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Ms. Debra Savage, Chairperson
Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor
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Re: Project 26-012 Touchette Regional Hospital/SIHF Healthcare Replacement Hospital

Dear Ms. Savage,

Please be advised that the Belleville Township High School District 201 is in full support of the proposed new hospital campus in Cahokia Heights, Illinois. On behalf the Belleville District Board of Education and the thousands of students and families, we serve in the Belleville Community; we understand the positive impact this could have on our youth in need.

As educational leaders, we understand deeply that a child's ability to learn, grow, and succeed in the classroom is inextricably linked to their health, safety, and stability at home and in the community. Of paramount importance to our school district is the inclusion of a dedicated 24-bed Adolescent Behavioral Health unit for youth ages 12 to 17. Our educators and social workers see firsthand the worsening mental health crisis affecting young people today. This new unit will be the only adolescent behavioral health facility in the entire state of Illinois South of Springfield. Bringing this specialized, localized care to Cahokia Heights will save lives, preserve families, and provide our students with the immediate, expert intervention they deserve.

Sincerely,

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