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To Lori Gutierrez, Deputy Director, Office of Policy,

My husband and I have lived at Foulkeways for almost 4 years and have been really impressed with how the community is managed. We are very comfortable and have confidence in the decisions that are made by the administration.

The administration feels strongly that we should not be part of the Medicare program. Apparently it costs a lot of money and it will take time away from the health care of the patients in the nursing part of our community. We have many friends who have spent time in the nursing facility and they rave about the personal care and love they received while there.

Let me respond in two ways:

- Cost is definitely a huge issue as we get older. The community would need to hire a person solely responsible for the bureaucratic paper work that is needed . That person's salary would be covered by our dues, and therefore would raise what we would pay a great deal.
- Secondly, and more importantly, the time taken to fill out papers and follow Medicare requirements would be so time-consuming that it would take away from time dedicated to the care of the patients here. Nothing should interfere with the care of a sick person.

Therefore, we strongly support Foulkeways' request to be independent of the Medicare program requirements as stated in the DOH PA Nursing Facility Licensure Regulations to PA Code 201 and 211 to Federal Code 42 CFR Part 483.

Foulkeways does a wonderful and caring job here, and we are confident that our decision to live here was the correct one.

Thank you for you time.

Anne and Thomas Spratt