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February 7, 2014

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62761

RE: Project 13-072, NorthPointe Health and Wellness Campus Ambulatory
Surgery Treatment Center, Roscoe. Applicant: Beloit Health System, Inc.

Dear Ms. Avery,

Thank you for conducting the Public Hearing on Monday, February 10, 2014 in the Roscoe Village Hall. I am sorry I am unable to attend the Hearing and meet you and Ms. Olson in person. I support the proposed addition of an Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center at NorthPointe for the following reasons.

The Rockton, Roscoe, South Beloit area is a growing community. The NorthPointe Medical Facilities and Wellness Center are the first time our community members have had access to a variety of outstanding medical services close to home. The people in our area have benefited greatly from this facility.

I am 80 years old with the heart condition of Cardiomyopathy. Before NorthPointe was built I went to Rockford for my medical care. NorthPointe is 5 miles from my home and Rockford is 20 miles or more.

I know and trust the people at NorthPointe who provide a variety of my medical needs. The greatest benefit to me is that I go for treatment on a regular basis instead of putting off getting help because of the time and distance spent going to several different facilities in Rockford. I can now go for my physician prescribed exercise classes, my doctor appointments, to the Lab, for hearing tests, get a mammogram or echo cardiogram ultrasound tests, to Immediate Care and educational medical seminars all at the same place, and all very close to home. The result is that I am willing to get medical services more often because it saves time and travel. The reason I am able to avail myself of these services at NorthPointe, at the age of 80, is the 5 mile proximity to my home.

I credit NorthPointe for extending my life and positive lifestyle. I, and my neighbors, would greatly benefit from the advantage of the addition of the proposed Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center at NorthPointe. This proposed facility will increase access to timely ambulatory surgical treatment, which can only benefit the people who will use those services.

I support the proposed addition of an Ambulatory surgical treatment Center at NorthPointe Campus as that additional service would greatly benefit the residents of the communities of Northern Illinois.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Olive M. Samuels". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name.

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cc: Mike Constantino, Supervisor, Project Review Section
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