

BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
EMERGENCY ORDER

*Municipal
Hospital*

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield owns and operates a chronic care facility located at 1400 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, known as the Springfield Municipal Hospital; and

WHEREAS, inspections conducted by the Health Care Financing Administration of the United States Department of Health & Human Services and by the Department of Public Health of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have resulted in findings that physical conditions at the Hospital present an immediate threat to the health, welfare and safety of the patients at the Hospital; and

WHEREAS, said findings have caused Municipal Hospital to withdraw its participation in the Medicare/Medicaid Program which will result in the termination of federal funds effective March 30, 1985 unless recertification is obtained by the Hospital prior to that date; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Municipal Hospital, in a letter dated February 4, 1985, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A", affirmed that the Hospital is in an emergency situation; and

WHEREAS, immediate action is essential to prevent further deterioration of Municipal Hospital and to provide for the prompt rehabilitation and recertification of the Hospital for participation in the Medicare/Medicaid Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD E. NEAL, Mayor of the City of Springfield, do hereby declare, on this 19th day of February, 1985, that such facts constitute a case of special emergency involving the health and safety of the patients at Municipal Hospital and hereby authorize the execution of a contract with Mercy Hospital for housekeeping management services and the execution of contracts for the purchase of supplies, materials and/or equipment necessary to alleviate the emergency conditions at the Hospital, secured by oral invitations to bid by the Purchasing Agent for the City of Springfield without the publication of a proposal for same, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 43, s. 28.


RICHARD E. NEAL
MAYOR OF SPRINGFIELD

EXHIBIT A



Springfield Municipal Hospital

1400 State Street

Springfield, Massachusetts-01109-2589

February 4, 1985

Mayor Richard E. Neal
Mayor of the City of Springfield
City Hall
Springfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mayor Neal:

As a result of the Department of Public Health's recent inspection of Springfield Municipal Hospital and their determination to recommend decertification, we are in an emergency situation.

The Department of Public Health has indicated to us that some of the patients are in a life-threatening situation and that we need to immediately take action to correct the deficiencies.

I herein am requesting that the Purchasing Department develop a proposal for the work and equipment that needs to be purchased to correct the cited deficiencies.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "G. H. Lane".

George H. Lane
Hospital Director

GHL:rb

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CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
Law Department

DEPARTMENTAL AND INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE
CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
MASSACHUSETTS

DATE: February 20, 1985

FROM: James M. Hannifan



TO: William Metzger

DEPARTMENT: City Clerk

DEPARTMENT: Law

COPIES TO: Terri Theroux

SUBJECT: Emergency Order
Municipal Hospital

Enclosed please find an Emergency Order pertaining to the
Municipal Hospital which was signed by the Mayor on February 19,
1985.