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Mr. Craig R. Smith, Chief
Certificate of Need Section
Division of Facility Services
701 Barbour Drive
Raleigh, North Carolina 27603

Dear Mr. Smith:

I am writing on behalf of the City of Asheboro to offer support of the Asheboro City Council for the Certificate of Need Application being submitted by Fresenius Medical Care to relocate their dialysis facility and add 10 new dialysis stations.

On September 7, 2010, I met with Juan Jackson of Fresenius Medical Care to discuss the Certificate of Need Application being developed by Fresenius. It is my understanding that Fresenius Medical Care must relocate in order to develop the new stations. The new stations are essential to providing life sustaining dialysis treatment as the patient population of Asheboro and Randolph County increases. Additional dialysis stations in this area will mean enhanced access to care, and additional economic impact in our city. Juan also explained that relocation of the BMA Asheboro facility would allow the facility offer additional services to the ESRD patient population of Randolph County. A larger facility not only will offer 10 additional dialysis stations, but will also offer home dialysis therapies and nocturnal dialysis for the patients who choose to dialyze over night.

Developments of this nature offer win-win options for everyone. Dialysis patients will have access to new services and more patients will have the opportunity to receive dialysis treatment closer to their homes, in a facility within the City of Asheboro. In addition to more options for care, the dialysis facility will have a positive economic impact on the community, creating additional jobs, and enhancing the economic picture for Asheboro.

The City Council certainly supports the concept of additional dialysis stations and health services in our community and City.

Sincerely,

John Ogburn III, City Manager
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