SOUTH DAKOTA BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF LICENSURE PROCEEDINGS

RE: PATTI LYNN TRAPP, RN,

License No. R-023780

Licensee.

WHEREAS, Patti Lynn Trapp, R.N., ("Licensee"), was licensed to practice as a registered nurse in the State of South Dakota and held license number R-023780; and

WHEREAS, on November 19, 2010, the South Dakota Board of Nursing ("Board") voted to accept a Voluntary Surrender Consent Order from the Licensee, arising out of Licensee’s unprofessional handling of an intubated and combative patient that was being transferred into the intensive care unit. The Licensee subsequently signed the Voluntary Surrender Consent Order on November 30, 2010; 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 § 36-9-57, as the Board in its discretion may determine; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee made a reinstatement request to the Board, in writing, dated May 22, 2011, and personally appeared before the Board on June 15, 2011, at
which time the matter of Licensee’s reinstatement was presented to the Board. The Licensee presented documentation supporting her reinstatement. The Board was also provided with other documentation and letters in support of her reinstatement. The Licensee also provided testimony and answered questions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board considered the Licensee’s reinstatement request, but deferred action on the reinstatement pending a Board mandated psychiatric evaluation at the Board’s expense; and

WHEREAS, Licensee again made a formal appearance before the Board on September 13, 2011, and presented the psychiatric evaluation completed on August 3, 2011. The Board reviewed the evaluation and considered the testimony of the Licensee who answered questions of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the Licensee’s request, the statement and documents provided by the Licensee, the mandated psychiatric evaluation ordered by the Board, 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

Gloria Damgaard, Executive Director