

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Cincinnati Museum Center

1301 Western Ave Cincinnati. OH 45203 Customer ID: 7355

Certificate: 31-C-0239

Site: 001

Cincinnati Museum Center

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 12-JUN-2025

2.131(b)(1) Critical

Handling of animals.

The facility did not properly secure an adult big brown bat in an enclosure. On March 17, 2024, the big brown bat "Gomez" was found deceased in a sink adjacent to the enclosure in a container that contained water. The facility states that they did not close the zipper doorway to the enclosure and the animal was able to escape, flew into the bowl, and subsequently drowned. Failure to ensure an animal is adequately secured can result in their distress, non-recovery, injury or death. Correct by ensuring that the handling of all animals is done as expeditiously and carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause trauma, behavioral stress, physical harm or unnecessary discomfort. Correct by 13-JUNE-2025.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.

Prepared By: JONATHAN TOMKOVITCH Date:

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

OFFICER

Received by Title: Facility Representative Date:

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Species Inspected

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CountScientific NameCommon Name000017Eptesicus fuscusBIG BROWN BAT

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