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BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS FOR THE STATE OF TEXAS

in the Matter of Permanent Certificate Number 458879 Issued to: MARY ALICE GALLEGOS

AGREED ORDER

On this day, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of Mary Alice Gallegos, license number 458879, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may have violated Article 4518, Section 7 and Article 4525(b)(1), TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN., as amended and 22 Texas Administrative Code, §217.15.

Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice, hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order offered by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, Executive Director, on behalf of the Board.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these Findings of Fact was served on Respondent and Respondent was given an opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license.
- 2. Respondent waived representation by counsel, informal conference, notice, hearing, and consented to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in Texas.
- 4. On a renewal form submitted by Respondent on or about August 6, 1996, Respondent answered "No" to the question "Have you completed 20 hours of Continuing Education within the last two-year license renewal period in accordance with the Continuing Education Rules?".
- 5. Respondent submitted 20 contact hours of continuing education which were completed after the audited period ending September 30, 1996.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- Pursuant to Article 4525, TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN., as amended, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- Notice was served in accordance with law.
- 3. Evidence received was sufficient to prove violation(s) of Article 4518, Section 7 and 4525(b)(1) TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN. and 22 Texas Administrative Code §217.15(b).
- 4. Respondent's failure to comply with Continuing Education requirements is sufficient cause pursuant to Article 4525(b) TEX. REV. CIV. STAT. ANN. to take disciplinary action against license number 458879, heretofore issued to Mary Alice Gallegos.

AGREED SANCTIONS

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED, that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of a fine in the amount of \$100.00, and RESPONDENT SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, Annotated, as amended, Article 4513 et seq., the Rules and Regulations Relating to Professional Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 Texas Administrative Code, §211.01 et seq., and this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that RESPONDENT SHALL submit this signed Agreed
Order and fine within 45 days.

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation alleged. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Agreed Sanctions on this Order to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I consent to the issuance of the Agreed Sanctions. I waive judicial review of this Order.

Signed this 2 day of Secentier, 19 94

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MARY ALICE GALLEGOS

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas acknowledges satisfaction of the requirements of the Agreed Order that was signed on the 2nd day of December , 19 96 , by Mary Alice Gallegos, license number 458879, and said Order is final.

Signed this 16th day of December, 19 96.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN

Executive Director on behalf of said Board