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Susan Vander Werf  
Michigan Christian Home  
1845 Boston Street, SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49506-4499

RE: License #: AH410236848  
Michigan Christian Home  
1845 Boston Street, SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49506-4499

Dear Ms. Vander Werf:

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

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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ADDENDUM TO ORIGINAL LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

**I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION**

**License #:** AH410236848

**Licensee Name:** The Michigan Christian Home Inc.

**Licensee Address:** 1845 Boston St. SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49506

**Licensee Telephone #:** (616) 245-9179

**Administrator/Authorized Representative:** Susan Vander Werf

**Name of Facility:** Michigan Christian Home

**Facility Address:** 1845 Boston Street, SE  
Grand Rapids, MI 49506-4499

**Facility Telephone #:** (616) 245-9179

**Capacity:** 92

**Program Type:** AGED, ALZHEIMERS

## **II. Purpose of Addendum**

The purpose of this addendum is to describe a change in room function and the development of an Alzheimer's program. The 1992 addition to the home, consisting of resident rooms 36 through 56, is now a secured memory unit. There is no change in licensed bed capacity.

## **III. Methodology**

On February 14, 2011, the authorized representative submitted an Alzheimer's program statement for review. On February 14, 2011, the Bureau of Fire Services provided an acceptable fire safety certification. On April 18, 2011, Health Facilities Engineering Section occupancy approval was granted for the memory unit. On April 28, 2011 I inspected the memory unit and reviewed the unit floor plan.

## **IV. Description of Findings and Conclusions**

This secured memory unit has 18 single occupancy and one double occupancy resident rooms. Single occupancy rooms are 10' 7" X 9' 6", 11' 8" X 9', or 13' X 9' 7". The double occupancy resident room consists of an 11' 8" X 9' living room and a 13' X 9' 7" bedroom. Each resident room is comprised of a toilet room with a sink, combined living/ sleeping area, closet, and a window(s). The unit has one room with two bathing facilities dedicated for resident use. Centrally located within the unit is a 13' X 35' living room containing open recreational space that includes seating, imitation fireplace, and a large screen television. A medication room, staff toilet room, and staff documentation counter are centrally located near this living room. The 24' X 24' 6" dining/ activity space located at the west end of the unit contains seating, tables, kitchen sink and countertop with cabinetry, and refrigerator with small kitchen appliances. Common resident space is lined with secured windows and allows viewing of facility grounds. The unit contains a janitor's closet, soiled linen closet, and common restroom.

The memory unit residents have sole access, with staff supervision, to a 33' X 112' secured courtyard that is completely surrounded by the home for the aged and attached nursing home building. This courtyard contains a swing, gazebo, and a concrete pathway that wanders through the grass yard. This area offers a secure outdoor environment with activities guided by staff. The layout within the secured unit provides an area for residents to relax, socialize, and participate in activities in a safe home-like-atmosphere. All exit doors within the unit, as well as the doors to the unsecured area of the home, are equipped with magnetic locks that require entry of a code to open. This is to prevent residents from wandering away unsupervised. Additionally, activation of exit doors without code entry results in a loud alarm that can be heard throughout the unit by staff. Staff of the home for the aged carries mobile telephones and pagers to facilitate quick communication. Resident rooms within this unit are equipped with an emergency call button system that when activated communicates the room number of the resident requesting assistance directly to the staff mobile pager. The unit medication room, janitor closet, soiled

