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CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

George R. Bruno, M.D. President The Queen's Medical Center 1301 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, HI 96813

Dear Dr. Bruno:

The State Health Planning and Development Agency has evaluated The Queen's Medical Center's Certificate of Need application #23-04A for the renovation and expansion of its emergency room at 1301 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu, HI, at a capital cost of \$72,831,985.

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

- (a) The proposal is eligible for administrative review as it meets the criterion in HAR 11-186-99.1(b)(6) i.e.: "Any proposal which is determined by the agency not to have a significant impact on the health care system."
- (b) The applicant, The Queen's Medical Center, has proven by a preponderance of the evidence that its proposal meets the Certificate of Need criteria in HAR 11-186-15(a).
- (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 concludes and determines 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.

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Accordingly, the State Health Planning and Development Agency hereby APPROVES and ISSUES a Certificate of Need to The Queen's Medical Center for the proposal described in Certificate of Need application #23-04A. The maximum capital expenditure allowed under this approval is \$72,831,985.

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Administrator