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DIRECTOR

April 13, 2026

Bethany Mays
Resident Advancement, Inc.
PO Box 555
Fenton, MI 48430

RE: Application #: AS730420325
Gera
13429 S Gera Rd.
Birch Run, MI 48415

Dear Bethany Mays:

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 (517) 643-7960.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "C. Garza".

Christina Garza, Licensing Consultant
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enclosure

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

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #: AS730420325

Applicant Name: Resident Advancement, Inc.

Applicant Address: 411 S. Leroy, PO Box 555
Fenton, MI 48430

Applicant Telephone #: (810) 750-0382

Administrator/Licensee Designee: Bethany Mays

Name of Facility: Gera

Facility Address: 13429 S Gera Rd.
Birch Run, MI 48415

Facility Telephone #: (810) 624-4063

Application Date: 02/19/2026

Capacity: 6

Program Type: DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED
MENTALLY ILL

II. METHODOLOGY

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|------------|---|
| 02/19/2026 | Enrollment |
| 02/19/2026 | PSOR on Address Completed |
| 02/19/2026 | Inspection Report Requested - Health Invoice#: 1035639 |
| 02/19/2026 | Contact - Document Sent EHI inspection request sent out. |
| 02/19/2026 | Application Incomplete Letter Sent 1326/RI030 |
| 02/19/2026 | Contact - Document Sent App Inc letter sent by email. |
| 03/03/2026 | Contact - Document Received RI030. |
| 03/04/2026 | File Transferred To Field Office |
| 03/17/2026 | Application Incomplete Letter Sent |
| 03/18/2026 | Contact - Document Received facility documents |
| 03/19/2026 | Contact - Document Received medical clearance |
| 03/19/2026 | Application Complete/On-site Needed |
| 03/19/2026 | Inspection Completed On-site |
| 03/19/2026 | SC-Inspection Completed On-Site |
| 03/19/2026 | SC-Inspection Full Compliance |
| 03/20/2026 | SC-Application Received - Original |
| 03/20/2026 | SC-ORR Response Requested |
| 03/20/2026 | SC-ORR Response Received-Approval |
| 04/08/2026 | Rule Variance Granted |
| 04/13/2026 | Inspection Completed-BCAL Full Compliance |

III. DESCRIPTION OF FINDINGS & CONCLUSIONS

A. Physical Description of Facility

Gera is a one-story facility with an attached two car garage and basement. There is a detached garage on the south side of the facility. The exterior of the home is comprised of brick and vinyl siding. The home consists of a living room, dining room, kitchen, four resident bedrooms, two full bathrooms, a half bathroom, a medication room, and an office. The facility is wheelchair accessible. The facility is owned by Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority (SCCMHA), and permission was granted for inspection of the home. There is a lease agreement between Navaho Trail and SCCMHA.

The furnace and hot water heater are in the basement of the home with standard building material used for floor separation. The floor separation includes a 1-3/4-inch solid core door that is equipped with an automatic self-closing device. A furnace inspection and approval were completed on October 2, 2025. The laundry area is located in the basement of the home. The facility is equipped with a smoke detection system. The smoke detectors are all hard-wired into the home's electrical system with battery back-up and are in all sleeping and living areas. The facility has private well and septic system. A variance request was submitted and approved for a current environmental health inspection. Gera will complete an environmental health inspection and obtain a passing rating during the temporary license period.

There are three resident bedrooms located on the main floor of the home. Resident bedrooms were measured during the on-site inspection and have the following dimensions:

| Bedroom # | Room Dimensions | Total Square Footage | Total Resident Beds |
|-----------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | 11'9" x 12'9" | 150 | 2 |
| 2 | 12'9" x 18'4" | 234 | 2 |
| 3 | 12'1" x 13'4" | 160 | 2 |

The living room and dining room areas measure a total of 347 square feet of living space. This exceeds the minimum of 35 square feet per resident requirement. Compliance with Rule 400.14410, bedroom furnishings, was demonstrated at the time of the final inspection. The bedrooms were clean, neat, and met all applicable rules relating to environmental and fire safety requirements.

The home has two (2) separate and independent means of egress to the outside.

The required exit doors are equipped with positive latching non-locking against egress hardware. All the bedroom and bathroom doors have conforming hardware and proper door width.

The home has fire extinguishers, which meets the requirements of R 400.14506. The bedrooms have the proper means of egress as required by R 400.14508. The interior of the home is of standard lathe and plaster finish or equivalent in all occupied areas. The home meets the environmental and interior finish requirements of rules R 400.14502, R 400.14503, and R 400.14504.

Based on the above information, it is concluded that this facility can accommodate **six (6)** residents. It is the licensee's responsibility not to exceed the facility's licensed capacity.

B. Program Description

The facility has the capacity to provide 24-hour supervision, protection, and personal care for up to six male and/or female residents aged eighteen and over, that are mentally ill or developmentally disabled. Residents will receive social and emotional support, positive guidance, supervision, and protection, from dedicated, compassionate, and honest staff. The facility will provide a clean and caring environment enabling the residents to live, learn, and grow as individuals. Facility staff will meet the basic needs of everyone, as well as those who require more individualized attention. Residents will be provided and encouraged to participate in social activities and events.

C. Applicant and Administrator Qualifications

Resident Advancement Inc. is the applicant, and Bethany Mays has been assigned as the licensee designee and administrator of the facility. A criminal history background check was completed for Licensee Designee Mays, and she has been determined to be of good moral character. Licensee Designee Mays submitted a statement from a physician documenting good health and a current TB test with negative results.

The applicant has sufficient resources to provide for the adequate care of the residents as evidenced by projected income for AFC residents along with other financial resources.

The supervision of residents in this small group home licensed for (6) residents will be the responsibility of the applicant 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The applicant has indicated that for the original license of this 6-bed small group home, there is adequate supervision with 2 direct care staff on-site for six (6) residents. The applicant acknowledges that the number of direct care staff on-site to resident ratio will change to reflect any increase in the level of supervision, protection, or personal care required by the residents.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the training and qualification requirements for the staff or volunteers providing care to residents in the home.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the responsibility to assess the good moral character of employees and contractors who have regular, ongoing, “direct access” to residents, 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 ([www. Miltcpartnership.org](http://www.Miltcpartnership.org)), and the related documents required to be maintained in each employee’s record to demonstrate compliance.

The applicant acknowledges 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 can administer medication to residents. In addition, the applicant has indicated that resident medication will be stored in a locked cabinet and that daily medication logs will be maintained on each resident receiving medication.

The applicant acknowledges their responsibility to establish good moral character and suitability, obtain and maintain documentation of good physical and mental health status, maintain documentation of all required training, and obtain all required documentation and signatures that are to be completed prior to direct care staff and volunteers working directly with residents. In addition, the applicant acknowledges their responsibility to maintain a current employee record on file in the home for the licensee, administrator, or volunteer staff, and the retention schedule for all of the documents contained within each employee’s file.

The applicant acknowledges their responsibility to obtain all required documentation and signatures that are to be completed prior to each direct care staff or volunteer working with residents. In addition, the applicant acknowledges their responsibility to maintain a current employee record on file in the home for the licensee, administrator and direct care staff or volunteers and the retention schedule for all of the documents contained within the employee’s file. The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the admission criteria and procedural requirements for accepting a resident into the home for adult foster care.

The applicant acknowledges their responsibility to obtain the required written assessment, 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, as well as the required forms and signatures to be completed for each resident on an annual basis.

The applicant acknowledges their responsibility to maintain a current resident record on file in the home for each resident and the retention schedule for all of the documents contained within each resident’s file.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the discharge criteria and procedural requirements for issuing a 30-day discharge written notice to a resident, as well as, when a resident can be discharged before the issuance of a 30-day discharge written notice.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding informing each resident of their resident rights and providing them with a copy of those rights. The applicant indicated that it is their intent to achieve and maintain compliance with these requirements.

The applicant acknowledges 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. The applicant has indicated their intention to achieve and maintain compliance with the reporting and investigation of each incident and accident involving resident, employee, and/or visitor.

The applicant acknowledges an understanding of the administrative rules regarding the handling of resident funds and valuables and intends to comply. The applicant acknowledges that a separate Resident Funds Part II (BCAL-2319) form will be created for each resident to document the date and amount of the adult foster care service fee paid each month and all the residents' personal money transactions that have been agreed to be managed by the applicant.

D. Rule/Statutory Violations

The applicant was in compliance with the licensing act and administrative rules related to the physical plant. Compliance with administrative rules related to quality of care will be assessed during the temporary license period.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend issuance of a temporary license to this AFC adult small group home (capacity 3-6).

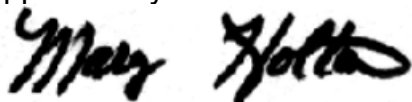


4/13/2026

Christina Garza
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



4/13/2026

Mary E. Holton
Area Manager

Date