R. Steven Hamner Chief Financial Officer Medical Properties Trust, Inc. MPT Operating Partnership, L.P. 1000 Urban Center Drive, Suite 501 Birmingham, AL 35242

Re: Medical Properties Trust, Inc.
MPT Operating Partnership, L.P.

Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2022

Filed March 1, 2023 File No. 001-32559

Dear R. Steven Hamner:

 $\,$ We received your letters dated February 8, 2023 and March 24, 2023, which you

provided in response to staff comments in connection with the review of your Form 10-K for the

fiscal year ended December 31, 2021. Given your significant asset concentration with Steward $\,$

Health Care System LLC ("Steward"), we believe that the financial statements of Steward are $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Steward}}$

necessary for an adequate presentation of your financial condition. Based on the information you

provided in your letters and pursuant to our authority in Rule 3-13 of Regulation S-X, we require

that you amend your Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2022 to include audited

financial statements of Steward as of and for the year ended December 31, 2022. If you have any

questions regarding this letter, please call me at (202) 551-3782.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jessica

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Jessica Barberich Associate Chief

Accountant

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority.