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August 9, 2011

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson
Springfield, IL 62761

Project Number: 11-049

Dear Ms. Avery,

I am the State Representative for the 14th District in the Illinois General Assembly. I am writing this letter in support of the proposed merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

Resurrection Health Care hospitals have provided access to high quality care for some of the Chicago area's most challenged communities, including many of my constituents. I am pleased that under the terms of this proposed merger, they will continue to provide the same levels of service to the poor and underserved.

A combined Resurrection Health Care and Provena Health will better position the new system's hospitals, long-term care facilities, outpatient centers and other programs and facilities to continue to serve the patients and communities that have traditionally looked to those facilities and programs for care. This system merger is intended to preserve access to health care; improve financial viability; improve patient, employee, and medical staff satisfaction through a shared culture and integrated leadership; and position the combined system for innovation and adaptation under health care reform.

I fully support the Certificate of Need that will bring this hospital into the new system formed by the merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kelly Cassidy".

Kelly Cassidy
State Representative, 14th District

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