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RE: RK Staff Prayer

During the summer of 2026, our the RK Community experienced the loss of two staff members, while other staff members experienced the loss of loved ones within their own families. At the same time, our staff continued to experience the loss of residents whom they had come to know, care for, and form meaningful relationships with.

Recognizing the collective grief experienced within our community, a **Staff Prayer** was created as a way to acknowledge loss, honour those who have passed, and provide comfort and support to one another during times of grief.

This prayer is intended to be used:

- **During an Honour Guard ceremony**, as a deceased resident leaves the Home;
- **At the beginning of a staff huddle**, as an opportunity to acknowledge and honour the passing of a resident; and
- **For individual staff prayer and reflection**, when a staff member is experiencing grief or would find comfort in prayer.

The prayer is offered as a reflection of our commitment to supporting one another and recognizing that grief is a shared experience within our long-term care community. It provides a moment to pause, remember, and acknowledge the impact that residents, families, and colleagues have on our lives and work.

Loving Spirit,

We come together today with quiet hearts.
Our friend (Name)_____has finished their earthly journey
You have called them home to your peace.
Thank you for the time we shared with (Name)_____.
Thank you for their life, their stories, and their presence in our community.

Life giving Spirit, please comfort their loved ones, our residents, and the staff.
As we give thanks for this community rooted in our mission of love, dignity, and quality care.

Help us support each other, as we grieve this community's loss.
Comfort each one of us this day and fill our hearts with your peace.
Help us remember (Name)_____ with love and joy.

Amen.
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