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### City of Venice

Request to Speak (print legibly)

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Audience Participation

Agenda - Topic: SMH - De-Annexation Agreement Amendment

If you are going to present evidence and/or testimony during a public hearing, you are required to complete and sign the following oath. You are not required to sign the oath if you are speaking at Audience Participation or at a workshop.

I swear or affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the evidence or factual representation, which I am about to give or present at the public hearing, held this 11 day of Aug 2018 is truthful.

Signature: Jess Jasper

Comments at public hearing and during audience participation are limited to five minutes per speaker unless otherwise noted.

Mayor and City Council Members,

My name is Jerry Jasper and I reside at 130 Burano Court, North Venice. I am here on behalf of the VG&RC Community Association.

In reference to Council Action 18-3482, The Board of Directors of the VG&RC Community Association fully supports Sarasota County Public Hospital's request to amend the applicable Pre-annexation Agreement, as stated. Their position regarding the limitations put on them by the Pre-annexation Agreement as to building height and window sizes are sound arguments and we feel they should be relieved of these stipulations.

Our Community Association has vigorously supported SMH's new Laurel Road hospital from the day it was first announced. We urge the City to do whatever is reasonably possible to expedite the various approvals needed to commence construction of this new facility.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sarasota Memorial Health Care System for establishing the **Sarasota Memorial Hospital – Laurel Road Neighborhood Advisory Council**. I am honored to be a part of that Council and have been assured, as I am certain other members have, that they welcome our input on how this new hospital can best become an integral part of our northeast Venice community!

Thank you!