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October 11, 2022

Michele Hughes  
915 Grand Avenue  
Sturgis, MI 49091

RE: License #: DG750391944  
**Michele Hughes**  
**915 Grand Avenue**  
**Sturgis, MI 49091**

Dear Ms. Hughes:

Attached is the Addendum to the Original Licensing Study Report for the above referenced facility.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the local office at (616) 356-0183.

Per MCL 722.113g, this report must be filed in your licensing notebook.

Sincerely,

*Carrie Harris*

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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS  
BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SYSTEMS  
ADDENDUM TO ORIGINAL LICENSING STUDY REPORT**

**I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION**

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| <b>License #:</b>                       | DG750391944                           |
| <b>Licensee Name:</b>                   | Michele Hughes                        |
| <b>Licensee Address:</b>                | 915 Grand Avenue<br>Sturgis, MI 49091 |
| <b>Licensee Telephone #:</b>            | (269) 535-3996                        |
| <b>Administrator/Licensee Designee:</b> | N/A                                   |
| <b>Name of Facility:</b>                | Michele Hughes                        |
| <b>Facility Address:</b>                | 915 Grand Avenue<br>Sturgis, MI 49091 |
| <b>Facility Telephone #:</b>            | (269) 535-3996                        |
| <b>Capacity:</b>                        | 14                                    |
| <b>Program Type:</b>                    | CHILD CARE GROUP HOME (CAPACITY 7-12) |

## **II. Purpose of Addendum**

On October 11, 2022, the licensee requested we approve the basement level living room, half bathroom, and laundry room for approved child care use.

## **III. Methodology**

10/11/2022 Modification Request Received

10/11/2022 Inspection Completed Onsite

10/11/2022 Modify Other

## **IV. Description of Findings and Conclusions**

The terms of the original license have been modified on July 20, 2022, and October 11, 2022.

The main floor living room, kitchen/dining area, master bedroom, master bathroom, two secondary bedrooms, and the full bathroom were previously approved for use. The screened in porch was also approved for activities during the summer months. The licensee would like to add the basement level living room, half bathroom, and laundry room to the approved child care space.

The basement level storage room and bar/game room are not approved for child care use.

The licensee will provide care for children birth through 17 years of age. There is a sufficient supply of developmentally appropriate and varied equipment and materials to accommodate the requested capacity of 14 unrelated children.

The group child care home will be open Monday through Friday from 5:00 AM to 11:59 PM.

The provider has previously been licensed to provide child care under license numbers DF750387459, DF410041207, DG410077597, DG340086095, DG410271569, DG410276476, DG410312004, and DF750374393. She has never been licensed for children's foster care.

The main level of the home has five standard door exits properly terminated to grade. There is a front door, a back door off the master bedroom, a sliding glass door exiting to a screened porch, a door exiting to the backside of the home from the breezeway, and a door that exits into the garage. The basement level of the home has two means of egress. There are stairs leading to the main level of the home and a clearly marked remote window exit that measures 42"x24" and is 35" from the floor in the laundry room.

The outdoor play area is located on the west side of the home and is fenced. The provider has both climbing equipment over mulch and portable equipment for the children in care to use.

The child care group home does not have any pets. There is a hot tube in the fenced back yard. The hot tub has a hard locking cover that is not accessible to the children in care. The provider also has an inground swimming pool in her fenced back yard. The pool is fenced separately from the child play area. The pool has a plastic privacy fence that is more than four feet in height with locking gates that cannot be operated by a child. Inside the home, the provider has an alarm system on all of the doors that can be heard throughout the home anytime a door is opened. The screened in porch has locks on the door and a secondary latch out of the reach of children as an extra safety precaution. The swimming pool will not be used by the children in care during child care hours. There are no other water hazards on the premises.

The licensee has one woodburning fireplace with a gas insert in the living room on the main level of the home. There is also an electric fireplace in the main floor master bedroom and an electric fireplace in the basement living room. None of the fireplaces will be used during child care hours.

Ms. Hughes has an approved variance to R 400.1910(1), Ratio of personnel to children, that allows Ms. Hughes to have a capacity of 14 unrelated children in care.

**V. Recommendation**

I recommend approval of the basement level of the home to include the living room, half bathroom, and laundry room for child care use.

*Carrie Harris*

October 11, 2022

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Carrie Harris  
Licensing Consultant

Date