VIRGINIA:

BEFORE THE BOARD OF NURSING

IN RE:

KRYSTINA L. KIRK, L.P.N.

License No.: 0002-074193 (SUSPENDED)

AMENDED 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"), Krystina L. Kirk, L.P.N., who, prior to its suspension by the Board of Nursing on September 17, 2013, held License No. 0002-074193, 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 March 21, 2016, at 11:00 a.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. Kirk will be afforded the opportunity to be heard in person or by counsel.

At the hearing, Ms. Kirk 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. Kirk 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 receive and act upon the mental health/ chemical dependency evaluation of Ms. Kirk as required in the Order of the Board entered on September 17, 2013 and to inquire into evidence that Ms. Kirk may have violated certain laws governing practical nursing practice in Virginia, as more fully set forth in the Statement of Particulars below.

## STATEMENT OF PARTICULARS

The Board alleges that Ms. Kirk may have violated §54.1-3007(6) of the Code in that she may be unsafe to practice practical nursing due to substance abuse and/or mental illness. On or about March 3, 2015, Ms. Kirk received a mental health/substance abuse evaluation from the Hampton-Newport News Community Services Board, Hampton, Virginia. She was diagnosed with opioid dependence and sedative, hypnotic, or anxiolytic use dependence and she tested positive for alcohol on a drug screen. Furthermore, between or about February 14, 2014 and April 16, 2015, Ms. Kirk received 11 prescriptions for narcotic pain medications, from 10 prescribers, and had the prescriptions filled at 5 pharmacies. However, Ms. Kirk informed the evaluator that she last used opiates in 2011, she denied any current opiate usage, and she did not report any medical history concerning pain, or that she had been taking any narcotic pain medications.

FOR THE BOARD

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