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September 9, 2020

Andre Pelegrini VP Finance & Business Development CMDS Residential 5570 Sterrett Place, Suite 300 Columbia, Maryland 21044

Re: Withdrawal of Certificate of Need Application

CMDS Residential, LLC Docket No. 20-24-2441

Dear Mr. Pelegini:

Thank you for your letter of September 9 2020, informing the Commission that CMDS Residential is withdrawing the above- referenced Certificate of Need application.

The Maryland Health Care Commission accepts the withdrawal of this application without prejudice. By copy of this letter all affected persons are notified of this action.

If you have any questions about this determination, please contact Kevin McDonald at (410) 764-5982.

Sincerely,

Ruby Potter

Health Facilities Coordinator

cc: Letitia Dzirasa, M.D., Baltimore City Health Department



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Kevin McDonald Chief - Certificate of Need Division Center for Health Care Facilities Planning & Development Maryland Health Care Commission

RE: CMDS Residential, LLC- Matter No. 20-24-2441

Dear Mr. McDonald,

Although we are certain, given the high degree of drug dependency in Baltimore, that the need for our requested detox beds is real and compelling, CMDS Residential, LLC would like to withdraw its application for the conversion of 59 residential beds into detox beds. We understand the Commission's mandate is best served by current data and we will gather more robust data to prove that there is a need for such services in East Baltimore City. We plan on submitting a new application in the near future. Because residential beds are presently substantially underused due to Covid, when the virus has run its course, we surely expect the need for all residential beds, and perhaps in particular detox beds, will return immediately.

Sincerely,

Andre Pelegrini

VP Finance & Business Development

