APPENDIX 1

APPENDIX 7(a) - VERIFICATION UNDER OATH FORM SEPARATE OATHS TO BE COMPLETED BY HOSPITAL'S CEO AND CFO

STATE OF VERMONT Green Mountain Care Board

In re: FY 2021 Hospital Budget Submission Gifford Medical Center, Inc.

Hospital CEO/CFO Verification on Oath or Affirmation

- I, Wayne Bennett, make the following declarations based on my personal knowledge:
 - 1. I am the Interim CFO of Gifford Medical Center, Inc. ("Hospital"). I am a resident of Maine, am over 18 years old, and am competent to testify to the information contained in this document.
 - 2. I have reviewed the proposed FY 2021 budget and supporting materials the Hospital will submit to the Green Mountain Care Board ("Budget Submission").
 - 3. Given the uncertainty related to the COVID-19 pandemic, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief the information contained in the Budget Submission is the most accurate prediction and does not omit material facts necessary to provide a full and complete understanding of the Hospital's financial standing.
 - 4. To the extent my verification is based on something other than my personal knowledge, it is based on information, opinions, reports, and statements, including financial statements and other financial data, I reasonably believe to be true, accurate, reliable, and complete. This information was presented or otherwise provided to me by the Hospital's officers, employees, legal counsel, public accountants, or other persons whom I reasonably believe are reliable, trustworthy, and have the necessary professional competence and expertise to advise on the matters presented.
 - 5. Within the past 12 months, I have reviewed and am familiar with the policies and procedures by which the information contained in the Hospital's Budget Submission was prepared. I have determined that such policies and procedures are sufficiently effective to ensure that all information submitted or used by the Hospital in connection with the Budget Submission is true, accurate, and complete. I have disclosed to the Hospital's Board of Directors all significant deficiencies in such policies and procedures, of which I have personal knowledge after diligent inquiry. To the extent any misrepresentation of facts, whether or not material, were identified during the preparation of the Budget Submission, I have disclosed that information to the Hospital's Board of Directors and

verify that any such misrepresentations were corrected before the Budget Submission was submitted to the Green Mountain Care Board.

- 6. The following individuals have provided information or documents (as specified below) to me in connection with the Budget Submission:
 - a. Stephen Conti, Controller of Gifford Medical Center, Inc
 - b. Completed FY 2021 Budget File required by the GMCB.
- 7. I acknowledge the Hospital's obligations to promptly notify the Green Mountain Care Board and supplement the Budget Submission in the event the information contained in the Budget Submission becomes untrue, inaccurate, or incomplete in any material respect.

I swear or affirm that the forgoing declarations are true and correct under penalty of perjury pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 9456(h)(3.

Whe R Date: 7/30/20
Wayne Bennett
Interim CFO of Gifford Medical Center, Inc.
To be completed by Notary Public
State of Vermont, County of <u>Orange</u>
Signed and sworn (or affirmed) before me on 7/30/20 by Wayne Denutt
Date $\frac{7/30/20}{}$
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