

TOWN OF BRATTLEBORO

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September 11, 2017

Green Mountain Care Board 89 Main Street, 3rd Floor Montpelier, VT 05620

Re: Brattleboro Memorial Hospital Modernization Project - Certificate of Need

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to support the Certificate of Need application for Brattleboro Memorial Hospital's Modernization Project.

As a resident of Windham County, I appreciate the availability of exceptional local health care for my family, friends, and neighbors. As Brattleboro's Town Manager, I understand the importance of a fully-equipped hospital in attracting and retaining top quality providers, positively impacting not only our community's physical well being but also our local economy. The proposed expansion and the renovations to surgical services would allow BMH to operate as a much more efficient and modern facility, thereby achieving a cost-effective standard that will provide a better experience for both patients and providers.

Subject to an upcoming review to ensure compliance with the Town Plan, the Town's Land Use Regulations, and the requirements of the Development Review Board, I am pleased to offer my enthusiastic support for this project.

Thank you for your consideration of Brattleboro Memorial Hospital's Certificate of Need application. I hope you will promptly grant approval.

Singerely,

Peter B. Elwell Town Manager

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