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September 15, 2008

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**Re: Proposed 2800 Regulations, IRRRC #14-514**

Dear Gail and Arthur,

Since 1896, Messiah Village has been providing services to older adults and community members. We are glad to comment on the proposed regulations for Assisted Living. While we support the idea of improved safety and care measures for all persons no matter where they live, we do have some concerns about the following items:

- The proposed license fee structure is too high
- The administrator requirements are confusing
- Proposed room sizes prohibit Messiah Village from applying for a license
- Installing kitchens/microwaves/refrigerators are also prohibitive
- Allowing contracts to be rescinded after thirty days is burdensome
- Lack of 30-day notice to move out
- Restrictive transportation rules

We look forward to the implementation of the new regulations and trust that you will take the proposed intent and make it more practical from a provider's standpoint. We fully support PANPHA's proposed revisions and, as such, did not want to repeat the detail that you will find in their work.

Sincerely,

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