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**COUNTY COMMISSION**  
**Greene County, Missouri**  
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**Greene County Commission**  
**Commission Briefing Minutes**

**Thursday, October 26, 2023**  
9:30 AM  
Commission Conference Room  
1443 N. Robberson, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor

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**\*\*Meeting Information**

Meeting link: <https://gcmo.webex.com/join/mapplegate> Access code: 2499 501 7983

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**Attendees:** Bob Dixon, Rusty MacLachlan, John Russell, Megan Applegate, Larry Woods, Schuyler Crawford, Robert Jehle, Lyle Foster and Deiter Duff.

**Teleconference Attendees:** Allen Icet, Allen Criger, Rob Rigdon, Andrea Stewart, Jeff Bassham, Kevin Barnes, Mike Cagle, Jim Arnott, Kevin Spaulding and Justin Hill.

**Informational Items**

Resource Management-Kevin Barnes

- Upcoming bid meeting updates.
- Campus project updates.
- Parking lot update.
- West bypass sewer update.
- Woodvale subdivision update.

**Items for Consideration and Action by the Commission**

**Discussion and Possible Vote: Approval of Acceptance for the FY2023 EMPG Grant, OEM**  
Commissioner John Russell moved to approve the acceptance for the FY2023 EMPG grant as presented. Commissioner Rusty MacLachlan seconded the motion and it passed. Yes: Dixon, MacLachlan and Russell.

**Discussion and Possible Vote: Letter of Support: J-1 Visa: Dr. Abhaya Khatiwada**  
Commissioner Rusty MacLachlan moved to approve the letter of support for the J-1 Visa request as presented. Commissioner John Russell seconded the motion and it passed. Yes: Dixon, MacLachlan and Russell.

**Discussion and Possible Vote: ARPA Small Business Allocations, ARPA Specialist**  
Commissioner John Russell moved to approve the ARPA small business allocations as presented. Commissioner Rusty MacLachlan seconded the motion and it passed. Yes: Dixon, MacLachlan and Russell.

Discussion and Possible Vote: Locum Medical Examiner Appointment for Carl Christopher Stacy, Medical Examiner

Commissioner Rusty MacLachlan moved to approve the letter of support for the J-1 Visa request as presented. Commissioner John Russell seconded the motion and it passed. Yes: Dixon, MacLachlan and Russell.

Other:

REMINDER of LEAD Committee Speaker Event @ 11 at the PSC.

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Discussion and Possible Vote: Letter of Support: J-1 Visa: Dr. Abhaya Khatiwada

Discussion and Possible Vote: ARPA Small Business Allocations, ARPA Specialist

Discussion and Possible Vote: Locum Medical Examiner Appointment for Carl Christopher Stacy, Medical Examiner

**Other:**

Revised on 10/24/2023 @ 11:54AM

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10/26/2023

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services  
200 Independence Avenue S.W.  
Washington, DC 20601


**Re: Letter of Community Support – Abhaya Khatiwada, MD**

Please accept this letter of support for Dr. Abhaya Khatiwada's J-1 Waiver application. Dr. Abhaya Khatiwada is a Hospitalist and is expected to join Mercy Clinic Springfield Communities to provide Hospitalist services at Mercy Hospital Springfield, 1235 E Cherokee St, Springfield MO 65804. She comes highly recommended, and we are excited to have her in the community.

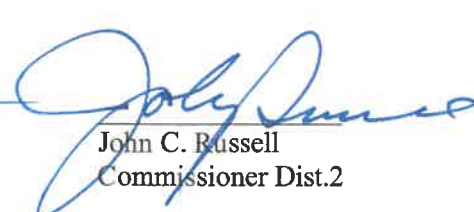
The number of providers is currently not sufficient to meet the needs of the population living in this area. It would be a great service to the area if we could bring in additional physicians willing to provide these services, as this could help us to meet the needs of the patient population in a more efficient and effective manner.

We support Mercy Clinic Springfield Communities' decision to hire Dr. Abhaya Khatiwada for this visa waiver opportunity.

Sincerely,

  
Bob Dixon  
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Commissioner Dist. 1

  
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Commissioner Dist. 2