No. 26-473

IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

SLIGO CREEK CENTER,

Petitioner,

v.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, ET AL.,

Respondents.

ON PETITION FOR WRIT OF CERTIORARI
TO THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT

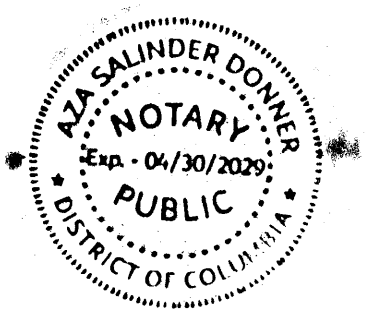
BRIEF OF THE AMERICAN HEALTH CARE ASSOCIATION AND THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR ASSISTED LIVING AS *AMICUS CURIAE* IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

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