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Constantino, Mike

From: Avery, Courtney
Sent: Friday, March 29, 2013 10:59 AM
To: Constantino, Mike
Subject: FW: HFSRB_Board_Matters

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From: mary ellen casey [mailto:kcclan@comcast.net]
Sent: Thursday, March 28, 2013 8:37 PM
To: Avery, Courtney
Subject: HFSRB_Board_Matters

Dear Ms. Avery,

I was extremely disappointed to learn that the HFSR Board plans to deny Vista Health System's request to build a hospital in Lindenhurst. I am a resident of Antioch Illinois and feel that this area is definitely underserved in regards to access to nearby hospital facilities. In calculating the distance from my home to a nearby hospital, whether it is Condell, Vista or Centegra, the average distance is 20 miles with an estimated travel time of 35 minutes. The distance from my home to the proposed site of the Vista Health System's hospital is approximately 7 miles or 10 minutes. A difference of 25 minutes could be fatal when just a few minutes could be the difference between life or death. Would another hospital in this area reduce the need for the frequent air transport/flight for life calls? I would ask the Board to take into account the elderly population of Antioch and the surrounding areas when making this decision.

I encourage the Board to reconsider their denial of this facility.

Mary Ellen Casey