BEFORE THE KANSAS STATE BOARD OF NURSING

LANDON STATE OFFICE BUILDING, 900 S.W. JACKSON #1051 TOPEKA, KANSAS 66612-1230 AUG 1 1 2004
Board of Nursing

IN THE MATTER OF MARGARET HIGGINS LICENSE NO. 13-027535-022

CASE NO. 02-690-9

DEFAULT ORDER SUSPENDING LICENSE

NOW ON THIS 11th day of August, 2004, petitioner appears by disciplinary counsel, Betty Wright, for a Hearing on the Petition. Respondent does not appear.

Wherefore, the hearing officer finds as follows:

- Respondent is licensed through 2/28/2005 as an R.N. The board has jurisdiction over this matter.
- 2. Petitioner sent a copy of the petition and notice of this hearing to respondent's last known address and service is proper.
- 3. Petitioner moves for issuance of a proposed default order suspending license.
- 4. The petitioner's request is granted by default.
- 5. The petition is hereby granted and incorporated into this order as if set forth herein.
- 6. Respondent violated the Nurse Practice Act by violating:
 - K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(6) to be guilty of unprofessional conduct as defined by rules and regulations of the board;
 - K.A.R. 60-3-110(n) diverting drugs, supplies, or property of any patient or agency;
 - K.S.A. 65-1120(a)(4) to be unable to practice with skill and safety due to current abuse of drugs or alcohol.
 - K.A.R. 60-3-110(s) failing to complete the requirement of the impaired provider program of the board.
- Costs of the action of \$70 are assessed to respondent to be paid to the board by cash or money order within 30 days of the effective date of this order.
- Respondent shall forward original Kansas R.N. license immediately to the Kansas State Board of Nursing.
- Disciplinary counsel shall mail a copy of this order to respondent's last known address.
 IT IS SO ORDERED.

Terry E. Beck, Hearing Officer

NOTICE

This is a proposed default order pursuant to K.S.A. 77-520. This order becomes effective if respondent does not file a written motion requesting that this order be vacated with the board within seven days after the day this order is mailed. If a motion is timely filed, then a hearing will be set and notice given to respondent to appear. Another order will then be issued either vacating or affirming this order.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On the <u>fl</u> day of <u>covering</u>, <u>2004</u>, I deposited a copy of this notice and the above-referenced pleading with the United States Postal Service, postage pre-paid, addressed to:

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