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THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT

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March 31, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299

Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

As County Executive for Prince George's County, Maryland, I appreciate the opportunity to offer my support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate of Need (CON) application to establish behavioral health services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive behavioral health program including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

Prince George's County is home to nearly one million residents and spans an area of 500 square miles, with two acute care units for inpatient behavioral health in the County. In 2019, more than half of the adult admissions from Prince George's County (1,900 cases) were admitted to out-of-county hospitals. More than 900 patients required hospital-to-hospital transfer for psychiatric admission. Additionally, public health professionals and residents ranked behavioral health services as the second most important issue to them on the most recent Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by the County.

The County is operating with limited bed capacity at a time when clinicians across the country warn of a "mental health tsunami ¹" in the aftermath of the pandemic. The new inpatient program will respond to this need and reduce the number of out-of-county admissions. At a time when the impacts of healthcare disparities have been magnified by the pandemic, this facility is a critical piece to help ensure that we provide quality behavioral and mental health services that our community needs and deserves.

Additionally, we know that approximately 70 percent of those arrested in the County arrive at our Department of Corrections intoxicated and one-third of those arrested are suffering from a mental health issue. It is wrong to treat mentally ill and addicted people in jail and we must do all we can to preserve their dignity. These reasons are exactly why I made the decision to shift \$20 million away from our public safety training facility to fund a new behavioral health facility.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive behavioral health program will provide local, direct access to a continuum of mental health services, including emergency, acute and transitional care. The hospital is committed to creating a collaborative program with the County government and other partners in the community, all working together to improve behavioral health services for Prince George's County.

I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve the hospital's plans to add this new inpatient comprehensive behavioral health program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC will give its favorable recommendation, recognizing how this initiative will contribute to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Angela Alsobrooks County Executive

Angela Alsobrooks



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Calvin S. Hawkins, II Chair At-Large Council Member

March 3, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, MD 21215-2999

SUBJECT: Letter of Support: Luminis Health Doctor's Community Medical Center's

Certificate of Need Application – Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

On behalf of the Prince George's County Council, sitting as the Board of Health, I appreciate the opportunity to offer our support for the Luminis Health Doctor's Community Medical Center's (LHDCMC) Certificate of Need (CON) application. The CON application establishes a Behavioral Health Services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive mental health program including 16-adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

LHDCMC has a history of providing high-quality and compassionate care to meet the growing needs of area residents. We are excited to learn that LHDCMC has plans to create a comprehensive Behavioral Health Program as Behavioral Health Services needs have increased in the community. The Behavioral Health Services needs has been well documented. The 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by Prince George's County; residents ranked mental health services as the 2nd most important issue to them.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive Behavioral Health Program will provide local direct access to a continuum of mental health services including emergency, acute and transitional care. It will create a collaborative program with the Prince George's County government and other partners in the community.

We understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve hospitals' plans to develop a comprehensive hospital inpatient Behavioral Health program. We fully support this project and hope the MHCC understands how much this initiative will contribute to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Page 2

Thank you in advance for your consideration of Luminis Health Doctor's Community Medical Center's CON application for Behavioral Health.

Sincerely,

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March 15, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299

RE: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

As Senate President for the State of Maryland, I appreciate the opportunity to offer my support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate of Need (CON) application to establish behavioral health services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive behavioral health program including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

Prince George's County is home to nearly one million residents and spans an area of 500 square miles, with two acute care units for inpatient behavioral health in the county. In 2019, more than half of the adult admissions from Prince George's County (1,900 cases) were admitted to out-of-county hospitals. More than 900 patients required hospital-to-hospital transfer for psychiatric admission. Additionally, public health professionals and residents ranked behavioral health services as the second most important issue to them on the most recent Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by the county.

The country is operating with limited bed capacity at a time when clinicians across the country warn of a "mental health tsunami 1" an aftermath of the pandemic. The new inpatient program will respond to this need and reduce the number of out-of-county admissions. At a time when the impacts of healthcare disparities have been magnified by the pandemic, this facility is a critical piece to help ensure that we provide quality behavioral and mental health services that our community needs and deserves.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive behavioral health program will provide local, direct access to a continuum of mental health services, including emergency, acute and transitional

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I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve the hospital's plans to add this new inpatient comprehensive behavioral health program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC will give its favorable recommendation recognizing how this initiative will contribute to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William C. Fergusor Senate President

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 $^{^{\}rm I}$ Sullivan, Brian PsyD , "The Coming Mental Health Tsunami— After we tackle COVID, we must shift focus to mental health challenges," **MEDPAGES**, January 4, 2021.

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The Senate of Maryland Annapolis, Maryland 21401

March 18, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299

Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

As the state senator from district 23 in Prince George's County, I appreciate the opportunity to offer my support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate of Need (CON) application to establish behavioral health services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive behavioral health program including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

Prince George's County is home to nearly one million residents and spans an area of 500 square miles, with two acute care units for inpatient behavioral health in the county. In 2019, more than half of the adult admissions from Prince George's County (1,900 cases) were admitted to out-of-county hospitals. More than 900 patients required hospital-to-hospital transfer for psychiatric admission. Additionally, public health professionals and residents ranked behavioral health services as the second most important issue to them on the most recent Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by the county.

The county is operating with limited bed capacity at a time when clinicians across the country warn of a "mental health tsunami^{1"}, an aftermath of the pandemic. The new inpatient program will respond to this need and reduce the number of out-of-county admissions. At a time when the impacts of healthcare disparities have been magnified by the pandemic, this facility is a critical piece to help ensure that we provide quality behavioral and mental health services that our community needs and deserves.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive behavioral health program will provide local, direct access to a continuum of mental health services, including emergency, acute and transitional care. The hospital is committed to creating a collaborative program with the county government and other partners in the community – all working together to improve behavioral health services for Prince George's County.

I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve the hospital's plans to add this new inpatient comprehensive behavioral health program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC will give its favorable recommendation recognizing how this initiative will contribute to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Douglas J. J. Peters

Maryland State Senate, District 23

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THE SENATE OF MARYLAND Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, MD 21215-2299

Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate of Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald,

As a State Senator, representing the 25th Legislative District for Prince George's County, I appreciate the opportunity to offer my support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's (LHDCMC) Certificate Of Need (CON) application to establish Behavioral Health Services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive mental health program including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

As a Master of Social Work and Chair of the Maryland Senate Subcommittee on Health and Human Services, I am quite familiar with the need for bed capacity for those in need of inpatient care. This is particularly true for communities like Prince George's County, where adults are often admitted to out-of-county hospitals.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive Behavioral Health Program will provide local, direct access to a continuum of mental health services including emergency, acute and transitional care. It will create a collaborative program with the Prince George's County government and other partners in the community.

I understand and appreciate that The Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve hospitals' plans to develop a comprehensive hospital inpatient Behavioral Health program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC understands how much this initiative will contribute to the overall health of Prince George's County residents. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Senator Melony G. Griffith

cc: Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center



March 26, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299

Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

As the Health Officer for Prince George's County, I appreciate the opportunity to offer my support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate of Need (CON) application to establish behavioral health services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive behavioral health program including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

Prince George's County is home to nearly one million residents and spans an area of 500 square miles, with two acute care units for inpatient behavioral health in the county. In 2019, more than half of the adult admissions from Prince George's County (1,900 cases) were admitted to out-of-county hospitals. More than 900 patients required hospital-to-hospital transfer for psychiatric admission. Prince George's County granted 794 emergency petitions in CY 2019 alone through the court system, whereas Montgomery County granted 376. With a smaller population size, Prince George's County has over double the volume of emergency petitions and significantly lower inpatient acute behavioral healthcare capacity compared to Montgomery County. Additionally, behavioral health services ranked as the second most important issue to them on the most recent Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by the County. One of our behavioral health strategic goals is to have a "no wrong door" approach to behavioral health in this county. Because Luminis Doctor's Community Medical Center is one of our largest and busiest hospitals and emergency rooms, we feel that it is imperative to expand their behavioral health service line urgently.

The County is operating with limited bed capacity at a time when public health professionals across the country warn of a "mental health tsunami", an aftermath of the pandemic (Sullivan, 2021). Furthermore, because of the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on our community, according to the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, national trends indicate that the behavioral health sequelae will be even more tremendous for our predominantly minority community (Czeisler, 2020). As published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, statewide analysis of suicide mortality in Maryland indicated a doubling of suicides for African Americans during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic while the rates for whites approximately halved (Johnathan, 2020). The new inpatient program will respond to this concerning trend and build the infrastructure need to achieve behavioral health equity within our own community for our current needs and that which is to come.

National trends indicate that after the deinstitutionalization of people with mental health conditions in the 1970s, United States jails have become the site of re-institutionalization (Carroll, 2015). The Prince George's County Department of



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Corrections (DOC) leadership estimates that approximately 31 percent of inmates are on prescribed psychotropic medications, more than 60 percent have a diagnosable mental health disorder, and more than 80 percent report significant substance use history. According to a national report by the Treatment Advocacy Center, individuals with severe mental illness are sixteen times more likely to be involved in a fatal police shooting than those who are not independent of race (Carroll, 2015). We believe that this facility will be an important step towards moving health related services back into the health sector and out of the criminal justice sector.

In light of the racial-justice movement resurgence in our country after the unfortunate death of George Floyd, our County Executive, Angela Alsobrooks, reallocated \$20 million dollars from the Prince George's County Police Department budget to our County's health budget. We are pleased that these funds are being allocated to this project. The hospital's proposed comprehensive behavioral health program will provide local, direct access to a continuum of mental health services including emergency, acute and transitional care. My staff has diligently been working to support the planning for this space and we are excited about this on-going public/private partnership.

I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve the hospital's plans to add this new inpatient comprehensive behavioral health program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC will give its favorable recommendation recognizing how this initiative will contribute to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ernest L. Carter, MD, PhD,

Health Officer

¹ Carroll, H. (2015). Overlooked in the Undercounted: The Role of Mental Illness in Fatal Law Enforcement Encounters. Retrieved March 18, 2021 from https://www.treatmentadvocacycenter.org/overlooked-in-the-undercounted

² Czeisler, MD, Lane IR, Petrosky E, et. al. Mental Health, Substance Use, and Suicidal Ideation During the COVID-19 Pandemic – United States, June 24-30, 2020. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep 2020; 59: 1039-1057. https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6932a1.htm.

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March 8, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299

> Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

I appreciate the opportunity to offer my support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate of Need (CON) application to establish behavioral health services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive mental health program including 16 adult inpatient hospital beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON). For the past two years, we have been working closely with Luminis Health and their overall Behavioral Health development and fully support this endeavor in Prince George's County.

Prince George's County is home to nearly one million residents and spans an area of 500 square miles. However, there are only two acute care units for psychiatric care in the county for this large population. In 2019, more than half of the adult mental health admissions from Prince George's County (1,900 cases) were admitted to out-of-county hospitals, including Sheppard Pratt. More than 900 of these patients required hospital-to-hospital transfer for a psychiatric admission. Additionally, residents ranked behavioral health services as the second most important issue to them on the most recent Community Health Needs Assessment conducted by the county.

The county is operating with limited bed capacity at a time when clinicians across the country warn of a "mental health tsunami¹" as an aftermath of the pandemic. The new unit will respond to this need and reduce the number of residents needing to travel out of the county for a general psychiatric admission. Sheppard Pratt does not see the need for specialized behavioral health services being dramatically changed by the addition of a 16 bed unit at Doctors.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive Behavioral Health Program will provide local, direct access to a continuum of mental health services, including emergency, acute and transitional care. The hospital is committed to creating a collaborative program with the county government and other partners in the community – all working together to improve behavioral health services for Prince George's County.

I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve the hospital's plans to develop an inpatient comprehensive Behavioral Health Program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC recognizes how this initiative will contribute to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely.

Jennifer Wilkerson

VP and Chief Strategy Officer

¹ Sullivan, Brian PsyD , "The Coming Mental Health Tsunami— After we tackle COVID, we must shift focus to mental health challenges," MEDPAGES, January 4, 2021

Deborah Rivkin Vice President Government Affairs – Maryland

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April 6, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299

Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

I write today on behalf of CareFirst Blue Cross Blue Shield ("CareFirst") to offer strong support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's ("LHDCMC") Certificate of Need ("CON") application to establish behavioral health services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive mental health program, including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

LHDCMC has a history of providing high-quality and compassionate care to meet the growing needs of area residents. The diagnosis and treatment of behavioral health conditions are critical to successful patient centered care coordination and management. We believe that LHDCMC offers a cost-effective opportunity within the Montgomery and Southern Maryland region to address these issues.

CareFirst's utilization data (the demand for services), when compared to the supply of behavioral health services confirms a significant deficit in both inpatient facility capacity and outpatient specialty behavioral health services across Prince Georges County. The expansion of inpatient and outpatient services on its campus in Lanham will help to address this gap.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive behavioral health program will provide local and direct access to a continuum of mental health services, including emergency, acute and transitional care. It will create a collaborative program with the Prince George's County government and other partners in the community.

I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve hospitals' plans to develop a comprehensive hospital inpatient behavioral health program. CareFirst fully supports this project and hope the MHCC understands what a marked difference this initiative will make to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Deborah R. Rivkin

Cc: Victoria Bayless, Chief Executive Officer, Luminis Health Ben Steffen, Executive Director, Maryland Health Care Commission



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March 26, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299

Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

As a provider, I appreciate the opportunity to offer my support for the Certificate of Need (CON) application to establish behavioral health services at the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive mental health program that will include 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

Prince George's County is home to nearly one million residents and spans an area of 500 square miles, with only two acute care units for inpatient behavioral health in the county. In 2019, more than half of the adult admissions from Prince George's County (1,900 cases) were admitted to out-of-county hospitals. More than 900 patients required hospital-to-hospital transfer for psychiatric admission. Additionally, public health professionals and residents ranked behavioral health services as the second most important issue to them when asked during the county's 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment.

Prince George's is operating with limited bed capacity at a time when clinicians across the country warn of a "mental health tsunami " as part of the pandemic's aftermath. The new inpatient program will respond to this need and reduce the number of out-of-county admissions.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive behavioral health program will provide local, direct access to a continuum of mental health services, including emergency, acute and transitional care. The hospital is committed to creating a collaborative program with the county government and other partners in the community – all working together to improve behavioral health services for Prince George's County.

I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve the hospital's plans to add this new inpatient comprehensive behavioral health program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC will give its favorable recommendation recognizing the significant contributions this initiative will make to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Catalina Sol

Executive Director

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Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

As a faith-based leader in Prince George's County, I appreciate the opportunity to offer my support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's (LHDCMC) Certificate of Need (CON) application to establish behavioral health services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive mental health program, including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

LHDCMC has a history of providing high-quality and compassionate care to meet the growing needs of area residents. The increase in population as well as in diversity and health disparities have led to an increased need for behavioral health services in the community. To learn LHDCMC has plans to create a comprehensive Behavioral Health Program is an encouraging step toward the improvement of our community's overall health. In fact, Prince George's County conducted a 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment and documented our desire for improved mental health and substance use services as residents ranked them second in importance of all issues.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive behavioral health program will provide local and direct access to a continuum of mental health services, including emergency, acute and transitional care. It will create a collaborative program with the Prince George's County government and other partners in the community.

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I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve hospitals' plans to develop a comprehensive hospital inpatient behavioral health program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC understands what a marked difference this initiative will make to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Jimmie L. Slade, Executive Director

cc: Luminis Health Doctors Community Medic



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March 31, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299

Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

I am writing, as a resident of Prince George's County and as the Outreach Coordinator of Ebenezer Church of God located in Hyattsville, Maryland, to express support for the certificate of need application Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center (LHDCMC) has submitted. As a resident of Prince George's County I am aware that approximately 150,000 of my neighbors struggle with a mental illness and many of them are also battling a substance use disorder. I believe there is an urgent need for a comprehensive mental health program, including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON) as part of the Lanham campus.

LHDCMC has a history of providing high-quality and compassionate care to meet the growing needs of area residents. As Behavioral Health Services needs have increased in the community, I was excited to learn LHDCMC has plans to create a comprehensive behavioral health program. The need for a Behavioral Health Program has been well documented, as we know about 60% of people with a mental illness do not receive the treatment they need. In fact, our Prince George's County 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment found we ranked mental health services as the second most important issue to us.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive Behavioral Health Program will provide local direct access to a continuum of mental health services including emergency, acute and transitional care. It will create a collaborative program with the Prince George's County government and other partners in the community.

I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve hospitals 'plans to develop a comprehensive hospital inpatient Behavioral Health program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC understands how robust a contribution this initiative will make to the overall health of Prince George's County residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Dionne February Outreach Coordinator



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April 2, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215-2299

Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

I am writing to express support for the certificate of need application Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center (LHDCMC) has submitted. As a Property Management agency in the City of Glenarden, there are a number neighbors struggle with a mental illness and many of them are also battling a substance use disorder. I believe there is an urgent need for a comprehensive mental health program, including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON) as part of the Lanham campus.

LHDCMC has a history of providing high-quality and compassionate care to meet the growing needs of area residents. As Behavioral Health Services needs have increased in the community, I was excited to learn LHDCMC has plans to create a comprehensive behavioral health program. The need for a Behavioral Health Program has been well documented, as we know about 60% of people with a mental illness do not receive the treatment they need.

The hospital's proposed comprehensive Behavioral Health Program will provide local direct access to a continuum of mental health services including emergency, acute and transitional care. It will create a collaborative program with the Glenarden jurisdiction and other partners in the community.

I understand and appreciate that the Maryland Health Care Commission (MHCC) must approve hospitals 'plans to develop a comprehensive hospital inpatient Behavioral Health program. I fully support this project and hope the MHCC understands how robust a contribution this initiative will make to the overall health of City of Glenarden residents.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sharon R. Land

Executive Director

Glenarden Housing Authority

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March 31, 2021

Kevin McDonald, Chief Certificate of Need Program Maryland Health Care Commission 4160 Patterson Avenue Baltimore, Maryland 21215

Re: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald & Colleagues,

As residents and community leaders in Prince George's County and on the behalf of the 12 communities represented by the Greater Riverdale Thrives (GRT) Community Coalition, this letter is to serve as strong support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's (LHDCMC) Certificate of Need (CON) application to establish behavioral health services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive mental health program, including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

The GRT communities of Town of Riverdale Park, Riverdale Hills, Riverdale Heights, Madison Hills, Crestwood, Eastpines, Templeton Knolls, Hanson Oaks, West Lanham Hills, Roswill, Beacon Heights, and Woodlawn are growing in diversity and population size and have an increased need for behavioral health services in the community, especially considering the impact of COVID-19 and the existing limited access to local mental health services in Greater Riverdale.

LHDCMC's is proposing what we support as a comprehensive behavioral health program that will provide local and direct access to a continuum of mental health services, including emergency, acute and transitional care. In addition to directly benefiting residents of Greater Riverdale, we are confident that LHDCMC will create a collaborative program with the Prince George's County government and other partners in the community as well.

GRT fully supports LHDCMC's project for a comprehensive hospital inpatient behavioral health program and asks that the Maryland Health Care Commission demonstrate its understanding of the need and potential impact this initiative will make in Greater Riverdale and to the overall health of Prince George's County residents by approving LHDCMC's application.

Respectfully,

Pastor Michael Dickson

Pastor Michael Dickson, GRT Co-Chair

John Sanchez

John Sanchez, GRT Co-Chair

cc: Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center

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March 30, 2021

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Subject: Letter of Support – Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's Certificate-of-Need Application, Behavioral Health

Dear Mr. McDonald:

As a non-profit in Prince George's County, I appreciate the opportunity to offer my support for the Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center's (LHDCMC) Certificate of Need (CON) application to establish behavioral health services on its campus in Lanham as part of a comprehensive mental health program, including 16 adult inpatient beds (CON required) and outpatient services (non-CON).

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April 1, 2021

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4514 Oliver St Riverdale, MD 20737

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Joyce A. Harber Infection Control Assistant Doctors Community Medical Center 8118 Goodluck Rd Lanham,Md. 20706

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