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November 6, 2014

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

RE: Support of Project #140-043, St. Elizabeth's Hospital replacement

Dear Ms. Avery,

As a volunteer at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, I see the need on a weekly basis that the Hospital needs to be replaced. I see how inconvenient the facilities are to provide the latest in updated care for the patients and for the convenience to the nursing staff to access needed supplies for the latest in up-to-date care of the patients.

As the spouse of a heart attack patient, I feel he received great care and survived with great results. Of that, we are forever grateful. The staff did a great job. When the family was called (5 children) in the middle of the night – the security people directed and helped each one to where the family was located. They could not have found where we were on their own without great trouble. You seem to wander around a lot in the old hospital.

Thank you for allowing me to express my opinion. I definitely see a need for a new hospital. I feel the site that has been selected is a very convenient one to most of the residents in the metro area. We hope that the Board votes for the approval of a new St. Elizabeth's Hospital in O'Fallon.

Sincerely,



Mary Anne Pietroburgo



Jay Pietroburgo
2239 Jack Nicklaus Drive
Belleville, Il. 62220
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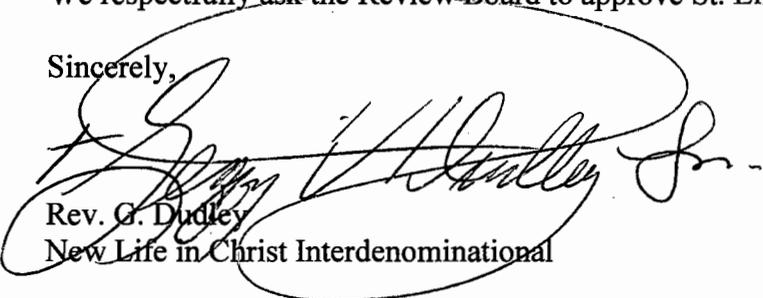
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We believe that in order for St. Elizabeth's to continue their healing ministry, they must change with the times and be allowed to build a new, modern hospital along I-64. The location they have chosen will actually be easier for many of our residents to reach because of the close proximity to the interstate. St. Elizabeth's is also committed to working with St. Clair county transit authorities to increase the number of bus routes serving the site. St. Elizabeth's existing campus is not located near main highways, which limits access for many of those living in underserved areas across the region.

Finally, we recognize that St. Elizabeth's has always, and will continue to care for all of God's brothers and sisters regardless of their ethnicity, race or economic status. All the residents of the Metro East region deserve better access to high-quality health care. They will get that level of care at a new St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

We respectfully ask the Review Board to approve St. Elizabeth's plans.

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Rev. G. Dudley
New Life in Christ Interdenominational

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Pastor New Eve M.B. Church

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Rev. Jerome A. ROGERS, SR.
MODERATOR, New Salem Baptist District