleased to offer my support for US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System's plan to build a 100-bed behavioral health hospital in Peoria, Illinois through a joint venture, which will allow local access to inpatient behavioral health care.

Nationwide, one in five adults suffers from a diagnosable mental illness in a given year. Every day, 123 Americans die by suicide and there is one death by suicide in the US every 12 minutes. Mental illness, whether acute or chronic, is a serious concern.

Specifically, the design and construction of a new inpatient mental health hospital with a full continuum of services in Peoria will help address these unmet needs. People who require varying levels of behavioral health care will find the compassion, support, and access to clinical expertise they need, close to home.

Within all relevant rules and regulations, it is my hope that you will give US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System's plan full and fair consideration. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or my District Director, Brad Stotler, at (309)671-7027.

Sincerely

Darin LaHood

**Member of Congress** 



## SENATOR SALLY J. TURNER 44th SENATE DISTRICT

M103A STATE HOUSE SPRINGFIELD, IL 62706 PHONE: 217/782-6216

December 8, 2022

Ms. Debra Savage, Chair Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 West Jefferson Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Springfield, IL 62761

Dear Chairwoman Savage and Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

I write in support of the joint venture plans of US HealthVest and OSF Healthcare System to build a 100-bed adult behavioral health hospital in Peoria.

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Sally J. Turner

State Senator, 44th District

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