NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Friday, April 5, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. a public hearing will be held before the Executive Director of the Illinois Finance Authority (the "Authority"), or his designee, in Suite 501 of the law office of Hart, Southworth & Witsman, One North Old State Capitol Plaza, Springfield, Illinois 62701, as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), regarding a plan of finance for the Authority to issue its revenue bonds (collectively, the "Bonds"), in one or more series, in a maximum aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$45,000,000. In the event that the designated public hearing location described in the preceding sentence is not adequate to accommodate social distancing concerns of any persons who arrive at the designated time of the public hearing or is otherwise unavailable due to health concerns, at the request of anyone present or if the space is otherwise unavailable due to health concerns, the Authority will move the public hearing outside in the immediate vicinity of the building and members of the public will be redirected to that location. In addition, the public hearing will be simultaneously accessible by residents, taxpayers and other interested persons telephonically on Friday, April 5, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. by dialing into the toll-free telephone conference line number: (888) 494-4032, and entering access code: 795-179-0918.

The proceeds of the Bonds will be loaned to Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center (the "Borrower"), an Illinois not for profit corporation, to be used, together with certain other funds, to do any or all of the following: (i) finance or reimburse the Borrower for the cost of acquiring, constructing, remodeling, renovating, expanding and equipping certain health care facilities owned by the Borrower, and all necessary and attendant facilities, equipment, and utilities appurtenant thereto, as further described below; (ii) fund a debt service reserve fund, if deemed necessary or advisable by the Borrower or the Authority; (iii) pay capitalized interest on the Bonds, if deemed necessary or advisable by the Borrower or the Bonds. The Bonds will be issued as qualified 501(c)(3) bonds under Section 145 of the Code.

A portion of the Bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$7,000,000 will be used to pay the costs of constructing, remodeling, renovating, expanding and equipping projects on the campus of the Borrower's main acute care hospital located at 1000 Health Center Drive, 1004 Health Center Drive, 1005 Health Center Drive and 1010 Health Center Drive, Mattoon, Illinois (the "Main Hospital"), including, but not limited to (A) construction of an approximately 45,000 square foot, two-story addition to the Main Hospital, (B) renovation of approximately 20,000 square feet of space within the existing Main Hospital to (i) expand the intensive care category of service at the Main Hospital resulting in the addition of five new licensed beds, (ii) create space for fifteen new medical-surgical beds and (iii) add meeting rooms, employee offices and a new multidisciplinary training center and (C) construction, renovation, remodeling and equipping of the approximately 12,000 square foot, one story Hospice House located on the northern portion of the Main Hospital campus at 10660 County Road 800 N. Mattoon, Illinois.

A portion of the Bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$12,500,000 will be used to pay the costs of renovating (A) approximately 9,000 square feet of space within the medical office building known as Prairie Pavilion 1 and located at 1005 Health Center Drive, Mattoon, Illinois, which currently houses various outpatient clinics and office spaces, and (B) approximately 16,000 square feet of space within the medical office building known as Prairie Pavilion 2 located at 1004 Health Center Drive, Mattoon, Illinois, which currently houses various outpatient clinics, home health and hospice services and office spaces.

A portion of the Bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$22,000,000 will be used to pay the costs of constructing, remodeling, renovating, expanding and equipping projects in or near the Borrower's acute care hospital located at 650 West Taylor Street, Vandalia, Illinois ("Fayette County Hospital"), including, but not limited to (A) renovation of approximately 2,500 square feet of space within the existing emergency department, (B) construction and equipping of an approximately two-story, 42,000 square foot medical office building to be located on the northeast corner of West Jackson Street and North 8th Street, which will house primary and specialty care medical clinics, occupational medicine, rehabilitation services (physical and occupational therapy), ancillary services (imaging and laboratory) and billing and administrative offices, and (C) purchase of generators to supply emergency power to Fayette County Hospital.

A portion of the Bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$18,000,000 will be used to pay the costs of constructing and equipping an approximately two-story, 42,000 square foot medical office building to be located at 900 North Maple Street, Effingham, Illinois, which will house specialty care medical clinics, retail pharmacy, audiology, counseling services and a laboratory.

The facilities and assets being financed or reimbursed from proceeds of the Bonds are owned and principally used, and will be owned and principally used, by the Borrower and are and will be located at the Borrower's facilities at the addresses described above.

The Bonds are special, limited obligations of the Authority, payable solely out of the revenues and other funds pledged and assigned for their payment in accordance with one or more loan agreements each between the Borrower and the Authority and the indentures pursuant to which the Bonds are issued. The Bonds do not constitute a debt of the Authority, the State of Illinois or any political subdivision thereof within the meaning of any provisions of the Constitution or statutes of the State of Illinois or a pledge of the faith and credit of the Authority, the State of have the Authority or the General Assembly of the State of Illinois or any political subdivision of the State of Illinois or any political subdivision thereof, or grant to the owners thereof any right to have the Authority or the General Assembly of the State of Illinois or any political subdivision of the State of Illinois levy any taxes or appropriate any funds for the payment of the principal thereof or interest thereon. The Authority has no taxing power.

The above notice of public hearing is required by Section 147(f) of the Code. At the time and place set for the public hearing, residents, taxpayers and other interested persons will be given the opportunity to express their views for or against the proposed plan of finance. In addition, residents, taxpayers and other interested persons that attend the public hearing telephonically by dialing into the toll-free telephone conference line number noted above will be given the opportunity to express their views for or against the proposed plan of finance at a designated point in the public hearing. Written comments may also be submitted to the Executive Director of the Authority via email at publiccomments@il-fa.com or at his office located at 160 North LaSalle Street, Suite S-1000, Chicago, Illinois 60601 until April 3, 2024. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), if any person with a disability as defined by the ADA needs special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, then not later than April 4, 2024, he or she should contact the Authority at (312) 651-1300.

DATED: March 27, 2024.

<u>/s/ Christopher B. Meister</u> Executive Director Illinois Finance Authority