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Debra Savage, Chairperson
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Re: Project 26-012 Touchette Regional Hospital/SIHF Healthcare Replacement Hospital

Dear Ms. Savage,

Please accept this letter of support for the proposed new hospital campus in Cahokia Heights, Illinois.

On behalf of the City of Belleville and the community we serve, I strongly support this important project and its consideration by the Health Facilities and Services Review Board. This project represents a critical investment in healthcare access for Cahokia Heights and the surrounding Metro East communities. The proposed 108-bed replacement hospital along Highway 255 will modernize facilities, improve patient care, and ensure long-term sustainability for an essential hospital.

Access to high-quality, comprehensive healthcare services is essential for a growing and diverse community, and this proposed campus will significantly enhance the availability, safety, and continuity of care for patients who rely on Touchette Regional Hospital and SIHF Healthcare.

The City of Belleville respectfully urges the Board to approve Certificate of Need Project 26-012. This project will strengthen the regional healthcare system and improve access to critical services for years to come. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration and your continued commitment to strengthening healthcare access across Illinois.

Sincerely,

Jenny Gain Meyer, MS
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