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August 11, 2023

Re: Important Update Regarding Preneed Regulation

Dear Certificate Authority Holders / Preneed Sales Agents,

I hope this letter find you in good health and high spirits. We are writing to inform you about an upcoming change in the regulatory landscape that will impact the way preneed funeral and cemetery contracts are regulated in the state of Alabama. Effective October 1, 2023, the regulation of preneed funeral and cemetery contracts will be transferred from the Alabama Department of Insurance (DOI) to the Alabama Board of Funeral Services (ABFS), as stipulated by Alabama Senate Bill 131 passed during the 2023 Legislative Session and enacted as Act 2023-94.

During the transitional period between September 1, 2023 and September 30, 2023, we kindly request your cooperation in refraining from sending any preneed documents to DOI. Instead, we ask that you hold all documents until October 1, 2023, at which point all preneed matters, documents and transactions should be directed to and handled by the ABFS.

It is important to note that any documents received by ABFS prior to October 1st will be held and not processed until the official transfer date. We appreciate your understanding and adherence to this transition period to ensure a smooth transfer of responsibilities.

For the most up-to-date information and instructions related to this transition, we encourage you to monitor the ABFS website at www.fsb.alabama.gov. This website will serve as the primary source of communication and updates regarding the new regulatory procedures.

In order to facilitate efficient communication moving forward, please ensure that you submit your current email address to info@fsb.alabama.gov. Email will be the primary mode of communication from ABFS, and having your correct email on record will help us ensure you receive timely updates and important information.

Furthermore, we welcome your insight and recommendations concerning the rules and regulations for preneed funeral and cemetery regulation. If you have any suggestions or feedback, please do not hesitate to reach out to me directly at charles.perine@fsb.alabama.gov.

As we anticipate the appointment of the preneed board by the Governor, we look forward to addressing potential amendments to the rules and regulations governing preneed funeral and cemetery contracts after the preneed board is in place. Your valuable input will play a significant role in shaping these regulations to best serve the interest of all stakeholders involved.



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Thank you for your attention to this matter and for your ongoing commitment to maintaining the highest standards within the preneed funeral industry in Alabama. Your cooperation during this transition period is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles M. Perine".

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