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04/08/2026



**RE: Support for Ascension Saint Thomas Fairview Freestanding Emergency Department (FSED)**

Members of the Health Facilities Commission,

I am writing to express my strong support for Ascension Saint Thomas' proposed freestanding emergency department (FSED) in Fairview.

As a physician who has practiced in Middle Tennessee for many years, I have cared for many patients and families from Fairview and surrounding communities. I also have personal ties to the area through family members, which has strengthened my connection to the community and my understanding of its needs. Through these professional and personal relationships, I have seen both Fairview's strengths and the real challenges residents face when critical health care services are not available close to home.

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Fairview is growing, and that growth increases the need for essential, coordinated services that are accessible within the community. Today, many residents must travel outside Fairview for emergency care. In time-sensitive situations—such as heart attacks, strokes, serious injuries, or sudden illness—those additional miles can mean avoidable delays when every minute matters.

As an actively practicing physician, I believe in building systems of care that support individuals and families across every stage of life. Establishing emergency services in Fairview is a practical, patient-centered step toward meeting the needs of this community and improving timely access to high-quality care.

I respectfully urge the Commission to approve the Certificate of Need for this project so that Fairview residents and those in surrounding areas can access high-quality emergency care closer to home.

Sincerely,



Timothy Mangrum, MD, FACP, FAAP  
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Good morning,

Please see email below.



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To the Commission:

I am writing to express my support for the Ascension Saint Thomas and Dickson Medical Associates certificate of need application for a freestanding emergency department in Fairview, Tennessee. I am a Fairview resident, property owner, and current patient of Dickson Medical Associates. I have a direct stake in how this decision gets made. Fairview has no 24/7 emergency care and no urgent care open after hours. When something goes wrong at night or on a weekend, residents are choosing between a 30-to-40-minute drive to Dickson or Franklin, or calling 911 and hoping for the best. That gap is real and it has existed for too long.

I support the Ascension Saint Thomas / Dickson Medical Associates application specifically because it addresses more than just emergency access. Co-locating a freestanding ER with DMA's expanded outpatient facility — including primary care, express care, behavioral health, and subspecialties — creates a coordinated healthcare campus that serves the community's day-to-day needs, not just its worst moments. That is the right model for a growing community like Fairview.

I would ask the Commission to give this application serious consideration and to recognize that Fairview residents are not just asking for closer emergency care — we are asking for a healthcare infrastructure that reflects the growth this community has already experienced.

Respectfully,  
Adam Barnes  
Fairview Resident & Property Owner

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RE: Ascension Saint Thomas Fairview FSED

Members of the Health Facilities Commission,

I am writing as a resident of Fairview to express my strong support for Ascension Saint Thomas and Dickson Medical Associates' proposed freestanding emergency department and health care campus in our community.


Fairview has grown tremendously in recent years. New neighborhoods, new businesses, and more families are choosing to call this city home. While we are proud of that growth, access to emergency medical care has not kept pace. Today, residents and first responders must travel outside of Fairview for emergency services. In situations involving heart attacks, strokes, serious injuries, or other life threatening conditions, those extra miles and minutes can make a critical difference.

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Bringing both emergency care and physician services to Fairview will strengthen public safety, support our first responders, and provide peace of mind to residents. As our city continues to grow, it is essential that essential services grow with it. Access to high quality health care should be part of the foundation of our community's future.

I respectfully urge the Commission to approve the Certificate of Need for this project. Fairview residents deserve expanded health care access close to home, and this campus represents an important investment in our city's safety and well being.

Sincerely,

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RE: Ascension Saint Thomas Fairview FSED

Members of the Health Facilities Commission,

I am writing to express my strong support for the proposed freestanding emergency department in Fairview. This project represents an important investment in the health and safety of a growing community and will help ensure that residents have access to timely, high-quality emergency care close to home.

As the owner of The Pearl, a Montessori-based assisted living community, I work closely with older adults and their families every day. Through this work, I see firsthand how critical access to nearby emergency services is, particularly for seniors and individuals with complex health needs. When emergencies arise, whether it is a fall, respiratory issue, cardiac event, or other urgent condition, the time it takes to reach care can have a direct impact on outcomes.


Currently, many Fairview residents, including those in surrounding communities, must travel outside the area to access emergency services. For seniors and their caregivers, this can add stress and uncertainty during difficult moments. Expanding access to 24/7 emergency care in Fairview would provide reassurance for families and allow residents to receive care more quickly when it matters most.

What is especially encouraging about this proposal is that it goes beyond a freestanding emergency department. The development of a broader health care campus, including access to primary and specialty care, supports a more coordinated approach to health services. For individuals in assisted living and other care settings, this kind of integrated access can improve continuity of care and overall quality of life.

As a local business owner and community member, I am committed to supporting initiatives that strengthen the infrastructure and services our residents rely on. Access to high-quality health care is foundational to a thriving community, and this project represents a meaningful step forward for Fairview and the surrounding area.

For these reasons, I respectfully encourage the Commission to approve the Certificate of Need for this project so that residents, families, and caregivers can benefit from expanded access to essential health services.

Sincerely,



Donnie Cunningham  
Owner, The Pearl  
Montessori Assisted Living

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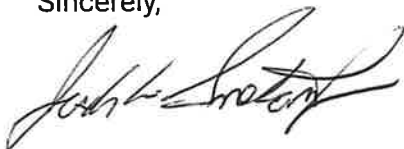
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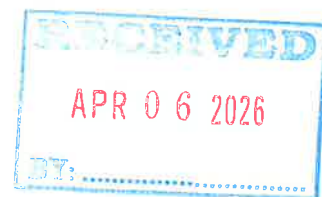
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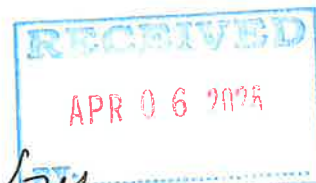
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Eileen Brogan  
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April 30, 2026

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Re: Certificate of Need for a free standing emergency department for Fairview, TN

Dear Mr. Grant and members of the Tennessee Health Facilities Commission:

The City of Fairview, TN needs an emergency medical facility. The nearest one is 25 minutes away, longer during times of heavy traffic. Our community has grown dramatically in the past 2 decades. More people mean both more possible medical emergencies and more traffic. I live just outside of Fairview's city limit, and I would like to point out that a facility within Fairview would also be available to people like me from surrounding areas.

Two years ago, I had an episode of vertigo and double vision. My husband drove me to the Williamson Medical Center, which took 34 minutes. My medical issue turned out to be a minor inner ear issue, but if it had been a stroke, those 34 minutes could have made the difference between life and death, or between being able to walk and talk or not.

Ascension Saint Thomas has proposed to build an emergency room in Fairview in conjunction with Dickson Medical Association to create a health care campus combining 24-hour emergency services along with expanded primary care and specialist services. Such a comprehensive health care facility would fill a huge need in our area.

Please approve the Certificate of Need for this project.

Sincerely,



Eileen Brogan

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