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## IN THE MATTER OF:

Joan Madden Certified Nurse Aide Certification No. NA 8044626 ORDER OF SUMMARY
SUSPENSION OF NURSE AIDE

TO: Joan Madden

**TAKE NOTICE** that, in accordance with the authority set forth in <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 26:1A-1 et seq., <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 26:2H-1 et seq., and the provisions set forth at <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 8:39-43.5(b), the New Jersey Department of Health (hereinafter, "the Department") hereby

FINDS that you, Joan Madden, Certification No. NA 8044626, are a certified nurse aide within the State of New Jersey, which certification entitles you to obtain and/or maintain employment at nursing homes and other long term care health care facilities, where your duties include the provision of direct, hand-to-hand care to elderly, often vulnerable, residents of said nursing homes and other long term care health care facilities; and the Department further

FINDS that credible evidence exists that you stole a credit card belonging to an elderly person and used the stolen credit card to make purchases at Shoprite and to withdraw \$100.00 from Crest Savings Bank. Additionally, on May 17, 2017 you were arrested by the Lower Township Police Department and charged with Credit Card Theft- Fraudulent Use, 2C:21-6H, Credit Card Crime-Credit Cart Theft, 2C:21-6C(1) and Theft by Unlawful Taking, 2C:20-3A; and the Department further

FINDS that you pose an immediate threat to the health, safety and welfare of the public, including residents of long term care facilities, assisted living facilities and other licensed health care facilities or agencies, including home health agencies that provide in-home care, and that you be immediately suspended from eligibility for employment as a nurse aide, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 8:39-43.5(b).

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby administratively

ORDERED that your certification to work as a certified nurse aide in a long term care facility, assisted living facility and other licensed health care facility or agency, is hereby SUMMARILY SUSPENDED, and your certification shall remain suspended until such time as the Department has completed its investigation into this matter; and it is further administratively

ORDERED that, in the interim, the Department will continue to investigate this matter. You will be notified when the Department has completed its investigation, at which time you will be advised of what action(s), if any, will be taken with respect to your nurse aide certification.

TAKE NOTICE THAT in accordance with the provisions set forth in N.J.A.C. 8:39-43.5(b), you have thirty (30) days from the date of receipt of this notice to request an expedited hearing to appeal this summary suspension to the Commissioner of the Department of Health. Any such hearing shall be conducted at the New Jersey Office of Administrative Law, and shall be conducted pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, N.J.S.A. 52:14B-1 et seq., and N.J.S.A. 52:14F-1 et seq., and the Uniform Administrative Procedure Rules, N.J.A.C. 1:1-1 et seq. A request for an expedited hearing shall be made in writing and sent to:

Attention: OAL Expedited Hearing Requests
Office of Legal & Regulatory Compliance - Room 805
New Jersey State Department of Health
P.O. Box,360
Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0360

Failure to submit a written request for emergency relief within 30 days from the date of receipt of this Order shall be interpreted as an acceptance of this Department's decision to summarily suspend your nurse aide certification pending completion of the investigation, thereby forfeiting all rights to emergency relief. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Lisa King at (609)-984-8128.

DATED: July 18, 2017

Gene Rosenblum, Director Office of Program Compliance Division of Certificate of Need & Licensing