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IRRC Commissioners 333 Market Street, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101 IRRC@IRRC@state.pa.us

Dear IRRC Commissioners:

I am writing to convey the strong support of the Brain injury Association of Pennsylvania (BIAPA) for the Assisted Living Residence (ALR) final-form regulation.

The Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania, Inc., a 501(c)(3) Pennsylvania nonprofit, has as its mission to prevent brain injury and improve the quality of life for people who have experienced brain injury and their family members/caregivers through support, education, advocacy and research.

The Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania was in full support of ABIN-PA when they proposed the concept and language that was incorporated into the regulation that establishes Special Care Units for individuals with brain injury in ALRs. Because of the transparency of the process, there will now be another option for those with brain injury about where they reside and where they receive services and support – an option for those who have been the most seriously harmed and broken by brain injury.

The Commission would do the residents of Pennsylvania a service by approving the ALR regulation.

Sincerely,

Jane T. Keim President Board of Directors

BIAPA, Inc. is a 501(c) (3) tax exempt organization incorporated in Pennsylvania

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