## CERTIFICATION

To: Board of Listers *or* Assessor

From: Robin Castine, Multifamily Operations Analyst

Issue Date: March 15, 2024

Re: Property Tax Valuation; Qualified Rental Units (Act 68) Certification

## This is in regard to:

Property Name: Benmont Neighborhood

Owned by: Shires Housing, Inc.

Managed by: Shires Housing, Inc.

□ Location: 137-139 Benmont Avenue

Town/City: Bennington

Parcel or account number: 50500600.

School Property Account Number (SPAN): 051-015-66868

Percent of the building that is residential: 100%

Number of qualified rent restricted units: 4

□ Total number of units: 4

The land and building associated with this SPAN number is entitled to a reduction of **10.00%** of the assessed value for purposes of calculating the state educational tax. Due to these rental restrictions, this certification is valid through transfer of the building, upon expiration of the rent restriction, or **6/30/2034** whichever first occurs.

This calculation is computed as: the number of qualified rent restricted units divided by the total number of units multiplied by the percent of the building that is residential and then divided by 10.

For example: 
$$((4 / 4) \times 100\%) / 10 = 10.00$$

Once this certification expires, a representative of the housing project must re-apply to the Vermont Housing Finance Agency (VHFA) by **2/28/2034** for re-certification if there are still rent restricted units eligible for this re-assessment.

## **Important**

This certification letter has only been provided to you. The town/city has not received notice of this certification. You must submit this certification to the proper town/city office for a reduction in the project's assessment. If you fail to bring a copy of this original letter to the town/city office by April 1, 2024 or this housing project will not be eligible for the reduction.

If there are any questions, please email us at act68@vhfa.org

## **Property Tax Valuation: Qualified Rental Units**

Please complete a separate application for each parcel of taxed land with rent restricted buildings. Complete all nine questions below and attach copies of the 2023/2024 property tax bills for every taxable parcel. The application and the copies of the tax bills for each land parcel must be received by VHFA at act68@vhfa.org no later than **FEBRUARY 24TH, 2024** in order to receive the certification as an eligible subsidized rental housing project by the end of March. Please email VHFA at act68@vhfa.org with any questions.

1.	Proj	ect	nan	ne:

- 2. Taxpayer name:
- 3. Project street address:
- 4. Town:
- 5. SPAN (School Property Account) Number:

Attach 2023/2024 tax bill

- 6. Expiration date of the rental restriction contract or housing covenant Attach copy of contract or covenant.
- 7. Percent of building(s) that is residential based on square footage (incl. common areas, laundry rooms, managers' units, & community rooms):
  - a. Number of rent restricted units:
  - b. Total number of units:
- 8. Does the project have a tax stabilization or payment in lieu of taxes agreement?
- 9. Has the project been added to or updated in the Directory of Affordable Rental Housing this year?
- 10. Which agency enforces this restriction? *(check all that apply)*

Yes No

Yes No

HUD VT Dept of Housing &

Community Affairs
VT Housing Finance

Rural Development
VT Housing & Conservation

Board

VT State Housing Authority

Other

Under penalties of perjury, I have examined the above information and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the above non-homestead property includes rental restricted units as of April 1, 2023 and through June 30, 2024.

Agency

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Signature	Today's Date	
Printed Name	Phone Number	
Title	Organization	

Email address where certification should be sent

