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Galilee House at Moravian Hall Square is Awarded Alzheimer's Foundation of America's National 'Excellence in Care' Distinction

Nazareth, PA (January 10, 2019) – The Alzheimer's Foundation of America (AFA) has announced that Galilee House at Moravian Hall Square, in Nazareth, PA, has once again earned AFA's "Excellence in Care" Dementia Care Program of Distinction. Dementia care settings are eligible to achieve this national recognition after successfully undergoing an extensive evaluation of staff, procedures, and environment, ensuring best practices in dementia care. This is the third time that Galilee House has been awarded this national recognition.

"Galilee House at Moravian Hall Square has consistently demonstrated an ability to raise the bar on dementia care," said Charles J. Fuschillo, Jr., President and Chief Executive Officer of AFA. "We are proud to again recognize them with the Excellence in Care distinction and look forward to their continued commitment to serving their community."

To earn this distinction, EIC sites must meet certain standards set forth by AFA focusing on the following three areas: facilitating meaningful living, promoting safety and security in the environment, and overall health and wellness of the care community being serviced. Assisted living residences, skilled nursing facilities, continuing care residential communities, adult day programs, group homes, and senior centers that provide care to individuals living with dementia are eligible to participate in AFA's Excellence in Care Dementia Care Program of Distinction.

Laura Fitzgibbon, Personal Care Administrator, Galilee House at Moravian Hall Square, said "We are honored that Galilee House has once again been recognized for this 'Excellence in Care' Dementia Care Program of Distinction status. The award of this prestigious designation recognizes our commitment to providing environments and pioneering programs to empower our residents who have dementia to meet their full potential."

Galilee House at Moravian Hall Square is a secure, home-like environment where residents with memory impairment receive attentive personal care in their *Reflections Program* to stimulate long-term memories and ease confusion. Residents with early to mid-stage Alzheimer's disease or related dementia benefit from recreational programming and activities that are designed specifically for their unique needs, interests, and memories. The direct care staff are very attentive and make sure to get to know their residents and their likes and dislikes, and meet each individual's needs.

Molly Fogel, LCSW, AFA's Director of Educational and Social Services, said "Galilee House exemplifies the qualities AFA looks for in awarding EIC distinction: an educated staff, safe environment, and ability to focus on the unique and individualized needs of each individual living with the illness."

Moravian Hall Square is owned and operated by Morningstar Living.

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