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CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Laura Varney
Executive Director
Hospice of Kona, Inc.
PO Box 4130
Kailua-Kona, HI 96745-4130

Dear Ms. Varney:

The State Health Planning and Development Agency has evaluated Hospice of Kona, Inc.'s Certificate of Need application #12-11A for the addition of five residential hospice beds at 76-6008 Mamalahoa Hwy., Kailua-Kona, Hawaii, at a capital cost of \$420,000.

Pursuant to Title 11, Chapter 186 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR), the Agency has determined that:

- (a) The proposal is eligible for administrative review as it meets the criteria in HAR 11-186-99.1(b)(6) "Any proposal which is determined by the agency not to have a significant impact on the health care system" and HAR 11-186-99.1(b)(5) "An additional location of an existing service or facility."
- (b) The applicant, Hospice of Kona, Inc., has proven by a preponderance of the evidence that its proposal meets the Certificate of Need criteria in HAR 11-186-15.
- (c) There is no compelling public interest which will be served by requiring the application to go through the standard review process.

As required under Section 323D-43(b), Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), the Agency finds that:

1. There is a public need for this proposal.
2. The cost of this proposal will not be unreasonable in light of the benefits it will provide and its impact on health care costs.

Accordingly, the State Health Planning and Development Agency hereby APPROVES and ISSUES a Certificate of Need to Hospice of Kona, Inc. for the proposal described in Certificate of Need application #12-11A. The maximum capital expenditure allowed under this approval is \$420,000.

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Please be advised that pursuant to Section 323D-47, HRS, any person may, for good cause shown, request in writing a public hearing for reconsideration of the Agency's decision within ten working days from the date of this decision. Accordingly, if no person makes such a timely request for reconsideration, this decision shall become final immediately after the deadline for making such a request has expired.

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Romala Sue Radcliffe
Administrator