BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

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Executive Director of the Board

In the Matter of	§
Vocational Nurse License Number 194641	§
issued to COMFORT DELANDO ROBERTS,	§
PETITIONER for Exception	§

ORDER GRANTING PETITIONER'S REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION

A public meeting of the Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee of the Board, hereinafter referred to as the Committee, was held on June 10, 2014, at 333 Guadalupe, Tower 3, Suite 460, Austin, Texas, to consider the Petition for Exception and supporting documents filed by COMFORT DELANDO ROBERTS, hereinafter referred to as PETITIONER.

PETITIONER appeared in person.

Board Members in attendance were: Deborah Hughes Bell, CLU, ChFC; Marilyn Davis, MPA, BSN, RN; Mary LeBeck, MSN, RN. Staff present were: Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN, Executive Director; James W. Johnston, General Counsel; Anthony L. Diggs, Director, Enforcement Division; John De La Rosa, Investigator; Kathy Hoffman, Legal Assistant Supervisor; Amanda Huerta, Investigator; Carolyn Hudson, Investigator; and Andrea Gonzalez, Legal Secretary.

After review and due consideration of the filed Petition, the Committee voted to GRANT the Petition for Exception.

IT IS ORDERED that the sanction and conditions of this Order SHALL supercede all previous stipulations required by any Order entered by the Texas Board of Nursing.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that, while under the terms of this Order, this Order SHALL apply to any and all future licenses issued to Petitioner to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that this Order SHALL be applicable to Petitioner's nurse licensure compact privileges, if any, to practice nursing in the State of Texas.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED and ORDERED that while Petitioner's license(s) is/are encumbered by this Order, Petitioner may not work outside the State of Texas pursuant to a nurse licensure compact privilege without the written permission of the Texas Board of Nursing and the Board of Nursing in the party state where Petitioner wishes to work.

(1) PETITIONER SHALL comply in all respects with the Nursing Practice Act, Texas Occupations Code §§301.001 *et seq.*, the Rules and Regulations Relating to Nurse Education, Licensure and Practice, 22 TEX. ADMIN. CODE §211.1 *et seq.,* and this Order.

(2) PETITIONER SHALL comply with the Louisiana Board of Nursing investigation, and any Order issued by the Louisiana Board of Nursing, if any.

(3) PETITIONER SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete a course in Texas nursing jurisprudence and ethics. PETITIONER SHALL obtain Board approval of the course prior to enrollment only if the course is <u>not</u> being offered by a pre-approved provider. Home study courses and video programs will not be approved. In order for the course to be approved, the target audience shall include nurses. It shall be a minimum of six (6) hours in length. The course's content shall include the Nursing Practice Act, standards of practice, documentation of care, principles of nursing ethics, confidentiality, professional boundaries, and the Board's Disciplinary Sanction Policies regarding: Sexual Misconduct; Fraud, Theft and Deception; Nurses with Substance Abuse, Misuse, Substance Dependency,

or other Substance Use Disorder; and Lying and Falsification. Courses focusing on malpractice issues will not be accepted. PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE the sponsoring institution to submit a Verification of Course Completion form, provided by the Board, to the Office of the Board to verify PETITIONER'S successful completion of the course. This course shall be taken in addition to any other courses stipulated in this Order, if any, and in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board has for relicensure. *Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.*

(4) PETITIONER SHALL, within one (1) year of entry of this Order, successfully complete the course "Sharpening Critical Thinking Skills," a 3.6 contact hour online program provided by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN) Learning Extension. In order to receive credit for completion of this program, PETITIONER SHALL SUBMIT the continuing education certificate of completion for this program to the Board's office, to the attention of Monitoring. This course is to be taken in addition to any continuing education requirements the Board may have for relicensure. *Board-approved courses may be found at the following Board website address: http://www.bon.texas.gov/disciplinaryaction/stipscourses.html.*

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that upon full compliance with the terms of this Order, all encumbrances will be removed from PETITIONER'S license to practice nursing in the State of Texas and PETITIONER shall be eligible for nurse licensure compact privileges, if any.

Entered this 10th day of June, 2014.

Katherine A. Thomas, MN, RN, FAAN
Executive Director on behalf of said Board