# STATE OF TENNESSEE BEFORE THE HEALTH FACILITIES COMMISSION

In The Matter of:	)
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Green Crest Assisted Living Centers, Inc.,	)
Assisted Care Living Facility,	)
License No. 417,	) Case No. 2024022761
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Respondent.	)
	)
Parsons, Tennessee	)
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#### **CONSENT ORDER**

This matter came to be heard before the Tennessee Health Facilities Commission ("Commission"), by and through the Office of Legal Services, and Green Crest Assisted Living Centers, Inc. ("Respondent") that the Commission adopt this Consent Order, the terms of which have been agreed upon by the parties, as signified by their signatures below.

# I. <u>JURISDICTION</u>

- 1. The Commission is empowered to license and regulate hospitals, recuperation centers, nursing homes, homes for the aged, residential HIV supportive living facilities, assisted-care living facilities, home care organizations, residential hospices, birthing centers, prescribed childcare centers, renal dialysis clinics, ambulatory surgical treatment centers, outpatient diagnostic centers, adult care homes, and traumatic brain injury residential homes. T.C.A. § 68-11-202(a)(1).
- 2. The Commission has the authority to conduct reviews of all facilities licensed under this part in order to determine compliance with fire and life safety code rules as promulgated by the Commission. T.C.A.§ 68-11-202(b)(1)(A).

- 3. "Assisted-care living facility" ("ACLF") means a facility, building, establishment, complex or distinct part thereof that accepts primarily aged persons for domiciliary care and services. T.C.A.§ 68-11-201(4)(A) and Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0720-26-.02(7).
- 4. "Primarily aged" means that a minimum of fifty-one percent (51%) of the population of the facility is at least sixty-two (62) years of age. Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0720-26-.02(34).
- 5. An assisted-care living facility shall provide on site to its residents room and board and non-medical living assistance services appropriate to each resident's needs, such as assistance with bathing, dressing, grooming, preparation of meals and other activities of daily living. T.C.A.§ 68-11-201(4)(B) and Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0720-26-.02(2).
- 6. The Commission shall conduct on-site inspections and investigations as may be necessary to safeguard, and ensure at all times, the public's health, safety, and welfare. T.C.A. § 68-11-210(c).
- 7. Upon a finding by the Commission that an ACLF has violated any provision of Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 68-11-201, et seq., or the rules promulgated pursuant thereto, action may be taken, upon proper notice to the licensee, to impose a civil penalty, deny, suspend, or revoke its license. T.C.A.§ 68-11-207.

## II. <u>STIPULATIONS OF FACT</u>

- 8. At all times pertinent hereto, Respondent, Green Crest Assisted Living Centers, Inc., 55
  Herbert Volner Lane Parsons, Tennessee 38363, was licensed by the Commission as an
  ACLF, having been granted license number 417 on July 7, 2015, which currently has an
  expiration date of July 6, 2025.
- 9. On or about June 17, 2024, a survey of the facility was completed resulting in deficiencies being cited for failure to conduct fire drills during sleeping hours.

10. The facility had no record of fire drills being conducted during sleeping hours for the first, second, and fourth quarters of 2023, as well as the first quarter of 2024.

#### III. GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE

The facts in Section II, *supra*, are sufficient to establish that grounds exist for the discipline of Respondent's ACLF license. Specifically, Respondent has violated the following statutes and/or rules, for which disciplinary action by the Commission is authorized.

- 11. The facts in paragraph ten (10) are sufficient to constitute a violation of Tenn. Comp. R. and Regs. 0720-26-.10(3)(b), the relevant portion of which reads as follows:
  - (3) An ACLF shall conduct fire drills in accordance with the following:
    - (b) There shall be one (1) fire drill per quarter during sleeping hours.

## IV. REPRESENTATIONS OF RESPONDENT

- 12. Respondent understands and admits the allegations, charges, and stipulations in this Order.
- 13. Respondent understands the rights found in the Code, Rules, and the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, TENN. CODE ANN. §§ 4-5-101 thru 4-5-404, including the right to a hearing, the right to appear personally and by legal counsel, the right to confront and to cross-examine witnesses who would testify against Respondent, the right to testify and to present evidence on Respondent's own behalf, as well as to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents, as well as the right to appeal for judicial review. Respondent voluntarily waives these rights in order to avoid further administrative action.
- 14. Respondent agrees that presentation of this Order to the Commission and the Commission's consideration of it and all matters divulged during that process shall not constitute unfair disclosure such that the Commission or any of its members become

prejudiced requiring their disqualification from hearing this matter should this Order not

be ratified. All matters, admissions, and statements disclosed during the attempted

ratification process shall not be used against the Respondent in any subsequent proceeding

unless independently entered into evidence or introduced as admissions.

15. Respondent agrees that facsimile/PDF copies of this Order, including facsimile/PDF

signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as originals.

16. Respondent also agrees that the Commission may issue this Order without further process.

If the Commission rejects this Order for any reason, it will be of no force or effect for either

party.

17. Respondent agrees that the facility has not received any threats or promises of any kind by

the State or any agent or representative thereof, except such as is detailed herein.

V. ORDER

**NOW THEREFORE**, Respondent, for the purpose of avoiding further administrative action with

respect to this cause, agrees to the following:

18. Respondent is hereby assessed one (1) Civil Monetary Penalty in the amount of one

thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for the violation referenced in paragraph eleven (11) above.

19. The total assessed CMP amount is one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

20. Payment shall be submitted to the following address within thirty (30) calendar days of

the effective date of this Order.

**Tennessee Health Facilities Commission** 

Attention: Disciplinary Coordinator

665 Mainstream Drive, Second Floor

Nashville, Tennessee 37243

PLEASE DO NOT REMIT PAYMENT UNTIL THE CONSENT ORDER HAS

BEEN RATIFIED AND APPROVED BY THE COMMISSION

21. Each condition of discipline herein is a separate and distinct condition. If any condition of this Order, or any application thereof, is declared unenforceable in whole, in part, or to any extent, the remainder of this Order, and all other applications thereof, shall not be affected. Each condition of this Order shall separately be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

APPROVED FOR ENTRY:

Signature of Authorized Representative Green Crest Assisted Living Centers, Inc.

License No. 417 Respondent Printed Name of Authorized Representative

President

Title of Authorized Representative

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Approval by the Commission		
Upon the agreement of the parties and the record as a whole, this CONSENT ORDER was		
approved as a <b>FINAL ORDER</b> by a majority of a quorum of the Health Facilities Commission at		
a public meeting of the Commission and signed this day of,		
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ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that the agreement of the parties does hereby become the		
Final Order of the Commission.		
Chairperson Health Facilities Commission		
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE		
The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of this document has been served		
upon the Respondent, Green Crest Assisted Living Centers, Inc., c/o Ricky Wood, Esquire, 55		
Herbert Volner Lane Parsons, Tennessee 38363, by delivering same in the United States regular		
mail and United States certified mail, number 7020 0640 0001 4807 8317, return receipt requested,		
with sufficient postage thereon to reach its destination. A copy was sent via electronic mail to:		
woodlaw@woodlawtn.com.		
This day of		

Vishan J. Ramcharan Associate General Counsel