BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of § REINSTATEMENT

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the Petition for Reinstatement of Registered Nurse License Number 685670, held by VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, hereinafter referred to as Petitioner. Petitioner waived notice and hearing and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on October 31, 2017.

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 Petitioner and Petitioner was given an opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license(s).
- 2. Petitioner waived notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Petitioner received a Baccalaureate in Nursing from University of Texas, El Paso, Texas, on December 1, 2001. Petitioner was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on April 9, 2002.
- 4. Petitioner's nursing employment history includes:

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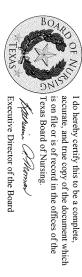
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- 5. On or about October 18, 2012, Petitioner's license was suspended through an Agreed Order by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order dated October 18, 2012, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 6. On or about July 18, 2013, Petitioner's license was suspended through an Agreed Order by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order dated July 18, 2013, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 7. On or about March 3, 2016, Petitioner voluntarily surrendered his license to practice nursing through an Order of the Board. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order dated March 3, 2016, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 8. On or about September 1, 2017, Petitioner submitted a Petition for Reinstatement of License to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.
- 9. Petitioner presented the following in support of said petition:
 - 9.1. Letter of support, dated August 15, 2017, from Robert Moreno, M.D., Integrated Physicians Group, El Paso, Texas. Dr. Moreno had the opportunity to supervise Petitioner from 2002 through 2013, at Las Palmas Rehabilitation Hospital, where Petitioner was promoted promptly from staff nurse to charge nurse. Petitioner demonstrated an ability to establish an excellent rapport with many different constituents. He was consistently well prepared and diligent in the efforts required to provide a high level of care of patients and their family members. Petitioner is compassionate and highly motivated in his approach to the nursing profession, most important his patient care is detailed, patient-centered and forward thinking taking in account patients families and the community as a whole.
 - 9.2. Letter of support, dated August 11, 2017, from Patricia Salgado. Ms. Salgado has known the Petitioner for thirteen years both in a professional and personal manner. As a co-worker he was extremely knowledgeable in the nursing field, with an amazing bedside manner. On a personal level he is kind hearted, great personality and great sense of humor.
 - 9.3. Letter of support, dated May 1, 2017, from Brandy Harvey, Substance Abuse Counselor I, Management and Training Corporation, Hamilton Unit. Petitioner has been in Management and Training Corporation's DWI residential treatment program from November 1, 2016 to May 1, 2017. He has received both educational grouping hours in relation to living and maintaining a sober life, as well as counseling hours to help him recognize his triggers that lead him to drink alcohol and ways to cope to prevent relapse.
 - 9.4. Documentation of the required continuing education contact hours.

- 10. The Executive Director considered evidence of Petitioner's past behavior in light of the character factors set out in 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.27 and determined that Petitioner currently demonstrates the criteria required for good professional character and relicensure.
- 11. Relicensure of Petitioner poses no direct threat to the health and safety of patients or the public provided Petitioner complies with the stipulations outlined in this Order.
- 12. The Executive Director's review of Petitioner's eligibility for relicensure has been made on the basis of Petitioner's disclosures.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to Texas Occupations Code, Sections 301.451-301.555, the Board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 301.467, Texas Occupations Code, the Board may refuse to issue or renew a license, and may set a reasonable period that must lapse before reapplication. Pursuant to 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.26, the Board may impose reasonable conditions that a Petitioner must satisfy before reissuance of an unrestricted license.
- 3. The Board may license an individual with prior behaviors inconsistent with the Board's character requirements if, upon evaluation of the factors in 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.27, and pursuant to 22 Tex. Admin. Code §213.33, the Board is satisfied that the individual is able to consistently conform her conduct to the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, the Board's Rules and Regulations, and generally accepted standards of nursing practice.
- 4. This Order is conditioned upon the accuracy and completeness of Petitioner's disclosures. Any subsequently discovered discrepancies will result in investigation and possible disciplinary action, up to revocation of Petitioner's license(s).

TERMS OF ORDER

I. REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSURE

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that the petition of VICTOR HUGO PEREZ for reinstatement of license to practice nursing in the state of Texas be **GRANTED** and Registered Nurse License Number 685670 is hereby **REINSTATED** in accordance with the terms of this Order.

II. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW AND APPLICABILITY

While under the terms of this Order, PETITIONER agrees to obtain, read, and 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.

- A. PETITIONER SHALL pay all re-registration fees, if applicable, and PETITIONER'S licensure status in the State of Texas will be updated to reflect the applicable conditions outlined herein.
- B. This Order SHALL be applicable to PETITIONER's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- C. As a result of this Order, PETITIONER'S license(s) will be designated "single state" and PETITIONER may not work outside the State of Texas in another nurse licensure compact party state.

III. REMEDIAL EDUCATION COURSE(S)

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

- A. A Board-approved 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. 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), Petitioner 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. Petitioner SHALL first obtain Board approval of any course prior to enrollment if the course is <u>not</u> being offered by a pre-approved provider. Information about Board-approved courses and Verification of Course Completion forms are available from the Board at <u>www.bon.texas.gov/compliance</u>.

IV. MONITORING FEE

PETITIONER SHALL <u>pay a monitoring fee in the amount of five hundred dollars</u>
(\$500.00) within forty-five (45) days of relicensure. Payment is to be made directly to the Texas
Board of Nursing in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.

V. EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS

In order to complete the terms of this Order, PETITIONER must work as a nurse in the State of Texas, providing direct patient care in a clinical healthcare setting, for a minimum of sixty-four (64) hours per month for twelve (12) quarterly periods [three (3) years] of employment. This requirement will not be satisfied until twelve (12) quarterly periods of employment as a nurse have elapsed. 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: PETITIONER SHALL notify each present employer in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this Order, including all attachments, if any, within five (5) days of receipt of this Order. While under the terms of this Order, PETITIONER SHALL notify all future employers in nursing and present each with a complete copy of this Order, including all attachments, if any, prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- B. Notification of Employment Forms: PETITIONER 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. PETITIONER 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. Direct Supervision: For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, PETITIONER SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Direct supervision requires another nurse, as applicable, to be working on the same unit as PETITIONER and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. PETITIONER SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). PETITIONER SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. PETITIONER SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
- No Night or Rotating Shifts, Overtime, or On-Call: For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, PETITIONER SHALL NOT practice as a nurse on the night shift, rotate shifts, work overtime, accept on-call assignments, or be used for coverage on any unit other than the identified, predetermined unit(s) to which PETITIONER is regularly assigned.
- E. No Critical Care: For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, PETITIONER SHALL NOT practice as a nurse in any critical care area. Critical care areas include, but are not limited to, intensive care units, emergency rooms, operating rooms, telemetry units, recovery rooms, and labor and delivery units.
- F. No Administration of Controlled Medications: For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, PETITIONER SHALL NOT administer or have any contact with controlled substances, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, Propofol, or other synthetic opiates.
- G. Indirect Supervision: For the remainder of the probation period, PETITIONER SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse, who is on the premises. The supervising nurse is not required to be on the same unit or ward as PETITIONER, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if necessary. The supervising nurse shall have a minimum of two (2) years experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the PETITIONER is currently working. PETITIONER SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). PETITIONER SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. PETITIONER SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

H. Nursing Performance Evaluations: PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the PETITIONER by the Board, periodic reports as to PETITIONER'S capability to practice nursing. These reports shall be completed by the nurse who supervises the PETITIONER 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 twelve (12) quarters [three (3) years] of employment as a nurse.

VI. DRUG AND ALCOHOL RELATED REQUIREMENTS

- Mhile under the terms of this Order, PETITIONER SHALL abstain from the use of alcohol, nalbuphine, propofol and all controlled substances, except as prescribed by a licensed practitioner for a legitimate purpose. If prescribed, PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE the licensed practitioner to submit a written report identifying the medication, dosage and the date the medication was prescribed. The report shall be submitted directly to the office of the Board by the prescribing practitioner, within ten (10) days of the date of the prescription. In the event that prescriptions for controlled substances are required for periods of two (2) weeks or longer, the Board may require and PETITIONER SHALL submit to a pain management and/or chemical dependency evaluation by a Board approved evaluator. The performing evaluator must submit a written report meeting the Board's requirements to the Board's office within thirty (30) days from the Board's request.
- B. While working as a nurse under the terms of this Order, PETITIONER SHALL submit to random periodic screens for alcohol, nalbuphine, propofol and controlled substances. The Board will provide instructions on how to enroll in the Board's drug and alcohol testing program following the entry of this Order and screening will begin when PETITIONER obtains employment and submits the Notification of Employment form to the Board.
 - For the first three (3) month [1st quarter] period PETITIONER works as a nurse under the terms of this Order, random screens shall be performed at least once per week.
 - For the next three (3) month [2nd quarter] period, random screens shall be performed at least twice per month.
 - For the next six (6) month period [3rd & 4th quarters], random screens shall be performed at least once per month.
 - For the remainder of the probation period, if any, random screens shall be performed at least once every three (3) month quarterly period.

All random screens SHALL BE conducted through urinalysis. Any test result for a period of time in which the PETITIONER is not working as a nurse under the terms of this Order will not count towards satisfaction of this requirement. All screens shall be properly monitored and produced in accordance with the Board's policy on Random Drug Testing. A complete

chain of custody shall be maintained for each specimen obtained and analyzed. PETITIONER SHALL be responsible for the costs of all random drug screening during the stipulation/probation period.

Specimens shall be screened for any or all of the following substances

Specimen		
and/or their metabolites: Amphetamine MDA Alpha-o-alprazolam Desmethyldiazepam Oxazepam Butabarbital Phenobarbital	Methamphetamine Alprazolam Alpha-Hydroxytriazolam Lorazepam Temazepam Butalbital Secobarbital	MDMA Diazepam Clonazepam Midazolam Amobarbital Pentobarbital Codeine
Hydrocodone Morphine Oxymorphone Cocaine Heroin Meperidine Nalbuphine	Hydromorphone Opiates Propoxyphene Phencyclidine Fentanyl Carisoprodol Ketamine	Methadone Oxycodone Cannabinoids Ethanol Tramadol Butorphanol Propofol

Upon enrollment in the Board's drug and alcohol testing program, PETITIONER SHALL, on a daily basis, call or login online to the Board's designated drug and alcohol testing vendor to determine whether or not PETITIONER has been selected to produce a specimen for screening that day and SHALL, if selected, produce a specimen for screening that same day at an approved testing location and/or comply with any additional instructions from the vendor or Board staff. Further, a Board representative may appear at the PETITIONER'S place of employment at any time during the probation period and require PETITIONER to produce a specimen for screening.

Consequences of Positive or Missed Screens. Any positive result for which PETITIONER does not have a valid prescription or refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol screen may subject PETITIONER to further disciplinary action, including TEMPORARY SUSPENSION pursuant to Section 301.4551, Texas Occupations Code, or REVOCATION of PETITIONER's license(s) and nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas. Further, failure to report for a drug screen, excessive dilute specimens, or failure to call in for a drug screen may be considered the same as a positive result or refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol screen.

C. While under the terms of this Order, PETITIONER SHALL attend at least two (2) support group meetings each week, one of which must be for substance abuse and provided by Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, or another comparable recovery program that has been pre-approved by the Board. PETITIONER SHALL provide acceptable evidence of attendance. Acceptable evidence shall consist of a written record

of at least: the date of each meeting; the name of each group attended; and the signature and printed name of the chairperson of each group attended by PETITIONER. PETITIONER SHALL submit the required evidence on the forms provided by the Board at the end of every three (3) month quarterly period. No duplications, copies, third party signatures, or any other substitutions will be accepted as evidence.

VII. RESTORATION OF UNENCUMBERED LICENSE(S)

Upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from PETITIONER'S license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas and, subject to meeting all existing eligibility requirements in Texas Occupations Code Chapter 304, Article III, PETITIONER may be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

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PETITIONER'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Reinstatement Agreed Order. I waive representation by counsel. I certify that my past behavior, except as disclosed in my Petition for Reinstatement of Licensure, has been in conformity with the Board's professional character rule. I have provided the Board with complete and accurate documentation of my past behavior in violation of the penal law of any jurisdiction which was disposed of through any procedure short of convictions, such as: conditional discharge, deferred adjudication or dismissal. I have no criminal prosecution pending in any jurisdiction.

I have reviewed this Order. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, Order, and any conditions of said Order. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order is subject to ratification by the Board. When this Order is ratified, the terms of this Order become effective, and a copy will be mailed to me. I agree to inform the Board of any other fact or event that could constitute a ground for denial of licensure prior to reinstating my license(s) to practice nursing in the state of Texas. I understand that if I fail to comply with all terms and conditions of this Order, my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas will be revoked, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this $\underline{\mathcal{L}}$

day of Delember, 2017

CTOR HUGO PEREZ, Petitioner

Sworn to and subscribed before me this

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Notary Public, State of Texas

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Reinstatement Agreed Order that was signed on the 4th day of December, 2017, by VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, Registered Nurse License Number 685670, and said Order is final.

Effective this 18th day of January, 2018.

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Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board



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IN THE MATTER OF
PERMANENT LICENSE NUMBER 685670,
ISSUED TO
VICTOR HUGO PEREZ
RESPONDENT

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BOARD OF NURSING

BEFORE THE TEXAS

NUNC PRO TUNC ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO:

VICTOR HUGO PEREZ 336 CORTEZ DR. EL PASO, TX 79905

An Order of the Board was entered for Victor Hugo Perez on March 3, 2016. The Order, however, contained a typographical error on page 1. Upon notice and hearing, administrative agencies, like the Courts, have the power to enter nunc pro tunc orders where it can be seen by reference to a record that what was intended to be entered, but was omitted by inadvertence or mistake, can be corrected upon satisfactory proof of its rendition provided that no intervening rights will be prejudiced. Railroad Comm'n v. McClain, 356 S.W.2d 330, 334 (Tex. App.--Austin 1962, no writ) (citing Frankfort Ky. Nat. Gas Co. v. City of Frankfort, 276 Ky. 199, 123 S.W.2d 270, 272).

The Executive Director, as agent of the Texas Board of Nursing, after review and due consideration of the record and the facts therein submits and enters the corrected Order, which eliminates reference to an advanced practice registered nurse license number. Respondent received due process regarding his license; therefore, his rights have not been prejudiced.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the corrected Order of the Board is hereby approved and entered on the dates set forth below.

Order effective March 3, 2016

Entered this 20th day of May, 2016.

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of \$
Registered Nurse License Number 685670 \$
issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ \$

ORDER OF THE BOARD

On this day, the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, accepted the voluntary surrender of Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License Number, Registered Nurse License Number 685670, issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, hereinafter referred to as Respondent. This action was taken in accordance with Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code.

Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing.

The Board makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.
- 2. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing.
- 3. Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from University of Texas-El Paso, El Paso, Texas, on December 1, 2001. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on April 9, 2002.
- 4. Respondent's nursing employment history includes:

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(nursing employment history continued)

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- 5. On or about October 18, 2012, Respondent was issued the sanction of an ENFORCED SUSPENSION by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order dated October 18, 2012, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- On or about April 26, 2013, Respondent's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas was issued an ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the Order of Temporary Suspension dated April 26, 2013, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 7. On or about July 18, 2013, Respondent was issued the sanction of an ENFORCED SUSPENSION by the Texas Board. A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order dated July 18, 2013, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order. Respondent has not completed the terms of this Order.
- 8. On or about February 26, 2013, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 3RD OR MORE, a 3RD Degree Felony offense, in the 243rd District Court, El Paso County, Texas, under Case No. 20120D00927. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Institution Division, TDCJ, for a period of eight (8) years, however, imposition of confinement was suspended and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of eight (8) years, and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.
- 9. On or about September 26, 2014, Respondent submitted a Timely License Renewal Form to the Texas Board of Nursing in which he provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that he answered "No" to the question: "Have you, within the past 24 months or since your last renewal, for any criminal offense, including those pending appeal:
 - A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
 - B. been convicted of a felony?
 - C. pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
 - D. received deferred adjudication?
 - E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
 - F. been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? court-ordered confinement?
 - G. been granted pre-trial diversion?
 - H. been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?
 - I. been <u>cited</u> or charged with any violation of the law?

J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?"

Respondent failed to disclose that, on or about February 26, 2013, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 3RD OR MORE, a 3RD Degree Felony offense, in the 243rd District Court, El Paso County, Texas, under Case No. 20120D00927. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Institution Division, TDCJ, for a period of eight (8) years, however, imposition of confinement was suspended and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of eight (8) years.

- 10. On or about September 20, 2015, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to Respondent on July 18, 2013, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number Three (3) of the order which reads, in pertinent part:
 - (3) "RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics...
- 11. On or about February 3, 2016, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 3RD OR MORE, a 3rd Degree Felony offense, committed on August 17, 2015, in the 243rd District Court, El Paso County, Texas, under Case No. 20150D04594. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for a period of two (2) years to run concurrent with 20100D06022, 20120D00927.
- 12. Formal Charges were filed on November 16, 2015.
- 13. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on November 23, 2015.
- 14. On March 3, 2016, the Board received a notarized statement from Respondent voluntarily surrendering the right to practice nursing in Texas. A copy of Respondent's notarized statement, dated February 3, 2016, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.
- 15. The Board policy implementing Rule 213.29 in effect on the date of this Agreed Order provides discretion by the Executive Director for consideration of conditional reinstatement after proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of abstinence from alcohol and drugs followed by licensure limitations/stipulations and/or peer assistance program participation.
- 16. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 685670, heretofore issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is/are accepted by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

- 1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice professional nursing, use the title of registered nurse or the abbreviation RN or wear any insignia identifying himself as a registered nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a/an registered nurse during the period in which the license/s is/are surrendered.
- 2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order.
- 3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Effective this 3rd day of March, 2016.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN Executive Director on behalf of said Board February 3, 2016

Texas Board of Nursing

Attention: Terry Washington

333 Guadalupe, Suite 3-460

Austin, Texas 78701

The purpose of this letter is to inform the Texas Board of Nursing that I, Victor Hugo Perez (lic. No. 685670), am voluntarily surrendering my nursing license effective March 4, 2016.

Thank you for your time,

Victor Hugo Perez

SIGNED this 2 day of March 2016

THE STATE OF TEXAS)

COUNTY OF EL PASO)

This document was sworn to and subscribed before me on this the $\frac{2^{10}}{2016}$ day of

JULIETA RODRIGUEZ
My Commission Expires
July 31, 2018

NOTARY PUBLIC - State of Texas

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 - D. received deferred adjudication?
 - E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?
 - F. been sentenced to serve jail or prison time? court-ordered confinement?
 - G. been granted pre-trial diversion?
 - H. been arrested or have any pending criminal charges?
 - I. been <u>cited</u> or charged with any violation of the law?

J. been subject of a court-martial; Article 15 violation; or received any form of military judgment/punishment/action?"

Respondent failed to disclose that, on or about February 26, 2013, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 3RD OR MORE, a 3RD Degree Felony offense, in the 243rd District Court, El Paso County, Texas, under Case No. 20120D00927. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Institution Division, TDCJ, for a period of eight (8) years, however, imposition of confinement was suspended and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of eight (8) years.

- 10. On or about September 20, 2015, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to Respondent on July 18, 2013, by the Texas Board of Nursing. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to comply with Stipulation Number Three (3) of the order which reads, in pertinent part:
 - (3) "RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics...
- 11. On or about February 3, 2016, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 3RD OR MORE, a 3rd Degree Felony offense, committed on August 17, 2015, in the 243rd District Court, El Paso County, Texas, under Case No. 20150D04594. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice for a period of two (2) years to run concurrent with 20100D06022, 20120D00927.
- 12. Formal Charges were filed on November 16, 2015.
- 13. Formal Charges were mailed to Respondent on November 23, 2015.
- 14. On March 3, 2016, the Board received a notarized statement from Respondent voluntarily surrendering the right to practice nursing in Texas. A copy of Respondent's notarized statement, dated February 3, 2016, is attached and incorporated herein by reference as part of this Order.
- 15. The Board policy implementing Rule 213.29 in effect on the date of this Agreed Order provides discretion by the Executive Director for consideration of conditional reinstatement after proof of twelve (12) consecutive months of abstinence from alcohol and drugs followed by licensure limitations/stipulations and/or peer assistance program participation.
- 16. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.

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 §217.12(11)(B)&(13).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(1),(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 685670, heretofore issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.
- 5. Under Section 301.453(c), Texas Occupations Code, the Board has the authority to accept the voluntary surrender of a license.
- 6. Under Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, the Board may impose conditions for reinstatement of licensure.
- 7. Any subsequent reinstatement of this license will be controlled by Section 301.453(d), Texas Occupations Code, and 22 TAC§§213.26-.29, and any amendments thereof in effect at the time of the reinstatement.

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<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the voluntary surrender of Registered Nurse License Number 685670, heretofore issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, to practice nursing in the State of Texas, is/are accepted by the Executive Director on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing. In connection with this acceptance, the Board imposes the following conditions:

- 1. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice professional nursing, use the title of registered nurse or the abbreviation RN or wear any insignia identifying himself as a registered nurse or use any designation which, directly or indirectly, would lead any person to believe that RESPONDENT is a/an registered nurse during the period in which the license/s is/are surrendered.
- 2. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT petition for reinstatement of licensure until: one (1) year has elapsed from the date of this Order.
- 3. Upon petitioning for reinstatement, RESPONDENT SHALL satisfy all then existing requirements for relicensure.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Effective this 3rd day of March, 2016.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

By:

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

February 3, 2016

Texas Board of Nursing

Attention: Terry Washington

333 Guadalupe, Suite 3-460

Austin, Texas 78701

The purpose of this letter is to inform the Texas Board of Nursing that I, Victor Hugo Perez (lic. No. 685670), am voluntarily surrendering my nursing license effective March 4, 2016.

Thank you for your time,

Victor Hugo Perez

SIGNED this 2 day of Much 2016

THE STATE OF TEXAS)

COUNTY OF EL PASO)

This document was sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 2 day of

JULIETA RODRIGUEZ
My Commission Explica
July 31, 2018

NOTARY PUBLIC - State of Texas

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



In the Matter of Registered Nurse License Number 685670

AGREED

issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board considered the matter of VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, Registered Nurse License Number 685670, 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)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order approved by Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, on June 17, 2013, subject to ratification by the Board.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Prior to the institution of Agency proceedings, notice of the matters specified below in these 1. 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).
- Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this 2. Order.
- Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas. 3.
- Respondent received a Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing from the University of Texas El Paso, El Paso, Texas, on December 1, 2001. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on April 9, 2002.
- Respondent's professional nursing employment history includes: 5.

04/2002 - 09/2006

Unknown

09/2006 - 07/2007

RN

Del Sol/Las Palmas

El Paso, Texas

Respondent's professional nursing employment history continued:

07/2007 - Present

Unknown

- On or about October 18, 2012, Respondent was issued the sanction of an Enforced Suspension through an Agreed Order by the Board by the Texas Board of Nursing. A copy of the October 18, 2012, Agreed Order, Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 7. On or about March 18, 2013, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to him by the Texas Board of Nursing on October 18, 2012. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to abstain from the consumption of alcohol, in that he produced a urine specimen for a random drug screen which resulted positive for Ethanol. Stipulation Number Fourteen (14) of the Agreed Order, dated October 18, 2012, states:
 - "(14) RESPONDENT SHALL abstain from the consumption of alcohol, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates, and/or the use of controlled substances, except as prescribed by a licensed practitioner for a legitimate purpose."
- 8. On or about April 26, 2013, the Board issued an Order of Temporary Suspension of Respondent's license to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas. A copy of the Order of Temporary Suspension, dated April 26, 2013, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this Order.
- 9. Respondent states April 27, 2013 as his date of sobriety.
- 10. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.
- 11. Charges were filed on April 26, 2013.
- 12. Charges were mailed to Respondent on April 26, 2013.

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 §217.12(11)(B).

4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 685670, heretofore issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE AGREED and ORDERED, subject to ratification by the Texas Board of Nursing, that Registered Nurse License Number 685670, previously issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, to practice nursing in Texas is/are hereby SUSPENDED and said suspension is ENFORCED until Respondent completes a treatment program approved by the Board, provides documentation of successful completion, and has obtained twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety. Any relapse prior to the completion of the twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety will result in an extension of the enforced suspension until such twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety and additional treatment have been attained.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that, while under the terms of this Order, this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license(s) is/are encumbered by this order the Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a nurse licensure compact privilege without the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, upon verification of successful completion of the approved treatment and twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety as set out in this Order, the

Suspension will be STAYED, and RESPONDENT will be placed on PROBATION for three (3) years with the following agreed terms of probation:

- (1) RESPONDENT SHALL 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.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL pay all re-registration fees, if applicable, and RESPONDENT'S licensure status in the State of Texas will be updated to reflect the applicable conditions outlined herein.
- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is not being offered by a pre-approved provider. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include nurses. It 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. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Office of the Board to verify RESPONDENT'S successful completion of the course. This course shall be taken in addition to any other courses stipulated in this Order, if any, and in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board has for relicensure. Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address:

http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

- (4) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed, successfully complete a course in "Respecting Professional Boundaries," a 3.9 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 program, RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. Information regarding Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.
- (5) RESPONDENT SHALL pay a monetary fine in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00). RESPONDENT SHALL pay this fine within forty-five (45) days of the suspension being stayed. Payment is to be made directly to the Texas Board of Nursing in the form of cashier's check or U.S. money order. Partial payments will not be accepted.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A NURSE IN THE STATE OF TEXAS; RESPONDENT WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR OTHER CLINICAL SETTING AND RESPONDENT MUST WORK IN SUCH SETTING A MINIMUM OF SIXTY-FOUR (64) HOURS PER MONTH UNDER THE FOLLOWING PROBATION CONDITIONS FOR THREE (3) YEAR(S) OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. 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 STIPULATION

PERIOD:

- (6) RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing of this Order of the Board and the probation conditions on RESPONDENT'S license(s). RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each future employer prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- (7) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
- (8) For the first year of employment as a nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Direct supervision requires another nurse to be working on the same unit as RESPONDENT and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. RESPONDENT SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). The RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
- (9) For the remainder of the probation period, RESPONDENT SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse, who is on the premises. The supervising nurse is not required to be on the same unit or ward as RESPONDENT, but should be

on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if necessary. The supervising nurse shall have a minimum of two (2) years experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the Respondent is currently working. RESPONDENT SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

- (10) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a nurse on the night shift, rotate shifts, work overtime, accept on-call assignments, or be used for coverage on any unit other than the identified, predetermined unit(s) to which Respondent is regularly assigned for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.
- (11) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a nurse in any critical care area for one (1) year of employment as a nurse. Critical care areas include, but are not limited to, intensive care units, emergency rooms, operating rooms, telemetry units, recovery rooms, and labor and delivery units.
- (12) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT administer or have any contact with controlled substances, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.
- (13) 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. These reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) months for three (3) years of employment as a nurse.

Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates, and/or the use of controlled substances, except as prescribed by a licensed practitioner for a legitimate purpose. If prescribed, RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the licensed practitioner to submit a written report identifying the medication, dosage and the date the medication was prescribed. The report shall be submitted directly to the office of the Board by the prescribing practitioner, within ten (10) days of the date of the prescription. In the event that prescriptions for controlled substances are required for periods of two (2) weeks or longer, the Board may require and RESPONDENT SHALL submit to an evaluation by a Board approved physician specializing in Pain Management or Psychiatry. The performing evaluator will submit a written report to the Board's office, including results of the evaluation, clinical indications for the prescriptions, and recommendations for on-going treatment within thirty (30) days from the Board's request.

substances, tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram), and alcohol. For the first three (3) month period, random screens shall be performed at least once per week. For the next three (3) month period, random screens shall be performed at least twice per month. For the next six (6) month period, random screens shall be performed at least once per month. For the remainder of the probation period, random screens shall be performed at least once every three (3) months. All random screens SHALL BE conducted through urinalysis. Screens obtained through urinalysis are the sole method accepted by the Board.

Specimens shall be screened for at least the following substances and their metabolites:

Amphetamines Barbiturates Meperidine Methadone Benzodiazepines Cannabinoids Cocaine Ethanol

Methaqualone Opiates Phencyclidine

.Propoxyphene

tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram)

A Board representative may appear at the RESPONDENT'S place of employment at any time during the probation period and require RESPONDENT to produce a specimen for screening.

All screens shall be properly monitored and produced in accordance with the Board's policy on Random Drug Testing. A complete chain of custody shall be maintained for each specimen obtained and analyzed. RESPONDENT SHALL be responsible for the costs of all random drug screening during the probation period.

Any positive result for which the nurse does not have a valid prescription or refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol screen may subject the nurse to further disciplinary action, including EMERGENCY SUSPENSION pursuant to Section 301.4551, Texas Occupations Code, or REVOCATION of Respondent's license(s) and nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas. Further, failure to report for a drug screen, excessive dilute specimens, or failure to call in for a drug screen may be considered the same as a positive result or refusal to submit to a drug or alcohol screen.

(16) RESPONDENT SHALL attend at least two (2) support group meetings each week, one of which must be for substance abuse and provided by Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, or another comparable recovery program that has been pre-approved by the Board. RESPONDENT SHALL provide acceptable evidence of attendance. Acceptable evidence shall consist of a written record of at least: the date of each meeting; the name of each group attended; and the signature and printed name of the chairperson of each group attended by RESPONDENT. RESPONDENT SHALL submit the required evidence on the forms provided by the Board at the end of every three (3) months. No duplications, copies, third party signatures, or any other substitutions will be accepted as evidence.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that if during the period of probation, an additional allegation, accusation, or petition is reported or filed against the Respondent's license, the probationary period shall not expire and shall automatically be extended until the allegation, accusation, or petition has been acted upon by the Board.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that 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.

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RESPONDENT'S CERTIFICATION

I understand that I have the right to legal counsel prior to signing this Agreed Order. Thave reviewed this Order. Ineither admit nor deny the violation(s) alleged herein. By my signature on this Order, I agree to the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, 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 this Order is subject to ratification by the Board. When this Order is ratified, the terms of this Order become effective, and 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 revocation of my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed that 19 may of June 20.13

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Approved as to form and substance.

Mary Stillinger, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 18th day of Jone 2013.

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the 18th day of June, 2013, by VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, Registered Nurse License Number 685670, and said Order is final.

Effective this 18th day of July, 2013.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board

In the Matter of
Permanent Registered Nurse
License Number 685670
Issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ,
Respondent

BEFORE THE TEXAS

BOARD OF NURSING

ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

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TO: VICTOR HUGO PEREZ 336 CORTEZ DRIVE EL PASO, TX 79905

A public meeting of the Texas Board of Nursing was held on April 26, 2013 at 333 Guadalupe, Room 3-460, Austin, Texas, in which the Temporary Suspension of Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 685670, issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ was considered pursuant to Section 301.4551, Texas Occupations Code. Staff of the Texas Board of Nursing appeared and presented evidence and information concerning the conduct of VICTOR HUGO PEREZ and whether his continued practice as a nurse would constitute a continuing and imminent threat to the public welfare.

After review and due consideration of the evidence and information presented, the Board finds that the following charges are substantiated:

CHARGE I.

On or about March 18, 2013, Respondent failed to comply with the Agreed Order issued to him by the Texas Board of Nursing on October 18, 2012. Non-compliance is the result of Respondent's failure to abstain from the consumption of alcohol, in that he produced a urine specimen for a random drug screen which resulted positive for Ethanol. Stipulation Number Fourteen (14) of the Agreed Order, dated October 18, 2012, states:

"(14) RESPONDENT SHALL abstain from the consumption of alcohol, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates, and/or the use of controlled substances, except as prescribed by a licensed practitioner for a legitimate purpose."

A copy of the Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order dated October 18, 2012, is attached and incorporated, by reference, as part of this pleading.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(1)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(11)(B).

The Texas Board of Nursing further finds that, given the nature of the charges concerning his fitness to practice, the continued practice of nursing by VICTOR HUGO PEREZ constitutes a continuing and imminent threat to public welfare and that the temporary suspension of Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 685670, is justified pursuant to Section 301,4551, TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Registered Nurse License Number 685670, issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is/are, hereby SUSPENDED IMMEDIATELY in accordance with Section 301.4551, Texas Occupations Code.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a probable cause hearing be conducted in accordance with Section 301.455(c) not later than seventeen (17) days following the date of the entry of this order, and a final hearing on the matter be conducted in accordance with 301.455(d) not later than the 61st day following the date of the entry of this order.

Entered this 26th day of April, 2013.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BYE

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Texas Board of Nursing.

Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of Registered Nurse License Number 685670 issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ AGREED

ORDER

On this day the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the Board, considered the matter of VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, Registered Nurse License Number 685670, 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)(2)&(10). Texas Occupations Code. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order offered on July 24, 2012, by Katherine A. Thomas, MN. RN. FAAN, Executive Director, subject to ratification by 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(s).
- 2. Respondent waived informal proceedings, notice and hearing, and agreed to the entry of this Order.
- 3. Respondent is currently licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas.
- 4. Respondent received Baccalaureate degree in Nursing from the University of Texas El Paso, El Paso, Texas, on December 1, 2001. Respondent was licensed to practice professional nursing in the State of Texas on April 9, 2002.
- 5. At the time of the initial incidents as stated in Finding of Fact Numbers Six (6) through Eleven (11), Respondent was employed as a Registered Nurse with Del Sol/ Las Palmas Rehabilitation Hospital, El Paso, Texas.

On or about September 20, 2006, Respondent submitted an Online Renewal Document Registered Nurse to the Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas in which he provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that, he answered "No" to the question: "Have you ever been arrested [for]... any crime in any state, territory or country, or received a court order whether or not a sentence was imposed including any pending criminal charges or unresolved arrests whether or not on appeal (excluding minor Class C traffic violations)?..."

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about April 14, 2006, Respondent was arrested by the El Paso Police Department, El Paso, Texas, and subsequently charged under Cause No. 20060C05437 for DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, a Class B misdemeanor offense. The criminal charge was still pending at the time Respondent submitted the renewal to the Board.

- 7. On or about July 11, 2007, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on April 14, 2006, in the County Criminal Court No. 2, El Paso County, Texas, under Cause No. 20060C05437. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the El Paso County Jail for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days; however, imposition of the sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of nine (9) months and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.
- 8. On or about September 18, 2008, Respondent submitted an Online Renewal Document Registered Nurse to the Texas Board of Nursing in which he provided false, deceptive, and/or misleading information, in that, he answered "No" to the question: "Have you, within the past 24 months or since your last renewal, for any criminal offense, including those pending appeal:
 - A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
 - B. been convicted of a felony?
 - C. pled nolo contendere, no contest, or guilty?
 - D. received deferred adjudication?
 - E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?..."

Respondent failed to disclose that on or about July 11, 2007, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on April 14, 2006, in the County Criminal Court No. 2, El Paso County, Texas, under Cause No. 20060C05437. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the El Paso County Jail for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days; however, imposition of the sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of nine (9) months and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

Respondent also failed to disclose that on or about July 8, 2008, Respondent was arrested by the El Paso Police Department, El Paso, Texas, and subsequently charged under Cause No.

20080C08705 for DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 2nd, a Class A misdemensor offense. The criminal charge was still pending at the time Respondent submitted the renewal to the Board.

- On or about September 17, 2010, Respondent submitted a License Renewal Form to the Texas Board of Nursing in which he answered "Yes" to the question: "Have you, within the past 24 months or since your last renewal, for any criminal offense, including those pending appeal:
 - A. been convicted of a misdemeanor?
 - B. been convicted of a felony?
 - C. pled noto contendere, no contest, or guilty?
 - D. received deferred adjudication?
 - E. been placed on community supervision or court-ordered probation, whether or not adjudicated guilty?"

Respondent disclosed that on or about February 2, 2009, Respondent pled Guilty and was convicted of DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED, a Class B misdemeanor offense committed on July 8, 2008, in the County Criminal Court No. 2, El Paso County, Texas, under Cause No. 20080C08705. As a result of the conviction, Respondent was sentenced to confinement in the El Paso County Itali for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days; however, imposition of the sentence of confinement was suspended, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of eighteen (18) months and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

- On or about November 1, 2010. Respondent was arrested by the El Paso Police Department, El Paso, Texas, and subsequently Indicted under Cause No. 20100D06022-243 for DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 3RD OR MORE, a 3rd Degree felony offense.
- On or about December 23, 2011, Respondent was arrested by the El Paso Police Department, El Paso, Texas, and subsequently Indicted under Cause No. 20120D00927-243 for DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED 3RD OR MORE, a 3rd Degree felony offense.
- 12. In Response to Finding of Fact Numbers Six (6) through Eleven (11). Respondent states he admits to the allegations. Further he states that he has been binge drinking on and off since he was 15, and over the past six years became an alcoholic. He states that he received Intensive Outpatient treatment at the Alternatives Centre for Behavioral Health CDIOP program, successfully completing the program on February 3, 2012. He states he attended follow up sessions every Wednesday and continues alcohol therapy on a bimonthly basis as well as attending AA meetings since January 2012. Finally, he states he has maintained an excellent work history with the same employer, who is aware of his disease and has accommodated him in seeking treatment.
- 13. Respondent states December 24, 2011 his date of sobriety.
- 14. Respondent has provided proof of his sobriety to the Board in the form: of AA attendance logs from January 14, 2012 through the present, at the time of this order and a recent positive employment evaluation dated May 29, 2012.

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- 15. The Board finds that there exists serious risks to public health and safety as a result of impaired nursing care due to intemperate use of controlled substances or chemical dependency.
- 18. Charges were filed on March 7, 2012, and were mailed to Respondent the same day.
- First Amended Charges were filed on May 1, 2012, and were mailed to Respondent the same day.

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 §§217.12(6)(1)&(13).
- 4. The evidence received is sufficient cause pursuant to Section 301.452(b)(2)&(10), Texas Occupations Code, to take disciplinary action against Registered Nurse License Number 685670 heretofore issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, including revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

ORDER

Board of Nursing, that Registered Nurse License Number 685670 previously issued to VICTOR HUGO PEREZ to practice nursing in Texas is/are hereby SUSPENDED and said suspension is ENFORCED until Respondent completes a treatment program approved by the Board, provides documentation of successful completion, and has obtained twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety. Any relapse prior to the completion of the twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety will result in an extension of the enforced suspension until such twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety and additional treatment have been attained.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that, while under the terms of this Order.

this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Respondent to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

CTIS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Respondent's license(s) is are encumbered by this order the Respondent may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a nurse licensure compact privilege without the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Respondent wishes to work.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, upon verification of successful completion of the approved treatment and twelve (12) consecutive months of sobriety as ser out in this Order, the Suspension will be STAYED, and RESPONDENT will be placed on PROBATION for three (3) years with the following agreed terms of probation:

- (1) RESPONDENT SHALL, 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.
- (2) RESPONDENT SHALL pay all re-registration fees, if applicable, and RESPONDENT'S licensure status in the State of Texas will be updated to reflect the applicable conditions outlined herein.
- (3) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics. RESPONDENT SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is not being offered by a pre-approved provider. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include marses. It shall be a minimum of six (6)

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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. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Office of the Board to verify RESPONDENTS successful completion of the course. This course shall be taken in addition to any other courses stipulated in this Order, if any, and in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board has for relicensure. Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.

(4) RESPONDENT SHALL, within one (1) year of the suspension being stayed, successfully complete the course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills," 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 program, RESPONDENT SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.hunt.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT PRACTICE AS A NURSEIN THE STATE OF TEXAS, RESPONDENT WILL PROVIDE DIRECT PATIENT CARE AND PRACTICE IN A HOSPITAL, NURSING HOME, OR OTHER CLINICAL

SETTING AND RESPONDENT MUST WORK IN SUCH SETTING A MINIMUM OF SIXTY-FOUR (64) HOURS PER MONTH UNDER THE FOLLOWING PROBATION CONDITIONS FOR THREE (3) YEAR(S) OF EMPLOYMENT. THE LENGTH OF THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL SUCH THIRTY-SIX (36) MONTHS HAVE ELAPSED. 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 STIPULATION PERIOD:

- (5) IT IS FURTHER AGREED, SHOULD RESPONDENT be imprisoned for the offense(s) as outlined in Finding of Fact Numbers Ten (10) and Eleven (11), said imprisonment will result in further disciplinary action, including Revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to Chapter 53 of the Texas Occupation Code.
- (6) RESPONDENT SHALL notify all future employers in nursing of this Order of the Board and the probation conditions on RESPONDENT'S license(s). RESPONDENT SHALL present a complete copy of this Order and all Proposals for Decision issued by the Administrative Law Judge, if any, to each future employer prior to accepting an offer of employment.
- (7) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each present employer in nursing to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within ten (10) days of receipt of this Order. RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE each future employer to submit the Notification of Employment form, which is provided to the Respondent by the Board, to the Board's office within five (5) days of employment as a nurse.
- (8) For the first year of employment as a nurse under this Order, RESPONDENT SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a

Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, ifficensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Direct supervision requires another nurse to be working on the same unit as RESPONDENT and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. RESPONDENT SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). The RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

- (9) For the remainder of the probation period, RESPONDENT SHALL, be supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse, who is on the premises. The supervising nurse is not required to be on the same unit or ward as RESPONDENT, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if necessary. The supervising nurse shall have a minimum of two (2) years experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the Respondent is currently working. RESPONDENT SHALL, work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). RESPONDENT SHALL, NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. RESPONDENT SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
- (10) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a nurse on the night shift, rotate shifts, work overtime, accept on-call assignments, or be used for coverage on any unit other than the identified, predetermined unit(s) to which Respondent is regularly assigned for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.
- (11) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT practice as a nurse in any critical care area for one (1) year of employment as a nurse. Critical care areas include, but are not limited to, intensive

care units, emergency rooms, operating rooms, telemetry units, recovery rooms, and labor and delivery units.

- (12) RESPONDENT SHALL NOT administer or have any contact with controlled substances, Nubain, Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates for one (1) year of employment as a nurse.
- (13) 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. These reports shall be submitted by the supervising nurse to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) months for three (3) years of employment as a nurse.
- Stadol, Dalgan, Ultram, or other synthetic opiates, and/or the use of controlled substances, except as prescribed by a licensed practitioner for a legitimate purpose. If prescribed, RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE the licensed practitioner to submit a written report identifying the medication, dosage and the date the medication was prescribed. The report shall be submitted directly to the office of the Board by the prescribing practitioner, within ten (10) days of the date of the prescription. In the event that prescriptions for controlled substances are required for periods of two (2) weeks or longer, the Board may require and RESPONDENT SHALL submit to an evaluation by a Board approved physician specializing in Pain Management or Psychiatry. The performing evaluator will submit a written report to the Board's office, including results of the evaluation, clinical indications for the prescriptions, and recommendations for on-going treatment within thirty (30) days from the Board's request.
- (15) RESPONDENT SHALL submit to random periodic screens for controlled substances, tramedol hydrochloride (Ultram), and alcohol. For the first three (3) month period, 683670:163

random screens shall be performed at least once per week. For the next three (3) month period, random screens shall be performed at least twice per month. For the next six (6) month period, random screens shall be performed at least once per month. For the remainder of the probation period, random screens shall be performed at least once every three (3) months. All random screens SHALL BE conducted through urinalysis. Screens obtained through urinalysis are the sole method accepted by the Board.

Specimens shall be screened for at least the following substances:

Amphetamines Meperidine
Barbiturates Methadone
Benzodiazepines Methaqualone
Cannabinoids Opiates
Cocaine Phencyclidine
Ethanol Propoxyphone
tramadol hydrochloride (Ultram)

A Board representative may appear at the RESPONDENT'S place of employment at any time during the probation period and require RESPONDENT to produce a specimen for screening.

All screens shall be properly monitored and produced in accordance with the Board's policy on Random Drug Testing. A complete chain of custody shall be maintained for each specimen obtained and analyzed. RESPONDENT SHALL be responsible for the costs of all random drug screening during the probation period.

Any positive result for which the nurse does not have a valid prescription or failure to report for a drug screen, which may be considered the same as a positive result, will be regarded as non-compliance with the terms of this Order and may subject the nurse to further disciplinary action including EMERGENCY SUSPENSION pursuant to Section 301.4551. Texas Occupations Code, or REVOCATION of Respondent's license(s) and nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

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(16) RESPONDENT SHALL altend at least two (2) support group meetings each week, one of which must be for substance abuse and provided by Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, or another comparable recovery program that has been pre-approved by the Board.

RESPONDENT SHALL provide acceptable evidence of attendance. Acceptable evidence shall consist of a written record of at least: the date of each meeting; the name of each group attended; and the signature and printed name of the chairperson of each group attended by RESPONDENT.

RESPONDENT SHALL submit the required evidence on the forms provided by the Board at the end of every three (3) months. No duplications, copies, third party signatures, or any other substitutions will be accepted as evidence.

(17) RESPONDENT SHALL CAUSE his probation officer to submit written reports on forms provided to the Respondent by the Board. The reports shall indicate the RESPONDENT'S compliance with the court ordered probation. The reports shall be furnished each and every three (3) month period until RESPONDENT is released from probation.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that if during the period of probation, an additional allegation, accusation, or petition is reported or filed against the Respondent's license, the probationary period shall not expire and shall automatically be extended until the allegation, accusation, or petition has been acted upon by the Board.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that 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 shall be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order.
RESPONDENT shall be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

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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 Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law. Order, and any conditions of said Order, to settle this matter and avoid the uncertainty of a contested case hearing. I waive judicial review of this Order. I understand that this Order is subject to ratification by the Bourd. When this Order is ratified, that terms of this Order become effective, and 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 revocation of my license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Toxes, as a consequence of my noncompliance.

Signed this 36 day of ______, 20/2.

VICTOR HEIGGPEREZ, Respondent

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Approved as to form

Ellusbeth Higginbothum, JD, RN, Attorney for Respondent

Signed this 30 ti day of July 20 12

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WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Texas Board of Nursing does hereby ratify and adopt the Agreed Order that was signed on the <u>30th</u> day of <u>July</u>, 20 12, by VICTOR HUGO PEREZ, Registered Nurse License Number 685670, and said Order is final.

Effective this 18th day of October, 2012.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN

Executive Director on behalf

of said Board