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Residential Memory Care Business Donated to OC Alzheimer's

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The founder of Irvine Cottages has donated the residential memory care business to Alzheimer's Orange County, the organization announced Monday.

The donation by Jacqueline DuPont will add full-time residential care for those living with advanced stage Alzheimer's and other memory disorders to the services provided by Alzheimer's Orange County for Orange County's aging population, CEO and President Jim McAleer said.

Irvine Cottages has 12 locations in Newport Beach, Irvine and Mission Viejo, providing programming activities, compassionate care and services for both residents and their families.

"I have devoted much of my life to the well being of seniors who face the challenges that come with aging," said DuPont, a gerontologist who founded Irvine Cottages in 1996 and has been a member of the Alzheimer's Orange County board for more than 20 years.

"I am delighted to make this donation and am con dent that the environment of serenity, compassion and inspiration we have created for older adults at Irvine Cottages will continue to thrive." Advertisement

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McAleer called the donation "a perfect fit for us, aligning with our overall goal to serve those living with Alzheimer's and other dementias."

Alzheimer's Orange County will take ownership of Irvine Cottages in April. DuPont remain as Irvine Cottage's clinical coordinator for six months. McAleer will manage all of the business' staff and administration.

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No changes will be made to the name and operational structure of Irvine Cottages. All employees, programming, policies and procedures will remaining in place, McAleer said.

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