From: Sunset Advisory Commission

To: <u>Cecelia Hartley</u>
Subject: FW: Northstar

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From: Joy

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Mr. Ken Levine, Director, Sunset Advisiory Commission,

I know many people with a mental illness, and many family members of people with a mental illness. Many of them depend on Northstar to get their medicine to prevent hospitalizations. I personally feel that my community is safer with people that have a doctor and therapist nearby. Some would not be able to find a doctor without Northstar, since some doctors will not accept patients who have addiction or other problems. A hospitalization is very expensive compared to the price of medications. Northstar is needed in our community. I would suggest that you come & see the great job that is being done in our area. Joy Bergmann