SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE

PROCEEDINGS

: ORDER OF SUMMARY

RE: JANE M. RASMUSSEN RYCKMAN, SUSPENSION AND AMENDED

R.N. : **NOTICE OF HEARING**

License No. R-027142, :

Licensee. :

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WHEREAS, Jane M. Rasmussen Ryckman, R.N. ("Licensee"), is licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota and holds License number R-027142; and

WHEREAS, in September, 2005, a complaint was made to the South Dakota Board of Nursing staff ("Board Staff") by Licensee's employer, Diamond Care Center in Bridgewater, South Dakota, alleging verbal abuse by the Licensee against a resident; and

WHEREAS, on September 28, 2005, the Licensee appeared for an Informal Meeting with Board Staff at which time she signed a Voluntary Refrain from Practice and turned in her license to the South Dakota Board of Nursing; and

WHEREAS on November 14, 2005, the South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") moved to have Licensee undergo a mental health evaluation to determine her ability to practice nursing safely; and

WHEREAS, Licensee underwent a psychiatric evaluation on December 7, 2005, and psychometric testing on December 12, 2005; and

WHEREAS, based on said evaluation, the Board has concluded that the public health, safety and welfare requires emergency action in that Licensee may endanger the health and safety of those persons who are or will be entrusted to her care in the future; and

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

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

- 1. That the Board has jurisdiction of the Licensee and the subject matter of this Order.
- 2. That based on the above, the Board specifically finds that the public health, safety and welfare requires emergency action against Licensee's license.
- 3. That based on the above, the Board specifically find that the actions of the Licensee endangers the public health, safety and welfare of those persons who are or will be entrusted to her care in the future and that these matters are of a nature that would constitute further grounds for discipline of her license to practice to practice nursing under SDCL §36-9-49.
- 4. That based upon these findings, Licensee's license to practice nursing in South Dakota is hereby summarily suspended.

- 5. That the Licensee shall turn in her license to the Board within ten (10) days from the date of this order and it should be kept by the Board until further action on this matter.
- 6. That the Licensee is hereby notified that any practice of or holding herself out as a Registered Nurse during the terms of this Order of Summary Suspension is a violation of SDCL §36-9-68.

The South Dakota Board of Nursing at its meeting on the 7th day of February, 2006, approved this Order of Summary Suspension as written without modification and issues its Order of Summary Suspension consistent herein as follows:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above is adopted as an Order of the South Dakota Board of Nursing this 7th day of February, 2006, by a vote of 8-0.

Gloria Damgaard, Executive Secretary
South Dakota Board of Nursing

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

The South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") pursuant to SDCL §§ 1-26-16, 1-26-27, and 1-26-29, hereby provides this Notice of Hearing to Jane M. Rasmussen Ryckman, License No. R-027142 ("Licensee") as follows:

1. Hearing on the Order of Summary Suspension will take place before the Board on April 19th, 2006, at 10 o'clock p.m. at the South Dakota Board of

Nursing office located at 4305 South Louise Avenue, Suite 201, in Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

- 2. This matter is an adversarial proceeding and Licensee has the right to be present at the hearing and to be represented by an attorney. These due process rights will be forfeited if they are not exercised at the hearing.
- 3. Licensee has a right to request that the agency use the Office of Hearing Examiners for this proceeding by giving notice of the request to the Board no later than ten (10) days after the service of this Notice of Hearing on Order of Summary Suspension.
- 4. A decision issued by the Board after the hearing may be appealed to the circuit court and to the state Supreme Court as provided by law.

Dated this // day of February, 2006.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

Gloria Damgaard, Executive Secretary