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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761  
Attention: Courtney Avery, State Board Administrator

**Dear Board Members:**

We are [Young professionals in Attorneys Universities Students, Accountants Etxc. And we are writing to express our support for Preferred SurgiCenter's certificate of need permit application (CON Project No. 13-007). Furthermore, We respectfully request that you vote to approve this application as it would be beneficial to the area's residents. Dr. Rustom's plan for this center will enhance access to health care services in Orland Park, Illinois and many of its surrounding communities. Addressing the needs of an underserved population will also help reduce health disparities that exist in the Arab American community.

Due to my extensive experience in health care, I truly believe the surgery center's approval will result in the following:

- Approval will lead to increased access to healthcare services, especially for persons in need of charity care services, Medicaid, and also, for persons of Arabic descent who have special needs.
- A more diverse choice in healthcare providers.
- High quality surgical care in a convenient location, easily accessible to most of the area's major interstates and major traffic routes.

PAYL kindly request that you approve this application, which will allow Preferred SurgiCenter to expand the health care options available to residents of the community. I believe the project is both necessary and in the best interest of our community.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Executive Director/ Jimmy Zayyad

[Orland Park, IL 60467

08/21/ 2013

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson St., 2nd Floor  
Springfield IL 62761  
Attention: Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator

**Re: Project 13-007 (Preferred SurgiCenter, LLC)**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please let the board members know that I fully support CON project 13-007, which is proposing the establishment of a multi-specialty surgery center in Orland Park, Illinois.

I am a business owner who understands the health care marketplace in Chicago's southwest suburbs. This is a necessary project that should be approved because it addresses the unmet needs to my community's residents. For the following reasons, I ask the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to support the CON project submitted by Preferred SurgiCenter.

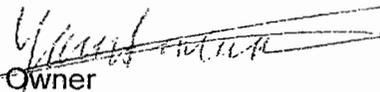
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- The surgery center will also save the state money. Generally, surgery centers cost less than hospital services providing the same type of care, in some cases cost is 75% of the equivalent level of care provided in a hospital-based setting.

For the reasons noted above, I ask the Board to approve this CON application.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Yousif Marei



Owner

Islamic and Arab Community Service Office  
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Pat Quinn, Governor

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Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761

RE: Preferred SurgiCenter (CON Project 13-007)

Dear Ms. Avery:

At the encouragement of the Arab American community, I am writing to express support for the certificate of need (CON) application submitted by Preferred SurgiCenter (Project Number 13-007).

This multi-specialty surgery center would be an important resource for community members in Orland Park. In addition it would bring religiously, culturally, and linguistically competent health care to address the needs of Muslims and Arabs. I am told that Dr. Naser Rustom and his colleagues and staff have gained the trust and respect of the community over decades of quality work.

I ask the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to give careful consideration to this CON project. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Edwin B. Silverman, Chief  
Bureau of Refugee and Immigrant Services  
Division of Family and Community Services



## HUMANITARIAN RELIEF FOUNDATION

HRF  
[9944 S. Roberts Rd.  
Palos hills, IL 60465

08/14/ 2013

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson St., 2nd Floor  
Springfield IL 62761  
Attention: Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator

**Re: Project 13-007 (Preferred SurgiCenter, LLC)**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please let the board members know that the HRFI fully support CON project 13-007, which is proposing the establishment of a multi-specialty surgery center in Orland Park, Illinois.

HRF board and members understands the health care marketplace in Chicago's southwest suburbs. This is a necessary project that should be approved because it addresses the unmet needs of our community's residents. For the following reasons, I ask the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to support the CON project submitted by Preferred SurgiCenter.

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For the reasons noted above, I ask the Board to approve this CON application. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dr. Ghassan Barakat', written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Ghassan Barakat.  
President

[hrfchgo@gmail.com](mailto:hrfchgo@gmail.com)

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August 23, 2013

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761  
Attention: Courtney Avery, State Board Administrator

Dear Board Members:

I am a practicing internal medicine physician working locally. All physicians are taught to be patient advocates. As a community, we try our best to help our patients achieve the best possible health outcomes. We try to accommodate their needs as much as possible. I have witnessed health care clinics, hospitals, and other providers meet the needs of the specific population inhabiting that area and how much of a difference it can make in securing health care services for those groups.

I am writing to express my support for Preferred SurgiCenter's certificate of need permit application (CON Project No. 13-007). Furthermore, I respectfully request that you vote to approve this application as it would be beneficial to the area's residents. Dr. Rustom's plan for this center will enhance access to health care services in Orland Park, Illinois and many of its surrounding communities. Addressing the needs of an underserved population will also help reduce health disparities that exist in the Arab and Muslim American community.

With my experiences, I believe the surgery center's approval will result in the following:

- Increased access to healthcare services for an underserved community, including those of Arab descent and Muslim faith, who may have unique needs.
- A more diverse choice in healthcare providers.

I kindly request that you approve this application, which will allow Preferred SurgiCenter to expand the health care options available to residents of the community. I believe the project is both necessary and in the best interest of the community.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Hythem Zayed MD MPH

10910 Scarlet Drive  
Orland Park, IL 60467

Aug 16,2013

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson St., 2nd Floor  
Springfield IL 62761  
Attention: Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator

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For the reasons noted above, I ask the Board to approve this CON application. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Nick Ghusein  
President  
Eva's Bridal –Orland Park  
15641 South 94 Th Ave  
Orland Park,IL 60462

**Dr. Rula Barakat**  
**17331 Highwood Drive**  
**Orland Park, IL 60465**

08/13, 2013

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Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson St., 2nd Floor  
Springfield IL 62761  
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I understand the health care marketplace in Chicago's southwest suburbs. This is a necessary project that should be approved because it addresses the unmet needs of my community's residents. For the following reasons, I ask the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to support the CON project submitted by Preferred SurgiCenter.

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Sincerely,



Dr. Rula Barakat ( Pharmacologist)

August 15, 2013

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Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson St., 2nd Floor  
Springfield IL 62761  
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Dear Ms. Avery:

Please let the board members know that I fully support CON project 13-007, which is proposing the establishment of a multi-specialty surgery center in Orland Park, Illinois.

I am a community activist who understands the health care marketplace in Chicago's southwest suburbs. This is a necessary project that should be approved because it addresses the unmet needs of my community's residents. For the following reasons, I ask the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to support the CON project submitted by Preferred Surgi-Center.

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For the reasons noted above, I ask the Board to approve this CON application. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Miriam Zayed  
Secretary American Arabian Ladies Society  
9110 Sheri Lane  
Orland Park, IL 60462

August 15, 2013

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
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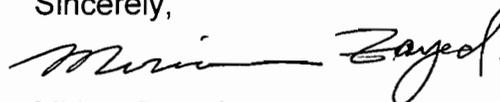
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As an officer of the Beitunia Club of Palestine, our community numbers over 30,000. This surgi-center would be an asset to our community and offer the needed healthcare services.

For the reasons noted above, I ask the Board to approve this CON application. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Miriam Zayed  
Beitunia Club of Palestine  
9110 Sheri Lane  
Orland Park, IL 60462

**SANAD Social Services**  
**3302 W. 63<sup>rd</sup> St.**  
**Chicago, Illinois 60629**

August 15, 2013

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761

***RE: Preferred SurgiCenter (CON Project 13-007)***

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing to express my support for the certificate of need (CON) application submitted by Preferred SurgiCenter (PSC) and to ask the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to approve this proposal. As an Arab and Muslim American who lives within the geographic service area proposed by PSC, I am very hopeful that a medical provider wants to establish a surgery center that is willing and able to meet our community's special health care needs. Unfortunately, our communities have experienced first-hand problems with attempting to obtain health care services from existing hospitals and surgery centers that are not culturally sensitive and fail to consider my religious values and customs. PSC's proposal is an important step towards ensuring that Arab, Muslim Americans and other communities are able to obtain care from physicians and staff who understand our needs.

PSC makes two pledges that I believe must be taken into account by the State Board. First, PSC has promised to provide bilingual staff. Having physicians, nurses, and/or staff members who speak Arabic or other languages will guarantee that appropriate diagnoses can be made, proper services are delivered, and necessary follow up care is provided. A patient's description of his or her symptoms must be taken by a translator who is fluent in these languages to see that the patient's explanations are not lost in translation. Second, PSC promised to hire or contract with male and female physicians, nurses and other staff members. PSC knows that the gender of a health care professional is a top concern of Muslim American patients, and hiring or contracting with female care staff will maximize PSC's ability to deliver same gender care when such care is requested by an Arab or Muslim American patient. It is important to note that no other hospital or surgery center in the proposed geographic service area offers us this choice.

This project is also necessary because it will help patients who are poor and those who are uninsured or underinsured obtain needed surgical services. This is alignment with the

mission and values of SANAD. PSC has promised to become a Medicaid provider and to offer a robust charity care program at the Orland Park surgery center. Many Arab and Muslim Americans need these programs to obtain health care services.

For these reasons, I ask the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to support CON project 13-007. Please vote to approve the CON application filed by Preferred SurgiCenter. I believe the project is necessary and will meet a long-standing need in the Arab, Middle Eastern and Muslim American community.  
Thank you, in advance, for your support and consideration.

Sincerely,



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August 17, 2013

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson St., 2nd Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

Attention: Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator

**Re: Project 13-007 (Preferred SurgiCenter, LLC)**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As a Professor of Medicine at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine and staff physician at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, I would like to express my strong support for CON project 13-007, the proposed establishment of a multi-specialty surgery center in Orland Park, Illinois.

At Northwestern Medicine, I am the Director of the Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine Fellowship Program, a position I have held for the past 17 years. In this role, I oversee the largest training program for physicians subspecializing in the field of pulmonary and critical care medicine in the state of Illinois. Graduates of the Northwestern program work in hospitals and medical practices across the Chicago region and the nation. Because I assist these individuals in obtaining their professional positions upon graduation, I am quite familiar with the health care market place throughout Chicagoland, including Chicago's southwest suburbs. In my judgment, the proposed CON 13-007 project should be approved by the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board because it addresses critical unmet needs of the residents of the southwest suburban community and surrounding area. For the following specific reasons, I urge the Review Board to favorably consider the CON project submitted by Preferred SurgiCenter.

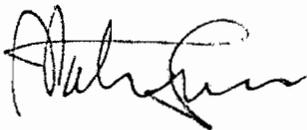
- The proposed surgery center would increase access to health care services, especially to persons of Arab American descent, who are to a large degree not enfranchised within the local health care system and in the U.S. generally.
- The proposed surgery center would decrease health disparities in the Arab American community by giving this population group a place where they feel comfortable obtaining services.

- The proposed surgery center will likely save the State of Illinois money. Generally, services at surgery centers cost less than the same types of care provided at hospitals. For a variety of services, costs may be up to 25% less at a surgery than for equivalent care in a hospital-based setting.

In summary, there is a strong rationale for establishment of a new surgery center dedicated to serving the Arab American, Muslim and wider southwest suburban population. In addition to providing quality health care to these communities, the proposed surgery center will be cost-effective. I therefore urge the Review Board to grant approval for the CON 13-007 project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter H. S. Sporn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and "S".

Peter H. S. Sporn, MD  
Professor of Medicine  
Director, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine Fellowship Program



# The Prayer Center of Orland Park

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*In the Name of God, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful*

August 20, 2013

Courtney Avery  
Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson St., 2nd Floor  
Springfield IL 62761

**Re: Project 13-007 (Preferred SurgiCenter, LLC)**

Dear Ms. Avery:

We believe the presence of a surgical center in the heart of Orland Square will be a boost to the economy and would provide a beneficial service to a growing community.

Sincerely,

Dr. Mohamed Krad  
President  
The Prayer Center of Orland Park

*The Prayer Center of Orland Park was established to worship the one and only God, the God of Abraham, Moses, Jesus, and the Last Messenger, Muhammad. Peace be upon all of them.*



Aasim I. Padela, MD, MSc  
*Director of the Initiative on Islam and Medicine*  
*Assistant Professor of Medicine, Section of Emergency Medicine*  
*Faculty, MacLean Center for Clinical Medical Ethics*

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July 1st, 2013

Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson Street, Second Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62761  
Attention: Courtney Avery, State Board Administrator

Dear Board Members:

I am a physician, health researcher and bioethicist whose scholarship focuses on the healthcare experiences of American Muslims. Accordingly, I direct the Initiative on Islam and Medicine at the University of Chicago where a multidisciplinary group of researchers carry out research that aims to improve the health and healthcare-related experiences of American Muslim patients and healthcare providers.

I have extensive research experience in documenting the strong influence religious beliefs, values and identity has over the health behaviors of American Muslims, and the challenges this group faces in receiving culturally appropriate healthcare. As such I have been contacted by multiple reporters and stakeholders to comment on the appropriateness of Dr. Rustom's proposed ambulatory surgical treatment center. I have even had the opportunity to engage with Dr. Rustom and his team to learn more about his planned center. After reviewing the matter thoroughly, I give my full support to the proposal for a culturally-responsive surgery center that meets the needs of the surrounding Muslim community around Orland Park (CON Project No. 13-007). I believe that Dr. Rustom's plan for this center will enhance access to health care services in Orland Park, Illinois and many of its surrounding communities.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me at the information below.

Sincerely,

Aasim I. Padela MD MSc  
Assistant Professor of Medicine, Sections of Emergency and General Internal Medicine  
Director of the Initiative on Islam and Medicine, Program on Medicine & Religion  
Faculty, Maclean Center for Clinical Ethics  
The University of Chicago  
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CHAIRMAN  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Ronald Bean

July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013

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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
525 West Jefferson St., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield IL 62761

SECRETARY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Deborah Carlson-Kudla

Attention: Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator

TREASURER  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Brent Latta

**Re: Project 13-007 (Preferred SurgiCenter, LLC).**

PARLIAMENTARIAN  
Martha Martinez

Dear Ms. Avery:

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER  
Pam Pullman

On behalf of Community Economic Development Association (CEDA), a community action organization serving clients in the Suburban Cook County within the greater Chicagoland area. I am writing to express our enthusiastic support for the certificate of need (CON) application submitted by Preferred SurgiCenter (Project Number 13-007).

**Executive Committee:**

Lisa K. Anthony  
Honorable Ronald Bean  
Steve Brunton  
Deborah Carlson Kudla  
Craig Chico  
Brent Latta  
Dreina Lewis  
Martha Martinez

This multi-specialty surgery center is an absolute necessity for the community members of ours who live in Orland Park, Illinois. This Surgicenter would be able to serve the needs of the Arab and Muslim community by proving a religiously, culturally, and linguistically competent staff and medical providers. Dr. Naser Rustom and his colleagues and staff have gained the trust and respect of the community over decades of quality work.

**Board Members:**

Diala Chahoud  
Ann M. Cooper  
Susan Erdakos  
Honorable Joseph W. Freelon  
Bernard D. Hackney  
Honorable Lisa Hernandez  
Honorable Mark Madej  
Honorable Lorraine Morton  
Honorable Robert Rita  
Eric Rock  
Robert Romo  
Adrian Soto  
Claudette Struzik  
John T. Thompson

In addition, the surgery center will increase access to health care services for our community members, and help decrease health disparities for Arabs and Muslims by providing a quality health services, comfortable and respectful environment for the health care needs of the Orland Park community.

For these reasons, we are asking the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to support this CON project. This project will address the unmet medical needs of the community resident's in a culturally competent environment. Please feel free to call me at (312) 259-8567 or (708) 222-3824 ext.4822 with questions, or for further information. Thank You.

Member:  
IACAA  
ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF  
COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCIES

Sincerely,

Roberto Montejano, Sr  
Regional Manager

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August 5, 2013

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Dear Ms. Avery:

Please let the board members know that we fully support the CON project 13-007, which is proposing the establishment of a multi-specialty surgery center in Orland Park, Illinois.

I am a business owner, who has been living in Orland Park/Tinley Park for the past twenty-five years. I understand the health care marketplace in Chicago's southwest suburbs. I firmly believe that this necessary project should be approved because it addresses the unmet needs of my community's residents. For the following reasons, I ask the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to support the CON project submitted by Preferred SurgiCenter.

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Dr. Rustom is remarkably known throughout the community for his great work and admiration to serving the community for numerous years.

For the reasons noted above, I ask the Board to **approve** this CON application. Thank you for your consideration, and we sincerely appreciate your support this community project.

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# MPI Media Group

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August 20, 2013

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Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
Illinois Department of Public Health  
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**Re: Project 13-007 (Preferred SurgiCenter, LLC)**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As a citizen of Orland Park for close to 30 years and a business owner for almost 20 years in Orland Park, I support and believe this surgical center will provide a much needed service to a growing community. I understand this center can and will help a growing Arab American community in the area. This will address some of the issues arising from religious beliefs not to mention language barriers.

For those reasons, I hope this center will get the approvals needed to expand this facility into a quality surgical center.

Sincerely,



Malik B. Ali  
CEO  
MPI Media Group



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August 19, 2013

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***RE: Preferred SurgiCenter (CON Project 13-007)***

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am a current resident of the geographic service area of the proposed surgery center that will be located in Orland Park, Illinois. I am also a patient of Dr. Mohamad Alzein. I am writing to express my support for the certificate of need (CON) application submitted by Preferred SurgiCenter (Project Number 13-007).

Despite what the critics have said, this project is necessary. It will be much more convenient for me to obtain services in Orland Park from a health care provider who knows and understands what I need as a Muslim American. For these reasons, I ask the members of the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board to support this CON project. Thank you, in advance, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Rouaida Jir  
Name

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Address

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City, State Zip 60467

August 19, 2013

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Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
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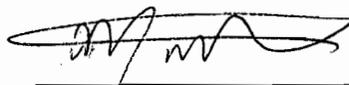
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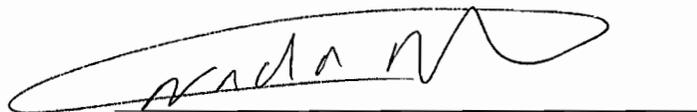
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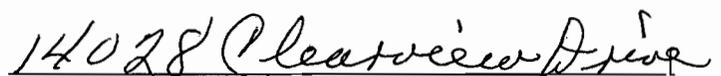
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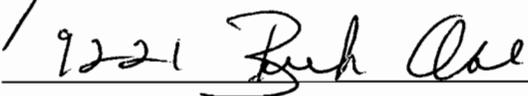
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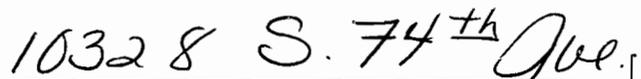
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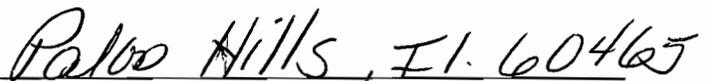
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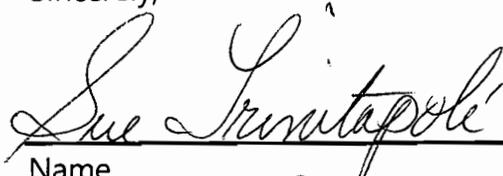
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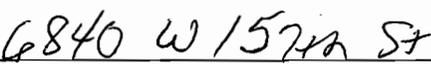
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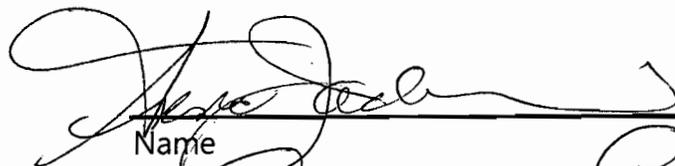
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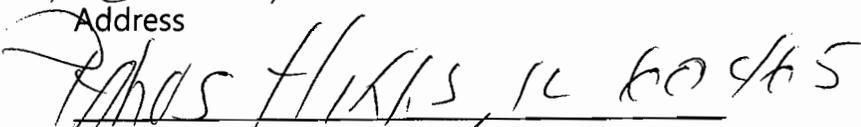
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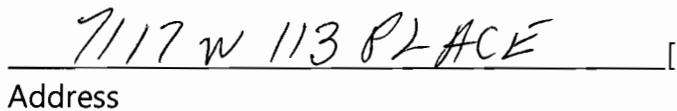
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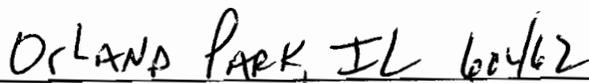
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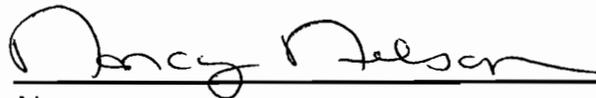
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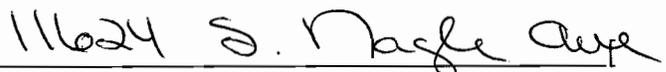
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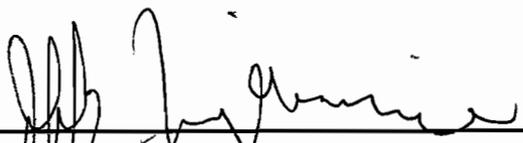
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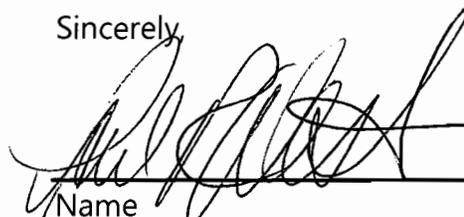
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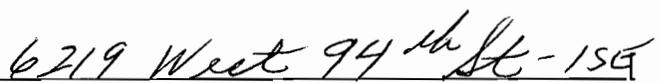
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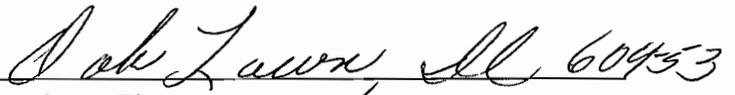
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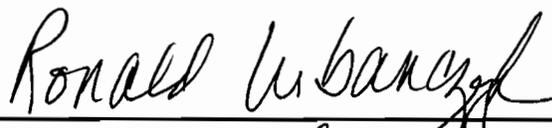
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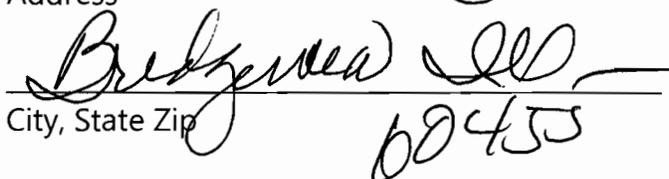
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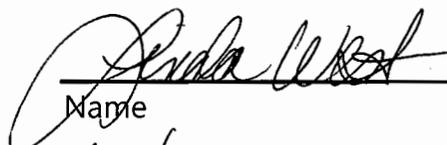
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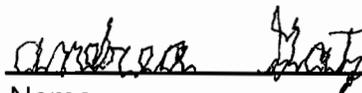
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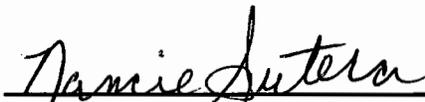
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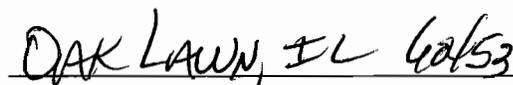
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