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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI **EASTERN DIVISION**

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MIDWEST CHRISTIAN VILLAGES, INC. et al.,

Debtors.

Chapter 11 Case No. 24-42473-659 **Jointly Administered**

Related Docket Nos. 7 and 67

FINAL ORDER (I) AUTHORIZING, BUT NOT DIRECTING, THE DEBTORS TO PAY PREPETITION CLAIMS OF CERTAIN **VENDORS AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF**

Upon the Motion¹ of the above-captioned debtors and debtors-in-possession (the "Debtors"), pursuant to §§ 105(a), 363(b), 503(b)(9), 1107 and 1108 of title 11 of the United States Code and Bankruptcy Rules 6003 and 6004, for entry of a final order (i) authorizing, but not directing, the Debtors to pay Critical Vendors for pre-petition amounts due for goods and services provided by such Critical Vendors and (ii) authorizing and directing financial institutions to honor related checks and transfers; and this Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; and venue of this chapter 11 case and the Motion in this district being proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this matter being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and the Debtors having represented that they have given proper and adequate notice and that no other or further notice is required; and the Court having entered the *Interim Order (I) Authorizing*, but not Directing, the Debtors to Pay Prepetition Claims of Certain Vendors and (II) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 67]; and a hearing having been held to consider the relief requested in the Motion; and

¹ Capitalized terms not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion [Docket No. 7].



upon the record of the hearing and all of the proceedings had before the Court; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and all other parties in interest; and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is **GRANTED on a final basis**, as set forth herein.
- 2. The Debtors are authorized, but not directed, to pay the Critical Vendors up to a total of \$2,796,271.00 under the terms further described in the Motion.
- 3. All applicable banks and other financial institutions are hereby authorized to receive, process, honor and pay any and all checks, drafts, wires, check transfer requests, automated clearing house transfers and other payment orders drawn or issued by the Debtors under this Order, whether presented or issued prior to or after the Petition Date, to the extent the Debtors have good funds standing in its credit with such bank or financial institution. Such banks and financial institutions are authorized to rely on representations of the Debtors as to which checks and payment orders are authorized to be paid pursuant to this Order without any duty of further inquiry and without liability for following the Debtors' instructions.
- 4. Any payment made pursuant to this Order is not, and shall not be, deemed an admission to the validity of the underlying obligation or waiver of any rights the Debtors may have to subsequently dispute such obligation.
- 5. Any payment made or to be made pursuant to this Order, and all authorization contained herein, shall be in compliance with and subject to the DIP Budget, the Interim DIP Order

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and any subsequent final order, and the terms of any debtor in possession financing and/or cash

collateral agreement, document, or order.

6. Notwithstanding entry of this Order, nothing herein shall create, nor is intended to

create, any rights in favor of, or enhance the status of any claim held by, any party.

7. The requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) are waived for the purpose of this

Motion, and notwithstanding any applicability of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), this Order shall be

immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

8. Not later than two (2) business days after the date of this Order, the Debtors shall

serve a copy of the Order and shall file a certificate of service no later than twenty-four (24)

hours after service.

KATHY A. SURRATT-STATES

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

DATED: August 16, 2024 St. Louis, Missouri

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