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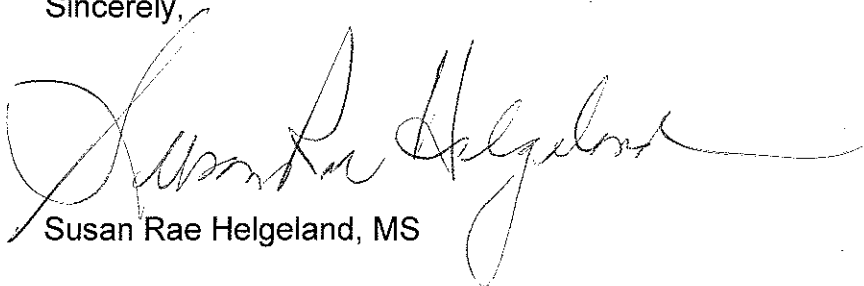
Dear Commissioner Magnan:

I am writing as executive director of Mental Health America in ND (MHAND) to support Prairie St. John's efforts to build a specialty health hospital in Woodbury, Minnesota. MHAND is a 501© 3 non profit organization. Our mission is to promote mental health through education, advocacy, understanding and access to quality care for all individuals.

I have known and worked with Prairie St. John's hospital in Fargo, North Dakota since 1997. I am also a member of their Institutional Review Board. They are an excellent corporate and community citizen for our city and state. They are also a significant partner and contributor in community advocacy projects for people with mental illness and their family members.

I believe that Prairie St. John's will make an excellent addition to the psychiatric care community in Minnesota. If you need further information from me please call me at 701-391-8824 (cell). My cell phone is the best way to reach me.

Sincerely,



Susan Rae Helgeland, MS