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Fire Department
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Mr. Mohamed;

The Fire Department has reviewed your request for reasonable accommodation for your child; Abdurahman Hassan. You have produced medical documentation that your child requires security measures that necessitates the locking of your dwelling unit from the inside to prevent injury. Please provide this document to your landlord.

The Life Safety Code allows locking of the means of egress for your dwelling unit where it complies with Section 23.4.5.2 (see NFPA 101, *Life Safety Code*, 2009 edition, Section 31.2.11.2). The owner is authorized to install one double key cylinder lock on your dwelling unit door when all conditions of this document are met. The lock shall be installed between 34 to 48 inches above the finished floor (see NFPA 101, *Life Safety Code*, 2009 edition, Section 7.2.1.5.9). No additional locks shall be allowed on the dwelling unit door. A key for the lock shall be provided for the building Knox Box. The dwelling shall also be provided with a complete smoke detection system in accordance with 9.6.2.9 (see NFPA 101, *Life Safety Code*, 2009 edition). Installation of a smoke detection system requires fire alarm and electrical permits from the City of Portland. The Fire Department will approve an equivalent (option) to the smoke detection system where both the following conditions are met:

1. Photoelectric smoke alarms are installed in accordance with 9.6.2.10 in every sleeping area, outside every sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms, and all levels of the dwelling unit (see NFPA 101, *Life Safety Code*, 2009 edition). The smoke alarms shall be arranged so that operation of any smoke alarm shall cause the alarm in all smoke alarms within the dwelling unit to sound. The smoke alarms shall be powered by the building electrical service with battery backup. Installation of smoke alarms requires an electrical permit from the City of Portland.
2. The building is protected throughout by an approved, supervised automatic sprinkler system.

The building owner shall verify compliance with this document prior to installation of the double key cylinder lock. This determination applies only to Abdurahman Hassan's place of residence; the owner shall be immediately notified when his place of residence changes and the double key cylinder lock shall be removed.

Please contact me at (207)874-8400 if you have additional questions.

Stay safe,

Lt. Benjamin A Wallace Jr.