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December 13, 2011

VIA U.S. MAIL

Mr. Dale Galassie  
Chair, Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 W. Jefferson St., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761

**RE: Letter of Support for Palos Hills Surgery Center, LLC**

Dear Mr. Galassie:

I am writing this letter to express my strong support for the approval of Palos Hills Surgery Center, LLC. At Standard Bank & Trust Company, we believe in the value of community entrepreneurship. As such, I ask that you accept the application of Dr. Gary Kronen and Dr. Anton Fakhouri so that they may open their facility and offer care with greater effectiveness, efficiency, and access than what is currently available.

Both doctors have an outstanding reputation in the community. They are well known as skilled physicians and responsible citizens. Their proposed ambulatory surgery center is part of their ongoing efforts to improve both the quality and availability of care to patients, and would be a financially sound asset to the local economy.

Additionally, the establishment of Palos Hills Surgery Center would improve patient access to highly specialized care. Drs. Kronen and Fakhouri are known to be at the top of their specialty; it is without doubt that they would offer the most expert care for injuries in their chosen field. Palos Hills Surgery Center would offer a full spectrum of services not otherwise available, and would allow the revenue it generates to further benefit its patients by staying local.

For all these reasons, I fully support the establishment of Palos Hills Surgery Center, LLC and I ask that you approve its Certificate of Need application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mohammed Abunada', with a small 'M.A.' monogram below it.

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