



# Rockton Fire Protection District



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Ms. Debra Savage  
Chairwoman  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson Street  
Springfield, IL 62761

Re: Support for the Establishment of NorthPointe Neighborhood Hospital

Dear Ms. Savage:

It has come to my attention that NorthPointe Health & Wellness is planning the expansion of the inpatient services that its institution currently provides in Beloit to the NorthPointe campus in Roscoe. Of great interest to our fire protection district is that those plans include establishing an emergency department. It is my belief that the residents within the Rockton Fire Protection District who frequent Beloit Hospital would benefit from this facility. It is also our policy that we transport critically ill patients to the closest medical facility improving their chance of survival and quality of life.

First and foremost, the ambulance transport times to this small hospital facility would be cut dramatically. This would be a tremendous benefit to our customers by providing a much closer emergency room facility and reducing lengthily ambulance transport times to other area health care facilities. We also know that wait times at emergency departments in the area are often far longer than is optimal for care intervention and providing emergency medical services at the Roscoe campus of Beloit Health System will help to alleviate that issue.

At this time, I would like to give my support to NorthPointe and hope that the reality of this project graces our community. I urge you and your fellow Board members to approve this proposal. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact during business hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Kirk Wilson*

Kirk Wilson, Chief  
Rockton Fire Protection District

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