

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

Re: Project #24-018
NorthPointe Neighborhood Hospital

Dear Ms. Savage,

As a primary care physician who has served the local community for 17 years, I strongly support the neighborhood hospital proposal that is currently under consideration for a Certificate of Need (CON). Within my practice, I am responsible for managing chronic conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, asthma, and heart disease. I work collaboratively with my patients to develop personalized treatment plans, monitor disease progression, adjust medications, and provide ongoing support to optimize health outcomes. Unfortunately, there are inevitably times when patients require urgent attention for acute illnesses or injuries. When a patient of mine experience's chest pain, difficulty breathing, or any other emergency event, quick intervention is of utmost importance.

It is my firm belief that, by establishing an emergency department and hospital on the NorthPointe Health & Wellness Campus, Beloit Health System will save lives and prevent many complications. Their proposal demonstrates a clear understanding of the healthcare challenges our community faces and a commitment to addressing them in a cost-effective manner by making use of shelled space within an existing facility. A smaller format hospital brings the resources the community needs without the large expense of a bigger facility.

Beloit has my full support for their proposal, as it aligns with the needs of our community and will enhance access to healthcare in our region. I urge the HFSRB to support it.

Sincerely,



Jack Wang, MD
Family Medicine Physician