

# Rider to Residential Agreement With Assisted-Living Facility



**Having this rider in place helps ensure** that an assisted-living facility will respect a resident's wishes for end-of-life care.

Resident and Facility agree that Facility will be the Resident's "home," with the dignity and privacy that concept implies. Resident hopes to remain in this home for the duration of their life.

Facility will respect Resident's end-of-life choices and will not delay, interfere with nor impede any lawful option of treatment or nontreatment freely chosen by Resident or Resident's authorized healthcare proxy or similar representative, including any of the following end-of-life options:

- » Hospice or palliative care services in the home;
- » Forgoing or directing the withdrawal of life-prolonging treatments;
- » Aggressive pain and/or symptom management, including palliative sedation<sup>1</sup>;
- » Voluntary refusal of food and fluids<sup>2</sup>, with palliative care if needed;
- » Any other option not specifically prohibited by the law of the state in which Facility is located.

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Resident Signature

Date

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Facility Representative Signature

Date

<sup>1</sup> Khader and Mrayyan, *The Use of Palliative Sedation for Terminally Ill Patients: Review of the Literature and an Argumentative Essay*, *J Palliat Care Med* 2015, 5:4

<sup>2</sup> *Compassion & Choices, Voluntary Stopping Eating and Drinking*, [CompassionAndChoices.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/VSED-FINAL-2.17.17.pdf](https://www.compassionandchoices.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/VSED-FINAL-2.17.17.pdf)