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Little Sisters of the Poor Choose Accordius Health as New Operator of St. Joseph's Home

Henrico, VA (March 2, 2021) –

It was announced today that Accordius Health will operate St. Joseph's Home in Henrico Virginia. The Little Sisters of the Poor, current operator of St. Joseph's, have operated a Home for the Aged in the Richmond area since 1874, providing compassionate care to the elderly for almost 150 years.

While assuring that current St. Joseph Home residents receive continuity of quality care, this transfer allows Accordius to expand its mission as a resident-centered, service-based organization.

“We are honored to be selected as the next operator of this home.” Said Kim Morrow, COO for Accordius Health. “We look forward to many years of providing compassionate care for the elderly of Richmond.”

The facility, situated on an 8 acre campus, is currently licensed for 32 nursing beds, 40 assisted living beds and 23 independent living apartments. In addition, there is a house on the property known as “the cottage” which has been used as a guest house. The current residents will continue to reside in the home after the transfer.



“The Little Sisters of the Poor are grateful that Accordius has agreed to continue to operate the facility as a nursing, assisted living and independent living facility for Seniors,” commented Sister Loraine Marie Clare, L.S.P., Provincial Superior of the Little Sisters of the Poor. “Becoming part of the Accordius Health network should provide both the resources and the expertise necessary to provide quality care to the residents for years to come. While it is always difficult for the Little Sisters to withdraw from any of our Homes, knowing that the residents will continue to receive good care does provide us comfort.”

“In October 2019, the Little Sisters of the Poor announced that they had made the difficult decision to withdraw from St. Joseph Home in Henrico. Mother Jeanne Mary promised that the sisters would not leave until everything had been fully handed over to a suitable buyer. Today, the sisters have announced that that day has come,” said the Most Reverend Barry C. Knestout, bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Richmond. “The special charisms of the Little Sisters of the Poor - the spirit of being a family and creating a home for those in need - will be deeply missed in the Diocese of Richmond, but we fully support the sisters as they discern how their community can provide the best care possible for those to whom they minister. I offer prayers of gratitude for all the Little Sisters who have served at St. Joseph Home, and pray that they will find a welcoming family atmosphere wherever they are assigned. I continue to pray for [increased vocations to the Little Sisters](#) and to other consecrated religious communities so that their missions may be strengthened in the years to come.”

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