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MARLON I. BROWN, DPA DIRECTOR

August 28, 2024

Nimmy Cherian Serenity At Walnut Creek 14666 Elrond Dr Sterling Hts, MI 48313

> RE: Application #: AS500418238 Serenity At Walnut Creek 49228 Walnut Creek Dr Macomb, MI 48044

Dear Ms. Cherian:

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 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 (248) 975-5053.

Sincerely,

Ristine Cillufo

Kristine Cilluffo, Licensing Consultant Bureau of Community and Health Systems Cadillac Place 3026 West Grand Blvd Ste 9-100 Detroit, MI 48202 (248) 285-1703

enclosure

### MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SYSTEMS LICENSING STUDY REPORT

## I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

| License #:                       | AS500418238              |  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
|                                  |                          |  |
| Applicant Name:                  | Serenity At Walnut Creek |  |
|                                  |                          |  |
| Applicant Address:               | 14666 Elrond Dr          |  |
|                                  | Sterling Hts, MI 48313   |  |
| Applicant Talaphana #            | (596) 220 2890           |  |
| Applicant Telephone #:           | (586) 229-3889           |  |
| Administrator/Licensee Designee: | Nimmy Cherian            |  |
|                                  |                          |  |
| Name of Facility:                | Serenity At Walnut Creek |  |
|                                  |                          |  |
| Facility Address:                | 49228 Walnut Creek Dr    |  |
|                                  | Macomb, MI 48044         |  |
| Facility Telephone #:            | (586) 846-3138           |  |
|                                  |                          |  |
| Application Date:                | 02/07/2024               |  |
|                                  |                          |  |
| Capacity:                        | 6                        |  |
|                                  |                          |  |
| Program Type:                    | PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED   |  |
|                                  | AGED                     |  |
|                                  |                          |  |

# II. METHODOLOGY

| 02/07/2024 | Enrollment  |  |
|------------|---|--|
| 02/07/2024 | PSOR on Address Completed   |  |
| 02/07/2024 | Application Incomplete Letter Sent<br>1326/RI-030   |  |
| 02/07/2024 | Contact - Document Sent<br>Forms sent   |  |
| 03/13/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>1326/RI-030  |  |
| 03/26/2024 | Application Incomplete Letter Sent  |  |
| 03/26/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Email from Nimmy Cherian   |  |
| 03/29/2024 | Contact - Document Sent<br>Email to and from Nimmy Cherian  |  |
| 04/03/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Email from Nimmy Cherian. Sent return email.   |  |
| 04/05/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Email from Nimmy Cherian re: home name change on<br>documents previously submitted by Lijo Antony. |  |
| 04/11/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Received copy of medical statement from Nimmy Cherian by<br>email.                                 |  |
| 04/12/2024 | Contact - Document Sent<br>Email to and from Nimmy Cherian  |  |
| 05/06/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Email from Nimmy Cherian   |  |
| 05/08/2024 | Contact - Document Sent<br>Email from Nimmy Cherian. Sent return email.   |  |
| 05/10/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Email from Nimmy Cherian   |  |
| 05/19/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Received licensing documents by email from Nimmy Cherian   |  |

| 06/21/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Email from Nimmy Cherian   |  |
|------------|---|--|
| 06/25/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Email from Nimmy Cherian   |  |
| 06/26/2024 | Contact- Document Sent<br>Email to Nimmy Cherian. Received return email.                                      |  |
| 07/07/2024 | Contact - Document Received<br>Email from Nimmy Cherian   |  |
| 07/08/2024 | Contact- Document Sent<br>Email to Nimmy Cherian. Received return email with lease<br>agreement               |  |
| 07/08/2024 | Inspection Completed On-site  |  |
| 07/09/2024 | Contact- Document Received<br>Received email from Nimmy Cherian   |  |
| 07/19/2024 | Contact- Document Received<br>Received pictures of home corrections by email from Nimmy<br>Cherian            |  |
| 07/22/2024 | Contact- Document Received<br>Received email from Nimmy Cherian with smoke detector<br>inspection and TB test |  |
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### III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

The evaluation is based upon the requirements of P.A. 218 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1979, as amended, and the Administrative Rules and Regulations applicable to the license of small group facilities (1-6), licensed or proposed to be licensed after 05/24/1924.

## A. Physical Description of Facility

Serenity At Walnut Creek is a small adult foster care home located in Macomb, MI. The licensee for the home is Serenity At Walnut Creek. Nimmy Cherian will act as the Licensee Designee and Administrator for the home. The home is owned by Walnut Creek Properties, LLC. A copy of the lease agreement was provided. A signed letter was provided by Lijo Antony of Walnut Creek Properties, LLC giving permission to inspect the property for licensing. The home has city water and sewer. The home was

previously licensed as an adult foster care home, Walnut Creek Living, LLC from 09/29/2014- 09/29/2023.

Serenity At Walnut Creek has a capacity of six residents. The home has three bedrooms, kitchen, dining area, living room, three bathrooms and basement. The furnace is in basement with fire door. The exit, bedroom and bathroom doors are equipped with positive latching, non-locking against egress hardware. The living room, and dining room offer a total of 577 square feet of living space which meets the required 35 square feet of living space for six residents.

| Room Dimensions | Total Square<br>Footage        | Total Resident<br>Beds                          |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|---|
| 12'7" x 11'2"   | 140                            | 2   |
| 13'0" x 15'5"   | 200                            | 2   |
| 12'0" x 11'2"   | 134                            | 2   |
|                 | 12'7" x 11'2"<br>13'0" x 15'5" | Footage   12'7" x 11'2" 140   13'0" x 15'5" 200 |

The three bedrooms in the home are sized as follows:

Total capacity: 6

The bedrooms have adequate space, bedding, storage and a window that opens in case of emergency. All the bedrooms have a chair and a mirror. The refrigerators and freezers are equipped with thermometers. An electrical and heating/cooling inspection was completed by Flame Heating and Cooling on 11/03/2023. The home has a hard-wired smoke detection system with battery backup. The alarm system was inspected by Metro Electric on 07/09/2024. There are fire extinguishers located on each floor. The home has two means of egress with ramps at the front and back of the home. The home has a locked medication cart in the dining area. During the onsite inspection, I observed that the home was found to be in substantial compliance with rules pertaining to maintenance and sanitation.

## **B.** Program Description

Serenity At Walnut Creek will provide 24-hour care and supervision for up to six residents. The home will provide care for residents who are aged, physically handicapped or who have Alzheimer's or dementia. The home is equipped with two ramps and can accommodate residents who are not fully ambulatory. The home can assist residents with personal care including assistance with eating and feeding, personal hygiene, toileting, bathing, grooming, dressing, transfers, ambulation and medication administration. The home will also provide three daily nutritious meals and snacks, laundry facilities, and housekeeping services. Activities in the home will include board games, playing cards, painting and music activities among others. The home has cameras in common areas and alarms on exit doors for resident safety.

Nimmy Cherian will act as the licensee designee and administrator for Serenity At Walnut Creek. Ms. Cherian has been fingerprinted. Ms. Cherian had a negative TB test on 04/02/2024. She provided a medical statement dated 04/02/2024 which indicated

she has no physical/mental conditions or health problems that would limit her ability to work with or around dependent adults. Ms. Cherian has been providing care and supervision to two residents that are already currently residing at Serenity At Walnut Creek. Ms. Cherian has been informed that providing 24-hour care and supervision to more than two residents requires an adult foster care license. Ms. Cherian also has operated a second home, Serenity Homes at Emily Drive (AS500418365), with two residents. The home was licensed on 08/13/2024. Ms. Cherian is employed as a skilled physical therapist and has worked with patients in acute care, outpatient, long term acute, skilled rehab and home care settings. Ms. Cherian provided a copy of her bachelor's degree of physiotherapy that she received from The Syndicate of the Mahatma Gandhi University in 2002.

Nimmy Cherian acknowledged an understanding of the qualifications, suitability, and training requirements for direct care staff prior to each person working in the facility in that capacity or being considered as part of the staff-to-resident ratio.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged an understanding of the responsibility to assess the good moral character of employees and contractors who have regular, ongoing, or direct access to residents or the resident information or both. The licensing consultant provided technical assistance on the process for obtaining criminal record checks utilizing the Michigan Long Term Care Partnership website (<u>www.miltcpartnership.org</u>) and the related documents required to be maintained in each employee's record to demonstrate compliance.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged an understanding of the administrative rules regarding medication procedures and that only those direct care staff that have received medication training and have been determined competent by the licensee designee can administer medication to residents. In addition, Ms. Cherian acknowledged that resident medication will be stored in a locked cabinet and that daily medication logs will be maintained on each resident receiving medication.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged her responsibility to obtain all required moral character, medical, and training documentation and signatures that are to be completed prior to each direct care staff or volunteer working directly with residents. In addition, Ms. Cherian acknowledged her responsibility to maintain all required documentation in each employee's record for each licensee designee, administrator, and direct care staff or volunteer and follow the retention schedule for those documents contained within each employee's record.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the admission criteria and procedural requirements for accepting a resident into the home for adult foster care.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged her responsibility to obtain the required written assessment plan, resident care agreement, and health care appraisal forms and signatures that are to be completed prior to, or at the time of each resident's admission to the home. Ms. Cherian will update and complete those forms and obtain new signatures for each resident on an annual basis.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged her responsibility to maintain a current resident record on file in the home for each resident and follow the retention schedule for all the documents that are required to be maintained within each resident's file.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the handling of resident funds and valuables and intends to comply. A separate Resident Funds Part II BCAL-2319 form will be created for each resident in order to document the date and amount of the adult foster care service fee paid each month and all of the resident's personal money transactions that have been agreed to be managed by the licensee designee.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged an understanding of the administrative rules regarding informing each resident of their resident rights and providing them with a copy of those rights.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the written and verbal reporting of incidents and accidents and the responsibility to conduct an immediate investigation of the cause.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged her responsibility to provide a written discharge notice to the appropriate parties when a 30-day or less than 30-day discharge is requested.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged that residents with mobility impairments may only reside on the main floor of the facility.

Ms. Cherian acknowledged she has a copy of the licensing rule book for adult foster care small group homes.

### C. Rule/Statutory Violations

The applicant was in compliance with the licensing act and applicable administrative rules at the time of licensure.

#### IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend that the department issue a temporary license to this small group adult foster care home, Serenity At Walnut Creek with a capacity of six (6) residents.

Kristine Cillufo

08/27/2024

Kristine Cilluffo Licensing Consultant Date

Approved By:

Denie Y. Munn

08/28/2024

Denise Y. Nunn Area Manager

Date