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April 13, 2020

Mr. Nicholas C. Conte
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RE: Carilion Stonewall Jackson Hospital

City of Lexington, Virginia

Temporarily add 11 Medical Surgical Beds at Carilion Stonewall Jackson Hospital in response to COVID-19 crisis

Dear Mr. Conte:

In accordance with Executive Order 52, I reviewed the request and all supporting documents submitted by Carilion Stonewall Jackson Hospital (“CSJH”) to temporarily add 11 medical surgical beds at CSJH. 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. CSJH has demonstrated that, due to the reasonable expectation of a sudden and overwhelming increase in acute care patients resulting from COVID-19 infection, CSJH has an immediate need to temporarily add 11 licensed inpatient beds.
2. CSJH’s plan for training and shifting available staff is a reasonable solution for staffing the additional beds.
3. CSJH’s plan and ability to obtain equipment and supplies is reasonable within the confines of the current crisis.
4. CSJH’s plan to expand bed capacity in existing hospital space throughout the facility, while seeking variance in accordance with 12VAC5-410-30 where necessary, assures patient safety is maintained from a fire and life safety code perspective

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In accordance with Executive Order 52, the 11 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 13, 2020, through 30 days after the expiration of or rescission of Executive Order 51, as it may be amended.

If you have any questions please contact Robert Payne, Director of the Office of Licensure and Certification 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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