Hills, Bonnie

From: Sent: Dave Graf [davembs@hotmail.com] Tuesday, September 20, 2011 3:51 PM

To: Subject: Hills, Bonnie HFSRB Info

To whom it may concern:

I am writing to protest the closing of Culbertson Long Term Care in Rushville, Illinois. In February, 2010, my grandmother, Edna Fisk, suffered a stroke. She was taken to the hospital in Rushville. After a few days in the hospital she was then transferred to the Long Term Care unit. We also found out at the same time that she also has dementia. She has received very good care at the Long Term Care and my aunt was very happy to have my grandma close to home and in a good place. At the beginning of the year my aunt learned that the Long Term Care unit was going to be closing. So my aunt found another nursing home to put my grandma in. This was very hard on my grandma. She was put in the Astoria Nursing Home in February and in less than six months the Astoria Nursing Home closed and my aunt had only a week to find another place for my grandma. Fortunately, the Long Term Care unit at Rushville was still open and willing to take my grandma back. Again, this transfer was very hard on my grandma. It is also hard on the family not having the security of knowing my grandma has a permanent place to stay. Culbertson Long Term Care is the perfect solution to our problem. Grandma has received great care there and the staff is always willing to help the family with anything. I have always been a believer in family taking care of family but there are times when it is impossible for the family to take care of their loved ones and it has gotten to that point with my grandma. When it reaches that point it is a big relief to find a place that takes good care of your loved one. Our elders should be treated with respect and not be moved from place to place because of facilities being closed. Please reconsider closing Culbertson Long Term Care in Rushville. There are many families depending on the good care that Culbertson Long Term Care provides for their loved ones. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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