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IHFSRB Staff,

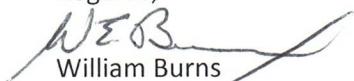
As a lifetime resident of Ottawa, IL, I would like to state my **opposition** to OSF's project 25-013, dealing with Intensive Care Unit and the Obstetrics Unit. As the current President of a 100+ year old manufacturing company in Ottawa, that was one of the founding corporate members of the previous CHO hospital, I find it hard to believe this move along with their total proposal for Ottawa, has Ottawa's best interest in mind. As an employer, it will be more difficult to attract employees from other areas, along with additional travel times that will be incurred by current employees.

The current state of health care in this area certainly points to the fact that this growing community needs a full health care facility here. As I review some of the financial information available, it appears, this is not an essential financial decision.

I appeal to the IHFSRB to reject the current 25-013 project, and allow Ottawa to continue with its current and past efficient, accessible and high quality delivery of healthcare.

Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

  
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