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MEMORANDUM

TO: Chairman Phil Mendelson

FROM: Councilmember Vincent C. Gray, Chairperson, Committee on Hospital
and Health Equity.
Councilmember Christina Henderson, Chairperson Committee on Health

DATE: November 7, 2024

SUBJECT: Request to Place Emergency Measures on the Agenda for November 12,
2024 Legislative Meeting

This memo is to request that the following measures be placed on the agenda for the November 12, 2024 Legislative Meeting:

- **Modification Nos. 13 and 14 to Contract NFPHC-NSD-21-C-00027 with Amergis Healthcare Staffing Inc. Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Act of 2024**
- **Modification Nos. 13 and 14 to Contract NFPHC-NSD-21-C-00027 with Amergis Healthcare Staffing Inc. Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2024**

This emergency bill and declaration resolution would provide retroactive approval for Modifications Nos. 13 and 14 to Contract NFPHC-NSD-21-C-00027 between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation, commonly known as United Medical Center (“UMC”) and Amergis Healthcare Staffing Inc. (“Contract”) for the continuous provision of nurse staffing services pertaining to emergency department, intensive care unit, and telemetry services, and to authorize payment for the services received and to be received under the Contract.

If approved, Modification 13 in the amount of \$6,000,000.00 (December 10, 2023 – December 9, 2024), would combine with Modification 12, which exercised Option Year 3 in the amount of \$3,000,000.00 (December 10, 2023 – December 9, 2024) and was approved by Council, for a revised retroactive Option Year 3 value of \$9,000,000.00. Modification 14’s approval would enable the prospective partial exercise of Option Year 4 (December 31, 2023 – March 31, 2025)

in the amount of \$3,200,000.00). Modification 13 is being submitted retroactively because of the Hospital's ongoing and increasing reliance on nurse staffing services through the closure and the growing cost of such services due to nationwide shortages. Council approval remains vital to avoid disruption to these essential services. *Note: Amergis Healthcare Staffing Inc. was formerly Maxim Healthcare Staffing Services Inc., and Modification 12 to this Contract was approved by Council on January 30, 2024 (A25-401).*

Emergency approval of this emergency bill and declaration resolution would approve Modification Nos. 13 and 14 to Contract No. NFPHC-NSD-21-C-00027 and would enable Amergis Healthcare Staffing Inc. to receive payment for the provision of nurse staffing services pertaining to emergency department, intensive care unit, and telemetry services.

- **Modification 2 to Contract No. NFPHC-ER-23-C between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc., Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Act of 2024**
- **Modification 2 to Contract No. NFPHC-ER-23-C between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation and George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc. Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2024**

This emergency legislation and declaration resolution would provide retroactive approval for Modification 2 to Contract No. NFPHC-ER-23-C between the Not-for-Profit Hospital Corporation, commonly known as United Medical Center ("Hospital"), and George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc., ("GW MFA") for the provision of emergency department services, and to authorize payment for the services received and to be received under the Contract.

Council approved Modification 1 in the amount of \$7,945,816.52, for a 12 month period on November 7, 2023, a A25-298. Council action is now necessary to approve Modification 2, which seeks to partially exercise Option Year 2 in the amount of \$3,497,908.52 for a 6-month period (October 1, 2024 to March 31, 2025). Proposed Modification 2 is being submitted retroactively because of the additional time needed to secure these vital services through the facility's closure.

Emergency approval of this legislation and declaration resolution would approve Modification 2 to Contract No. NFPHC-ER-23-C and would enable George Washington University Medical Faculty Associates, Inc., ("GW MFA") to receive payment for the provision of emergency department services at UMC.

Copies of the emergencies and contract summaries are attached. For any questions or concerns, please contact Teela Wyman, Legislative Analyst, at (202) 341-4425 or twyman@dccouncil.gov.