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DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
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STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE SUSPENSION | : | Administrative Action |
| OR REVOCATION OF THE | : | |
| CERTIFICATION OF | : | |
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| Alica Romancakova | : | INTERIM CONSENT ORDER |
| Certification # 26NH16871100 | : | OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER |
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| TO PRACTICE AS A HOMEMAKER-HOME | : | |
| HEALTH AIDE IN THE STATE OF | : | |
| NEW JERSEY | : | |
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information that Alica Romancakova ("Respondent"), a certified homemaker-home health aide in the State of New Jersey, was arrested on March 27, 2017, by members of the North Brunswick Police Department for violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:5-1, Criminal Attempt/Credit Card Crime/Credit Card Theft and N.J.S.A. 2C:21-17A(4), Identity Crime.

Specifically, it is alleged that Respondent attempted to open a credit card account for \$12,500 worth of credit using her patient's name and social security number and admitted the allegation to the police. It is also alleged that Respondent fraudulently used a credit card belonging to another patient who is legally blind.

The allegations, if proven, would demonstrate that Respondent engaged in acts constituting crimes or offenses which relate adversely to the activity regulated by the Board in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(f), dishonesty, fraud, deception and misrepresentation, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b) and professional misconduct, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e), providing bases for disciplinary action against Respondent's certification.

It appearing that Respondent agrees to voluntarily enter into an interim agreement temporarily surrendering her certification, to be deemed a suspension, without making admissions and without prejudice to her ability to defend any action brought based on the above allegations, and the Board finding the within disposition adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for good cause shown;

IT IS THEREFORE ON THIS 19th day of May, 2017, -----

ORDERED:

1. Respondent is hereby granted leave and shall immediately surrender her certification to practice as a homemaker-home health aide in the State of New Jersey pending the disposition of the criminal charges against her, satisfaction of any criminal sentencing terms imposed upon her and further order of the Board. Said surrender shall be deemed a temporary suspension of Respondent's certification.

2. Respondent shall, contemporaneously with the signing of this Order, forward her homemaker-home health aide certificate, both wallet and wall versions, to Twalema Khonje, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101.

3. Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from holding herself out as a certified homemaker-home health aide in the State of New Jersey and/or practicing as a certified homemaker-home health aide, which includes but is not limited to performing delegated nursing regimens or nursing tasks delegated through the authority of a duly licensed professional nurse pending further order of the Board.

4. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed an admission of liability on the part of Respondent; nor shall anything herein prejudice Respondent's ability to defend herself against the criminal charges.

5. The entry of the within Order is without prejudice to the further investigation and/or prosecution of any violations

by Respondent of any statutes or regulations governing the homemaker-home health aide practice in the State of New Jersey or any other violations of law, by the Board, the Attorney General, or any other regulatory or law enforcement agency, including, but not limited to, any pending matters under investigation.

6. Nothing herein shall preclude the Board from initiating further disciplinary action based upon the conduct relating to Respondent as alleged above or upon disposition of the criminal matter, including, but not limited to, action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:11-24.3 in the event of Respondent's conviction of a disqualifying crime.

7. In the event that Respondent seeks reinstatement of her New Jersey certification in the future, Respondent shall:

- a. Furnish the Board with documentation of the disposition of the criminal charge against her and successful completion of all criminal sentencing terms (if any).
- b. Appear before the Board to discuss her readiness to reenter practice as a homemaker-home health aide.
- c. Provide the Board with evidence that she is capable of discharging the functions of a certificate holder in a manner consistent with the public's health, safety and welfare.

8. The Board reserves the right to place restrictions and/or limitations upon Respondent's certification to practice

as a homemaker-home health aide in the State of New Jersey in the event that her certification is reinstated.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By: Patricia Murphy
Patricia Murphy, PhD., APN, FAAN
President

I have read and understand the above Consent Order and I agree to abide by its terms. I understand that this Consent Order has serious legal consequences and have decided to enter into this agreement with the Board without counsel. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.

Alica Romancakova
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05/17/2017
Date

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 17th day of May, 2017.

TERESA D. FRANKIEWICZ
NOTARY PUBLIC OF NEW JERSEY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES DECEMBER 28, 2019

Teresa D. Frankiewicz