IN THE COMMONWEALTH COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA

C.N., L.B., and minor child B.K.L.N.;
J.A.R., E.G.M., and minor child J.G.;
M.N., P.M., and minor child H.M.N.;
M.C., G.S.C., and minor children
G.R.S.C. and N.B.T., M.E.L., E.O.E.,
and minor child J.O.E.,

Petitioners

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V.

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Pennsylvania Department of

Human Services, : No. 268 M.D. 2020

Respondent

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

NOW, April 29, 2020, upon consideration of the Application for Leave to Intervene (Application) filed by the County of Berks (County), and Petitioners' Response in Opposition to the Application, and following oral argument before the Court, it appears that the County's interests are currently aligned with those of the Respondent. In its pleadings and during argument, Respondent has consistently indicated that it has found no evidence to support the need for an emergency removal order and, therefore, Respondent has fully opposed both Petitioners' Application for Peremptory Judgment in Mandamus as well as their Emergency Petition for Writ of Mandamus. Because the County's interests are currently adequately represented by Respondent, *see* Pa. R.C.P. No. 2329, the Application is DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE to request leave to intervene in the future if the licensing status of the Berks County Residential Center changes, for for any other good cause shown.

Michael H. Wojcik, Judge