

June 22, 2009

Ms. Lee B. Hoffman
N.C. Department of Health and Human Services
Certificate of Need Section
2704 Mail Center Service
Raleigh, NC 27499-2704

Dear Ms. Hoffman:

I am writing to support Hospice & Palliative Care of Cabarrus County's (HPCCC) effort to add eight hospice inpatient beds and four residential beds to Tucker Hospice House, its existing inpatient and residential facility in Cabarrus County. As a member of the local community, I believe it is important that these new beds be added to the existing Tucker Hospice House.

The HPCCC staff has proven that they know how to meet end of life care needs of residents in our community through the excellent care they provide in both their home hospice care program and at Tucker Hospice House. With 24 years experience in community based hospice care and 3 years at Tucker Hospice House, I believe they are the best choice to expand much needed hospice services in Cabarrus County.

As a member of this community, I offer my full support to Hospice & Palliative Care of Cabarrus County.

Sincerely,