

than 25 percent of the units in any one building, except for dwelling units that are specifically made available for elderly families, disabled families, and families receiving supportive services.

*Granted By:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* March 4, 2003.

*Reason Waived:* Approval of the exception was granted because the programs at Templeton Court provide services to people of all ages and include a strong emphasis on self-sufficiency and economic independence. To this objective, Templeton Court Apartments provide a considerable array of supportive services which include activities for children such as playgroups, homework clubs, mentoring program with students from Dartmouth College; and for adults, GED classes, and both the voucher family self-sufficiency program and voucher homeownership program.

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- *Regulation:* Section II subpart E of the January 16, 2001, **Federal Register** Notice, Revisions to PHA Project-Based Assistance (PBA) Program; Initial Guidance.

*Project/Activity:* St. Paul Public Housing Agency (SPPHA), St. Paul, MN. The SPPHA requested an exception to the initial guidance to permit it to attach PBA to North Grotto, a building that is in a census tract with a poverty rate of 22.8 percent.

*Nature of Requirement:* Section II subpart E of the initial guidance requires that in order to meet the Department's goal of deconcentration and expanding housing and economic opportunities, the projects must be in census tracts with poverty rates of less than 20 percent.

*Granted By:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* March 7, 2003.

*Reason Waived:* Approval of the exception for deconcentration was granted since the Grotto is within 165 yards of a HUD-designated Enterprise Community the goals of which are to open new businesses, create jobs, housing, and new educational and healthcare opportunities. These goals are consistent with the goals of deconcentrating poverty and expanding housing and economic opportunities.

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- *Regulation:* Section II subpart E of the January 16, 2001, **Federal Register** Notice, Revisions to PHA Project-Based Assistance (PBA) Program; Initial Guidance.

*Project/Activity:* Chicago Housing Authority (CHA), Chicago, IL. The CHA requested an exception to the initial guidance to permit it to attach PBA to Roosevelt Tower

that will be located in a census tract with a poverty rate of 78.32 percent.

*Nature of Requirement:* Section II subpart E of the initial guidance requires that in order to meet the Department's goal of deconcentration and expanding housing and economic opportunities, the projects must be in census tracts with poverty rates of less than 20 percent.

*Granted By:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* March 7, 2003.

*Reason Waived:* Approval of the exception for deconcentration was granted since Roosevelt Tower is in a HUD-designated Enterprise Community, the purpose of which is to open new businesses, and create jobs, housing, and new educational and healthcare opportunities. These goals are consistent with the goals of deconcentrating poverty and expanding housing and economic opportunities.

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- *Regulation:* Section II subpart F of the January 16, 2001, **Federal Register** Notice, Revisions to PHA Project-Based Assistance (PBA) Program; Initial Guidance.

*Project/Activity:* Douglas County Housing Authority (DCHA), Omaha, NE. The DCHA requested an exception to waive the requirement that no more than 25 percent of the dwelling units in any building may be assisted under a housing assistance payments contract for PBA except for dwelling units that are specifically made available for elderly families, disabled families, and families receiving supportive services for Platte Valley Apartments.

*Nature of Requirement:* Section II subpart F requires that no more than 25 percent of the dwelling units in any building may be assisted under a housing assistance payments contract for PBA except for dwelling units that are specifically made available for elderly families, disabled families, and families receiving supportive services.

*Granted By:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* March 18, 2003.

*Reason Waived:* Approval of the exception for the number of units in a building that may be project based was granted because the families living in all 48 units of Platte Valley Apartments will participate in the Family Self-Sufficiency program. These supportive services are consistent with the statute.

*Contact:* Gerald Benoit, Director, Housing Voucher Management and Operations Division, Office of Public Housing and Voucher Programs, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 4210, Washington, DC 20410–5000; telephone: (202) 708–0477.

- *Regulation:* Section II subpart E of the January 16, 2001, **Federal Register** Notice, Revisions to PHA Project-Based Assistance Program; Initial Guidance.

*Project/Activity:* Housing Authority of Baltimore City (HABC), Baltimore, MD. The

HABC requested an exception to the initial guidance to permit it to attach PBA to Barrister Court, a project that will be located in a census tract with a poverty rate of 24.9 percent.

*Nature of Requirement:* Section II subpart E of the initial guidance requires that in order to meet the Department's goal of deconcentration and expanding housing and economic opportunities, the projects must be in census tracts with poverty rates of less than 20 percent.

*Granted By:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* March 24, 2003.

*Reason Waived:* Approval of this waiver was granted because Barrister Court is in a HUD-designated Empowerment Zone, the purpose of which is to open new businesses, and create jobs, housing, and new educational and healthcare opportunities. These goals are consistent with the goals of deconcentrating poverty and expanding housing and economic opportunities.

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#### IV. Regulatory Waivers Granted by the Office of Policy Development and Research

For further information about the following waiver actions, please see the name of the contact person who immediately follows the description of the waiver granted.

- *Regulation:* 24 CFR 84.83(f).

*Project/Activity:* Cooperative Agreement number H–21375CA, titled, “Success Measures Guidebook Revision” awarded to McAuley Institute, 8380 Colesville Road, Silver Spring, MD 20910–6255. A waiver of intellectual property rights was granted for this Cooperative Agreement.

*Nature of Requirement:* The waiver of intellectual property rights provides that HUD will have a permanent right to publish or reproduce the Revised Guidebook, and that HUD waives its right to make derivative, or other permissible uses of the Revised Guidebook. It further acknowledges that HUD has no copyright interest in McAuley's original Guidebook, or the Revised Guidebook to be developed under the terms of the Cooperative Agreement that will be awarded to McAuley.

*Granted By:* Alberto F. Trevino, Assistant Secretary for the Office of Policy Development and Research.

*Date Granted:* March 12, 2003.

*Reason Waived:* Request from Grantee to protect copyright of the original Guidebook.

*Contact:* Patrick J. Tewey, Director, Office of Policy Development and Research, Contract and Program Control Division, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410–6000; telephone: (202) 708–1796.

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