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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION

333 MARKET STREET, 14TH FLOOR, HARRISBURG, PA 17101

October 1, 2009

Honorable Everette James, Secretary
Department of Health
802 Health and Welfare Building
Harrisburg, PA 17108

Re: Regulation #10-184 (IRRC #2623)
Department of Health
Home Care Agencies and Home Care Registries

Dear Secretary James:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved the subject regulation today. Our order is enclosed and will be available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,

Arthur Coccodrilli
Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Ted B. Erickson, Majority Chairman, Senate Public Health and Welfare
Committee
Honorable Vincent J. Hughes, Minority Chairman, Senate Public Health and Welfare
Committee
Honorable Frank L. Oliver, Majority Chairman, House Health and Human Services
Committee
Honorable Matthew E. Baker, Minority Chairman, House Health and Human Services
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**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held October 1, 2009

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Regulation No. 10-184 (#2623)
Department of Health
Home Care Agencies and Home Care
Registries

On August 6, 2007, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the Department of Health (Department). This rulemaking amends 28 Pa. Code Chapter 611. The proposed regulation was published in the August 11, 2007 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on August 24, 2009.

This final-form rulemaking implements certain provisions of Act 69 of 2006, which require the Department to license home care agencies and home care registries.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Department (35 P.S. § 448.803(1)) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.



Arthur Coccodrilli, Chairman