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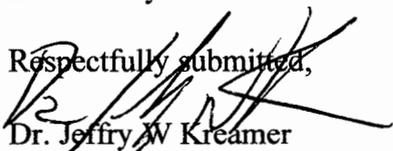
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Best Practices is a group of 41 health care professionals that practice throughout Lake and Cook counties in Illinois. We serve on staff at many local hospitals and extended care facilities. The proposed new hospital does not serve the interests of the residents in Lake County.

There are already **SIX** hospitals in the county, not to mention all the surgery centers, urgent care clinics, doctors' offices, etc. In this climate, the duplication of available resources will dilute the pool of patients to the detriment of not only the current service providers, but of the new provider as well and this dilution will eventually erode their ability to provide high quality care.

In this time of scarce resources for allocation, there is no reasonable justification for this new facility.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Dr. Jeffrey W. Kreamer  
President and Chief Medical Officer  
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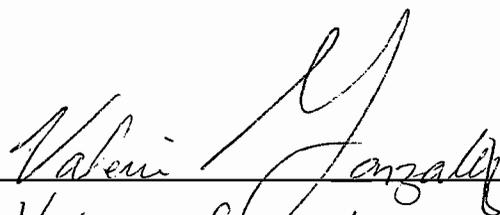
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Printed Name:

Valerie Gonzalez

Address:

6968 Dada Drive

City/State/ZIP:

Gurnee IL 60031

Date:

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Printed Name: Leslie K. Thummel-Peterson  
Address: 33583 N Greentree Rd  
City/State/ZIP: Wildwood, IL 60030-1947  
Date: 11/5/12

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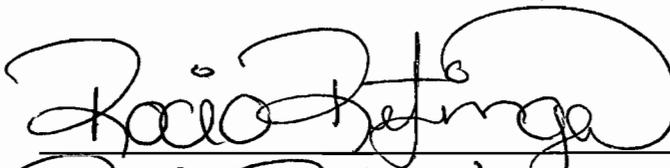
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Printed Name:

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Address:

315 Dunbar Rd

City/State/ZIP:

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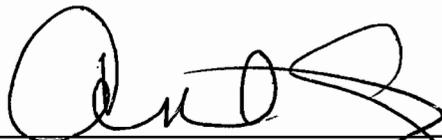
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Printed Name:

Anelle Choiree

Address:

801 S. Milwaukee

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Signature: Denise Nagode  
Printed Name: Denise Nagode  
Address: 801 S. Milwaukee Ave  
City/State/ZIP: Libertyville, IL 60048  
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Signature: Kristin Knudson  
Printed Name: Kristin Knudson  
Address: 300 Ambria Dr  
City/State/ZIP: Mundelein, IL 60060  
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Printed Name: ELLEN J MILLER  
Address: 1996 CARILLON DR  
City/State/ZIP: GRAYS LAKE IL 60030  
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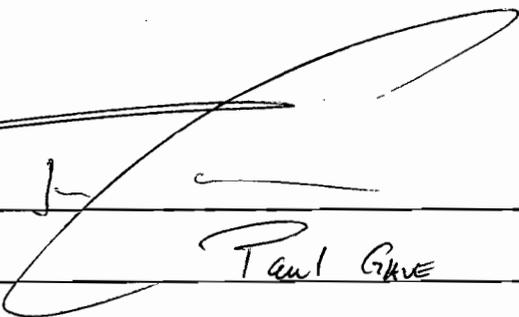
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Printed Name:

Linda S. Nixon

Address:

857 Pine Hill Dr

City/State/ZIP:

Antioch IL 60002

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Signature: Beverly Greiner  
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Address: 25851 W. Laneville Dr.  
City/State/ZIP: Ingleside, IL 60041  
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Printed Name: Johanna Fields  
Address: 453 E Stockton apt  
City/State/ZIP: Round Lake Park, IL 60073  
Date: 11/4/2012

City/State/ZIP: Round Lake Heights, IL 60073  
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Address: 2011 Winding Waters Lane  
City/State/ZIP: Lindenhurst, IL 60046  
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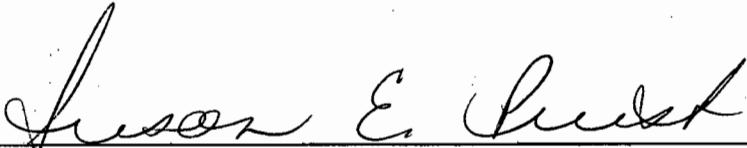
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Printed Name: Susan E. Prust

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  Ms. Susan Prust  
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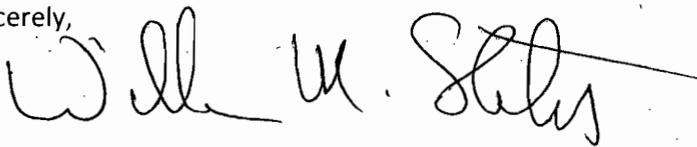
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