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October 11, 2021

Laura Hopkins
Hopkins AFC Homes, Inc.
PO Box 728
Ewart, MI 49631

RE: License #: AS670263222
Investigation #: 2021A0360037
Hopkins #US10

Dear Ms. Hopkins:

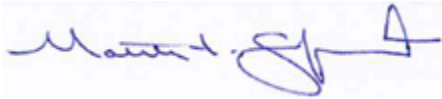
Attached is the Special Investigation Report for the above referenced facility. Due to the violations identified in the report, a written corrective action plan is required. The corrective action plan is due 15 days from the date of this letter and must include the following:

- How compliance with each rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for each violation.
- Specific time frames for each violation as to when the correction will be completed or implemented.
- Indicate how continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- Be signed and dated.

A six-month provisional license is recommended for physical plant violations. If you do not contest the issuance of a provisional license, you must indicate so in writing; this may be included in your corrective action plan or in a separate document. If you contest the issuance of a provisional license, you must notify this office in writing and an administrative hearing will be scheduled. Even if you contest the issuance of a provisional license, you must still submit an acceptable corrective action plan.

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 (989) 732-8062.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew Soderquist", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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enclosure

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SYSTEMS
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AS670263222
Investigation #:	2021A0360037
Complaint Receipt Date:	09/08/2021
Investigation Initiation Date:	09/08/2021
Report Due Date:	11/07/2021
Licensee Name:	Hopkins AFC Homes, Inc.
Licensee Address:	1375 Chaput Sears, MI 49679
Licensee Telephone #:	(231) 734-5936
Administrator:	Robert Hopkins
Licensee Designee:	Laura Hopkins
Name of Facility:	Hopkins #US10
Facility Address:	12377 US Highway 10 Ewart, MI 49631
Facility Telephone #:	(231) 734-2607
Original Issuance Date:	12/02/2005
License Status:	REGULAR
Effective Date:	07/27/2020
Expiration Date:	07/26/2022
Capacity:	6
Program Type:	DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED MENTALLY ILL

II. ALLEGATION(S)

	Violation Established?
A tree fell on the house causing damage from the roof to the basement.	Yes

III. METHODOLOGY

09/08/2021	Special Investigation Intake 2021A0360037
09/08/2021	Special Investigation Initiated - Letter email to licensee Laura Hopkins
09/09/2021	Inspection Completed On-site licensee Laura Hopkins
09/10/2021	Contact - Telephone call made licensee Laura Hopkins
10/06/2021	Contact – Telephone call made Licensee Laura Hopkins
10/11/2021	Exit Conference With licensee designee Laura Hopkins

ALLEGATION: A tree fell on the house causing damage from the roof to the basement.

INVESTIGATION: On 9/8/2021 the licensee Laura Hopkins contacted licensing consultant Adam Robarge and reported to him that a tree fell on the home due to a storm the previous night. She reported the tree fell through the roof all the way to the basement, but that none of the residents in the home were harmed and all were moved to another AFC home.

On 9/8/2021 I contacted the licensee Laura Hopkins and scheduled an inspection at the facility for 9/9/2021.

On 9/9/2021 I conducted an onsite inspection at the home with licensee Laura Hopkins. There were numerous trees that had fallen throughout the property including several that fell onto and through the home. Ms. Hopkins stated that on 9/7/2021 a storm came through and knocked down all the trees. She stated there were six residents in the home at the time. She stated the staff were notified of a tornado warning by the emergency broadcast system and immediately brought all

the residents to the back stairway of the home. She stated the staff felt the home shaking and directed all the residents into the basement of the home. She stated that trees then began to fall on the home and came through the roof all the way to the basement. I observed several large trees that had fallen on the roof of the home. Ms. Hopkins then opened the home and inside the home I observed severe structural damage to the interior of the home. A support beam between the living room and kitchen was broken and the ceiling collapsed exposing the attic and roof which had severe damage to trusses and was open to the elements. On the north end of the home another tree branch came through the roof all the way down through the bedroom floor and into the basement. Several more tree branches had breached the roof and came through the ceiling into the home. I observed trees that had fallen throughout the front and back yard including crushing the back deck. The utilities were shut off to the home. Ms. Hopkins stated all six residents were unharmed and transferred to another licensed AFC home that she operates. Ms. Hopkins stated that she understood due to the extensive damage to the home that at no time should residents be allowed to return to the home prior to an inspection and approval. She stated she would be meeting with the insurance company and would be in contact regarding his recommendations.

On 9/10/2021 I contacted Ms. Hopkins who stated the insurance adjuster recommended repairing the home. She stated she would like to keep the license open rather than close the license and reapply. She stated she will provide an update after she is able to get approval from the insurance company and start necessary repairs.

On 10/6/2021 I contacted Ms. Hopkins. Ms. Hopkins stated she has been working with the insurance company and trying to get contractor bids for the necessary repairs. She stated the trees were removed from the roof of the home however the tree branches that penetrated the interior of the home are still there. She stated she has been having a hard time getting contractors out to the home to get bids for approval.

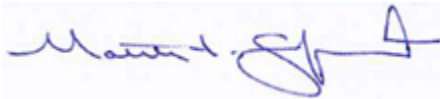
APPLICABLE RULE	
R 400.14403	Maintenance of premises.
	(1) A home shall be constructed, arranged, and maintained to provide adequately for the health, safety, and well-being of occupants.
ANALYSIS:	It was reported by the licensee that a tree fell on the house causing damage from the roof to the basement. The home suffered extensive damaged due to several fallen trees on 9/7/21. The trees severely damaged the roof penetrating all the way through the home into the basement.

	<p>The licensee stated all residents were unharmed and moved to another AFC home. The home remains uninhabitable. The licensee stated she is pursuing repair of the home with the insurance company and local contractors.</p> <p>There is a preponderance of evidence that as a result of a severe storm, the home is not currently maintained to provide for the health, safety, and well-being of occupants.</p>
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION ESTABLISHED

On 10/11/2021 I conducted an exit conference with the licensee designee Laura Hopkins. Ms. Hopkins concurred with findings of the investigation. She stated she would submit a corrective action plan for approval and accept the provisional license.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend, contingent upon approval of an acceptable corrective action plan, that the license be modified to provisional based on the above summarized physical plant violations.



10/11/2021

Matthew Soderquist
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



10/11/2021

Jerry Hendrick
Area Manager

Date