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June 25, 2024

Heritage Schools Inc -Homestead - RTC
10324 South 5850 West
Payson, UT 84651
License: Congregate Care Residential Treatment (F24-110140)

ATTN: Brad Fry, Sr. Operations Executive Director; Neil Wallace, Sr. Executive Director;
Chester Powelson, Safety and Compliance Officer

RE: NOTICE OF EMERGENCY AGENCY ACTION
LICENSE PLACED ON 30 DAY EMERGENCY CONDITIONAL STATUS
Heritage Schools Inc -Homestead RTC - F24-110140

This letter serves as notice that the Utah Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Licensing (the "Office") is placing Heritage Schools- Homestead RTC - F24-110140 ("Licensee") license on a **Conditional Status** effective immediately. This conditional status will expire on July 25, 2024.

This action is taken pursuant to Utah Code § 26B-2-703(3) and Utah Administrative Code Rule R380-600-8 based on a client death. On June 21, 2024, a client left the direct supervision of Licensee staff and walked out to the horse property. After a period of time, Licensee staff went to search for the client and later found the client unresponsive. On June 22, 2024, the client succumbed to their injuries and died. This emergency agency action is

issued to protect the immediate health and safety of remaining clients.

This emergency agency action is effective for 30 days and expires by operation of law upon 30 days. The issuance of this emergency agency action does not preclude the Office from issuing additional standard notices of agency actions related to the license after further investigation.

The following conditions are immediately in effect.

1. Licensee shall not admit clients while this conditional license is in effect;
2. Licensee shall comply and cooperate with all monitoring inspections and investigations; and
3. Licensee shall ensure all clients are being directly supervised with documented physical check-ins at least every 15 minutes.

Pursuant to DHHS Administrative Hearing Procedures set out in Administrative Rule R497, you may request an administrative hearing if you disagree with this notice. If you choose to request an administrative hearing, you must submit your request to the Office of Licensing in writing, **within 5 business days** of receipt of this letter. The administrative proceeding shall be conducted as an informal adjudicative proceeding in accordance with Utah Code § 63G-4-203 and Utah Administrative Code Rule R497.

You can access the 'Request for an Administrative Hearing' form in the *Facility Forms* section of our website: <https://dlbc.utah.gov>.

All correspondence concerning this action should be addressed to:

Kimberly Jessop (DHHS)
kljessop@utah.gov
Administrative Secretary

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Simon Bolivar", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Simon Bolivar
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