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

Dear Members of the Review Board,

I am pleased to write on behalf of Olive-Harvey College to express our strong support for Advocate Trinity Hospital's proposed construction of a modern, high-tech replacement community hospital. This exciting project will bring essential healthcare programs to meet the unique needs of the Southeast Side.

Our community has long recognized the critical need for enhanced healthcare services in our area. The proposed replacement hospital by Advocate Trinity represents a significant and much-needed investment in the health and well-being of our residents. This new facility will introduce state-of-the-art medical technology and advanced treatments, ensuring that all individuals have access to the highest quality of care.

As a cornerstone institution on Chicago's South Side, Olive-Harvey College has been dedicated to serving the community for over 50 years. Our college, located in the Pullman neighborhood, is one of the nation's largest community college districts and the largest in Illinois and is a vital educational and economic resource, providing workforce training and academic programs that empower our students and support local businesses. We are committed to fostering community development and improving the quality of life for our neighbors.

Advocate Trinity Hospital has been a steadfast partner, delivering extensive healthcare services to our community for more than 100 years. The new hospital will be designed to more effectively meet the needs of all community members, especially those who are most vulnerable

We are excited to support Advocate Trinity in this transformative endeavor to improve the health outcomes of our community.

Thank you for considering this important project. Please feel free to contact me if you need any further information or assistance.

Sincerely,

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