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RE: PATRICIA ROYER, : **CONSENT TO VOLUNTARILY**
 : **SURRENDER REGISTRATIONS**
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 Registration No. M003112
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WHEREAS, Registrant has seven pending felony charges against her that indicate she has violated SDCL § 36-9-49 (4) and (10) in that Registrant committed a drug related act that interferes with the ability to practice nursing safely, or engaged in unsafe nursing practice, substandard care, or unprofessional or dishonorable conduct; or, in the alternative, Registrant's physical or mental condition endangers the health or safety of a person who is or will be entrusted to the Registrant's or applicant's care pursuant to SDCL § 36-9-49.1;

WHEREAS, the Board has a statutory obligation to protect the public health, safety and welfare as set forth in SDCL § 36-9-1.1, including the protection of the public from unprofessional nursing practices and practitioners;

WHEREAS, Registrant and the Board have each expressed a desire to resolve this matter without the necessity of additional formal disciplinary proceedings and hearings and have therefore agreed to resolve this complaint in the manner set forth in this consent order pursuant to ARSD 20:48:08:12(3); and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this agreement to provide for a disposition of the registration issues presented by the Registrant's conduct, in a professional manner, without the necessity of further hearings and proceedings herein, and to provide for a responsible resolution.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board has jurisdiction over the person of the Registrant and the subject matter of this Consent to Voluntarily Surrender Registrations.
2. Registrant agrees to voluntarily surrender Registrant's South Dakota registrations immediately upon Registrant signing this Consent to Voluntarily Surrender registrations.
3. Registrant understands that Registrant has a right to a contested hearing pursuant to SDCL Ch. 1-26 regarding this matter and that such rights under SDCL Ch. 1-26 include, but are not limited to, the right to a contested hearing before the Board, the right to be present at the contested case hearing, the right to be represented by legal counsel, the right to introduce evidence and testimony on Registrant's behalf, call witnesses, cross-examine witnesses, and inspect all documentary evidence submitted to the Board, and the right to appeal the Board's decision to the South Dakota Circuit Court and Supreme Court, as provided by law.
4. By voluntarily surrendering Registrant's Registrations and entering into this Consent to Voluntarily Surrender Registrations with the Board, the Registrant hereby knowingly and voluntarily waives the above rights and agrees that this matter will be resolved according to

the disciplinary procedures outlined in ARSD 20:48:08:12(3), through an agreed upon issuance of a Voluntary Surrender Consent Order.

5. Registrant agrees and stipulates that this Consent to Voluntarily Surrender Registrations is being entered into voluntarily by the Registrant and without threats or coercion and is entered into after the Registrant has been given ample opportunity to consider these matters and to discuss this Consent to Voluntarily Surrender Registrations with an attorney of Registrant's choice and that the Registrant has a full understanding of the legal consequences of this Consent to Voluntarily Surrender Registrations, which rights are hereby waived by the signing of this Consent to Voluntarily Surrender Registrations.

6. Registrant agrees and requests that the Board's Executive Director or designee will present this Consent to Voluntarily Surrender Registration to the Board for approval and adoption.

7. Registrant may apply to have Registrant's registrations reinstated for good cause shown.

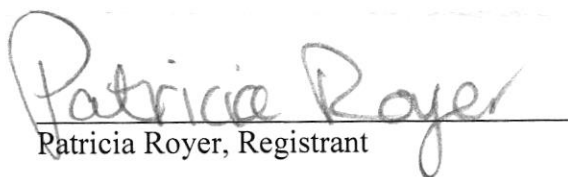
8. Nothing in the Board's Voluntary Surrender Consent Order or this Consent to Voluntarily Surrender Registrations should or does imply that the Registrant will be reinstated. Registrant recognizes that the reinstatement terms, as well as the requirements for reinstatement, are at the sole discretion of the Board.

9. If Registrant requests reinstatement, Registrant has the burden under SDCL § 36-9-57 to present information showing that good cause exists for the Board to exercise its discretion to reinstate Registrant's registrations.

10. Registrant understands that this action is reportable discipline and will be published in the Board's newsletter and posted on its website and reported into the National Practitioner Data Bank (NPDB) as required by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, the foregoing Consent to Voluntarily Surrender Registrations is entered into and is respectfully submitted to the Board with the request that the Board adopt its terms as an Order of the Board in this matter.

Dated this 26 day of March, 2020.


Patricia Royer, Registrant

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Dated this 16th day of April, 2020.

Gloria Damgaard, RN, MS
Executive Director