SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE PROCEEDINGS

RE: SLOAN JAMES, R.N.

License No. R-035763,

Licensee.

WHEREAS, Sloan James, RN ("Licensee") was licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota and held license number R-035763; and

WHEREAS, on April 21, 2010, the South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") voted to accept a Voluntary Surrender Consent Order if entered by the Licensee.

Licensee did sign a Voluntary Surrender Consent Order on May 14, 2010, arising out of her felony conviction for possession of a controlled substance; and

WHEREAS, the Voluntary Surrender Consent Order suspended the Licensee’s RN license for an indefinite period subject to a reinstatement request pursuant to SDCL § 36-9-59, as the Board in its discretion may determine; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee made a reinstatement request, in writing, dated August 10, 2010, and personally appeared before the Board on September 15, 2010, in which the matter of Licensee’s reinstatement was presented to the Board. The Licensee presented documentation supporting her reinstatement, her court order and other correspondence,
and answered questions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, after said appearance, the Board entered its Order Denying Request for Reinstatement dated September 15, 2010. At that time, the Board ruled that the Licensee had failed to meet her burden of presenting information that shows good cause as to why she should be reinstated. The Board also recommended that she complete her probation in the court system prior to another reinstatement request; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee made a second reinstatement request, in writing, dated July 21, 2011, and personally appeared before the Board on September 13, 2011, at which time the matter of Licensee’s reinstatement was presented to the Board. The Licensee advised that she had completed her probation with the State of South Dakota and had taken steps to improve her situation. She also answered questions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Licensee’s request, the statement and documents provided by the Licensee, the previous order, as well as Licensee’s own testimony, and being fully advised on 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 without conditions.

3. That within ten (10) days of the effective date of this Order the Licensee shall be issued her RN license by the Board office.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Reinstatement Order was adopted by the South Dakota Board of Nursing on the 13th day of September, 2011, by a vote of __/11/0__.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

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Gloria Damgaard, Executive Director