VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

MIRANDA L. LOUDEN, L.P.N. APPLICANT

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Miranda L. Louden, L.P.N., as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Louden's application for licensure by endorsement to practice practical nursing in Virginia.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- Miranda Louden, L.P.N., was issued License No. PN27059169A to practice practical nursing by the Indiana State Board of Nursing on March 29, 2007 ("Indiana Board"). Said license is set to expire on October 31, 2016.
- 2. Ms. Louden submitted an application for licensure by endorsement to practice practical nursing in Virginia which was received by the Board on June 8, 2015. Ms. Louden declared Virginia as her primary state of residence.
- 3. By Order of the Indiana Board entered March 29, 2007, Ms. Louden was issued a license to practice practical nursing, and was placed on indefinite probation subject to terms and conditions. This action was based on Ms. Louden's conviction for obstruction of official business and certain acts prohibited in the Fairfield, Ohio, Municipal Court. Ms. Louden was ordered to complete two years of probation and to pay court costs.
- 4. By Order of the Indiana Board entered August 23, 2013, the Board withdrew Ms. Louden's probation after Ms. Louden provided the Indiana Board with evidence of completion of her court-ordered probation and payment of all associated court costs.

5. On her application for licensure by endorsement received by the Board on June 8, 2015, Ms. Louden answered "NO" to the questions "Have you ever had disciplinary action taken against your license to practice in a state or against your multistate privilege to practice?" and "Have you ever been convicted or pled guilty to or pled Nolo Contendere to the violation of any federal, state or other statute or ordinance constituting a felony or misdemeanor?" when, in fact, Ms. Louden's Indiana license had been placed on probation as a result of a criminal conviction.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Finding of Fact No. 3 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(7) of the Code of Virginia (1950) as amended ("Code").
- 2. Finding of Fact No. 5 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(1) of the Code and 18 VAC 90-20-300(A)(1)(b) of the Regulations Governing the Practice of Nursing.

CONSENT

Miranda L. Louden, L.P.N., by affixing his signature hereon, agrees to the following:

- 1. She has been advised to seek advice of counsel prior to signing this document;
- 2. She acknowledges that without her consent, no legal action can be taken against her except pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act, § 2.2-4000(A) et seq. of the Code;
- 3. She acknowledges that she has the following rights, among others: the right to an informal fact finding conference before the Board, the right to reasonable notice of said hearing, the right to representation by counsel, and the right to cross-examine witnesses against her;
 - 4. She waives all such right to an informal conference;
- 5. She admits to the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law contained herein and waives her right to contest such Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in any subsequent proceeding before the Board;

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6. She consents to the entry of the following Order affecting her application for licensure by endorsement to practice practical in Virginia.

<u>ORDER</u>

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing, the Virginia Board of Nursing, effective upon entry of this Order, and in lieu of further proceedings, hereby ORDERS as follows:

- 1. Miranda L. Louden, L.P.N., is hereby REPRIMANDED.
- 2. The application of Ms. Louden for licensure by endorsement to practice practical nursing is hereby APPROVED. Ms. Louden shall be issued an unrestricted license to practice as a professional nurse in the Commonwealth.
- 3. Ms. Louden shall maintain a course of conduct in her capacity as a practical nurse commensurate with the requirements of § 54.1-3000 et seq. of the Code and the Board of Nursing Regulations.

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4023 and 54.1-2400.2 of the Code, the signed original of this Order shall remain in the custody of the Department of Health Professions as public record and shall be made available for public inspection or copying upon request.

FOR THE BOARD

Jay P. Douglas, M.S.M., R.N., C.S.A.C., F.R.E. Executive Director, Virginia Board of Nursing

ENTERED:

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SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Miranda Louden
Miranda Louden, L.P.N.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, COUNTY/CITY OF Kairlox, TO WIT:

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Sean cross, a Notary Public, this 2 day of April, 20/6.

My commission expires 08/31/2017

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