BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of

§ AGREED

Registered Nurse License Number 836138

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issued to ROMAN JEREMY JARAMILLO

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Boconsidered the matter of ROMAN JEREMY JARAMILLO, Registered Nurse License Number 836138, hereinafter referred to as Respondent.

Information received by the Board produced evidence that Respondent may be subject to discipline pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on August 20, 2014.

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(s).
- 2. Respondent waived notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent's license to practice as a professional nurse in the State of Texas is in current status.
- 4. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from The University of Texas Medical Branch, Galveston, Texas, on April 1, 2013. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on May 23, 2013.
- 5. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

5/2013 - 9/2013

Unknown

10/2013 - 1/2014

Staff Nurse

St. Luke's Medical Center Houston, Texas

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accurate, and true copy of the document is on file or is of record in the offices of the control of Nursing.

Texas Board of Nursing.

Executive Director of the Board

Respondent's nursing employment history continued:

2/2014 - Present

Unknown

- 6. At the time of the initial incident, Respondent was employed as a Staff Nurse with St. Luke's Medical Center, Houston, Texas, and had been in that position for two (2) months.
- 7. On or about December 27, 2013, while employed as a Staff Nurse with St. Luke's Medical Center, Houston, Texas, Respondent inappropriately discontinued an intravenous (IV) infusion of Protonix being administered continuously to Patient Medical Record Number 03169038, who had been diagnosed with an active gastrointestinal bleed. Protonix is a medication used to treat erosive esophagitis (damage to the esophagus from stomach acid). Respondent's conduct exposed the patient unnecessarily to risk of harm, including delayed healing of her gastric erosions and prolonged gastrointestinal bleeding.
- 8. On or about December 27, 2013, while employed as a RN with St. Luke's Medical Center, Houston, Texas, Respondent inappropriately discontinued a continuous Bumex IV infusion being administered to Patient Medical Record Number 05055936 to prevent fluid overload. Respondent's conduct exposed the patient unnecessarily to risk of harm, including swelling and respiratory distress.
- 9. In response to the incidents in Findings of Fact Numbers Seven (7) and Eight (8), Respondent states that when he took shift report, the off-going nurse made no mention that the IV infusions were continuous and the care plan under the new EPIC system did not list the Protonics or Bumex as continuous. Once the Protonix and Bumex were completely infused, Respondent indicates he discontinued the IV fluids. Later, Respondent's preceptor found on a separate MAR heading on the computer system a listing of continuous drugs to be administered to the patient. Respondent explains he had not been instructed in the existence of such information for a continuous drip being placed on a completely different screen in the two (2) day orientation to the EPIC system or in any policy or procedure. Respondent states that there was a lack of oversight and proper training by the nurse preceptor and the hospital was working with a new computer system, EPIC, that had not been fine tuned.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Notice was served in accordance with law.
- 3. The evidence received is sufficient to prove violation(s) of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)&(3)(A) and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B)&(4).

4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 836138, heretofore issued to ROMAN JEREMY JARAMILLO.

TERMS OF ORDER

I. SANCTION AND APPLICABILITY

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED that RESPONDENT SHALL receive the sanction of **WARNING WITH STIPULATIONS** in accordance with the terms of this Order.

- A. This Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- B. This Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- C. Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state without first obtaining the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the nurse licensure compact party state where Respondent wishes to work.

II. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW

While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT agrees to comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code, §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §§211.1 *et seq.*, and this Order.

III. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

In addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may require for licensure renewal, RESPONDENT SHALL successfully complete the following remedial education course(s) within one (1) year of entry of this Order, unless otherwise specifically indicated:

A. A course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics that shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, documentation of care, principles

of nursing ethics, confidentiality, professional boundaries, and the Board's Disciplinary Sanction Policies regarding: Sexual Misconduct; Fraud, Theft and Deception; Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency, or other Substance Use Disorder; and Lying and Falsification. Courses focusing on malpractice issues will not be accepted. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved.

- **B.** A Board-aprpoved course in medication administration with a didactic portion of not less than six (6) hours and a clinical component of not less than twenty-four (24) hours. Both the didactic and clinical components be provided by the same Registered Nurse. The course's content shall include: a review of proper administration procedures for all standard routes; computation of drug dosages; the six (6) rights of medication administration; factors influencing the choice of route; and possible adverse effects resulting from improper administration. The clinical component SHALL focus on tasks of medication administration only. The course description shall indicate goals and objectives for the course, resources to be utilized, and the methods to be used to determine successful completion of the course. Successful completion of this course requires RESPONDENT to successfully complete both the didactic and clinical portions of the course.
- C. The course <u>"Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills,"</u> a 3.6 contact hour online program provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Learning Extension.

In order to receive credit for completion of this/these course(s), RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the instructor to submit a Verification of Course Completion form or SHALL submit the continuing education certificate, as applicable, to the attention of Monitoring at the Board's office. RESPONDENT SHALL first obtain Board approval of any course prior to enrollment if the course is not being offered by a preapproved provider. Information about Board-approved courses and Verification of Course Completion forms are available from the Board at www.bon.texas.gov/compliance.

IV. EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

In order to complete the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT must work as a nurse, providing direct patient care in a licensed healthcare setting, <u>for a minimum of sixty-four (64) hours</u> <u>per month for four (4) quarterly periods [one (1) year] of employment.</u> This requirement will not be satisfied until four (4) quarterly periods of employment as a nurse have elapsed. Any quarterly

period without continuous employment with the same employer for all three (3) months will not count towards completion of this requirement. Periods of unemployment or of employment that do not require the use of a registered nurse (RN) or a vocational nurse (LVN) license, as appropriate, will not apply to this period and will not count towards completion of this requirement.

- A. Notifying Present and Future Employers: RESPONDENT SHALL notify each present employer in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this of this Order, including all attachments, if any, within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. While under the terms of this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this of this Order, including all attachments, if any, prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- B. Notification of Employment Forms: RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment" form to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Board's "Notification of Employment form" to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
- C. Incident Reporting: RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to immediately submit any and all incident, counseling, variance, unusual occurrence, and medication or other error reports involving RESPONDENT, as well as documentation of any internal investigations regarding action by RESPONDENT, to the attention of Monitoring at the Board's office.
- D. Nursing Performance Evaluations: RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board, periodic reports as to RESPONDENT'S capability to practice nursing. These reports shall be completed by the nurse who supervises the RESPONDENT and these reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) month quarterly period for four (4) quarters [one (1) year] of employment as a nurse.

V. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

Upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from RESPONDENT'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and RESPONDENT may be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. I have reviewed this Order. I neither admit nor deny the violation(s) alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the entry of this Order, and any conditions of said Order, to avoid further disciplinary action in this matter. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that when this Order becomes final and the terms of this Order become effective, a copy will be mailed to me. I understand that if I fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, I will be subject to investigation and disciplinary sanction, including possible revocation of my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

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LING-LING LIN Notary Public, State of Texas My Commission Expires October 04, 2015 Approved as to form and substance. Pamela W. Montgomery, Astorney for Respondent
Signed this 9th day of October, 2014.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 8th day of October, 2014, by ROMAN JEREMY JARAMILLO, Registered Nurse License Number 836138, and said Order is final.

Effective this 12th day of November, 2014.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board