



Senate Health and Human Services Committee  
Chair Melissa H. Wiklund  
95 University Avenue W.  
Minnesota Senate Bldg., Room 2107

March 18, 2024

**Subject: Lakeview Hospital Relocation Legislation - SF3674**

Dear Chair Wiklund and committee members,

I am writing to you on behalf of the City of Stillwater, a municipal entity in Washington County where Lakeview Hospital is located. We are deeply committed to the well-being and health of our community. In this spirit, we wish to express our strong support for SF3674 authored by Senator Housley to amend Minnesota's hospital construction moratorium.

We strongly endorse SF3674 which will enable Lakeview Hospital to move to a more suitable location for a modern hospital while maintaining its full licensed capacity of 97 inpatient beds. This is crucial for addressing the growing health care demands in our community and ensuring that Lakeview Hospital continues to effectively provide essential, high-quality services for Stillwater and our surrounding communities.

As members of our state's legislative body, your support for this legislation is vital. We urge you to consider the positive impact that the proposed changes will bring to our community's health infrastructure and overall well-being.

We appreciate your attention to this important matter and hope that you will join us in supporting SF3674. Thank you for your consideration and for your ongoing commitment to the health and welfare of the people of Minnesota.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joe Kohlmann". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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