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Dr. Thomas J. Pulliam, Chair  
Long Term and Behavioral Health Committee  
State Coordinating Council  
DHSR Medical Facilities Planning Section  
2714 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, NC 27699-2714

Dear Dr. Pulliam:

I write to you on behalf of CarePartners Hospice & Palliative Care, an organization that has provided excellent care to myself, my family and many other families over the years. I hope you will give strong consideration to CarePartners Hospice's special need petition to apply for a Certificate of Need for five additional inpatient hospice beds.

I, Hazel Tilson, have myself have been the beneficiary of the outstanding care CarePartners Hospice provides at the Solace Center, its inpatient facility. The staff is compassionate and caring, putting the needs of patients and families above all other considerations. By adding five inpatient beds in the Solace Center, CarePartners Hospice will be able to expand its reach and give even more families the kind of caring attention we received.

Your support of CarePartners Hospice's special need petition will ensure that CarePartners Hospice has the opportunity to provide its unmatched service to all those who need care in the Solace Center. Thank you for your consideration of their request.

Sincerely,

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