VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

TRACY SAUNDERS, L.P.N.

License No.: 0002-072224

CONSENT ORDER

The Virginia Board of Nursing ("Board") and Tracy Saunders, L.P.N., as evidenced by her signature hereto, enter into the following Consent Order affecting Ms. Saunders' license to practice practical nursing in Virginia.

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

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Tracy Saunders, L.P.N. was issued License No. 0002-072224 to practice practical nursing by the Virginia Board of Nursing on September 27, 2005. Said license expired on June 30, 2014. Her primary state of residence is Virginia.
 - 2. Ms. Saunders is unable to safely practice nursing due to mental illness.
- In an interview with an investigator for the Department of Health Professions on June 16,
 2014, Ms. Saunders indicated that she wished to surrender her nursing license.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Finding of Fact No. 2 constitutes a violation of § 54.1-3007(6) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended ("Code").

CONSENT

Tracy Saunders, L.P.N., by affixing her 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;
- 6. She consents to the entry of the following Order affecting her right to practice practical nursing 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. The Board ACCEPTS the VOLUNTARY SURRENDER for INDEFINITE SUSPENSION of Tracy Saunders' right to renew her license to practice practical nursing in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
 - The license will be recorded as suspended.
- 3. At such time as Ms. Saunders shall petition the Board for reinstatement of her license, an administrative proceeding will be convened to determine whether she is capable of resuming the safe and competent practice of practical nursing. Ms. Saunders shall be responsible for any fees that may be required for the reinstatement and renewal of the license prior to issuance of the license to resume practice.
 - 4. This suspension applies to any multistate privilege to practice practical nursing.

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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

President, Virginia Board of Nursing

11-18-14

SEEN AND AGREED TO:

Tracy Saunders, L.P.N.

COMMONWEALTHYOF VIRGI COUNTY/CITY OF V Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 30

My commission expires

Registration Number 10.

Certified True Copy

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