

June 21, 2024

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,

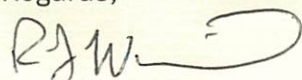
As an endocrinologist serving our community, I am writing to express my full support for the NorthPointe Health & Wellness Neighborhood Hospital project. My practice involves managing complex hormonal and metabolic disorders such as diabetes, thyroid diseases, and osteoporosis. These conditions require ongoing, coordinated care and access to a variety of healthcare services.

NorthPointe currently provides a robust continuum of care that includes a medically integrated fitness center, immediate care facilities, diagnostic and treatment centers, an ambulatory surgery center, a birthing center, physician offices, and an assisted living center. This comprehensive approach is essential for my patients, particularly those with diabetes, who benefit greatly from the integration of medical, fitness, and support services under one roof.

With the rising prevalence of metabolic and endocrine disorders in our community, there is an urgent need for expanded resources to manage the increasing demand for emergency and inpatient care. The Beloit Health System's proposal for a neighborhood hospital is a well-conceived plan that addresses these growing healthcare needs with a thoughtful and strategic approach.

I have reviewed the proposal and am particularly impressed by its focus on evidence-based practices and patient-centered care. The proposed expansion will significantly improve access to necessary healthcare services for my patients, ensuring they receive timely and effective treatment. I strongly urge the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve this proposal, as it will enhance the quality and accessibility of healthcare in our region.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Weirich', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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