IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA FIFTH DISTRICT

NOT FINAL UNTIL TIME EXPIRES TO FILE MOTION FOR REHEARING AND DISPOSITION THEREOF IF FILED

ANNETTE BRINCHEK AND JOSEPH BRINCHEK,

Appellants/Cross-Appellees,

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Case No. 5D20-2231 LT Case No. 2019-CA-4622

SOVEREIGN HEALTHCARE OF ORLANDO, LLC, D/B/A HUNTER'S CREEK NURSING AND REHAB CENTER,

Appellee/Cross-Appellant.

Opinion filed December 17, 2021

Appeal from the Circuit Court for Orange County, Lisa T. Munyon, Judge.

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PER CURIAM.

AFFIRMED. See Moradiellos v. Gerelco Traffic Controls, Inc., 176 So. 3d 329, 334 (Fla. 3d DCA 2015) (holding "unrelated works" exception to workers' compensation immunity does not apply to claim by employee of contractor against subcontractor who secured workers' compensation insurance for its employees); *Vallejos v. Lan Cargo S.A.*, 116 So. 3d 545, 551–52 (Fla. 3d DCA 2013) (finding "unrelated works" exception inapplicable to suit against employer, because statute expressly states the exception applies only to co-employees).

LAMBERT, C.J., EISNAUGLE and TRAVER, JJ., concur.