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RE: Reasonable Accommodation for Isaiah House 1:17
1600 Baptist World Center Drive

To whom it may concern:

Isaiah House 1:17 has requested a reasonable accommodation for the property 1600 Baptist World Center Drive, Nashville, Tennessee for the focuses on provision of housing and related services for children subject to institutional care of state or local government entities.

The Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act, 42 U.S.C. §2000cc, mandates that no local government shall implement a land use regulation that imposes a substantial burden on the religious exercise of a person, including a religious assembly or institution, unless the government demonstrates a compelling governmental interest and that such regulation is the least restrictive means of furthering the compelling governmental interest.

The Tennessee Religious Freedom Restoration Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-1-407, mandates that no local government shall implement a land use regulation that impinges or curtails the religious exercise of a person, including a religious assembly or institution.

Based upon the facts and law set forth above, I grant the request for the reasonable accommodation to use the property located at 1600 Baptist World Center Drive, Nashville Tennessee.

If you disagree with this accommodation, you file an appeal with the Board of Zoning Appeals within 30 days of the date of this letter. Once 30 days has elapsed, no appeal may

be filed. To file an appeal, please email the Board of Zoning Appeals at bza@nashville.gov to request an “Item A Appeal” and reference the location stated in the letter.

Sincerely,

Joel K. Hargis
Metropolitan Zoning Administrator