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Sen. Virginia Lyons, Chair
Senate Committee on Health and Welfare
Vermont State House
115 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05633-5301

RE: GMCB Testimony on H.96

Dear Senator Lyons:

Thank you for the opportunity yesterday to testify on H.96, the Certificate of Need bill that your committee is considering. I am writing today in response to your request for the Green Mountain Care Board's position on recommendations made by the Health Care Advocate (HCA) in slides it presented yesterday.

1. Board must consider whether to require applicant to accept Medicaid.
2. Board must consider whether to require new CONs from large health care facilities to charge no more than Medicare breakeven price +10%.
3. No expiration for certain CON conditions (ex. price caps, accepting Medicaid, etc.).

Currently, the Green Mountain Care Board is not able to sufficiently provide a consensus response to these recommendations. The Board members would need to review, discuss, and take a policy position either individually or at a public meeting. We are unable to complete this process in time for your Friday 4/4/25 mark up and vote.

Sincerely,

/s/ Laura Beliveau
Staff Attorney

