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Brian Tidd
Thresholds
1225 Lake Drive SE
Grand Rapids, MI 49506

RE: Application #: AS410277898
56th St. Group Home
751- 56th St., SE
Kentwood, MI 49548

Dear Mr. Tidd:

Attached is the Original Licensing Study Report for the above referenced facility. The study has determined substantial compliance with applicable licensing statutes and administrative rules. Therefore, a temporary license with a maximum capacity of 6 is issued.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and feel free to contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please feel free to contact the local office at (616) 356-0100.

Sincerely,

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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AS410277898
Applicant Name:	Thresholds
Applicant Address:	1225 Lake Drive SE Grand Rapids, MI 49506
Applicant Telephone #:	(616) 774-0853
Administrator/Licensee Designee:	Brian Tidd, Designee
Name of Facility:	56th St. Group Home
Facility Address:	751- 56th St., SE Kentwood, MI 49548
Facility Telephone #:	(616) 455-1633 08/09/2005
Application Date:	
Capacity:	6
Program Type:	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED

II. METHODOLOGY

08/09/2005	Enrollment
08/10/2005	File Transferred To Field Office Grand Rapids
08/30/2005	Application Incomplete Letter Sent
08/31/2005	Inspection Completed On-site
08/31/2005	Inspection Completed-BFS Sub. Non-Compliance
11/22/2005	Inspection Completed On-site
11/22/2005	Application Complete/On-site Needed
11/22/2005	Inspection Completed-BFS Full Compliance

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

A. Physical Description of Facility

The home is a one-story ranch home that was converted from a duplex to a single family home. There is a full basement that is utilized as an office and storage area for the staff. The laundry facilities are also located in the basement. The residents do not have access to the basement. The home is located in a residential neighborhood in Kentwood, which is south of and adjacent to Grand Rapids. The yard is large and the back yard is fenced for resident use. There are two ramps attached to the home and there is a barrier free bathroom. The home can accommodate residents in wheelchairs.

There are four bedrooms in the home for the residents. The bedrooms are the following sizes:

- 11'6" x 14'3" (163.87 square feet) to accommodate 2 residents
- 10' x 13' (130 square feet) to accommodate 1 resident
- 10' x 10'8" (107.5 square feet) to accommodate 1 resident
- 13' x 13'4" (173.29 square feet) to accommodate 2 residents

The living room, dining room and kitchen are all very large and the size exceeds the space required by the AFC rules.

The home has public water and sewer. The facility was inspected on 11-22-2005 and the facility was found to meet all environmental health and fire safety rules. The facility is in full compliance with the AFC rules for small group homes.

B. Program Description

The applicant is a corporation, Thresholds, that has a valid certificate of incorporation indicating that the corporation was set up on May 13, 1975 as a non-profit corporation. The corporation is governed by a board and currently has 12 other facilities that are licensed for the provision of adult foster care. The corporation has submitted financial documentation that documents financial stability and capability. The applicant has submitted a letter from the current owner of the home allowing Thresholds to use the home for adult foster care. Thresholds is in the process of purchasing the home.

The home is a Mental Health Contract home that is a 6-bed facility for male residents. The staff to resident ratio is a minimum of 1 staff to 3 residents except on the third shift when there is one on duty staff and one sleeping staff to assist in case of an emergency. The home does provide a vehicle to transport residents to medical appointments and outings.

The licensee designee and the administrator are of good moral character based on the record checks completed by the department on 8-10-2005. The applicant was in-serviced on the requirements of the statute and the rules governing Adult Foster Care. The applicant has 12 other homes licensed with the department. The applicant has a process in place to determine the good moral character of the employees hired and retained by the corporation. The licensee was in-serviced on the handling of resident funds and has a procedure in place to assure compliance with those rules relating to the handling and accounting of resident funds.

The home has filed admission and discharge procedures that are in compliance with the administrative rules. Residents are admitted through the Interagency Clinical Team. The residents must have a developmental disability to be admitted to the home.

The home provides in home day programming for the residents of the home. They provide activities of daily living, community mainstreaming, leisure time activities, and social and recreational programs. Transportation is provided for all resident needs unless there is a program in place for self-transportation. The home is located very near a bus line.

The home has been in-serviced on the need to establish facility and employee records and the contents of those records. The applicant is aware of the requirement to provide a copy of the resident rights to the resident or their family.

C. Rule/Statutory Violations

At the time of the final inspection the home was found to be in full compliance with the administrative rules.

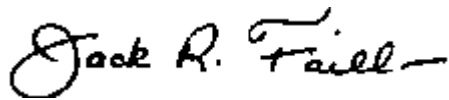
IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend issuance of a temporary license to this AFC adult small group home for a capacity of 6.

Connie Yolles
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



11/22/05

Jack R. Failla
Area Manager

Date