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Michelle Johnson
Executive Director of the Board

BEFORE THE TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING

In the Matter of §
Registered Nurse License Number 724702 §
issued to RENE MICHELLE FAZZIO, §
PETITIONER for Exception §

ORDER GRANTING PETITIONER’S REQUEST FOR EXCEPTION

On this day, the Executive Director, on behalf of the Texas Board of Nursing, hereinafter referred to as the “Board”, considered Petitioner’s Request for Exception filed in the above-styled matter. A Reinstatement Agreed Order of the Board was entered on August 9, 2016, for RENE MICHELLE FAZZIO, Registered Nurse License Number 724702. Petitioner filed a Request for Exception to the Agreed Order on December 8, 2016. After review and due consideration of the Petitioner’s request, and pursuant to 22 Tex. Admin. Code §211.7(h), the Executive Director of the Board **GRANTS** Petitioner’s Request for Exception. Therefore, Petitioner is required to comply with and complete all of the requirements of the August 9, 2016, Reinstatement Agreed Order, except that Stipulation Number Six (VI), subsections (C), (G) and (H) are modified as follows:

- (C) **Direct Supervision:** For the first year [four (4) quarters] of employment as a Nurse under this Order, PETITIONER SHALL be directly supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse. Direct supervision requires another nurse, as applicable, to be working on the same unit as PETITIONER and immediately available to provide assistance and intervention. This stipulation may be met at VIK Medical, Austin, Texas, with a physician to serve as supervisor under this requirement. PETITIONER SHALL work only on regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). PETITIONER SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice or home health agency. PETITIONER SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.

- (G) **Indirect Supervision:** For the remainder of the stipulation/probation period, PETITIONER SHALL be supervised by a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Registered Nurse, or by a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse, if licensed as a Licensed Vocational Nurse, who is on the premises. The supervising nurse is not required to be on the same unit or ward as PETITIONER, but should be on the facility grounds and readily available to provide assistance and intervention if necessary. This stipulation may be met at VIK Medical, Austin, Texas, with a physician to serve as supervisor under this requirement. The supervising nurse shall have a minimum of two (2) years experience in the same or similar practice setting to which the PETITIONER is currently working. PETITIONER SHALL work only regularly assigned, identified and predetermined unit(s). PETITIONER SHALL NOT be employed by a nurse registry, temporary nurse employment agency, hospice, or home health agency. PETITIONER SHALL NOT be self-employed or contract for services. Multiple employers are prohibited.
- (H) **Nursing Performance Evaluations:** PETITIONER SHALL CAUSE each employer to submit, on forms provided to the PETITIONER by the Board, periodic reports as to PETITIONER'S capability to practice nursing. These reports shall be completed by the nurse or physician, as applicable, who supervises the PETITIONER and these reports shall be submitted by the supervisor to the office of the Board at the end of each three (3) month quarterly period for twelve (12) quarters [three (3) years] of employment as a nurse.

PETITIONER is responsible for completing all remaining requirements of the August 9, 2016, Reinstatement Agreed Order as written.

Entered this 29th day of March, 2017.

TEXAS BOARD OF NURSING



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Executive Director on behalf of said Board