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Debra Savage, Chair, Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board 525 W. Jefferson, 2nd Floor Springfield, IL 62761

The NorthPointe Neighborhood hospital being proposed would be an incredible addition to the community. With a state-of-the-art and community needs first design, this will meet the growing demand from the local surroundings. As one of the only Medically Integrated Wellness campuses in a 50-mile radius this facility could be a one of a kind and a flagship for future adaptation by other facilities as a model for capacity to take patients the full gamut of admission to recovery. We can also be the focal point to address an even more expansive idea of preventative care moving forward to help those from experiencing relapse. The additional facilities will help serve the health care needs of a close constituency to the area. The additions of the emergency room, multiple beds and operating rooms will fill a gap of necessity stabilizing the area and shortening commute times for the population to receive necessary care currently outside a target radius. This will bolster the ability of the Stateline community to provide the best potential access, level of care and other ancillary services that will keep our community constituents closer to home and in a more familiar and comfortable environment for the near future.

I urge you to approve this proposal. The improvement to public health is not the only reason as the economic development and the quality-of-life improvement the beneficiaries will see should also be taken into consideration. I unequivocally support building a new community hospital in our area for the previously stated reasons above, and I believe it to be in the best interest of the community for you to concur.

Thank you,

Ken German CEO