

Letters

Dear Editor,

In the AIDS Community Watch section of your most recent issue you did a profile entitled "The Reincarnation of the Sunrise House." While everyone here at the House of Compassion admires the support which Sunrise provides to the AIDS community, we take specific issue with quotes such as "Other than the Sunrise House, a person living with HIV/AIDS in Rhode Island can turn only to long-term care if they are not able to meet their

medical needs at home." In light of the ever-consolidating and dwindling support, and with all the programs which provided care to those living with AIDS which have been unable to remain in operation over the last five years (Serenity House, Rita's Place, New Life) and countless others which couldn't get off the ground, it seems somewhat irresponsible to make such a claim to your readership. The House of Compassion has been the only community residence in Rhode Island specifically for those living with HIV/AIDS

since it was founded in 1994, and I think that a retraction of some kind may be in order.

Most Cordially Yours,

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Thank you for reminding us about the House of Compassion. Options has frequently reported on the House's value to the community over the years. The story on Sunrise House was not written by Options staff. - Ed.