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Press Release

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Mercyhealth announced plans to build a micro-hospital and clinic on their property in Crystal Lake. As part of their plan, they are asking the State to approve their request to redistribute 13 licensed inpatient beds from their hospital in Harvard to the new proposed facility in Crystal Lake. Mercyhealth Harvard Hospital currently has 18 licensed beds. Over the past several years, the Harvard Hospital has had an average of only four inpatients per day, leaving the majority of the beds unused for most of the year.

After meeting with a Mercyhealth executive, I am confident their plan is a very responsible and efficient solution to better serve McHenry County while maintaining the same level of services provided to the City of Harvard. MercyHealth will continue to provide all of the same services and technologies to our community.

Mercyhealth has had a long-standing commitment to Harvard and has invested millions of dollars in hospital renovations. If this proposal is approved, the plan will be to assess the new realized space for opportunities to repurpose it for expanding their 45-bed long-term care facility. Rest assured, when the inpatient needs of our community outgrow the number of certified beds, MercyHealth will seek to add those requirements to fulfill those needs. I am thankful for their long-standing commitment to Harvard and for the excellent health care services they will provide our community, now and for many years to come.

For questions or concerns, please contact:

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