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

RE: Advocate Trinity Hospital's Proposed Replacement Hospital Project

Dear Ms. Savage,

I am writing on behalf of The Salvation Army to express our enthusiastic support for Advocate Trinity Hospital's proposed construction of a modern, state-of-art new replacement community hospital.

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

The Salvation Army is a nonprofit charitable organization under Section 501(c)(3) and has 39 community centers where we serve those in need throughout City of Chicago. We are made up of thousands of officers, soldiers, staff, volunteers, donors, and partners working together to holistically meet the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of our most vulnerable neighbors. We do this through programs designed to combat homelessness and hunger, provide safe spaces for kids after school and on the weekends, achieve and maintain sobriety, and give hope to the hopeless. Advocate Trinity Hospital has been a strong and loyal partner, providing comprehensive healthcare services to our community for over 100 years. The replacement hospital will be designed to better serve all members of our community, including those who are most vulnerable. We welcome the opportunity to support Advocate Trinity in improving the health outcomes of our community.

Thank you for your consideration of this exciting and important project. Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Alison Friduss

Executive Director of Advancement

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