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MARLON I. BROWN, DPA DIRECTOR

August 13, 2024

Nimmy Cherian 14666 Elrond Dr Sterling Heights, MI 48313

> RE: Application #: AS500418365 Serenity Homes At Emily Drive 43296 Emily Dr Sterling Heights, MI 48314

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,

Kristine Cillufo

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

# I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	AS500418365	
Licensee Name:	Nimmy Cherian	
Licensee Address:	14666 Elrond Dr	
	Sterling Heights, MI 48313	
<b>_</b> <i>"</i>	(500) 004 0440	
Licensee Telephone #:	(586) 994-8418	
Administrator/Licensee Designee:	Nimmy Cherian	
Administrator/Licensee Designee.		
Name of Facility:	Serenity Homes At Emily Drive	
Facility Address:	43296 Emily Dr	
	Sterling Heights, MI 48314	
Facility Telephone #:	(586) 994-8418	
Application Date:	04/07/2024	
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Capacity:	6	
Program Type:	AGED	
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# II. METHODOLOGY

04/07/2024	On-Line Enrollment	
04/11/2024	PSOR on Address Completed	
04/11/2024	Contact - Document Received 1326/ri030	
04/12/2024	Application Incomplete Letter Sent	
05/19/2024	Contact - Document Received Email from Nimmy Cherian with licensing documents	
05/20/2024	Contact- Document Received Received medical statement by email from Nimmy Cherian	
05/21/2024	Contact - Document Sent Email to Nimmy Cherian. Received return email.	
05/29/2024	Contact - Document Received Email from Nimmy Cherian	
05/30/2024	Contact - Document Sent Email to Nimmy Cherian with onsite inspection dates. Received return email.	
06/12/2024	Contact - Document Received Email from Nimmy Cherian. Sent return email. Received permission to inspect letter.	
06/13/2024	Application Complete/On-site Needed	
06/13/2024	Inspection Completed On-site	
06/13/2024	Contact - Document Sent Email to Nimmy Cherian	
06/16/2024	Contact - Document Received Email from Nimmy Cherian	
06/18/2024	Contact - Document Sent Email to and from Nimmy Cherian	
06/20/2024	Contact - Document Sent Email to Nimmy Cherian	

06/27/2024	Inspection Completed On-site Completed follow-up onsite inspection	
07/01/2024	Contact - Document Received Received email from applicant with home correction pictures.	
07/18/2024	Contact - Document Received Email from Nimmy Cherian. Sent return email.	
07/25/2024	Contact- Document Sent Email to Nimmy Cherian. Received return email.	
07/26/2024	Contact- Telephone call received Received message from Nimmy Cherian	
07/26/2024	Contact- Document Received Received email from Nimmy Cherian. Sent return email.	
07/31/2024	Contact- Document Received Received updated policies and additional trainings from Nimmy Cherian by email	

## 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 Homes at Emily Drive is a small adult foster care home located in Sterling Heights, MI. The licensee for the home is Nimmy Cherian. Ms. Cherian will also act as the Administrator for the home. A copy of the warranty deed was provided. The home is co-owned by Nimmy Cherian and Soniya Varghese. A signed letter was provided by Ms. Cherian and Ms. Varghese giving permission to inspect the property for licensing. The home has city water and sewer.

Serenity Homes at Emily Drive has a capacity of six residents. The home has three bedrooms, kitchen, dining area, living room, activity 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, activity room and dining room offer a total of 510 square feet of living space which meets the required 35 square feet of living space for six residents.

Bedroom #	Room Dimensions	Total Square Footage	Total Resident Beds
1	10'0" x 14'7"	145	2
2	11'10" x 13'6"	159	2
3	12'9" x 16'0"	204	2
		Total capacity: 6	

The three bedrooms in the home are sized as follows:

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. A furnace inspection was completed by The Furnace Guy on 05/07/2024. The home has a hard-wired smoke detection system with battery backup. The alarm system was inspected by Metro Electric on 06/21/2024. 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. 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 Care at Emily Drive will provide 24-hour care and supervision for up to six residents. The home will provide care for residents age 50 and up who have physical and cognitive disabilities, aged, or who have Alzheimer's or dementia. The homes will provide assistance with personal care including incontinence care, mobility, medication management, feeding assistance, nutritional assistance and recreational activities. The home is equipped with two ramps and can accommodate residents who are not fully ambulatory.

Nimmy Cherian will act as the licensee and administrator for Serenity Homes at Emily Drive. 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 residing at Serenity Homes at Emily Drive. Ms. Cherian has been informed that providing 24-hour care and supervision to more than two residents require an adult foster care license. Ms. Cherian has also operated a second home, Serenity at Walnut Creek (AS500418238), with two residents. The home is enrolled and in the process of becoming licensed. 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 Homes at Emily Drive with a capacity of six (6) residents.

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08/02/2024

Date

Kristine Cilluffo Licensing Consultant

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08/13/2024

Denise Y. Nunn Area Manager Date