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12-047

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Again, I apologize for the system malfunction. Please disregard all previous letters of support.

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August 21, 2012

Michael Constantino
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street
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Re: Fresenius Medical Care Plainfield (No. 12-047)

Mr. Constantino,

I would like to express my support for the dialysis clinic that Fresenius Medical Care would like to open at 24020 Riverwalk Court in Plainfield.

It is my understanding that the new facility will help address the growing need for dialysis services in the area, easing the burden on staff at existing clinics that are currently operating at or above capacity and making it easier for local patients to get the appointment times they need.

Access to care is an important issue for me and my constituents. I am very attuned to health care issues and dedicated to providing individuals with sufficient medical access and, when possible, a better quality of life.

I believe local, community-based medical facilities are vital because they allow residents to stay nearer to their homes and spend more time at work, with their loved ones or otherwise enjoying productive lives.

Studies have also shown that access and continuity of care are especially important for chronic care patients, and that having a medical "home" helps reduce health care costs as well as medical complications.

I strongly believe adding needed medical facilities to the area will benefit residents in my district, and give my full support to Fresenius Medical Care's proposed Plainfield dialysis center.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Holmes". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Senator Linda Holmes
42nd District