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March 26, 2020

Barbara Guritz-Houser and Kenneth Houser
P.O. Box 241
Lawrence, MI 49064

RE: License #: AF800269501
Guritz-Houser Home
124 S. Second Street
Lawrence, MI 49064

Dear Mrs. Guritz-Houser and Mr. Houser:

Attached is the Addendum to the Original Licensing Study Report for the above referenced facility.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the local office at (517) 284-9730.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cathy Cushman".

Cathy Cushman, Licensing Consultant
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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SYSTEMS
ADDENDUM TO ORIGINAL LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AF800269501
Licensee Name:	Barbara Guritz-Houser and Kenneth Houser
Licensee Address:	124 S. Second St. Lawrence, MI 49064
Licensee Telephone #:	(269) 674-8272
Administrator	N/A
Licensee Designee:	N/A
Name of Facility:	Guritz-Houser Home
Facility Address:	124 S. Second Street Lawrence, MI 49064
Facility Telephone #:	(269) 674-8272
Capacity:	3
Program Type:	PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED

II. Purpose of Addendum

The licensees are increasing their capacity from 1 to 3 residents. The facility will convert a sewing room on the main level of the facility to a resident bedroom and a guest bedroom on the second level to a resident bedroom.

III. Methodology

02/24/2020 – Contact – Telephone call received – Licensee requested on-site at facility to review change in bedrooms to accommodate another resident

02/28/2020 – Inspection Completed On-Site – Measured bedroom and facility's living space.

02/28/2020 – Contact – Document Received – Received modification request from licensees.

03/06/2020 – Contact – Document Received – Pictures of new resident bedroom from the licensee.

03/09/2020 – Contact – Document Received – Additional pictures of new resident bedroom.

03/12/2020 – Inspection Completed On-Site – Measured additional bedroom on the second story of facility.

IV. Description of Findings and Conclusions

Guritz-Houser Home was originally licensed on 04/07/2005 for one resident. The facility would now like to increase their capacity from one resident to three residents and change the sewing room on the main level of the facility to another resident bedroom and utilize a guest bedroom on the second level of the facility as a resident bedroom.

The new resident bedroom on the main level has a door in it that accesses the facility's basement; however, the licensees have placed a lock on it to prevent residents from accessing this area. Even though the facility's laundry is in the basement, the licensees can still access the basement from outside the facility. The licensees stated they agreed they would not access the basement through the resident's bedroom as they understood traffic to and from a room cannot be through a resident bedroom.

The new resident bedroom was measured during the on-site inspection and it was determined to be in excess of the required 65 square feet of usable floor space. The bedroom consists of a main space, but also a small alcove. These two areas were factored into the total square footage of the resident bedroom. The new resident bedroom also has several hanging cabinets limiting head space;

therefore, this small area was subtracted from the total square footage of the bedroom, which is explained below.

The licensees have three bedrooms on the second level of the facility, which includes the licensees' bedroom, another sewing room and a guest bedroom. Both the sewing room and the guest bedroom were measured and determined to have enough square footage to accommodate a resident; however, the licensees requested to utilize the guest bedroom as a resident bedroom.

The licensees acknowledged understanding any resident with impaired mobility shall not sleep in or be assigned a bedroom located above the main level of the home.

The facility's resident bedrooms have the following dimensions:

Bedroom #	Room Dimensions	Total Square Footage	Total Resident Beds
1 (main level)	10'1" x 9'	90.75 square feet	1
2 (main level)	Main space (10'4" x 7') + alcove (2'10" x 3'9") = 82.9 sq. ft 82.9 sq. ft – space under hanging cabinets (1' x 5') = 77.9 square feet	77.9 square feet	1
3 (second level/ guest room)	10'9" x 6'8"	71.6 square feet	1
4 (second level/ sewing room)	10'1" x 11'	110.9 square feet	0 or 1

The facility's living areas were measured since previous measurements were not listed in the facility's original licensing study report. The total square footage of living space in the facility is 315 square feet meaning each resident will have an excess of 35 square feet per occupant, as required.

V. Recommendation

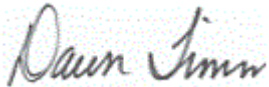
I recommend the facility's capacity be increased from one resident to three residents and the facility's sewing room on the main level of the facility and the second level guest room be converted to resident bedrooms effective 03/013/2020.



03/13/2020

Cathy Cushman
Licensing Consultant

Date



03/26/2020

Dawn Timm
Area Manager

Date