May 29, 2020

<u>Via Email</u>

Sherman Lohnes, Esq. Division of Health Care Facility Licensure and Certification Department of Public Health 67 Forest Street Marlborough, MA 01752



## Re: <u>Holyoke Medical Center, Inc. – Closure of Inpatient Obstetrics Services and Well</u> Infant Nursery

Dear Mr. Lohnes:

This letter is submitted on behalf of Holyoke Medical Center, Inc., which operates Holyoke Medical Center, located at 575 Beech Street, Holyoke, MA 01040 (the "Medical Center"). Pursuant to 105 CMR 130.122, the Medical Center hereby informs the Department of Public Health ("Department") that on or about Monday, June 29, 2020, it intends to submit a formal ninety-day (90) notice of the proposed discontinuation of the Medical Center's thirteen (13) bed Obstetrics Service and its ten (10) bassinet Well Infant Nursery.

Please note that in compliance with the Department's regulations, the Medical Center through separate correspondence is sending notice today to the Medical Center's patient and family council, each staff member of the Medical Center, and every labor organization that represents the Medical Center's workforce during the period of the essential services closure process. Notice is being sent today to the members of the General Court who represent the City of Holyoke, as well as the City's Mayor and the City Council President.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Andrew S. Levine

cc: The Honorable Aaron Vega The Honorable John Velis The Honorable Alex B. Morse, Mayor, City of Holyoke Todd McGee, City Council President, City of Holyoke S. Hatiras, HMC A. Ferrer, Esq. K. Haynes, Esq., DPH W. Mackie, Esq. DPH A. Nardone, DPH