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Department of Health and Human Services

Division of Certificate of Need

Reilly, North Carolina

RE: PET/CT scanner

Dear Ms. Hoffman:

I am writing this letter in support of the application from MedWest for a PET/CT scanner. MedWest covers North Carolinians in Haywood, Jackson and Swain Counties as well as contiguous counties. It is a hardship for patients to travel out of the area for PET/CT scans. These scans are particularly critical to making decisions in regard to cancer patients when the degree of involvement with cancer has not been established otherwise. I give my wholehearted support to MedWest in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

*Electronically Signed by:*

Barton R. Paschal, MD

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