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Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 W. Jefferson Street, Second Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

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Dear Ms. Avery:

I'm a resident of McHenry^{Co} and I'm writing to oppose Mercy's application to build a new hospital in Crystal Lake. This project represents a duplication of healthcare services already in the area. There are already three hospitals in McHenry County and additional hospitals such as Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital, Sherman, St. Alexius and Provena St. Joseph that serve the health needs of McHenry County. Any McHenry County resident can get at least one of these hospitals in a reasonable time so if McHenry county residents are leaving the county to seek healthcare it's by their own choice, not for lack of options. We already have enough hospitals nearby.

I urge the Illinois Health Facilities and Review Board to deny the Mercy proposed new hospital.

Sincerely,

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