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Mr. Craig Smith, Chief
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Dear Mr. Smith:

I am a practicing otolaryngologist with High Point ENT Associates, with offices in downtown High Point and at Premier Medical Plaza. I submit this letter to you in opposition to the proposed ambulatory surgery center (ASC) by Moses Cone Health System and Triad Surgery, LLC. It is my belief that the proposal is an unnecessary duplication of services. First, there is ample OR capacity within the High Point area. High Point Regional Hospital, High Point Surgery Center, and the CON approved Premier Surgery Center all maintain sufficient capacity to meet the current and future needs of the patients of this region. Additionally, other existing providers in Guilford County also maintain excess capacity, as do providers in the surrounding counties of Davidson, Forsyth, and Randolph Counties, as well as in Alamance and Rockingham Counties. Lastly, we are more focused than ever on cost containment and reducing health care expenses. This proposal contradicts that philosophy and creates an unnecessary duplication of services and facilities in this market. With ample capacity readily available to providers and patients, alike, there is very little justification for an expense such as the one proposed by the applicants.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opposition. Please let me know if I may provide additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Moore", is written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

David Moore, M.D.