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Ms. Courtney Avery
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525 West Jefferson
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August 10, 2011

Project Number: 11-049

Dear Ms. Avery,

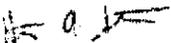
I am the State Senator of the 7th District in the Illinois General Assembly. I am writing this letter in support of the proposed merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

Saint Francis Hospital has provided access to high quality care for 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 Catholic 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,


Heather Steans
State Senator, 7th District

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KELLY CASSIDY
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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,

Kelly Cassidy
State Representative, 14th District

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Larry Suffredin
Commissioner – 13th District
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August 15, 2011

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
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Project number: 11-049

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am pleased to write this letter of support for Resurrection Hospital. I am the Cook County Commissioner of the 13th District representing Saint Francis Hospital and support the proposed merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

Resurrection Hospital has been a staple in my district and long standing friend of the community. The level of high quality care that they provide to underserved populations is extremely beneficial. As a community partner, Resurrection Hospital has undoubtedly helped families grow stronger and lead healthier lives.

Resurrection Hospital has done an excellent job preserving its mission and meeting its goals. The hospital provides compassionate and family-centered care. This in turn improves the health and well-being of its patients and the community. Resurrection Hospital exceeds the expectation of its supporters and has recognized as a national leader in financial and ethical stewardship.

I fully support the Resurrection Hospital in its current endeavor and recommend that its request be approved.

Please contact me at (847) 864-1209 if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

Larry Suffredin
Cook County Commissioner, 13th District

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August 17, 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 writing on behalf of Misericordia Heart of Mercy on Chicago's north side. We are neighbors of Saints Francis Hospital and have partnered with them on a number of projects. I am writing this letter in support of the proposed merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

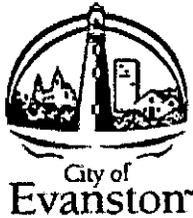
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I fully support the Certificate of Need that will bring this hospital into the new system formed by the merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

Sincerely,

Father Jack Clair
Misericordia Heart of Mercy



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Elizabeth B. Tisdahl
Mayor

August 10, 2011

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
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Project Number: 11-049

Dear Ms. Avery,

I am writing as the Mayor of the city of Evanston to voice my support for the proposed merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care. Saint Francis Hospital has been an invaluable asset to my community and to some of my most underserved constituents.

Resurrection Health Care hospitals have provided access to high quality care for some of the Chicago area's most challenged communities. 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.

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Sincerely,

Elizabeth Tisdahl
Mayor

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August 16, 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,

As the State Representative for the 18th District in the Illinois General Assembly, I would like to voice my 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 own 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. The presence of a Resurrection Health Care facility in my community is such an institution that I cannot fathom losing such a valuable asset, and I know every other community served by Resurrection feels the same way.

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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. Please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions you may have.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robyn Gabel".

Robyn Gabel, State Representative, 18th District



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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 Superintendent of the Evanston Community Consolidated School District 65. I am writing this letter in support of the proposed merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

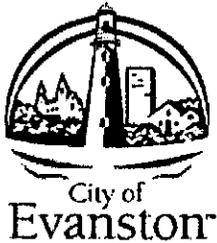
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Sincerely,

Hardy Murphy, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools



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August 16, 2011

Ms. Courtney Avery
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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
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Dear Ms. Avery:

I am the Director of the City of Evanston Health Department and a member of the Saint Francis Hospital neighborhood community relations committee. I am writing this letter in support of the proposed merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

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Sincerely,

Evonda Thomas RN, MSN DHA (c)
Director, Evanston Health Department

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August 15, 2011

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Springfield, IL 62761
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Dear Ms. Avery,

I am the District Office Director for Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin and a member of the Saint Francis Hospital neighborhood community relations committee. I am writing this letter in support of the proposed merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

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Sincerely,

Karen Chavers

Karen Chavers
District Office Director

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August 18, 2011

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

RE: Project Number 11-0244

Dear Ms. Avery,

I am writing to support the Certificate of Need that will permit the proposed merger of Provena Health and Resurrection Health Care.

Access Community Health Network (ACCESS) is the state's largest private provider of primary health care for low income patients and well as region's largest federally qualified health center (FQHC) organization.

ACCESS and St. Francis Hospital in Evanston have established a noteworthy partnership to better serve the greater Evanston community, providing extended primary care hours in a patient centered medical home for are families, improved continuity of care for low income patients, and a forward-looking preventive and community health orientation to care. Our partnership leverages the strengths of the FQHC program to operate a sustainable medical residency program with unique features such as training future physicians to screen for and address substance use.

The proposed merger will provide an even stronger platform for system-wide, sustainable innovation in community-wide access to care and population health management based on this model.

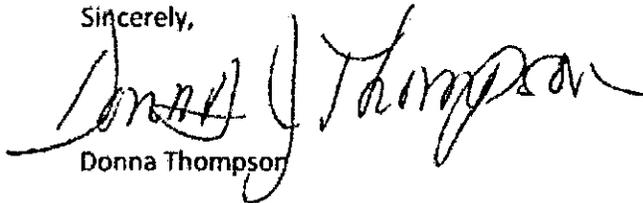
ACCESS looks forward to a long and productive relationship with the new health system that will be achieved through this proposed merger. Thank you for your consideration of this letter of support.

Bernie Sullivan
President, Board of Directors

Donna Thompson
Chief Executive Officer

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Sincerely,



Donna Thompson