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CHAIRMAN, COMMITTEE ON HEALTH
COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman Phil Mendelson

FROM: Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chairperson 

DATE: January 28, 2021

SUBJECT: Request to Place Emergency Measures on the Agenda for February 2, 2021
Legislative Meeting

This memo is to request that the following measures be placed on the agenda for the February 2, 2021 Legislative Meeting:

- Contract No. NFPHC-RSKM-21-C-00015 between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and Ascot Underwriting Bermuda LTD Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Amendment Act of 2021
- Contract No. NFPHC-RSKM-21-C-00015 between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and Ascot Underwriting Bermuda LTD Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2021

This emergency legislation and declaration resolution would provide retroactive approval for Contract No. NFPHC-RSKM-21-C-00015 between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation, commonly known as United Medical Center (“Hospital”), and Ascot Underwriting Bermuda LTD to provide Healthcare Professional Liability, General Liability Physicians & Excess Liability insurance coverage, and to authorize payment for the services rendered and to be received under the Contract.

Council action is necessary to approve the proposed Contract in the amount of \$3,353,000.00 for the period of November 23, 2020 to November 23, 2021. Not only did the NFPHC change its broker mid-year, but early proposals received appeared to assess higher premiums due to COVID-19 standard increases for all hospitals – instead of NFPHC’s actual activity. Additionally, new tax rules in DC and Bermuda necessitated a more coordinated review and reconciliation for a Clean Hands Certification to be issued. But for these issues, particularly the time taken to ensure maximum contract value for NFPHC risk, the proposed Contract would have been timely transmitted to Council. Emergency approval of this legislation and declaration resolution would

approve this Contract and would enable Ascot Underwriting Bermuda LTD to receive payment for the provision of these critical insurance services at the Hospital.

Copies of the legislation and contract summary are attached. For any questions or concerns, please contact Malcolm Cameron, Legislative Analyst, at (202) 341-4425.