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For Immediate Release

Monday, March 3, 2008

County Suspends Business Licenses Today

The Clark County Business License Department today suspended the business licenses of the Desert Shadow Endoscopy Center, the Gastroenterology Center of Nevada and the Spanish Hills Surgical Center.

The letters, delivered by hand by business license agents this afternoon, stated that the suspension is "in response to a concern that a public health emergency exists that poses a significant threat to the citizens of Clark County." The letters are signed by Business License Director Jacqueline Holloway.

The suspension notice is effective immediately and will remain in effect until the next meeting of the Clark County Commission on March 18.

The businesses named in the letters are located at 4275 Burnham Ave., Ste. 1; 4275 Burnham Ave., Ste. 101B; and 5915 S. Rainbow Blvd., Ste. 108, respectively.

The centers are tied to and managed by the same principals as those overseeing the Endoscopy Center of Southern Nevada, which was identified by the Southern Nevada Health District as the cause of infecting patients with hepatitis C due to unsafe injection practices. The health district is now alerting 40,000 people who were treated at the clinic to be tested for hepatitis B, hepatitis C and HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

"The practices at their sister facility requires us to take action to protect the public," County Commission Chairman Rory Reid said. "When dealing with such serious matters it is best to treat each situation with an abundance of caution to minimize the risk to the public."

"The alleged practices of this group are troubling and totally unacceptable," Commissioner Bruce Woodbury said. "It is our responsibility to make sure businesses are operating in a safe and lawful manner and we will take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that they are."

"These are very serious accusations and call for an equally serious response," said Commissioner Weekly, who is also a member of the board of the Southern Nevada Health District. "This gives us time to fully evaluate whether they pose a risk to the community. We are dealing with deadly diseases and so, to put it simply, it is better to be safe than sorry."

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March 3, 2008

BY HAND

Desert Shadow Endoscopy Center

4275 Burnham Ave.

Ste 101

Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

**Re: NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF BUSINESS LICENSE
NUMBER: 2000068.426**

Attention Licensee:

This **Notice of Suspension of Business License No.: 2000068.426** is issued by the Director in response to a concern that a public health emergency exists that poses a significant threat to the citizens of Clark County and this action is taken pursuant to Clark County Code 6.04.090(c) which provides in part:

A business license issued to any licensee under the provisions of Titles 6 or 7 of this code shall not be renewed, or shall be subject to suspension . . . if such business is a nuisance, a menace to public health or detrimental to the peace or morals of the county.


The suspension of business license number 2000068.426 is deemed necessary to protect the public health and to ensure compliance of this business with all applicable provisions of Clark County Code and state statutes, and all other licensing laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

This Suspension of Business License No.: 2000068.426 will remain in effect until the next scheduled Board of County Commissioners Meeting on March 18, 2008. You will be notified of the time and place to appear before the Board of County Commissioners in accordance with Clark County Code 6.04.100.

Please be advised that conducting business in Clark County without proper licensure is a misdemeanor and will subject you to citation (Clark County Code 6.04.090) and may result in fines or imprisonment as provided by law.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Allison Gigante, Assistant Manager Operations at (702) 455-3584.

Sincerely,


Jacqueline R. Holloway
Director

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BY HAND

Spanish Hill Surgical Center, LLC

5915 S. Rainbow Ave.

Ste. 108

Las Vegas, NV 89119

**Re: NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF BUSINESS LICENSE
NUMBER: 2000586.650**

Attention Licensee:

This **Notice of Suspension of Business License No.: 2000586.650** is issued by the Director in response to a concern that a public health emergency exists that poses a significant threat to the citizens of Clark County and this action is taken pursuant to Clark County Code 6.04.090(c) which provides in part:

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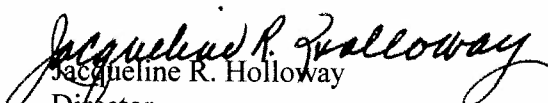
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BY HAND

Gastroenterology Center of Nevada
4275 Burnham Ave
#101B
Las Vegas, NV 89119

**Re: NOTICE OF SUSPENSION OF BUSINESS LICENSE
NUMBER: 2000031.650**

Attention Licensee:

This **Notice of Suspension of Business License No.: 2000031.650** is issued by the Director in response to a concern that a public health emergency exists that poses a significant threat to the citizens of Clark County and this action is taken pursuant to Clark County Code 6.04.090(c) which provides in part:

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The suspension of business license number 2000031.650 is deemed necessary to protect the public health and to ensure compliance of this business with all applicable provisions of Clark County Code and state statutes, and all other licensing laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

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