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Dr. Jerry Corcoran, President
Illinois Valley Community College
815 N. Orlando Smith Avenue
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Dear Dr. Corcoran:

As President and CEO of St. Margaret's Health, I fully endorse and support the Illinois Valley Community College (IVCC) initiative to offer a Bachelor of Nursing Science Degree (BSN). IVCC will be a critical partner in helping to meet the demand for nurses with a bachelor's degree.

The reduced cost and convenience of community college BSN programs would make it possible for RNs to move up the career ladder without leaving their current employment, incurring additional educational debt, or moving away from their families.

Our support and combined efforts are aligned with the Illinois Valley Community College initiative to offer the BSN degree.

Sincerely,

Tim Muntz
President & CEO

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