

ORDER OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION ORDER TO VACATE

- To: Alberta Social Housing Corporation "the Owner"
- **And To:** All Occupant(s) of the following Housing premises:
- **RE:** Those housing premises located in Red Deer, Alberta and municipally described as: 19 McLean Street Basement

WHEREAS I, an Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services, have inspected the above noted premises pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health Act, RSA 2000, c. P-37, as amended;

AND WHEREAS such inspection disclosed that the following conditions exist in and about the above noted premises which are or may become injurious or dangerous to the public health or which might hinder in any manner the prevention or suppression of disease, namely:

- a. Lack of adequate emergency egress.
- b. The floors and ceilings within the basement are unfinished.
- c. Lack of washroom facilities.
- d. Lack of food appliances and food preparation space.
- e. Using an unfinished basement as living space/bedroom.

AND WHEREAS such inspection disclosed that the following breaches of the Public Health Act and the Housing Regulation, Alberta Regulation 173/99, and the Minimum Housing and Health Standards exist in and about the above noted premises, namely:

- a. The basement windows have been secured preventing emergency egress. This is in contravention of section 3(b)(i) of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards, which states, "For buildings 3 storeys or less and except where a bedroom door provides access directly to the exterior or the suite is sprinklered, each bedroom shall have at least one outside window which may be opened from the inside without the use of tools or special knowledge."
- b. The basement floors and ceilings are unfinished. This is in contravention of section 5 of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards, which states, "All walls, windows, ceilings, floors, and floor coverings shall be maintained in good repair, free of cracks, holes, loose or lifting coverings and in a condition that renders it easy to clean."
- c. The basement lacks any washroom facilities. This is in contravention of section 7 of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards, which states, "Except where exempt by regulation, every housing premises shall be provided with plumbing fixtures of an approved type consisting of at least a flush toilet, a wash basin, and a bathtub or shower."
- d. The basement lacks a stove, refrigerator, sink, or countertop space for food preparation. This is in contravention of section 14(a) of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards,

which states, "Every housing premises shall be provided with a food preparation area, which includes:

- i) a kitchen sink that is supplied with potable hot and cold water and suitably sized to allow preparation of food, washing utensils and any other cleaning operation;
- ii) cupboards or other facilities suitable for the storage of food; and
- iii) a counter or table used for food preparation which shall be of sound construction and furnished with surfaces that are easily cleaned; and
- iv) a stove and a refrigerator that are maintained in a safe and proper operating condition. The refrigerator shall be capable of maintaining a temperature of 4 degrees C. (40°F).

AND WHEREAS, by virtue of the foregoing, the above noted premises are hereby declared to be **Unfit for Human Habitation**.

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby ORDER and DIRECT:

1. That the occupants vacate the above noted premises on or before August 2nd, 2022.

The above conditions were noted at the time of inspection and may not necessarily reflect all deficiencies. You are advised that further work may be required to ensure full compliance with the Public Health Act and regulations, or to prevent a public health nuisance.

DATED at Red Deer, Alberta, July 12, 2022

Confirmation of a verbal order issued to Kaylyn Franklin (Representing the Alberta Social Housing Corporation) on July 12, 2022.

Executive Officer Alberta Health Services

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