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Patricia P. Thomas
Executive Director of the Board

**In the Matter of
Permanent Vocational Nurse
License Number 311605
Issued to VICTOR TORRES,
Respondent**

**§ BEFORE THE TEXAS
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§ BOARD OF NURSING**

ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

**TO: VICTOR TORRES
1330 NEW HARVEST, APT. 2102
EL PASO, TEXAS 79912**

A public meeting of the Texas Board of Nursing was held on June 15, 2018 at 333 Guadalupe, Room 3-460, Austin, Texas, in which the Temporary Suspension of Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 311605, issued to VICTOR TORRES was considered pursuant to Section 301.452(b), TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE. Staff of the Texas Board of Nursing appeared and presented evidence and information concerning the conduct of VICTOR TORRES 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 charge is substantiated:

On or about May 30, 2018, Respondent entered a plea of Guilty to SEXUAL PERFORM BY CHILD<14YRS EMPLOY/DIR/PROMO, a 1st Degree Felony offense, INDECENCY WITH A CHILD SEXUAL CONTACT a 2nd Degree Felony offense and SEXUAL ASSLT CHILD, a 2nd Degree Felony offense, committed on January 1, 2014 and May 1, 2015, in the 409th District Court of El Paso County, Texas, under Cause No. 20160D02347. As a result of the plea, the proceedings against Respondent were deferred without entering an adjudication of Guilt, and Respondent was placed on probation for a period of ten (10) years and ordered to pay a fine and court costs.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(3), Texas Occupations Code. Moreover, the above offense mandates revocation of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in accordance with Section 301.4535 of the Texas Occupations Code.

The Texas Board of Nursing further finds that, given the nature of the charges concerning fitness to practice, the continued practice of nursing by VICTOR TORRES constitutes a continuing his and imminent threat to public welfare and that the temporary suspension of Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 311605, is justified pursuant to Section 301.455, TEXAS OCCUPATIONS CODE.


NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 311605, issued to VICTOR TORRES, to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the same is/are, hereby SUSPENDED IMMEDIATELY in accordance with Section 301.455, 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 15th day of June, 2018.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:


KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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FORMAL CHARGES

This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, VICTOR TORRES, is a Vocational Nurse holding License Number 311605, which is in current status at the time of this pleading.

Written notice of the facts and conduct alleged to warrant adverse licensure action was sent to Respondent at Respondent's address of record and Respondent was given opportunity to show compliance with all requirements of the law for retention of the license prior to commencement of this proceeding.

CHARGE I.

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NOTICE IS GIVEN that staff will present evidence in support of the recommended disposition of up to, and including, revocation of Respondent's license/s to practice nursing in the State of Texas pursuant to the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301, Texas Occupations Code and the Board's rules, 22 Tex. Admin. Code §§ 213.27 - 213.33 and TEX. OCC. CODE Ch. 53.

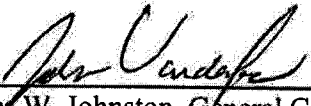
NOTICE IS GIVEN that all statutes and rules cited in these Charges are incorporated as part of this pleading and can be found at the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that to the extent applicable, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on adopted Disciplinary Guidelines for Criminal Conduct; on adopted Disciplinary Sanction Policies for Sexual Misconduct, which can be found under the "Discipline & Complaints; Board Policies & Guidelines" section of the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that, based on the Formal Charges, the Board will rely on the Disciplinary Matrix, located at 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §213.33(b), which can be found under the "Discipline & Complaints; Board Policies & Guidelines" section of the Board's website, www.bon.texas.gov.

Filed this 15th day of June, 2018.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING


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