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## REM Ohio Completes Acquisition of Group Home Provider - RIA Inc.

AKRON, OH - REM Ohio, a human services provider for adults with intellectual and development disabilities headquartered in Akron, Ohio, announced today that it has completed the acquisition of RIA (Respect, Integrity & Acceptance), Inc., a developmental disability residential services provider based in Cambridge, Ohio.

Through the acquisition, REM Ohio will construct a comprehensive system of care in Guernsey, Tuscarawas, Muskingum and Jefferson counties, increasing choice, effectiveness and quality of services available to developmentally disabled adults in this area of Ohio.

“We have been searching for a good home for RIA,” said Terry McVey, RIA Administrator. “We are very pleased to have found REM, which can only strengthen the quality of services our clients receive and the ongoing training and development of our staff.”

As a member of The MENTOR Network, REM Ohio will offer RIA employees, clients and their families the stability and resources of a national organization, while maintaining and strengthening the local connections critical to serving adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities in community settings. Currently, RIA operates 7 small group homes serving 35 individuals while employing 44 full-time employees.

“The services and supports RIA currently provides will continue without interruption,” added Carla Parker, REM Ohio State Director. “The leadership team and staffs of RIA and REM have been working closely together to ensure a safe and seamless transition.”

### About REM Ohio

REM Ohio provides an array of high-quality services for people with developmental disabilities and other complex conditions throughout the state, with a state headquarters located in Akron, Ohio and additional locations in Cincinnati, Reynoldsburg and Valley View. The company currently employs 324 part time and 605 full time employees. The individuals and families supported by REM Ohio have a variety of needs, all of which are met within the communities where they live, work, and play. Because each person’s needs and preferences are different – and often change over time – REM Ohio offers a range of community-based residential and non-residential programs and supports.

REM Ohio is a member of The MENTOR Network, an organization dedicated to providing high-quality, community-based services to adults and children of all abilities. Founded in 1980, The MENTOR Network has evolved from a single residential program to a national network of local human services providers, offering an array of services to adults and children with developmental disabilities, acquired brain injuries or other catastrophic injuries and illnesses; youth with emotional, behavioral and medically complex challenges; and elders in need of home care.

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