June 16, 2023

Address:

The Honorable Governor Kim Reynolds 1007 E Grand Ave Des Moines, IA 50319

Subject: Rural Emergency Hospital, Keokuk, Iowa Dear Governor Reynolds; _____am signing this letter in support of (PLEASE PRINT) the need for and importance of the State of Iowa's financial assistance in bringing a Rural Emergency Hospital to my community, Keokuk, Iowa. I believe by bringing attention to this cause and by working together that we can improve the quality of life in this community, county, and state. In September of 2022, our hospital closed its doors leaving this community and surrounding communities, without close available emergency care. The hospital building has been purchased by Insight, a company out of Flint, Michigan, and they are requesting ARPA funds through the State of Iowa to facilitate upgrades and repairs to the building. Without the funds, Insight will need to delay the opening of the facility for several additional months. I am asking that you do whatever it takes to find these needed funds in support of this lowa community. I understand that everyone has busy schedules, but I believe that the collective voice of our community can bring about the support of you, our Governor. By signing this letter, I hope to help demonstrate the strength of Keokuk's commitment to establishing a Rural Emergency Hospital and to increase the likelihood of success. I, and the people of Keokuk, would greatly appreciate your support for our collective effort in addressing the pressing issue. Together we can make a significant difference in our community and leave a positive impact for future generations. Regards,

(Please return with your water bill or drop off at City Hall, 501 Main St, Keokuk, IA 52632 by Wednesday, July 5, 2023.)

(For Households with more than one adult signature, more copies are available at City Hall)