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March 4, 2013

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Re: Metroeast Endoscopic Surgery Center
Project 12-105
Letter of Opposition

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept this letter as formal indication of Memorial Hospital's opposition to the project referenced above.

We believe there is capacity currently available in the area and we are concerned about the precedent that an approval of an additional single specialty surgery center would set for our community. St. Clair County is served by three hospitals, each having the rooms, equipment and staff to provide the services proposed for the project. In addition, there are three multi-specialty surgery centers, capable of providing an appropriate setting for the proposed procedures, all operating at 21 – 47% utilization, based on the most recent IDPH data.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Mark J. Turner'.

Mark J. Turner
President and CEO