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STATE HEALTH PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Ms. Emily Marsal, Esq.
Executive Director
State Health Planning and Development Agency
100 North Union Street, Suite 870
Montgomery, Alabama 36104

Re: Affinity Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a Affinity Hospice
SHPDA ID 073-P2323
Request for Reviewability Determination for Relocation of Hospice Administrative
Office (Shelby County)

Dear Ms. Marsal:

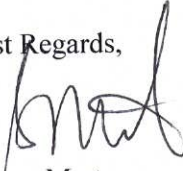
I am writing on behalf of Affinity Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a Affinity Hospice (the "Agency") to request your determination, pursuant to Section 401-1-7-.02 of the Alabama Certificate of Need Program Rules & Regulations ("CON Rules"), that the Agency is not required to obtain a new Certificate of Need ("CON") to relocate the administrative office of the Agency to another site in Shelby County. In order to assist with this determination, we offer the following information:

Pursuant to CON 2323-HPC, the Agency has CON authority to provide in-home hospice services in the following counties: Jefferson, St. Clair, Blount, Shelby, Bill, Talladega, Chilton and Walker. The Agency is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Affinity Hospice Holdings, LLC. No other healthcare facilities or groups have any ownership interest in the Agency.

The Agency's administrative office is currently located at 334 Business Circle, Suite F, Pelham, AL 35124. On or around October 19, 2026, and upon approval from the Alabama Department of Public Health and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services, the Agency will relocate to 224 1st Street North, Suite 125, Alabaster, AL 35007. The distance between the Agency's current administrative office and new office is approximately six miles. The relocation of the Agency's administrative office will not involve (i) the addition or conversion of any beds, (ii) the acquisition of stock or assets, (iii) any change in services offered by the Agency, or (iv) any capital expenditures in excess of the threshold amounts set forth in CON Rule § 410-1-4-.01 ((i) \$3,322,582.00 for major medical equipment, (ii) \$1,327,734.00 for new annual operating costs, and (iii) \$6,638,679.00 for capital expenditures). Finally, there will be no changes in staff, management, or service area of the Agency as a result of the proposed relocation.

Based upon the above, we respectfully request your determination that Affinity Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a Affinity Hospice is not required to obtain a CON in order to complete this project as described in this letter. We appreciate your consideration of this request and welcome the opportunity to address any questions regarding this matter. Payment was made VIA the portal. Thank you very much.

Best Regards,

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Sumer Mertes
Director of Revenue Mgmt.

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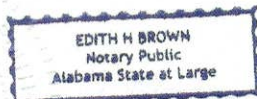
Affirmation of Requesting Party:

The undersigned, being first duly sworn, hereby makes oath or affirms that he, as Chief Financial Officer, has knowledge of the facts in the attached Reviewability Determination Request for Affinity Acquisitions, LLC d/b/a Affinity Hospice and to the best of his information, knowledge and belief, such facts are true and correct.

Adam Cruse

Adam Cruse
CFO

(SEAL)



SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 14th day of September, 2026.

Edith H. Brown

Notary Public

My commission expires: 8/15/2028

Alabama

Certificate # **33045**

STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

This is to certify that a license is hereby granted by the State Board of Health to
AFFINITY ACQUISITIONS, LLC D/B/A AFFINITY HOSPICE
to operate

AFFINITY HOSPICE - PELHAM

as a

HOSPICE

This license is valid for the following location

334 BUSINESS CIRCLE, SUITE F • PELHAM, AL 35124



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Facility Identification

2026

This License shall expire December 31, 2026.

Scott Harris, MD

Scott Harris, M.D.
State Health Officer



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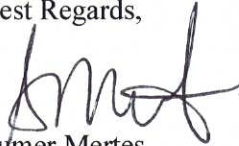
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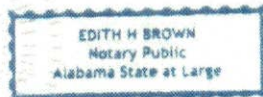
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CFO

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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 17th day of September, 2026.

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Notary Public

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The proposed project does not exceed any of the CON expenditure thresholds in effect at the time of this filing, which are capital expenditures in excess of the threshold amounts set forth in CON Rule § 410-1-4-.01 ((i) \$3,436,510 for major medical equipment, (ii) \$1,373,260.00 for new annual operating costs, and (iii) \$6,866,313.00 for capital expenditures). The cost for the proposed project's first year annual operating cost is \$52,724.00. This includes \$46,224 in the first-year lease and \$6,500 in moving expenses.

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