



May 28, 2020

Valarie Jarvis
Chair, Long-Term and Behavioral Health Committee
And
Christopher Ullrich, M.D.
Chair, State Health Coordinating Council

North Carolina Division of Health Service Regulation
Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section
2704 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

RE: Caldwell Hospice & Palliative Care's Adjusted Need Petition for Six Inpatient Hospice Beds in Watauga County

Dear Ms. Jarvis and Dr. Ullrich:

I am writing to voice my strong support of Caldwell Hospice and Palliative Care's special needs petition to include six hospice general inpatient beds in the State Medical Facilities Plan for Ashe, Avery and Watauga Counties.

For background, I was raised in Watauga County and both of my parents taught 30 years at Watauga High School. As they have aged my father passed away at Watauga Medical Center in July of 2017. It was swift due to his COPD. However, my mother continues to live in Boone at Deerfield Assisted Living. Due to her dementia, she is currently under Hospice Care. As she continues to digress, I see the need for Hospice in "High Country" even more. I see Hospice as a great need in the area that serves so many North Carolina's with a vacation destination.

As shown in the petition, there is a clear need for local access to inpatient hospice services in this area, and I believe that Caldwell Hospice & Palliative Care is the ideal provider to offer this service, bringing with their experience and expertise the utmost in quality and compassionate care to the residents of our community.

I strongly encourage you to approve Caldwell Hospice & Palliative Care's special need adjustment petition.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Roger Lynn Harwood (WHS class of 1982, NCSU class of 1987 BSCE)

Caroline Chura
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TO: Valerie Jarvis and Christopher Ullrich, MD
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I am writing to voice my support of Caldwell Hospice and Palliative Care's special needs petition to include 6 hospice general inpatient beds in the State Med Facilities Plan for Ashe, Avery and Watauga counties.

There is a great need to provide a dignified and peaceful method of palliative care for patients and their families.

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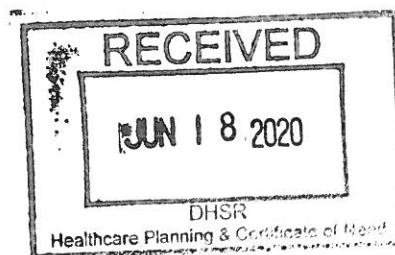
Please approve Caldwell Hospice and Palliative Care's special need adjustment petition.

Sincerely,

Caroline Chura

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Date 6-16-2020

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I am a resident of Ashe County. We need hospice care closer to our county if possible. There is so much cancer in Ashe County. Of course there are other care needs but this is the one that stands out to me. Please consider this need.

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Sincerely, Jean Phillips