



Victory Christian International Ministries

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

Dear Chairwoman Savage and the Members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board:

"Bless You with Love and Happiness!"

As the Senior Pastor of Victory Christian International Ministries and the President/CEO of the Southland Ministerial Health Network, and the Victory Christian Covenant Churches International, I am sending this letter in support of Advocate Health Care's \$1 billion investment in the South Side of Chicago and the Southland Region. This initiative will lead to a significant step towards the closing of the 30-year life expectancy gap between the Southside of Chicago, the South Suburban region and the North Sides of Chicago. It will further demonstrate a profound commitment to our community's health and well-being.

The creation of ten (10) new Neighborhood Care locations in familiar spaces like our churches and community centers ensures accessible healthcare. Advocate's investment in managing chronic diseases and addressing social determinants of health is vital to our community. Furthermore, the plan to build a state-of-the-art hospital by revitalizing the former U.S. Steel South Works site into a modern facility will provide advanced treatments and high-quality care tailored to our community's needs.

We believe in the power of community and mutual support. Advocate's project honors our strengths and addresses critical health disparities. We are eager to collaborate to enhance the health and wellness of the South Side.

With appreciation and optimism,

Apostle Carl L. White, Jr., Senior Pastor

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