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In the Matter of **Permanent Vocational Nurse** License Number 208240 Issued to CINDY RIOS, Respondent

BEFORE THE TEXAS

BOARD OF NURSING

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ELIGIBILITY AND

DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

ORDER OF THE BOARD

TO: CINDY RIOS 6851 RAINTREE PATH SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78233

During open meeting held in Austin, Texas, on December 11, 2018, the Texas Board of Nursing Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee (hereinafter "Committee") heard the above-styled case, based on the failure of the Respondent to appear as required by 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that notice of the facts or conduct alleged to warrant disciplinary action has been provided to Respondent in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2001.054(c) and Respondent has been given an opportunity to show compliance with all the requirements of the Nursing Practice Act, Chapter 301 of the Texas Occupations Code, for retention of Respondent's license(s) to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

The Committee finds that the Formal Charges were properly initiated and filed in accordance with section 301.458, Texas Occupations Code.

The Committee finds that after proper and timely Notice regarding the violations alleged in the Formal Charges was given to Respondent in this matter, Respondent has failed to appear in accordance with 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE Ch. 213.

The Committee finds that the Board is authorized to enter a default order pursuant to Texas Government Code § 2001.056.

The Committee, after review and due consideration, adopts the proposed findings of fact

and conclusions of law as stated in the Formal Charges which are attached hereto and incorporated by

reference for all purposes and the Staff's recommended sanction of revocation by default. This Order will

be properly served on all parties and all parties will be given an opportunity to file a motion for rehearing

[22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 213.16(j)]. All parties have a right to judicial review of this Order.

All proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law filed by any party not specifically

adopted herein are hereby denied.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Permanent Vocational Nurse License

Number 208240, previously issued to CINDY RIOS to practice nursing in the State of Texas be, and the

same is/are hereby, REVOKED.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Respondent's nurse

licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

Entered this 11th day of December, 2018

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TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

BY:

KATHERINE A. THOMAS, MN, RN, FAAN

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON BEHALF OF SAID BOARD

Attachment: Formal Charges filed October 23, 2018

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Re: Permanent Vocational Nurse License Number 208240
Issued to CINDY RIOS
DEFAULT ORDER - REVOKE

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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| correct copy of | of the foregoing DEFAULT ORDER was served and addressed to the following person(s), |
| as follows: | |

Sterim Conomas

<u>Via USPS Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested,</u> <u>Copy Via USPS First Class Mail</u>

> CINDY RIOS 6851 RAINTREE PATH SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78233

> > BY:

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

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BEFORE THE TEXAS

BOARD OF NURSING

FORMAL CHARGES

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This is a disciplinary proceeding under Section 301.452(b), Texas Occupations Code. Respondent, CINDY RIOS, is a Vocational Nurse holding license number 208240, 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.

On or about January 5, 2018, through January 6, 2018, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with North Central Baptist Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to document the vital signs and assessments on four (4) infant patients. Respondent's conduct was likely to injure the patients from clinical care decisions formulated based upon incomplete assessment information.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(B)&(1)(D), and 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(1)(C)&(4).

CHARGE II.

On or about January 6, 2018, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with North Central Baptist Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent left an infant patient unattended at the nurses' station. Respondent's conduct exposed the patient unnecessarily to the risk of harm, in that leaving the nursing assignment could have resulted in the patient not receiving necessary care.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(B)&(1)(I), and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(A),(1)(B),(4)&(12).

CHARGE III.

On or about January 6, 2018, while employed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse with North Central Baptist Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, Respondent failed to give accurate report on her assigned

patients. Respondent's conduct resulted in an incomplete medical record, and was likely to injure patients, in that subsequent care givers would not have accurate information on which to base decisions for further care.

The above action constitutes grounds for disciplinary action in accordance with Section 301.452(b)(10)&(13), Texas Occupations Code, and is a violation of 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.11(1)(A),(1)(B)&(1)(D), and 22 Tex. ADMIN. CODE §217.12(1)(C)&(4).

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) and/or privilege(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.

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, <u>www.bon.texas.gov</u>.

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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 23 td day of 000000 20 18

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