SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE
LICENSURE PROCEEDINGS

RE: MARIA OLSON, R.N.

License No. R032602

Licensee.

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WHEREAS, MARIA OLSON, R.N. ("Licensee"), is licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota and holds License number R032602; and

WHEREAS, said Licensee on April 1, 2004 entered into a stipulation with the Minnesota Board of Nursing following reports of Demerol diversion resulting in suspension of her nursing license and requested on January 5, 2004, that her South Dakota nursing license that was on a probation status be placed on inactive status, and discontinued participation in the Health Professionals Assistance Program, and Licensee has agreed that she would surrender her South Dakota nursing license; and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Board of Nursing has a statutory obligation to protect the public health, safety and welfare set forth in SDCL §36-9, including the protection of the public from unsafe nursing practices and practitioners; and

WHEREAS, Licensee agrees that the matters under investigation would be of a nature that would constitute grounds for the discipline of her license to practice nursing in South Dakota under SDCL § 36-9-49; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee agrees that this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order is entered
into by her voluntarily and without duress or compulsion, in full understanding of the legal consequences of this document and his rights; now, therefore,

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED THAT THE BOARD MAY ENTER AN ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

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

2. Licensee, on April 1, 2004 entered into a stipulation with the Minnesota Board of Nursing following reports of Demerol diversion resulting in suspension of her nursing license and requested on January 5, 2004, that her South Dakota nursing license that was on a probation status be placed on inactive status, and discontinued participation in the Health Professionals Assistance Program, and Licensee has agreed that she would surrender her South Dakota nursing license.

3. The Licensee has been given an opportunity to discuss this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order with an attorney of Licensee's choice, and is aware of Licensee's right to a hearing in this matter, and all rights under the United States and South Dakota Constitutions, laws, rules and/or regulations. Licensee hereby voluntarily waives all such rights to a hearing, notice, appearance, or any other rights under said Constitutions, laws, rules and/or regulations. Licensee also agrees that the Board's Executive Secretary or her designee may present this Voluntary Surrender Consent Order to the Board and disclose to the Board all items of her investigation, including, but not limited to, any communications with Licensee.

4. That the Licensee's license to practice nursing in South Dakota shall be suspended for an indefinite period from the date of this Order. Licensee may apply to have her license reinstated for good cause shown.
and issued its order as follows:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above Voluntary Surrender Consent Order is adopted shown herein by the South Dakota Board of Nursing this 15th day of July, 2004, by vote of

7 yes 0 no

Gloria Damgaard, Executive Secretary