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

Re: Support for The University of Chicago Medical Center

Dear Ms. Avery:

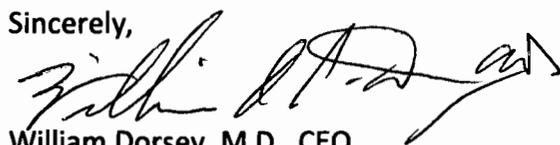
For nearly 100 years, Jackson Park Hospital has proudly served South Side Communities. In our time working on the front lines of healthcare, we have seen the results of the disparities that exist on the South Side when it comes to accessing complex medical care. This is why we support The University of Chicago Medicine's Get CARE plan.

We provide the South Shore Community with acute, short-term care at our 256-bed facility. But sometimes when our patients need more complex care, we are unable to connect them with the expertise they need at The University of Chicago Medicine.

The Get CARE plan will increase the number of beds available to patients at The University of Chicago Medicine while increasing access to much needed specialty, emergency and adult trauma services on the South Side. This would improve the entire network of care on the South Side.

As a healthcare professional that is deeply familiar with the inequality that exists regarding access to care on the South Side, I urge you to support The University of Chicago Medicine's Get CARE plan.

Sincerely,



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