FIRE-RESCUE

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MEMORANDUM

To: Greg Harrison, City Manager

From: Kimberly Cristiano, Emergency Manager

Via: John Jurgle, Fire Chief

Date: October 29th, 2019

Re: Memorandum of Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Health in Broward County

As described in the memorandum of agreement, Congress charged the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) with creating the National Pharmaceutical Stockpile (NPS). The goal is to supply large quantities of essential medical material to states and communities during an emergency within twelve hours of the federal decision to deploy. As a result of the creation of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, the NPS became the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) managed jointly by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and HHS.

In order to coordinate this effort, the CDC established the Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) program to assist the nation's largest cities and Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) in the event of a public health emergency.

The accompanying agreement outlines a scope of work between the State of Florida, Department of Health in Broward County and the City of Pompano Beach to establish distribution centers for storing and dispensing medical countermeasures to targeted populations affected by a national emergency involving bioterrorism or a natural pandemic. For this agreement, the targeted dispensing population for this closed point of dispensing is the City's first responders and employees. This will allow the City to augment the services offered publicly by the Department of Health in Broward County to better respond to any public health emergency – either terrorism related or a natural pandemic. Ultimately, this will further the City's resiliency efforts.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or concerns.