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July 17, 2015

### VIA REGULAR AND CERTIFIED MAIL

Jessica Felix, C.H.H.A.  
12 Knickerbocker Road  
Englewood, NJ 07631

RE: **I/M/O Jessica Felix, C.H.H.A.**  
Final Order of Discipline

Dear Ms. Jessica Felix:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Final Order of Discipline ("FOD") filed with the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") in the above referenced matter. Please read this Order carefully, as you may be subject to additional discipline if you do not comply with the terms of the Order. You can obtain information about the status of your certification by calling the Board office at (973) 504-6430.

Sincerely yours,

Joanne Leone, Acting Executive Director,  
State Board of Nursing

Encl.

cc: Susan Carboni, DAG  
Shirley Dickstein, DAG

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IN THE MATTER OF SUSPENSION OR :  
REVOCATION OF THE CERTIFICATE OF : ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION  
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JESSICA FELIX, C.H.H.A. : FINAL ORDER OF DISCIPLINE  
Certificate No.: 26NH13806300 :  
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TO PRACTICE AS A CERTIFIED :  
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 which the Board has reviewed and on which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Jessica Felix, ("Respondent") is the holder of certificate number 26NH13806300 and has been certified at all times relevant hereto.

2. Upon receipt of a flagging notice indicating that Respondent was arrested on July 5, 2013 by the Edgewater Police Department for violation of N.J.S.A. 2C:35-10, Possession/Use of a Controlled Dangerous Substance, the Board sent a letter of

inquiry, requesting certain information and submission of documents, to Respondent's address of record in Englewood, New Jersey, via regular and certified mail on or about July 17, 2013. The regular mailing was not returned; the certified mail receipt was signed and return to the Board.

3. To date, Respondent has not provided a response to the Board's request for information.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondent's failure to fully respond to the Board's request for information constitutes a failure to cooperate with a Board investigation, in contravention of N.J.A.C. 13:45C-1.2, -1.3, in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e), and subjecting Respondent to disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h).

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on February 28, 2015, provisionally suspending respondent's certification to practice as a homemaker-home health aide, and imposing a \$200 civil penalty. A copy of the Order was served upon respondent by certified and regular mail at her address of record. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30<sup>th</sup> day following entry unless respondent

requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

Respondent replied to the Provisional Order, sending in information relating to her employment, a copy of an "Initial General Complaint Report" from Edgewater, and documentation of her entry into a diversionary program for six months, as of December 19, 2013, for a six month period. However, no narrative statement was provided, or any charging document or municipal complaint setting forth the facts and circumstances that led to the arrest. Moreover, respondent did not provide documentation of the disposition of the criminal charges, although the six month period for the diversionary program would have terminated approximately a year ago. The Board noted that respondent had not provided sufficient information for the Board to understand what led to the arrest, or the nature and amount of the controlled dangerous substance involved, or even whether respondent had successfully completed the diversionary program. Therefore the Board determined that respondent still has not

fully cooperated with the Board's investigation, and the Provisional Order should be made final.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2015,

ORDERED that:

1. Respondent's certificate to practice as a homemaker-home health aide is hereby suspended until such time as Respondent cooperates fully with the Board's investigation by providing the Board with the information requested in the Board's letter of inquiry.

2. Respondent shall remit payment of a monetary penalty pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25 in the amount of \$200.00 by certified check or money order payable to the State of New Jersey, delivered to Leslie Burgos-Bonilla, State Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101. Payment shall be made no later than 15 days after the filing of the entry of this order. In the event Respondent fails to make a timely payment, a certificate of debt shall be filed in accordance with N.J.S.A. 45:1-24 and the Board may bring such other proceedings as authorized by law.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

*Patricia Murphy Ph.D. APN*

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Patricia Murphy, PhD, APN  
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