## QUALIFYING STATEMENT FOR VCA AURORA ANIMAL HOSPITAL LOCATED AT 1500 DEERPATH ROAD, AURORA, ILLINOIS

Project Location: Herget Middle School, 1550 Deerpath, Aurora, IL

Site Size: Parcel 1: 32.027 Acres, Parcel 2: 11.541 Acres. Total = 43.57 Acres

Project Name: Herget Middle School -

Project Summary: School District 129 is proposing to construct a 49 space parking lot (on parcel 2) with an access drive to the existing parking lot on the South side of Parcel 1 and construct a new exit only access drive directly to Deerpath Road. The project includes a new running track and athletic field for football & soccer to be located on Parcel 2, just South of the proposed parking lot addition. No bleachers or lighting of the athletic field are proposed. Also included with this project is a solar field, which is to be located at the Northeast corner of Parcel 1. Electricity generated by the solar field will only provide electricity to the school and no electricity will be sold to other users. These improvements are not expected to have a negative impact on traffic internally or on Deerpath Road primarily because the existing football field is simply being relocated from its current location at the North side of Parcel 1 where the solar field is proposed to be constructed. Approximately only 5 track meets will be hosted annually and the meets will occur directly after classes let out afternoon.

The School District is seeking a waiver for providing additional landscaping with this project citing that the adjacent residents will be able to enjoy access to the proposed running track and parking lot, and that there are existing trees along adjacent to the proposed improvements along the West side of the existing sidewalk along Deerpath Road, the existing trees on the West side of the existing walking trail onsite that extends from North to South of parcel 2, and the existing trees on the North side of the existing park just South of Parcel 2. No other variances are being requested with this project.