



Thomas P. McNamara
Mayor
Office of the Mayor

February 10, 2025

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson St., Second Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Opposition to Proposed NorthPointe Neighborhood Hospital

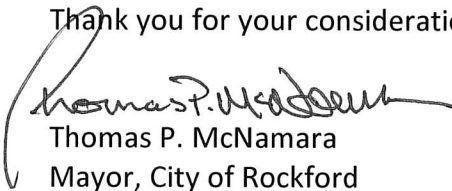
Dear Chairwoman Savage,

As you know, I oppose Beloit Health System, Inc.'s proposed NorthPointe Neighborhood Hospital in Roscoe, Illinois. The proposed project is only 11 miles from the community I represent, and I remain deeply concerned that, should the project move forward, not only will the existing healthcare facilities in our community suffer but so will our residents.

During its testimony at the Board's October 2024, meeting, Beloit Health System spoke frequently of their ability to transport patients who need more than a low acuity of care. This is a clear indication of their intention to move patients out of the community, regardless of their statements to the contrary. There is simply no need for a low acuity, 10-bed, hospital when there are three full-service hospitals mere miles from Roscoe where patients can be easily treated full the full range of potential concerns without having to wait for either a transport to another location or for the arrival of an off-location specialist.

I strongly urge you to continue to oppose the establishment of a new hospital and instead send the message to all health care facilities in neighboring states that Illinois resources are for Illinois facilities and not theirs to take.

Thank you for your consideration.


Thomas P. McNamara
Mayor, City of Rockford