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April 13, 2020

Ms. Toni Ardabell
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Inova Health System
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RE: Inova Healthcare Services, Inc.

Fairfax, Virginia

Temporarily add 15 medical/surgical beds and 15 intensive care unit beds at Inova Fair Oaks Hospital in response to the COVID-19 crisis

Dear Ms. Ardabell:

In accordance with Executive Order 52, I reviewed the request and all supporting documents submitted by Inova Healthcare Services, Inc. to temporarily add 15 medical/surgical and 15 intensive care unit beds at Inova Fair Oaks Hospital (Inova Fair Oaks). 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. Inova Fair Oaks has demonstrated that, due to the reasonable expectation of a sudden and overwhelming increase in acute care patients resulting from COVID-19 infection, Inova Fair Oaks has an immediate need to temporarily add 15 licensed medical/surgical beds and 15 intensive care unit beds.
2. Inova Fair Oaks' plan for cross-training and redeploying operating room, PACU, and ambulatory staff is a reasonable solution for staffing the additional beds.
3. Inova Fair Oaks' plan to expand bed capacity in existing hospital space throughout the facility assures patient safety is maintained from a fire and life safety code perspective.
4. Inova Fair Oaks' request is supported by the Health Systems Agency of Northern Virginia.

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In accordance with Executive Order 52, the 30 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 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,

DocuSigned by:

M. Norman Oliver, MD

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Enclosures

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