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September 29, 2025

ELECTRONIC MAIL
SOD #8HBN11

NOTICE and ORDER

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

ORDER TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS

Teresa Perez
1318 North St
Racine, WI 53402

C/O Licensee: A Better Way Adult Family Home LLC

Re: A Better Way Adult Family Home LLC, 0017677
5201 Lilac Ln
Racine, WI 53406

Dear Teresa Perez:

This letter is a statutory NOTICE of VIOLATION and imposed ORDER on the licensee of A Better Way Adult Family Home LLC, located at 5201 Lilac Ln, Racine, and sets forth appeal rights, if any. This regulatory action is taken by the Department of Health Services (Department) pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.033(2), and Wis. Admin. Code § DHS 88.

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

On September 15, 2025, a standard survey was concluded for A Better Way Adult Family Home LLC by the Division of Quality Assurance, Bureau of Assisted Living, to determine if the above-referenced facility was in substantial compliance with Wis. Stat. ch. 50 or Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 88, or both, which set forth requirements for the administration and operation of an adult family home (AFH). The Department is issuing Statement of Deficiency (SOD) #8HBN11 for violations of Wis. Stat. ch. 50 or Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 88, which establish the grounds for this action. SOD #8HBN11 is enclosed.

ORDER TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS

1. Pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § DHS 88.03(6)(g)2.b., effective immediately, the licensee shall comply with the requirements specified by Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 88 that establishes the standards for the operation of the Adult Family Home in order to protect and promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents.

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AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE AND WITHOUT DELAY, within 45 days of receipt of this notice, the licensee shall achieve and maintain substantial compliance with all requirements. All operational and resident records required as evidence of compliance with applicable rules will be available to department representatives upon request.

The Department may, without notice, conduct an inspection to verify the licensee's corrective action at any time after the date of compliance. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.033(3), the department may impose a \$200 inspection fee for an on-site inspection to review compliance of violations resulting in enforcement action.

ADDITIONALLY:

WITHIN 10 DAYS of receipt of this notice, the licensee may request an extension for the date of compliance. The request for an extension must be submitted to the Assisted Living Regional Director, Southeastern Regional Office, at DHSDQABALSERO@dhs.wisconsin.gov. The Regional Director will communicate to the licensee a decision on the date of compliance extension.

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If you have questions about this letter, please contact MaryBeth Hoffman, Assisted Living Regional Director, at (414) 227-2005.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth Brotheridge". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

Kenneth Brotheridge, Assisted Living Director
Bureau of Assisted Living
Division of Quality Assurance

Enclosure

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