STATE OF CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITY LICENSING AND INVESTIGATIONS SECTION

In Re:

Northbridge Healthcare Center, Inc. of Bridgeport, CT d/b/a Northbridge Healthcare Center 2875 Main Street Bridgeport, Connecticut 06606

FIRST AMENDED CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, Northbridge Healthcare Center ("Northbridge" or "Facility") has been issued License number 2183-C to operate a health care institution at 2875 Main Street, in Bridgeport, Connecticut under Connecticut General Statutes ("Statutes") § 19a-490 by the Connecticut Department of Public Health ("Department"); and,

WHEREAS, Northbridge and the Department (collectively "Parties") wish to amend the Consent Order they entered on April 16, 2020, attached as Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, the following paragraph and its subparts are added to the Consent Order, and all other terms of the Consent Order remain in effect:

The Facility may admit COVID-19 positive patients from other congregate settings including, but not limited to, nursing homes, assisted living facilities, managed residential communities, residential care homes and group homes, if:

- a. Prior to the transfer, for potential admissions from nursing homes, the Facility must obtain in writing a letter indicating to the Facility and the Department that the transferring nursing home is unable to provide appropriate services to the patient based upon issues related to COVID-19;
- b. Prior to the transfer, for transfers from nursing homes, the Department, in its absolute discretion, approves of such transfer in writing;

- c. After any admissions, the Facility must provide to the State Long Term Care
 Ombudsman a weekly list of COVID-19 positive patients it receives, the name of the transferring entity and any other information requested by the Ombudsman's Office;
- d. After the admission, if the patient desires, and upon recovery based upon a symptombased strategy in accordance with CDC recommendations or a testing-based strategy (at least two separate laboratory tests a minimum of twenty-four (24) hours apart that are negative for COVID-19), the patient, upon notice to the original entity, the State Long Term Care Ombudsman and the Department, shall be returned to the original entity if possible and appropriate; and,
- e. Prior to the admission, the patient or the patient's legal representative consent to the transfer.

WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this First Amended Consent Order to be executed by their respective officers and officials, which First Amended Consent Order is to be effective as of the later of the two dates noted below. The undersigned signatories represent and warrant that they are authorized to execute this First Amended Consent Order on behalf of the party they represent.

By:

Lawrence Santilli, President of Northbridge Healthcare Center, Inc.

May <u>2/</u>, 2020

STATE OF CONNECTICUT, DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

By:

Deidre S. Gifford, MD, MPH Acting Commissioner

May 22 , 2020