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Mr. John Kniery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and
Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Project 23-013
Summit Center for Surgery
Letter of Support

Dear Mr. Kniery:

Please accept this letter as an indication of my support for the above-referenced project, addressing the development of an outpatient surgery center in Oakbrook Terrace.

As more and more surgical procedures are being deemed appropriate for and directed to surgery centers by third-party payors, hospitals must recognize this trend, and it is important that patients, including Medicaid recipients, have reasonable access to the outpatient surgery center setting.

The Summit Center for Surgery project is being applied for by Dr. Ibrahim Majzoub. Dr. Majzoub is a past and present President of the Humboldt Park Hospital Medical Staff. More importantly, Dr. Majzoub has a history of treating patients without regard to their third-party coverage or ability to pay. In addition to his active practice at the hospital and through his office, Dr. Majzoub operates an immediate care center in Oakbrook Terrace that remained open throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, including when other similar facilities were closing down or limiting their services. As noted in Dr. Majzoub's application, and contrary to the practice of many surgery centers, the proposed center, like Dr. Majzoub's immediate care center, will treat Medicaid recipients, and, as such, will serve as a resource for Humboldt Park Health patients.

Sincerely,



Jose R. Sanchez
President and CEO