## STATE OF FLORIDA AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

## AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES,

Petitioner,

v.

Case No.: 20-2101FL

## TUCKER HOUSE GROUP HOME, OWNED AND OPERATED BY THE DEVEREUX FOUNDATION, INC.,

**Respondent.** 

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AGENCY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES,

Petitioner,

v.

Case No.: 20-2102FL

AQUARIUS GROUP HOME, OWNED AND OPERATED BY THE DEVEREUX FOUNDATION, INC.,

**Respondent.** 

# FINAL ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This cause is before the Agency for Persons with Disabilities ("Agency") for

entry of a Final Order Approving Settlement Agreement entered into between the

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Agency and the Devereaux Foundation ("Respondent"), which is attached as Exhibit A.

On March 19, 2020, the Agency filed Administrative Complaints against Respondent's group homes, Tucker House Group Home (license number 7G459A) and Aquarius Group Home (license number 7G230A/C). On April 17, 2020, Respondent timely filed a Request for Administrative Hearing and the cases were referred to the Division of Administrative Hearings. On September 3, 2020, the Agency filed an Unopposed Motion to Relinquish Jurisdiction based on the parties' resolution of the case without a need for a hearing, which the administrative law judge granted that same day.

Upon consideration of the attached Amended Settlement Agreement approved by the Agency on September 2, 2020, and being fully advised in the premises, it is hereby ORDERED AND ADJUDGED:

1. The Settlement Agreement is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference.

2. The parties shall adhere to and abide by all the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement.

3. This Final Order shall take effect upon filing with the Clerk of the Agency for Persons with Disabilities.

4. Any violation of this Settlement Agreement is considered a violation of the Final Order.

DONE AND ORDERED in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, on

November 6, 2020

Deputy Director of Operations Agency for Persons with Disabilities

#### **NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL**

A party who is adversely affected by this final order is entitled to judicial review. To initiate judicial review, the party seeking it must file one copy of a "Notice of Appeal" with the Agency Clerk. The party seeking judicial review must also file another copy of the "Notice of Appeal," accompanied by the filing fee required by law, with the First District Court of Appeal in Tallahassee, Florida, or with the District Court of Appeal in the district where the party resides. The Notices must be filed within thirty (30) days of the rendition of this final order.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The date of "rendition" of this Final Order is the date that the Agency Clerk certified it was sent to the named individuals.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of this Final Order was provided by regular US or electronic mail to the above individuals at the addresses listed on November 6, 2020.

\_/s/Danielle Thompson\_

Danielle Thompson, Esq. Agency Clerk Agency for Persons with Disabilities 4030 Esplanade Way, Suite 335 Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0950 APD.Agencyclerk@apdcares.org