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Ms. Kathryn Olson
Chair Woman
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525 W. Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL 62716

Re: Project #17-061, Dialysis Care Center Elgin, Elgin

Dear Ms. Olson:

I am a Nephrologist at Kidney Care Center and I am writing to express my full support for the proposed Dialysis Care Center Elgin clinic. This facility will be conveniently located to area residents in Elgin and surrounding communities.

I am aware that the current dialysis clinics in Elgin are full and due to the ever-increasing number of patients requiring dialysis services we see from our catchment area, it is evident that additional access to this much needed lifesaving treatment is needed.

I ask you to consider the difficulties patients in kidney failure encounter and the difficulty that we encounter when dialysis clinics are full options are limited when treating a patient in need of dialysis. To address these difficulties, I ask that you approve the Dialysis Care Center Elgin facility to provide ongoing availability to these services in our community.

Sincerely,

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Dr. Venkata Buddharaju, M.D

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Kathryn Olson
Chairman
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Re: Project #17-061, Dialysis Care Center Elgin, Elgin

Dear Ms. Olson:

My name is Dr. Rushi Sood, and I treat a great number of dialysis patients who live in Elgin and the surrounding area. In my current practice here, I have witnessed a continual increase in the number of patients who require dialysis services. The existing clinics here in Elgin are currently experiencing high utilization rate as such I am finding it difficult to place my patients who live here at a suitable location, with a suitable treatment schedule.

Many of my patients are economically disadvantaged and find it difficult to travel outside of their health care service area, so I do not wish to require them to do so. This would cause a loss of continuity of care as well as more missed treatments resulting in high hospitalization rates and lower quality outcomes.

I urge you to approve the Dialysis Care Center Elgin facility so that there will be access to dialysis services for my new patients in Elgin and the surrounding area for years to come.

Thank you,

Ruchi Sood

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Rushi Sood, M.D