BEFORE THE MARYLAND

* STATE BOARD OF
LCPC
RESPONDENT

* AND THERAPISTS

LICENSE NO. LC6800

* Case Numbers: 2020-100 & 2021-081

ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT AND PROBATION

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2023, the Maryland Board of Professional Counselors and Therapists (the "Board") entered into an agreement with Gabriela Romo, License Number LC6800, that resulted in a Consent Order which suspended her license to practice professional counseling in the State of Maryland for a period of two (2) years, with all but six (6) months stayed; and

WHEREAS, the Board having determined that Gabriela Romo has in fact satisfied the requirements of the August 29, 2023 Consent Order, specifically the Board's Order that she provide evidence of her rehabilitation and her understanding of the harm caused by her misrepresentation, and copies of the Respondent's client forms, documentation and advertising materials that the Respondent plans to utilize and/or provide to prospective clients; as well as screenshots of updated social media pages, thumbnails and radio advertisements displaying compliance with the pertinent provisions of Health Occupations Article § 17-509 and COMAR 10.58.03; completion of a three (3) credit hour course of Ethics, and payment of a fifteen hundred dollar (\$1500.00) fine, it is therefore

ORDERED that the formal evidentiary hearing is **VACATED**; and

WHEREAS on May 17, 2024, after having received a request to lift the suspension of her

license, the Board hereby approves Gabriela Romos's request to lift the suspension of her license

and reinstate the license pursuant to the Health Occupations Article §17-514.

It is hereby:

ORDERED, that effective May 17, 2024, Gabriela Romo's license shall be

REINSTATED; and it is further

ORDERED that Gabriela Romo shall be placed on **PROBATION** for a period of three

(3) years, effective from the date of this Order of Reinstatement and Probation; and it is further

ORDERED that Gabriela Romo shall comply with the specific terms and conditions of

Probation as outlined in the Consent Order dated August 29, 2023, and it is further

ORDERED, that at the end of the one-year probationary period, after having completed

all of the terms and conditions of probation, Gabriela Romo may petition the Board for the

termination of probation and full reinstatement of her Maryland clinical professional counseling

license, provided that, at that time, Gabriela Romo is not under investigation, or no charges have

been issued against her; and it is further

ORDERED, that Gabriela Romo shall not petition the Board for an early termination of

probation; and it is further

ORDERED, that this is a Final Order of the Maryland Board of Professional Counselors

and Therapists and as such is a PUBLIC DOCUMENT pursuant to Md. Code Ann., State Gov't

Art., §§ 10-611, et seq.

05/17/2024

Date

Winnie Moore, LCPC, Chair

Maryland Board of Professional

Counselors and Therapists