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525 West Jefferson Street
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Re: Certificate of Exemption No. E-001-11, Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

This is a letter of support in favor of the above referenced exemption request. I have known Ronald Osman for the past 33 years. I have worked with Mr. Osman on a professional basis with mutual clients, opposing clients and as a business partner. In most instances, Mr. Osman served as legal counsel and myself as certified public accountant.

Over the 33 years of working with Mr. Osman, I have acquired a tremendous respect for his ethics, honesty and hard work commitment to his clients and his profession. As a business partner, I have witnessed first hand his business skills that make projects succeed and prosper.

In my opinion as a certified public accountant, I feel that Mr. Osman should be granted the above referenced exemption to own the facility. I am confident that he will operate the facility to the highest standards of ethics and professionalism.

Sincerely,

Douglas Bradley
Certified Public Accountant

Robert N. Brewer Family Foundation

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Re: Certificate of Exemption No. E-001-11
Surgery Center of Southern Illinois

Dear Mr. Galassie:

This letter is being sent in support of the above referenced Exemption Request made by Cirurgia Centro, LLC in order to allow transfer to it of the controlling interest of Marion Surgical Center, Ltd. It is my understanding that Ronald E. Osman owns all the interest in Cirurgia Centro, LLC and that a competing purchaser has raised the issue of Mr. Osman's ethics, character and ability to manage a surgical center.

I have known Ron Osman for approximately 28 years, both professionally and personally. I first became acquainted with him when my father, Robert N. Brewer, retained Mr. Osman in 1982 to represent his companies - America's Best Inns, Inc. and Brewer Construction Co. As corporate counsel, Mr. Osman handled all corporate matters, contracts and litigation as well as assisted in negotiations for land purchases and hotel construction projects. With his assistance, America's Best Inns, Inc. was able to franchise its brand, with the Best Inns Franchise System growing to 33 owned properties and 12 franchised properties, the majority of which were managed by Best Inns in 15 states. Mr. Osman also assisted my father in the negotiation and successful sale of 12 hotels for the sum of \$24,700,000.00 in 1993 and in the sale of 16 hotels for \$84,000,000.00 in 1998.

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My father, like Mr. Osman, was never satisfied to be idle. After selling all his hotels but five, he began construction of independent living centers through a company named Encore Development, Inc. Mr. Osman has served as corporate counsel for Encore Development, Inc. since its formation, and served as my father's personal counsel until his death in February 2001. Mr. Osman has served as counsel for my father's estate, continued to serve as corporate counsel for Encore Development and served as my personal counsel as I work to continue my father's legacy.

My father experienced much economic success in his professional life, and he desired to use that economic success to assist others who, although working hard to achieve their goals, needed financial assistance. My father decided the best avenue for him to take would be to establish a foundation to provide college scholarships to local students and fund other worthy projects as they were identified. Perhaps the best illustration of my father's faith in Mr. Osman is that my father placed his trust in Mr. Osman to help him establish the Robert N. Brewer Family Foundation in 1987. When my father passed away in 2001, the majority of his wealth was bequeathed to the Robert N. Brewer Family Foundation, with my father specifically providing that Mr. Osman was to serve as counsel and advisor to the Foundation. In addition to serving as legal advisor, Mr. Osman manages at the direction of the Board of Directors, the day to day investments of the Foundation's funds. The Foundation currently holds assets of \$20,000,000 and is able to distribute approximately \$1,000,000 per year in scholarship funds as well as a \$400,000 yearly research grant to the Mayo Clinic.

I can recommend that Mr. Osman control the Marion Surgery Center as I know him to be trustworthy, honest, successful in business and personal life and of the highest ethics and character.

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I routinely trust Mr. Osman with millions of dollars in Encore Development and the Foundation, as well as my personal accounts, without concern.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "R. Denver Brewer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

R. Denver Brewer
Chairman, Board of Directors
Robert N. Brewer Family Foundation