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Al Gobeille Green Mountain Care Board 89 Main Street Montpelier, VT 05620

RE: Docket No. GMCB-010-15con, Proposed Ambulatory Surgical Center

Dear Chairman Gobeille:

I am writing to support the Green Mountain Surgery Center's Certificate of Need application to construct a building at 89 Hercules Drive in Colchester.

The Town of Colchester has many medical facilities including UVM Medical Center's Fanny Allen Campus and Colchester Family Practice. We are also home to large and small private medical and dental practices, especially in the Exit 16 and Water Tower Hill area. These businesses offer patients many convenient medical services from doctor's offices to rehabilitation services in this designated growth area. These companies employ hundreds of local Vermonters while being conveniently located right off the Interstate for commuting ease. The medical community is an integral part of Colchester and the state's economic success and we would welcome Green Mountain Surgery Center to our community.

Green Mountain Surgery Center would employ 22 local nurses, medical technicians and office staff which will have a positive ripple effect on our local small business economy.

Growing our local business community is a high priority for the Town of Colchester and we believe Green Mountain Surgery Center will bring quality jobs to our community while being a civic minded business.

Thank you for your consideration of Green Mountain Surgery Center's role in Colchester and the region and the positive value it will create.

Sincerely,

Kathi Walker O'Reilly

Director of Economic Development