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**State of Wisconsin
Department of Health Services**

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May 15, 2026

ELECTRONIC MAIL
SOD #V8Z111

NOTICE and ORDER
NOTICE OF VIOLATION
NOTICE OF LICENSE REVOCATION
ORDER NOT TO ADMIT NEW OR ADDITIONAL RESIDENTS
NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Trennie Epps
2726 Chicory Rd
Racine, WI 53403

C/O Licensee: Trennie Epps

Re: Community Ties, 0013714
3622 Southwood Drive
Racine, WI 53406

Dear Trennie Epps:

This letter is a statutory NOTICE of VIOLATION and imposed ORDER on the licensee of Community Ties, located at 3622 Southwood Drive, 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 May 5, 2026, an attempted standard survey was concluded for Community Ties 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) #V8Z111 for violations of Wis. Stat. ch. 50 or Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 88, which establish the grounds for this action. SOD #V8Z111 is enclosed.

NOTICE OF LICENSE REVOCATION

Based on the results of the Department's investigation, and pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 50.02(2)(am)2., and Wis. Admin. Code § DHS 88.03(6)(d), **EFFECTIVE UPON RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE**, the Department of Health Services hereby **REVOKES THE LICENSE** of **Community Ties**.

This action is being taken under the following provisions:

Wis. Stat. § 50.02(2)(am)2., and Wis. Admin. Code § DHS 88.03(6)(d), whereby the adult family home has intentionally and substantially violated a requirement of Wis. Admin. Code ch. DHS 88 or has failed to meet the minimum requirements for licensure.

Within 3 days of receipt of this notice, return the AFH license for Community Ties, located at 3622 Southwood Drive, Racine, WI, 53406 to the Assisted Living Regional Director 819 North 6th St., Room 609B Milwaukee, WI 53203-1606

ORDER NOT TO ADMIT NEW OR ADDITIONAL RESIDENTS

Based on the results of the Department's investigation and pursuant to authority provided in Wis. Stat. § 50.02(2)(am)2., and Wis. Admin. Code § DHS 88.03(6)(g)2.f., **EFFECTIVE UPON RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE and ORDER**, the Department of Health Services **HEREBY ORDERS** that **Community Ties NOT ADMIT ANY NEW OR ADDITIONAL RESIDENTS**.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

According to Wis. Stat. § 50.02(2)(am)2., and Wis. Admin. Code § DHS 88.03(7), you may request a hearing of the Department's action. To notify the Department of your request for a hearing, your written request **must be filed with (served upon) the Division of Hearings and Appeals (DHA) within ten (10) days after receipt of this NOTICE**. Please note that according to Wis. Admin. Code § HA 1.03(3)(a), materials **mailed** to DHA are **considered filed on the date of the postmark**. Send your request for a hearing to:

AFH APPEAL
DHA
P.O. BOX 7875
MADISON, WI 53707-7875

Include in your written request for a hearing **ALL** of the following:

- ✓ The name and address of the facility;
- ✓ What you are appealing (attach a copy of this NOTICE to your appeal);
- ✓ The effective date of the action;

- ✓ A concise statement of the reasons for objecting to the action;
- ✓ What type of relief you are seeking; and
- ✓ The name, address and telephone number of any person who may be expected to appear on behalf of the facility

**YOUR APPEAL MAY BE DENIED OR DISMISSED IF THE REQUEST IS
INCOMPLETE OR NOT FILED WITH DHA WITHIN THE 10-DAY APPEAL TIME.**

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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", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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

Enclosure
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cc: Ombudsman, Racine County
Aging/Disability Resource Center, Racine County
Racine County Human Services
Waiver Agencies
Division of Medicaid Services
Disability Rights Wisconsin