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April 16, 2020

Ms. Kate Brinn
President
Bon Secours Maryview Medical Center
3636 High Street
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RE: Maryview Hospital d/b/a Maryview Medical Center
Portsmouth, Virginia
Temporarily add 63 beds at Maryview Medical Center in response to the COVID-19 crisis

Dear Ms. Brinn:

In accordance with Executive Order 52, I reviewed the request and all supporting documents submitted by Maryview Hospital d/b/a Maryview Medical Center to temporarily add 63 beds, including 49 intensive care unit beds and 14 medical/surgical beds at Maryview Medical Center. I have considered the factors listed in my March 24, 2020, letter; and I have concluded that **approval** of the request is warranted based on the following findings:


1. Maryview Medical Center has demonstrated that, due to the reasonable expectation of a sudden and overwhelming increase in acute care patients resulting from COVID-19 infection, Maryview Medical Center has an immediate need to temporarily add 63 beds, including 49 ICU beds and 14 medical/surgical beds.
2. Maryview Medical Center's plan for training and shifting available staff is a reasonable solution for staffing the additional beds.
3. Maryview Medical Center's plan and ability to obtain equipment and supplies is reasonable within the confines of the current crisis.
4. Maryview Medical Center's plan to expand bed capacity in existing hospital space assures patient safety is maintained from a fire and life safety code perspective.

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In accordance with Executive Order 52, the 63 added beds are deemed to be licensed from the date an emailed notice is received by Robert Payne, Director of the Office of Licensure and Certification, that they are open. This authorization is valid for the period April 16, 2020, through 30 days after the expiration of or rescission of Executive Order 52, as it may be amended.

If you have any questions, please contact Robert Payne at (804) 367-2109, or Robert.Payne@VDH.Virginia.gov. Thank you for your response to the community in this public health emergency.

Sincerely,

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