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Dear Ms. Hoffman:

I am writing on behalf of Moses Cone Health System in support of the Certificate of Need Application submitted by Southeastern Orthopaedic Specialists, P.A. (SOS) to acquire a fixed MRI scanner for their facility at 1130 North Church Street, Greensboro, Guilford County.

As a member of the Moses Cone Health System management team, I have had many opportunities to work closely with the SOS surgeons on a variety of projects, and I have found this group's commitment to quality and community service noteworthy. For example, the practice maintains a long-standing relationship supporting area high school athletic programs. SOS provides charity care for patients when necessary. Approval of the CON application allowing SOS to acquire and operate a fixed MRI Scanner at their Greensboro location will improve access to this service for residents of Guilford County and the surrounding areas. I encourage the Certificate of Need Section to closely consider the merits of the SOS application.

Sincerely,

James Roskelly

Vice President

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