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Kenneth H. Belcher, President and CEO
CharterCARE Health Partners, Roger Williams Hospital
And Elmhurst Extended Care Facilities, Inc.
825 Chalkstone Avenue
Providence, RI 02908

John Fogarty, President and CEO
St. Joseph Health Services of Rhode Island
200 High Service Avenue
North Providence, RI 02904

Dear Messrs. Belcher and Fogarty:

Please find the enclosed Decision regarding the proposed affiliation of St. Joseph Health Services of Rhode Island, Roger Williams Hospital, Roger Williams Medical Center, and CharterCARE Health Partners under the Hospital Conversions Act of Rhode Island.

Sincerely,



David R. Gifford, MD, MPH
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