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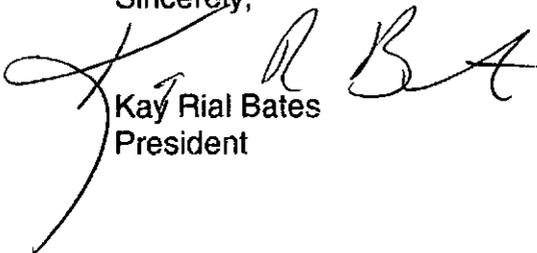
This letter serves to confirm my full support of Mercy Health System's proposed hospital in Crystal Lake. Health services are needed in Crystal Lake and Mercy is a fine organization to service that community.

Being a past patient at Mercy Health System, I am fully aware that Mercy will provide quality health care to the community of Crystal Lake as it has done for the City of McHenry and its neighbors.

I am pleased that, along with needed healthcare services, this project will bring new jobs and tax revenue to McHenry County.

Given the community's need for hospital services and the improved access to healthcare that this project will give, I strongly urge the board to approve the application by Mercy Health System for a new hospital in Crystal Lake.

Sincerely,



Kay Rial Bates  
President