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Robert R. Neall
Secretary of Health
Office of Secretary
Maryland Department of Health
Herbert R. O'Connor State Office Building
201 West Preston St.
Baltimore, MD 21201 – 2399

Dear Secretary Neall:

Pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health-Gen. §§2-104, 18-102, 18-103, 18-205, 18-902, 18-904, and Public Safety §14-3A-03, I am certifying that MedStar St. Mary's Hospital has met the following conditions in order to resume performing elective and non-urgent medical procedures:

- I. MedStar Health has completed our independent professional judgment in determining what procedures are appropriate to perform, which appointments should occur, and which patients to see in light of widespread COVID- 19 community transmission.
- II. MedStar St. Mary's Hospital has confirmed an inventory of at least one week's supply of personal protective equipment (PPE) for our Associates, Physicians and patients as appropriate.
- III. Systems have been established to assure social distancing requirements will be strictly maintained in all settings where people must wait at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.
- IV. All MedStar Health Associates, patients, and others will be screened for COVID-19 symptoms upon arrival for shift or visit at MedStar St. Mary's Hospital.
- V. MedStar St. Mary's Hospital has implemented enhanced workplace infection control measures in accordance with the most current CDC guidelines.
- VI. MedStar St. Mary's Hospital will immediately restrict operations to urgent and non-elective procedures should PPE for staff, and where appropriate, patients, not be available.

Having met these conditions, MedStar St. Mary's Hospital requests approval to proceed with elective and non-urgent medical procedures beginning May 18, 2020.

Sincerely,

Stephen T. Michaels, M.D., FACHE
Chief Operating Officer
Chief Medical Officer

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