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The Green Mountain Care Board  
89 Main Street, Third Floor, City Center  
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Dear Members of the Green Mountain Care Board:

We are writing to you today in support of the pending application to approve the physician owned and operated multi-specialty ambulatory surgical center (ASC) in the greater Burlington area, Green Mountain Surgery Center.

MVP Health Care (MVP) has over twenty thousand members in the state of Vermont and is dedicated to providing them with the best quality health care at the lowest cost. It is MVP's experience in New York, that independent free-standing ASCs can not only be more cost-effective, but can provide patient convenience and higher patient satisfaction. MVP would look to contract with a licensed and certified ASC in our network if they could meet our stringent quality and reimbursement standards. ASCs and other non-hospital based services align strategically within value-based care programs to transform the health care paradigm to the benefit of Vermont citizens.

Therefore, MVP supports the Certificate of Need (CON) for this physician owned and operated multi-specialty ambulatory surgical center. As MVP continues to support the Green Mountain Care Board's initiatives and transformative health care model, MVP believes that the establishment of this facility embodies the value, cost and quality we strive to achieve in the state of Vermont.

Respectfully yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George Thomson".

George Thomson  
Network Management Vice President, Vermont  
MVP Health Plan, Inc