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Submitted on behalf of Eric Tate

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Re: Rulemaking 10-222 (Long-Term Care Nursing Facilities, Proposed Rulemaking 2)

Whom It May Concern:

I am pleased that the Pennsylvania Department of Health is finally proposing to update the nursing home regulations. It is clear that comprehensive reform is needed and long overdue. I am writing in support of the [comments](#) submitted by CARIE and Community Legal Services (CLS). I strongly support stronger protections and rights for residents should their nursing facilities close. It is especially important that residents and their responsible parties receive timely and frequent communication about what is happening. COVID-19 highlighted the need to upgrade building standards to ensure the life, health, and dignity of nursing home residents. I think it's important that the residents are informed and agree to any move (if a facility has to close). I think that the residents should have a support team to help them if they have to move because that is a difficult thing

Sincerely,  
Eric Tate