



**MORRIS
HOSPITAL**
& HEALTHCARE CENTERS

November 4, 2018

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

Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers'
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033

Dear Ms. Avery:

Enclosed please find letters from members of our community who strongly support the Morris Hospital Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project.

These letters have been submitted for review as the Health Facilities and Services Review Board considers our Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project, CON Application #18-033.

If any questions please feel free to contact me at tdohm@morrishospital.org or 815.942.8244.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Dohm, FACHE
Vice President, Professional Services

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October 29, 2018

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

Dear Ms. Avery:

Please accept this letter of support regarding Morris Hospital and Healthcare Centers' application for a CON permit.

Morris Hospital serves Grundy County and the surrounding areas. Having visited the Hospital and Healthcare Centers numerous times, I can attest to their professionalism and the fine work they do providing care for the community. Like so many community hospitals, Morris has limited resources.

I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. The project is to include:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services;
- Improvements to surgical facilities, imaging and other diagnostic services to improve patient satisfaction and operational efficiencies;
- Establishment of a Women's Imaging Center; and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures.

With this in mind, I ask that the Health Facilities and Services Review Board support this important project.

Thank you in advance for your consideration. If my office can be of further assistance, please contact Greg Ridenour (815/431-9271; Greg.Ridenour@mail.house.gov) in my Ottawa District Office.

Sincerely,



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October 31, 2018

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Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033

Dear Ms. Avery:

As an Illinois State Senator, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long-term commitment to providing high-quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services;
- Improvements to surgical facilities, imaging, and other diagnostic services to improve patient satisfaction and operational efficiencies;
- Establish a Women's Imaging Center; and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures.

Morris Hospital is depended on by constituents of this area. By allowing this project, the Morris Hospital & Healthcare Center will be better able to serve our community now and for many more years to come.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge the approval of this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Sue Rezin".

Illinois State Senator
Sue Rezin
38th District



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David Allen Welter
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**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As State Representative of the 75th District, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is my understanding that the project is to include:

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- Establish of a Women's Imaging Center; and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures.

Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers serve a large portion of constituents in my district, providing outstanding care and patient support throughout the Grundy County area. As a former County Board Chairman and presently as State Representative, I have enjoyed working with the leadership and staff at Morris Hospital over the years and fully support their efforts with regard to this project. I respectfully urge approval of their application.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Allen Welter".

David Allen Welter
State Representative, 75th District



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CITY OF MORRIS
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October 15, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery
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**RE: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As Mayor of the City of Morris, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long-term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

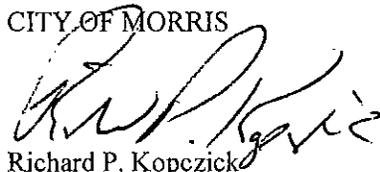
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- Establish of a Women's Imaging Center; and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures.

The City of Morris has long been a supporter of the Morris Hospital and its effort to strive to continue to be a leading healthcare provider, not only in Morris and Grundy County, but also in northeastern Illinois.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,

CITY OF MORRIS


Richard P. Kopczick
Mayor

RPK/dls



VILLAGE OF Diamond

October 16, 2018

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

**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As Mayor for the Village of Diamond, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services;
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- Establish of a Women's Imaging Center; and
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The Village of Diamond enjoys a close relationship with Morris Hospital. We utilize their Occupational Health Services and next month they will be breaking ground in our community on the Morris Hospital Diamond-Coal City Campus. This facility will provide much needed services to our residents for generations to come. We are committed to supporting Morris Hospital as they strive to meet our growing regions needs.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Teresa Kernc'.

Teresa Kernc
Mayor



Illinois Valley Community Hospital

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September 20, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery
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**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
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Dear Ms. Avery:

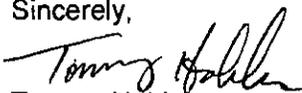
I am Tommy Hobbs, Chief Executive Officer of Illinois Valley Community Hospital. I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services;
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The leadership of Illinois Valley Community Hospital and Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers work together to share best practices and ideas for improving the quality of care and services each organization provides to its respective communities. Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers have grown based on the quality of care and level of services it provides to the communities it serves. Morris Hospital has created a model for other like organizations to follow to ensure long term success at caring for their communities.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,


Tommy Hobbs



October 26, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
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Springfield, Illinois 62761

**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

Presence Saint Joseph Medical Center supports approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long-term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities

Although we have no affiliation with Morris Hospital, we collaborate to serve our communities as we often coordinate care for patients that need to be transferred to a hospital our size, offering tertiary services. They always put the needs of the patients first and this project is in line with that mission and will benefit the community in keeping care close to home.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, as we support approval of this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert J. Erickson", written over a horizontal line.

Robert J. Erickson
President

Richard Sefton

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October 31, 2018

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2nd Floor
525 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, Illinois 62761

**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

My name is Dick Sefton and I am a volunteer and board member for Morris Hospital Auxiliary & Foundation. I'd like you to know that I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services;
- Improvements to surgical facilities, imaging and other diagnostic services to improve patient satisfaction and operational efficiencies;
- Establish of a Women's Imaging Center; and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures.

As a volunteer for more than ten years, I've had the opportunity to see Morris Hospital flourish as an impactful healthcare organization in our community. I've also had the chance to witness, first-hand, incredible growth. That growth is one of the main reasons as to why I'm passionate about this project. I strongly urge you to support our project.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,



Richard Sefton, Auxiliary & Foundation Volunteer and Board Member

October 29, 2018

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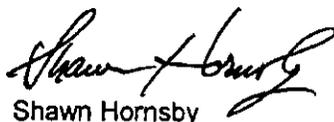
I am writing to tell with you that I strongly support approval of a Certificate of Need permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit Morris Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is my understanding that the project is to include:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services;
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- Establish of a Women's Imaging Center; and
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In addition to owning the Century 21 real estate office in Morris, I serve as the president of the Morris Hospital Auxiliary board of directors. Morris hospital has served our community well through the years and I look forward to it serving our community for generations in the future. The modernization and infrastructure renewal project will enable Morris Hospital to continue to provide excellent service to the residents of our local communities for years to come.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. I respectfully ask that you approve of this application.

Sincerely,


Shawn Hornsby



**MORRIS
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October 24, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery
Administrator
Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson Street, 2nd Floor
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**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As Chairman of the Board of Directors of Morris Hospital, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. The modernization project will include:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services;
- Improvements to surgical facilities, imaging and other diagnostic services to improve patient satisfaction and operational efficiencies;
- Creation of a Women's Imaging Center; and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures.

Morris Hospital has been improving the health of area residents for more than 100 years. The regions of the hospital slated for modernization were constructed decades ago. Technology and patient expectations have changed significantly throughout the years. The modernization of our facility will enable Morris Hospital and Healthcare Centers to create a comfortable, efficient, contemporary environment for our community and the patients we care for.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Morris Hospital, I thank you for your consideration in this matter, and urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,

Rodney Engstrom
Chairman, Board of Directors



Board of Trustees

October 23, 2018

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

**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project, CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As the Board of Trustees for the Morris Fire Protection & Ambulance District, we support the approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. The scope of this project will permit the Hospital to continue its long-term commitment to providing high quality services to the people of this area. This is what has been outlined to us for this project:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services;
- Improvements to surgical facilities, imaging and other diagnostic services to improve patient satisfaction and operational efficiencies;
- Establish of a Women's Imaging Center; and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures.

The District supports this project to further continue to provide quality care for our residents and those in the surrounding areas as well.

We urge approval of this application and thank you, in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Borman".



Tracey Steffes, Chief

Date: October 23, 2018

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

**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As Tracey Steffes, Fire Chief for the Morris Fire Protection & Ambulance District, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long-term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

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- Establish of a Women's Imaging Center; and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures.

As a Fire & Ambulance District in the community, we frequently depend on Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers to service our patrons brought to the facility via ambulance.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tracey Steffes".



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**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As Christina Van Yperen, Executive Director of the Grundy County Chamber of Commerce & Industry, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

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Morris Hospital is Grundy County's largest employer, making it not only a tremendous supporter of our Chamber, but also the community as a whole. We look forward to the hospital's renewal project and know it will have a remarkable impact on our community.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,

Christina Van Yperen
Executive Director
Grundy County Chamber of Commerce & Industry



Dresden Generating Station

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Morris, IL 60450

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October 18, 2018

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

**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As Site Vice President at Exelon's Dresden Generating Station, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

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Dresden Station has been part of the Grundy County community for nearly 60 years, and Morris Hospital has provided medical services to employees, contractors, and vendors working at our facility. The proposed modernization and infrastructure renewal of Morris Hospital will facilitate continuation of the quality healthcare and emergency medical services we and the community at large have relied upon throughout the years.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,

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Peter J. Karaba

Dresden Site Vice President

October 17, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery, Administrator
Health Facilities and Services Review Board
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SUBJECT: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization & Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033

Dear Ms. Avery:

I am a former Morris Hospital Board Director, serving for 12 years prior to 2001. Three of those years as Chairman of the Board. I am also President of Chamlin & Associates, Inc. Consulting Engineers. Chamlin has provided professional engineering services to Morris Hospital for over 40 years. All the projects we have worked on have been performed with the hospital's expectation of being high quality and in the best interest of their patients and the Morris community.

In both of the capacities I have witnessed Morris Hospital's commitment to excellent medical care for their patients and the utmost financial responsibility to remain an outstanding hospital for many years to come.

Morris Hospital's request for approval of improvement and expansion of the Emergency Department, improved surgical facilities, a Woman's Imaging Center, and infrastructure upgrading, will position Morris Hospital to improve patient satisfaction and provide better clinical experiences for their patient base.

Morris Hospital is in need of these improvements, and I strongly urge your approval of their application.

Sincerely,


Guy R. Christensen

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October 11, 2018

Ms. Courtney Avery
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**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
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Dear Ms. Avery:

As Tracy Zabel, Member of the Morris Hospital Foundation Board, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

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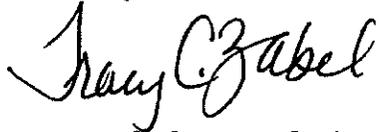
As a community advocate and parent of three boys, Morris Hospital holds a special place in my heart. Each of my children had circumstances to where they needed emergency assistance and days of being cared for in Morris

Hospital. Through these different circumstances, I have personally experienced how vital it is to have a strong Community Hospital. This project will only advance what we as a community can offer to the residents of Grundy County.

I am also a strong believer a Hospital is one of the main pillars of the foundation of a community. With the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project, we only strengthen the Community on which we stand.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tracy Zabel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "T".

Tracy Zabel, Foundation Board and Community Member

GEORGE MCCOMB

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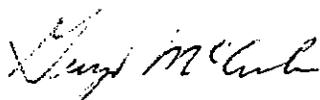
By way of introduction, my name is George McComb. As an engaged community member and President of the Morris Hospital Foundation, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

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The Hospital is a special place in our community. They are committed to compassionate and personalized care and go to great lengths to save, to aid, and to heal. This project is not only needed, but is exciting because the result will have such an impact on those we serve.

I am honored to submit this letter for your review and appreciate your consideration in this matter. I strongly urge you to approve this application.

Sincerely,



George McComb, President, Morris Hospital Foundation

Dr. Beatriz Setrini

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Dear Ms. Avery:

My name is Dr. Beatriz Setrini. I am a retired Morris Hospital Pathologist and currently serve on the Morris Hospital Foundation Board of Directors. As someone who's committed more than 35 years of my professional and personal life to this organization, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

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As a physician and mother of two Morris Hospital physicians, the hospital holds a special place in my heart. Throughout the years, I've seen the hospital grow and flourish and am very excited about this much needed expansion and new chapter.

I am honored to submit this letter for your review and appreciate your consideration in this matter. I strongly urge you to approve this application.

Sincerely,



Dr. Beatriz Setrini, Retired Morris Hospital Pathologist and Morris Hospital Foundation Board Member



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CON Application #18-033

Dear Ms Avery:

As Senior Vice President of Grundy Bank, I, Peter J. Brummel, strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is my understanding that the project is to include:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services;
- Improvements to surgical facilities, imaging and other diagnostic services to improve patient satisfaction and operational efficiencies;
- Establishment of a Women's Imaging Center, and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures

Morris Hospital is the largest employer in Grundy County. Its presence has a major impact on our community, both economically and in enhancing the quality of life for our citizenship. It is vital for Morris Hospital to continue to grow and expand in order to service its market area.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and I urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,

Peter J. Brummel
Senior Vice President

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October 12, 2018

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

**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
CON Application #18-033**

Dear Ms. Avery:

As Susan Szumski, a Morris Hospital Foundation Board member, a Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers employee for 33 years, and Vice-president of the Behavioral Health Alliance of Grundy County, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is our understanding that the project is to include:

- The modernization and expansion of the Emergency Department to provide state-of-the-art services with dedicated rooms for behavioral health patients while they are being evaluated;
- Improvements to surgical facilities, imaging and other diagnostic services to improve patient satisfaction and operational efficiencies;
- Establish of a Women's Imaging Center; and
- The upgrade of infrastructure in dated structures.

As the staff member who is very involved in the annual gathering of Morris Hospital and Healthcare Centers' Community Benefit data as well as being a part of the last 2 Morris Hospital and Healthcare Centers' Community Health Needs Assessments, I am looking forward to seeing the expansion and therefore the improvement of services to our community.

The Morris Hospital Foundation financially supports many of the hospital's programs and as a board member I am anticipating the possibilities of the improved services we will provide to our patients.

As a proponent of behavioral healthcare in our community it is heartening to see Morris Hospital and Healthcare Centers expanding its accommodations in the Emergency Department dedicated to those who need emergent mental health evaluations.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and I urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Szumski".

Susan Szumski

Morris Hospital Foundation Board Member

Vice-president of the Behavioral Health Alliance of Grundy County

Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers' employee

October 11, 2018

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**Re: Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers
Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal Project
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Dear Ms. Avery:

As a practicing emergency medicine physician at Morris Hospital, I strongly support approval of a CON permit for the Modernization and Infrastructure Renewal project at Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers. This project will permit the Hospital to continue its long term commitment to providing high quality services to the residents of Grundy County and neighboring communities. It is my understanding that the project is to include:

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I have worked in the ED at Morris Hospital since 2004 and have the highest regards for this organization, the community, and staff. We have outgrown our current ED and cannot wait to have a larger, even more efficient design for decades to come. The updated structure will also enhance our pre-hospital providers' experience and carry our emergency management/disaster response into the future.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter, and we urge approval of this application.

Sincerely,



Sean Atchison, DO, FACEP
Attending Emergency Physician
EMS Medical Director

Morris Hospital and Healthcare Centers