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STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 245028	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. Building B. Wing	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 06/12/2026
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER Highland Chateau Health and Rehabilitation Center		STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 2319 West Seventh Street Saint Paul, MN 55116	
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F 0584 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Some	Honor the resident's right to a safe, clean, comfortable and homelike environment, including but not limited to receiving treatment and supports for daily living safely. **NOTE- TERMS IN BRACKETS HAVE BEEN EDITED TO PROTECT CONFIDENTIALITY** Based on observation, interview and document review, the facility failed to maintain comfortable temperatures for 4 of 10 residents reviewed (R2, R4, R5 and R6), which had to potential to affect all 44 residents who resided in the facility. Findings include: R5's Minimum Data Set (MDS) dated [DATE], indicated he was cognitively intact, required staff assistance for dressing and mobility tasks, required oxygen therapy and a non-invasive mechanical ventilator. R5's care plan last revised 6/9/26, indicated R5's diagnoses included acute respiratory failure with hypoxia (insufficient oxygen for the body to function properly), moderate persistent asthma, and sleep apnea. During observation and interview on 6/11/26 at 3:00 p.m., R5 was observed sitting in the dining room with portable oxygen in use via nasal cannula. R5 was wearing a t-shirt, shorts, and socks. R5 stated in the past month, the facility had been very hot, so much so, that he had an increase in shortness of breath with the feeling of gasping for air. R5 stated the facility utilized portable fans and air conditioners but they did not help that much. R6's MDS dated [DATE], noted R6 was cognitively intact and was independent with mobility tasks. R6's care plan last revised 5/14/26, indicated R6 had diagnoses of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and anxiety. During interview and observation on 6/12/26 at 1:18 p.m., R6 was observed sitting in their room with a standing fan on. A portable fan and air conditioning unit was located outside R6's room and were on. When it was on, the fan made a constant noise which was heard in R6's room when the door was open. R6's room had a private connected bathroom. R6 stated it had been very hot since the last day of May 2026 and he would ask his personal smart sensors, positioned on his windowsill, what the temperature was. The sensor responded with a temperature ranging between 85F and 113F. R6 reported the previous weekend was especially brutal because it was so hot in here that he felt as if he was breathing through cotton and would profusely sweat when just walking from his bed to the bathroom. R6 reported the excessive heat made him irritable and cranky. R6 said his standing fan helped some, but not enough, and noted it didn't always stand up straight, pointing to one of the four fan legs missing. R6 stated his room was near the portable air conditioner and fan and sometimes he would open his door for increased airflow. However, the fans created a lot of noise, so he had to choose between adequate airflow or quiet and privacy. R6 reported the fans and portable air conditioners did not help cool his room and unit much when it was very hot. R4's MDS dated [DATE], indicated R4 was cognitively intact and was dependent for upper and lower body dressing. During observation and interview on 6/11/26 at 3:07p.m., R4 was observed in R4's room wearing a long sleeve shirt and an incontinence brief. R1 reported it was not hot today but had been the last couple of days. R2's MDS dated [DATE], indicated R2 had intact cognition, was independent with activities of daily living, and diagnoses included COPD, cellulitis, diabetes, and neuropathy. During interview on 6/12/26, at 11:30 a.m., R2 stated that although today was comfortable in the building, as soon as it heats up outside again, it will get uncomfortable in here. R2 stated the beginning of this week and last it was pretty uncomfortable in the building. An undated AC Outage Incident Report - Tabletop Exercise (true event) for Wednesday May 27th, 2026, was emailed by the administrator on 6/15/26. Review of the incident report revealed, At approximately 11:05am on Wednesday, May 27th, (continued on next page)		

Any deficiency statement ending with an asterisk (*) denotes a deficiency which the institution may be excused from correcting providing it is determined that other safeguards provide sufficient protection to the patients. (See instructions.) Except for nursing homes, the findings stated above are disclosable 90 days following the date of survey whether or not a plan of correction is provided. For nursing homes, the above findings and plans of correction are disclosable 14 days following the date these documents are made available to the facility. If deficiencies are cited, an approved plan of correction is requisite to continued program participation.

LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE	TITLE	(X6) DATE
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F 0921 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Many	Make sure that the nursing home area is safe, easy to use, clean and comfortable for residents, staff and the public. Based on observation, interview, and document review, the facility failed to ensure the walk-in cooler remained functional and in good repair which had the potential to affect all 44 residents who received perishable food from the kitchen. In addition, the facility failed to maintain safe working air temperatures in the kitchen which had the potential to affect 2 of 2 shifts daily/ 6 of 6 staff members working per day. Findings Include: On 6/10/26 at 4:30 p.m., cook-A was observed reading the temperature inside the walk-in cooler in the main kitchen. The thermometer read at 50 F. Cook-A stated the walk-in cooler was currently broken down and had periodically broken down, particularly during the last few weeks which has caused the temperatures to be too high. During interview and observation on 6/11/26, at 2:30 p.m., the Food Service Director (FSD) stated when the staff arrived on 6/10/26, at 5:55 a.m., the power was found to be out. The walk-in cooler temperature was already too warm to maintain safe food temperatures. An action plan was implemented which included throwing away all perishable foods not maintained at a safe and appropriate temperature, and alternate meals were planned. The walk-in cooler temperature was 46 degrees Fahrenheit (F.) and was noted to have a missing/broken gasket around the door, as well as a large 1/4 to 1/2 inch deep and 5-inch-wide gap between the kitchen and the cooler floor. A large towel was inserted into the gap so that food carts could be pushed across the threshold. The reach-in freezer was noted to be off and the FSD stated the freezer had not worked for about a week. FSD stated she had talked to the administrator, who had approved replacing this freezer unit with a reach in cooler, but she was unsure when the new reach in cooler unit would arrive, or if that meant it had been ordered yet, or not. The FSD stated the walk-in cooler was always breaking down, so the maintenance company was frequently at the facility to defrost it and add coolant to get it working again. When asked, the FSD stated the kitchen runs two shifts per day with each including one cook and two dietary aides. During an observation on 6/11/26, at 4:00 p.m., the walk-in cooler was again inspected. The rubber gasket around the door was ripped in several places with several missing sections and hanging loosely from the door as well as from the door frame. The towel covering the kitchen and cooler transition piece was removed and revealed a rusty, dirty area. During interview with the refrigerator repair technician on 6/10/26, at 12:30 p.m., he stated he was able to do a temporary fix on the walk-in cooler. However, it was not a long-term solution to the ongoing issues. During interview on 6/11/26 at 4:30 p.m., the FSD reported this was week three of a three-week of excessively hot weather temperatures. The FSD stated yesterday, 6/10/26, the kitchen temperature was 119 degrees F. The staff were intermittently leaving the kitchen area to cool off and maintenance staff had been making rounds in the kitchen to monitor the temperatures and get the equipment functional again. Due to the power outage, the menu was changed to a BBQ meal cooked on a grill which will also allow for the kitchen air temperature to cool down. The power came back on in the kitchen around 11 a.m. at which time the maintenance staff provided additional fans and portable AC unit. During interview on 6/12/26 at 1:00 p.m., the FSD stated the walk-in cooler had been repaired, frozen coils were defrosted, and refrigerant was added. A Custom Refrigeration invoice dated 2/16/26, (pdf 81213) indicated the company was called out due to the walk-in cooler running in the mid 50's. A slight leak in the evaporator fan area was noted. Refrigerant was added. A Custom Refrigeration invoice dated 6/1/26, (pdf 825975) indicated the unit had been worked on the previous week. However, an invoice for this visit was not provided. The invoice revealed the evaporator unit was iced over, the floor drain was clogged, the door gasket was severely torn, and the door sweep was almost nonexistent creating a huge air gap causing the unit to have to run longer to maintain adequate temperature. Given the temperature was noted to be dropping, and the condition of the equipment, the unit was doing everything it could to maintain temperature. A Custom Refrigeration invoice (pdf 83274) dated 6/12/26, identified ice-up issues including the fan motor, and the door seal is in really rough shape. (continued on next page)		

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F 0921 Level of Harm - Minimal harm or potential for actual harm Residents Affected - Many	The undated facility Standard Operating Procedure (SOP): Walk-in Cooler Failure Response form directed the staff to notify maintenance of malfunction so the approved refrigeration company could be contacted for immediate emergency service and to also alert management of the issue. The AC Outage Incident Report-Table Top Exercise (true event) indicated on 6/27/26, indicated a power outage of the AC/Chiller system had occurred which affected indoor ventilation and temperature. The report did not address an action plan for staff, specifically kitchen staff.		