SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSURE PROCEEDINGS

RE: CODY L. STAUS, RN

License No. R-042087,

Licensee.

ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT

WHEREAS, Cody L. Staus, RN, ("Licensee"), is licenced to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota and holds license number R-042087; and

WHEREAS, on June 20, 2013, the South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") accepted a Voluntary Surrender Consent Order signed by the Licensee on June 12, 2013, arising out of a March 13, 2013, psychological evaluation that indicated Licensee's symptoms were interfering with his functioning as a nurse. Said evaluation indicated that appropriate treatment and therapy would enable Licensee to function effectively as a nurse; 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 November 27, 2013, and personally appeared before the Board on March 27, 2014, at which time the matter of Licensee’s reinstatement was presented to the Board. The Licensee presented documentation supporting his reinstatement. This included a February 18, 2014, letter from treating clinical psychologist, Dr. Wallace Jackmon, recommendations from the precinct supervisor of his current employer, and also a letter of recommendation from his current supervisor. The Licensee also provided testimony and answered questions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Licensee’s request, the statement and documents provided by the Licensee, as well as Licensee’s 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 Order of Reinstatement was adopted by the South Dakota Board of Nursing on the 27th day of March, 2014, by a vote of 8-0.

SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

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Gloria Damgaard, RN, MS
Executive Director