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January 25, 2019

Ms. Courtney R. Avery  
Administrator  
Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board  
525 West Jefferson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

**Re: Opposition to CON 18-042, Quincy Medical Group Surgery Center in Quincy, Illinois**

Dear Ms. Avery:

My name is Cathy Aschemann. I am an RN and have worked at Blessing Hospital in Quincy for 36 years. During my career in healthcare I have seen many changes, many new buildings and renovations. Most, if not all, have been welcomed. However, I am writing today to express my opposition to QMG's proposal to build/operate an outpatient surgery center in this community.

Blessing and Quincy Medical Group already partner in offering a fantastic outpatient surgery center located on the QMG campus. This has been a successful arrangement for many years. Both entities, and the Quincy area community benefit from the services offered/provided. Sadly, it is my understanding that Blessing would have no role in the proposed center. The community does not need a second outpatient surgery center. If QMG has found that the current center is outdated or for other reasons not meeting clients' needs, I would prefer they collaborate with Blessing regarding needed changes rather than causing a division and a duplication of services.

I respectfully ask that the Health Facilities and Services Review Board deny the CON application as proposed by Quincy Medical Group. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cathy Aschemann RN". The signature is written in a cursive style, with the first name "Cathy" being more prominent and the last name "Aschemann" following in a similar script. The "RN" is written in a slightly different, more upright script at the end.

Cathy Aschemann, RN, BSN