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New York State Office Building

**Attn: Mr. Anthony Brindisi, Assemblyman**

207 Genesee Street, Rm 401

Utica, NY 13501

Dear Assemblyman Brindisi,

Thank you for the great deal of work attracting healthcare funding to the area, twice! As you must know, I'm very upset and have "lived and breathed" the Utica hospital saga for nearly two years.

This past Wednesday night taxpayers and residents were told "politicians picked the downtown location" and Mr. Scholefield called them/you by name. CEO Perra did same on The Joe Kelly Show the prior Sunday. When pressed further, Mr. Scholefield said, "We don't get the money if we build at St. Luke's."

I need your help, my questions to you and your staff:

1. Will you help me first confirm and document the politicians who created this message?
2. Will you help me explain to the MVHS (and taxpayers) that state healthcare funding CAN be used at the St. Luke's Campus? If not, then who says so, and why?
3. Lastly, please have your (the NYS Senate's) legal team define and or offer their interpretation of "largest population center of Oneida County"

These answers are critical, the timeline urgent. Please confirm receipt of this letter ASAP, and also an approximate timeline for supplying the answers. This so our group can plan our work. I can be reached at (315) 794-0401 anytime.

Sincerely,

Brett Truett, Co-founder

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Cc: County Ex. Picente, Senator Griffo, Mayor Palmieri, and regional media

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