BEFORE THE DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONS, DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES, OFFICE OF FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORY REGISTRATION

STATE OF COLORADO

Case No. 2023-7588

CEASE AND DESIST ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF THE UNREGISTERED OPERATION OF A FUNERAL HOME BY HALLFORDHOMES LLC DBA RETURN TO NATURE FUNERAL HOME, INC, FH.783, EXPIRED,

Respondent.

To: Hallfordhomes LLC dba Return to Nature Funeral Home

Attn: Jon M. Hallford

31 Werner Rd

Penrose, CO 81240-9227

Email:

The Director of The Division of Professions and Occupations, Department of Regulatory Agencies, Office of Funeral Home and Crematory Registration ("Director"), having reviewed all available information in this matter hereby ORDERS HALLFORDHOMES LLC. DBA RETURN TO NATURE FUNERAL HOME ("Respondent") TO CEASE AND DESIST THE UNREGISTERED PRACTICE OF A FUNERAL HOME.

The Director HEREBY FINDS:

- 1. The Director has jurisdiction over Respondent and the subject matter herein, and there exists credible evidence that Respondent has acted without the required registration to practice and operate as a Funeral Home, in violation of section 12-135-110, C.R.S.
- 2. Respondent was originally registered in the State of Colorado on December 1, 2021, and Respondent's registration in the state of Colorado expired on November 30, 2022.
- 3. Respondent is not exempt from the registration requirement of Article 135, Title 12, C.R.S.
- 4. On October 4, 2023, the Director reviewed photographs of human remains held at Respondent's location.

- 5. Holding human remains constitutes a funeral establishment as defined in section 12-135-103, C.R.S.
- 6. Based on the above, Respondent is operating as a Funeral Establishment without the required registration, in violation of section 12-135-110, C.R.S.

THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORY REGISTRATION HEREBY ORDERS HALLFORDHOMES LLC. DBA RETURN TO NATURE FUNERAL HOME, pursuant to section 12-135-403, C.R.S., to immediately CEASE AND DESIST operating as a Funeral Home in violation of sections 12-135-110, C.R.S.

The foregoing CEASE AND DESIST ORDER is effective this 5th day of October, 2023.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORY REGISTRATION

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Program Director

Within ten days after service of this Cease and Desist Order, pursuant to section 12-135-403 C.R.S., Respondent may request a hearing on the question of whether such acts or practices are in violation of Article 135 of Title 12, C.R.S., have occurred.