

NC State Health Coordinating Council 2704 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

Dear Dr. Sandra Greene,

Re: Heart'N Soul Hospice of the Carolinas – Letter of Support

Livingstone College submits this letter to strongly support Heart'N Soul Hospice of the Carolinas, providing equitable hospice care services within our community. In meeting Dr. Kevin Allison, he shared his vision of establishing a black-owned and operated hospice agency in our geographic area. I was very impressed with his plans and his many years of experience providing end-of-life care.

Heart'N Soul, unlike other hospice care centers in this region, serves a very diverse patient base, with an acute patient focus on African American and the elderly; it seems an obvious decision to grant certification to Heart and Soul, especially given the recent pandemic and clear indications that we still have dramatic disparities in health care delivery based on race.

We believe Heart'N Soul Hospice of the Carolinas is the organization that will improve the disparities within our county for alternative healthcare. We are pleased to support this application and pledge to do all we can to guarantee its success.

Best Regards,

Dr. State W. Alexander, III