VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

STEPHANIE C. VANCE, L.P.N.

License No.: 0002-052427

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to §§ 2.2-4020, 2.2-4024(F), and 54.1-2400(11) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended

("Code"), Stephanie C. Vance, who holds License No. 0002-052427, which expires on June 30, 2017, is

hereby given notice that a formal administrative hearing will be held in the presence of a panel of the Board

of Nursing. The hearing will be held on November 18, 2015, at 2:00 p.m., at the offices of the Department

of Health Professions, Board of Nursing, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico,

Virginia 23233, at which time Ms. Vance will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by

counsel.

At the hearing, Ms. Vance has the following rights, among others: the right to representation by

counsel; the right to have witnesses subpoenaed and to present witnesses on her behalf; the right to present

documentary evidence; and the right to cross-examine adverse witnesses. If Ms. Vance desires any

witnesses to appear on her behalf, she must notify the Director of Administrative Proceedings, Department of

Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 300, Henrico, Virginia 23233, in accordance with the

Instructions for Requesting Subpoenas.

The purpose of the hearing is to inquire into evidence that Ms. Vance may have violated certain laws

governing nursing practice in Virginia, as more fully set forth in the Statement of Particulars below.

STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

The Board alleges that Ms. Vance may have violated § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code in that she may be

unsafe to practice nursing due to mental illness and/or substance abuse, as evidenced by the following:

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- 1. Ms. Vance was hospitalized for psychiatric treatment in January, July, and November 2014 (twice under a Temporary Detention Order) after exhibiting psychotic behavior. On two of these occasions, in January and July, Ms. Vance tested positive for marijuana. Ms. Vance's discharge diagnoses included bipolar disorder with psychotic features and marijuana dependence.
- 2. Ms. Vance has a history of noncompliance with outpatient psychiatric treatment, including failing to keep counseling appointments and discontinuing her psychotropic medications.

FOR THE BOARD

Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN,

Executive Director for the

Board of Nursing

ENTERED: