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Ms Courtney Avery
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
Illinois Department of Public Health
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am writing this letter in opposition to the CON application by Parkview Home of Freeport, Freeport, IL, Inc. for an increase of 15 licensed general nursing beds. There are several inconsistencies and omissions in the Parkview application that bear pointing out:

- Based on current information on the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board website, the applicant's occupancy for the last five (5) years (2008-2012) has been 76.5% for their licensed nursing beds and even lower (46.9%) for their Shelter beds. They have not exceeded the 90% standard in any year. This does not exhibit a need for additional beds within their own facility.
- The applicant's application lists the Freeport Memorial Hospital Skilled unit as an existing nursing facility in the Stephenson County Planning Area. This facility ceased operations in 2011 and the Health Facilities Services and Review Board inventory shows them as having zero beds and is included in the bed need calculations for the Stephenson County Planning Area.
- The applicant's application does not mention Manor Court of Freeport as a licensed nursing facility in the Stephenson County Planning Area. Manor Court has 117 beds, 96 already licensed and another 21 under construction (FHSRB Project 12-014).
- The applicant's application indicates that Freeport Memorial Hospital Skilled unit is the only 5 Star designated facility in Stephenson County. Manor Court of Freeport has been designated by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services as a 5 Star facility. It received this designation in 2012 and has maintained that level ever since. Manor Court was a 4 Star designated facility prior to receiving the 5 Star designation.

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- Based on HFSRB data, Manor Court of Freeport is the only provider in Stephenson County whose licensed nursing bed occupancy exceeds the 90% standard for the last 5 years (2008-2012), with a licensed nursing bed occupancy ratio of 91.8%. Manor Court converted 12 Shelter beds to skilled in June, 2012 (HFSRB Project 12-014). The 2012 licensed nursing bed occupancy was 93.2%, the Shelter beds occupancy was 99.9% and the occupancy was 94.0% overall.

Finally, according to the November 14, 2013 monthly update to the Inventory of Health Care Facilities and Services, Stephenson County has 83 excess beds in its inventory. This does not justify an increase in licensed beds for the Stephenson County Planning Area.

Thank you for your consideration of my objection.

Sincerely,



Andres Bardelas
Administrator
Manor Court of Freeport

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