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November 20, 2014

Mr. Mike Constantino
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor
Springfield, Illinois 62761

Re: Project 14-043

Dear Mr. Constantino,

As the newly elected U.S. Representative for Illinois' 12th Congressional District, I am writing to voice my strong support for St. Elizabeth's Hospital's plans to build a 144 bed replacement hospital in O'Fallon, IL.

The constituents that I will be representing in Congress will benefit from having a state-of-the art hospital centrally located along I-64 in St. Clair County. Residents in Illinois should not have to go to Missouri to access world class health care. The replacement hospital that St. Elizabeth's proposes will not only bring the latest medical technology to Southwestern Illinois, it will also help attract and retain physicians in our state. In short, this project will help improve the delivery of health care in the Metro East.

This project will also contribute to the economic vitality of the region. As a member of the Illinois General Assembly since 1995 representing residents in Southern Illinois, I know firsthand that economic development projects like the replacement hospital that St. Elizabeth's proposes do not occur frequently enough. The \$300 million facility will not only create hundreds of construction jobs, but will also spur future investment in St. Clair County for years to come.

For these reasons, I believe approving a Certificate of Need for this project is sound public policy. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mike Bost".

Mike Bost
State Representative
115th District

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

Re: Project 14-043

Dear Ms. Avery,

I am writing to support St. Elizabeth's and Hospital Sisters Health System's plans to build a replacement hospital in O'Fallon, IL. The location of the proposed hospital would be located in my legislative district (Illinois House – 112th) and I feel strongly that this project will greatly benefit my constituents.

Many of my constituents already receive care at St. Elizabeth's in downtown Belleville. While the hospital provides exceptional care and has been recognized as one of the nation's top 50 Cardiovascular Hospitals by Truven Health Analytics and as a Top Performer on Quality Measures by the Joint Commission, the current hospital is outdated and difficult to reach for residents who live in my district.

I applaud St. Elizabeth's decision to replace their 60 year old hospital with a state-of-the-art regional medical center that will serve patients from across Southwestern Illinois. If approved, the new hospital will provide a much needed economic boost to our local economy and set a foundation for future economic growth. In fact, Scott Air Force Base will benefit greatly by having the hospital it partners with closer to where its military and civilian workers live. The medical residency program sponsored by Scott AFB and St. Elizabeth's will have an excellent opportunity to flourish at a new, modern facility.

I'm a firm believer that the Metro East region has untapped potential to compete with St. Louis for businesses and jobs. In order to realize that goal, we need to provide our employers and their workers with access to world class health care. St. Elizabeth's replacement hospital project will do just that.

I respectfully ask for favorable consideration of St. Elizabeth's Certificate of Need application.

Sincerely,

Dwight Kay
Illinois House of Representatives

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RE: In Support of Project #14-043 St. Elizabeth Hospital's replacement in O'Fallon, IL

Dear Ms. Avery:

I'm writing in support of St. Elizabeth Hospital's plans to build a replacement hospital in O'Fallon, IL.

My wife and I have lived in O'Fallon for several years. I had shoulder surgery a couple of years ago and it was very difficult getting in and out of Belleville. I had many appointments there and with my doctor that is just down the street and it seemed every time I went to the appointment, there was some event going on and the streets were blocked. If I had a really severe issue such as a heart attack, I may not make it to the hospital in time.

The O'Fallon hospital location is in the center of the area that St. Elizabeth's serves. Residents who live close to St. Elizabeth's are just a couple of minutes away from Memorial Hospital. This move will better serve the outlying towns and be a state of the art facility for the Metro East area to utilize.

Thank you for the opportunity to show my support for the move of St. Elizabeth's hospital to O'Fallon, IL. I urge you to approve the application for this project.

Sincerely,


Richard A Hankins
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RE: In support of Project #14-043 St. Elizabeth's Hospital's replacement hospital in O'Fallon

Dear Ms. Avery,

This letter is to express my sincere support of a replacement hospital so that St. Elizabeth's Hospital may better serve the people of the area. Given the delivery of health care today, with more high technology and a facility that can provide these demands as well as offer convenient outpatient and inpatient services, a land site different from the present landlocked area is needed.

The planners have taken many things into consideration including the plan to continue to serve the poor in this new location of just 7 miles away from the present location. The care of the sick, poor and needy have been and remains a hallmark of the mission of the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis.

Thank you and I urge you to approve St. Elizabeth's replacement hospital in O'Fallon to enhance health care for all residents of the Metro East region.

Sincerely,



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**Re: In support of Project #14-043
St. Elizabeth's Hospital's replacement Hospital in O'Fallon**

Dear Ms. Avery,

The Mission of the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis is "To care for the sick, the poor, and the needy regardless of race, color, creed, or economic status..." and we have served all people since our arrival in Belleville on November 13, 1875. We wish to continue to serve the residents of Belleville and to extend our mission and build a replacement hospital in O'Fallon.

We are aware of many health needs that exist in this whole region and we request that you approve St. Elizabeth's building a replacement hospital in O'Fallon.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Sister Mary Ann Minor, O.S.F.
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RE: In support of Project #14-043 St. Elizabeth's Hospital's replacement hospital in O'Fallon, Illinois

Dear Ms. Avery,

In regard to St. Elizabeth' Hospital plans to build a replacement hospital in O'Fallon, I would like to share my support.

For many years St. Elizabeth's Hospital has cared for the residents of the Metro East region and there is no reason to think that this will stop. With the new location for the replacement hospital, it will provide for:

- better access for patients, doctors and other providers
- enhanced technology
- continue to fulfill the mission of the Hospital Sisters of St. Francis in caring for the sick, the poor and vulnerable.

I support the plans for St. Elizabeth's replacement hospital in O'Fallon and I urge you to approve this. Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



Sr. Jonette Devlin

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Attn: Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator

RE: In support of Project#14-043 St. Elizabeth's Hospital's replacement hospital in O'Fallon, IL

I am writing in support of St. Elizabeth's Hospital's plans to build a replacement hospital in O'Fallon.

I was born & raised in the Metro-East area. I have lived here for over 57 years. My husband is a State Farm Agent in Shiloh. We also own and operate North Towne Builders. I am proud to say we built a professional building on North Green Mount Road. The building is fully leased. One of our tenants is a dialysis center.

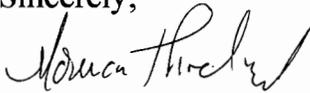
All four of our children were born at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. My aging parents were patients there numerous times. The staff at St. E's always treated us with love and compassion. We have used St. Elizabeth Hospital for some of our medical needs. However, the current location has prompted us to use other hospitals in Belleville and in the St. Louis metro area.

We feel that with state of the art medical services, quality medical teams and easy access, we will be positively impacted personally. We also believe that people from this community and others east of here, will benefit for the same reasons.

Updating the hospital, providing quality medical care and convenient access along the I-64 corridor are the primary reasons we support this project. However, the potential of an economic boom in terms of stable health care jobs is good for Shiloh and the surrounding communities.

Thank you and I urge you to approve St. Elizabeth's replacement hospital in O'Fallon to enhance health care for all residents of the Metro East region.

Sincerely,



Monica Threlkeld
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Thank you and I urge you to approve St. Elizabeth's replacement hospital in O'Fallon to enhance health care for all residents of the Metro East region.

*We have served the sick + poor for years. They deserve a facility with all
Sincerely, latest technology - Don't refuse them the latest!*

Sister Donna Marie Woodson

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