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

Re:

NorthPointe Neighborhood Hospital

Project #24-018

Dear Ms. Savage,

I write to express my wholehearted support for the NorthPointe Health & Wellness Neighborhood Hospital project. As a practicing primary care physician with 26 years of experience, I have had the privilege of witnessing firsthand the importance of accessible and high-quality care within a community. During this time, many of my patients have benefited from the robust continuum of services offered at NorthPointe. The health and wellness center currently houses a medically integrated fitness center, immediate care center, various healthcare related ancillary diagnostic and treatment services, an ambulatory surgery center, Birthing Center, physician offices/clinics, and assisted living center.

With the rising prevalence of chronic diseases and related complications within our community, it is evident that there is a need for expanded resources and services to meet the growing demand for emergency and inpatient care. Beloit Health System's neighborhood hospital proposal demonstrates a thoughtful approach to addressing these healthcare needs in our region. Having reviewed the details of the proposal, I am impressed by the emphasis placed on evidence-based practices and patient-centered care.

I strongly support expanding inpatient and emergency options in the area and urge the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve the proposal.

Sincerely.

Dr. Robert Lisek