SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE PROCEEDINGS

RE: MARGARET C. HARLOW, R.N.

License No. R035578,

Licensee.

WHEREAS, Margaret C. Harlow, R.N., ("Licensee"), is licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota and holds license number R035578; and

WHEREAS, said Licensee on or about September 21, 2006 obtained her R.N. license in the State of South Dakota through examination. Thereafter, Licensee moved to Minnesota and applied for licensure by endorsement in that state on October 10, 2006. On her application for Minnesota licensure, the Licensee disclosed that she had chemical dependency treatment in June, 2006 and that she was going to voluntarily enroll into the Minnesota HPSP Program. Investigation of the Licensee by the Minnesota Board of Nursing continued and, following a relapse by Licensee in November, 2006 and an appearance before the Minnesota Board of Nursing review panel in April, 2007, Licensee’s application for licensure in Minnesota was denied.

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2007, Licensee entered into a Stipulation and Consent Order with the Minnesota Board of Nursing, where the Licensee, after a period of twelve (12) months of continued recovery, would be allowed to reapply for Minnesota licensure
following successful completion of the terms and conditions set forth in the Stipulation and Consent.

WHEREAS, Licensee wished to continue to reside in the state of Minnesota and comply with the terms and conditions of the Stipulation and Consent Order entered into with the Minnesota Board of Nursing and to obtain her license in that state; and

WHEREAS, Licensee agreed that she would surrender her South Dakota nursing license; and

WHEREAS, Licensee, in August, 2007, agreed to a Voluntary Surrender Consent Order in the State of South Dakota, surrendering her South Dakota nursing license. Said Order was approved by the Board on September 15, 2007. Said Voluntary Surrender Consent Order suspended the Licensee’s RN license for an indefinite period subject to a reinstatement request pursuant to SDCL 36-9-57 as the Board in its discretion may determine; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee made a reinstatement request on October 18, 2010, requesting reinstatement of her South Dakota license. The Licensee personally appeared before the Board on November 19, 2010, at which time the matter of Licensee’s reinstatement was presented to the Board. The Licensee presented a letter from the Minnesota Board of Nursing dated October 5, 2010, confirming satisfactory completion of her monitoring in Minnesota under their Health Professionals Services Program. The Licensee also provided the Order of Unconditional License that was issued by the
Minnesota Board of Nursing on September 14, 2010. The Licensee also provided testimony and answered questions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Licensee’s request, the documents and Order provided by the Licensee, as well as her own testimony and being fully advised in the premises;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. That the Board has jurisdiction over the person of the Licensee and the subject matter of this Order.

2. That the Licensee’s license to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota is hereby reinstated.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Reinstatement Order was adopted by South Dakota Board of Nursing on the 19th day of November, 2010 by a vote of 8 - 0.

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Gloria Damgaard, Executive Director