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

Re: Project 24-018, NorthPointe Neighborhood Hospital, Roscoe, Illinois

Dear Chair Savage,

I am writing to express my strong support for the NorthPointe Health & Wellness Neighborhood Hospital project. As a practicing primary care physician, I have had the opportunity to witness the significant impact of accessible and high-quality healthcare services on our community. Many of my patients have benefited from the robust continuum of care available at NorthPointe, which includes a medically integrated fitness center, an immediate care center, various healthcare diagnostic and treatment services, an ambulatory surgery center, a birthing center, physician offices and clinics, and an assisted living center. With the growing prevalence of chronic diseases and related complications in our community, it is clear that we need additional resources and services to meet the increasing demand for emergency and inpatient care. Beloit Health System's proposal for a neighborhood hospital is a thoughtful approach to addressing these healthcare needs. Having reviewed the proposal, I am impressed by the focus on evidence-based practices and patient-centered care. I strongly support the expansion of inpatient and emergency services in our area and urge the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve the proposal.

Best regards,

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