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CERTIFICATION

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, hereby certifies that Nebraska is in full compliance with Section 1616(e) of the Social Security Act (the Keys Amendment) for fiscal year 2023.

<u>Section 1616(e)(1):</u> In Nebraska, residential facilities in which a significant number of Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients reside, or are likely to reside, are identified as Assisted Living Facilities, Centers for the Developmentally Disabled, Mental Health Substance Use Treatment Centers, Child Caring Agencies, Foster Care Homes for Children; and Group Foster Homes for Children. The Department of Health and Human Services is the designated authority to establish, maintain, and ensure the enforcement of standards for non-medical and medical residential facilities identified in this paragraph in which SSI recipients may reside.

<u>Section 1616(e)(2):</u> A summary of the standards is available on the Department of Health and Human Services web site at <u>https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Documents/Standards for Facilities.pdf</u> to comply with Section 1616(e).

<u>Section 1616(e)(3)</u>: This letter serves as the required annual certification to the Commissioner of Social Security that the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, is in compliance with the requirements of the subsection.

<u>Section 1616(e)(4):</u> If the State would take an action to remove a license, either by revocation or suspension, the State would provide notification of any such action to the Social Security Administration Regional Office.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Daniel Taylor, Administrator, DHHS Public Health Facilities Licensure Unit, at (402) 471-9207 or at <u>daniel.taylor@nebraska.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

C. Member

Charity Menefee, Director Division of Public Health Department of Health and Human Services



Pete Ricketts, Governor