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**HEALTH FACILITIES &
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Ms Courtney Avery
Administrator
IL Health Facilities and Services Review Board
525 West Jefferson, 2nd Floor
Springfield, IL

Re: Operations to CON 18-042 Quincy Medical
Group Surgery Center in Quincy IL

Dear Ms Avery,

I am writing to you today to express concern of the opening of the new Center Quincy Medical Group.

As an employee of Blessing also located in Quincy, IL I have a privilege to learn some more details than what is known to some others. I am aware of how this could hurt the cost of healthcare prices and what that truly means to means for the patients pockets. I have had surgery at the center and I know that they have done a wonderful job. However, they did not seem busy. Out of the several procedures I have had or my family it has never been busy. I don't feel that it truly helps the community to open at another location, if it's not full. Blessing Health System tries to improve the community. That may be done if this new location is open.

I respectfully thank you for your time and ask that the Health Facilities and Services Review Board deny CON application 18-042. Thank you for your consideration.
Respectfully,

Umanda N. Smith