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David A. Cox, LMT, Chair
Maryland State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners
4201 Patterson Avenue, 3rd Floor
Baltimore, MD 21215-2299

Re: Surrender of Registration to Practice Massage Therapy
Enqiu Huang (aka "Enqui Huang")
Registration Number: R02059
Case Numbers: 16-10-AM

Dear Mr. Cox and Members of the Board,

Please be advised that, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. ("Health Occ.") § 6-307 (2014 Repl. Vol. & 2017 Supp.), I have decided to **SURRENDER** my registration to practice massage therapy in the State of Maryland, Registration Number R02059, effective immediately. I understand that upon surrender of my registration, I may not practice massage therapy on any individual, with or without compensation or otherwise engage in the practice of massage therapy in the State of Maryland as it is defined in the Maryland Massage Therapy Act (the "Act"), Health Occ. §§ 6-101 *et seq.* and other applicable laws. In other words, as of the effective date of this Letter of Surrender, I understand that the surrender of my registration means that I am in the same position as an unregistered individual in the State of Maryland.

I understand that this Letter of Surrender is a **PUBLIC DOCUMENT**, and upon the Maryland State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners' ("the Board's") acceptance, becomes a **FINAL ORDER** of the Board.

I acknowledge that the Board received a complaint from the Frederick County Sheriff's Office to report the results of an investigation they had conducted involving three businesses owned and operated by me: Autumn Breeze Spa, 5 Willowdale Drive, Suite B-11, Frederick, Maryland; Serenity Foot Spa, 147 Thomas Johnson Drive, Suite 203, Frederick, Maryland; and Autumn Moon Massage Spa, 11377 Robinwood Drive in Hagerstown, Maryland. As a result of the Frederick County Sheriff's investigation, I was charged with two counts of "Prostitution-Business" and two counts of "Prostitution-General". On January 17, 2017, I pled guilty in the District Court for Montgomery County, Maryland to one count of "Prostitution-General," in violation of Md. Code Ann., Crim. Law § 11-306.5. The District Court entered probation before judgment, imposed a two-year period of unsupervised probation, and issued a \$500 fine, with \$250 suspended. As a condition of probation, I may not operate a massage business in Frederick County,

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Md during the time I am on probation. The Board initiated an investigation into the allegations. Based on its investigation, on June 9, 2017, the Board issued Charges. A copy of the Charges is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 1.

I have decided to surrender my registration to practice massage therapy in the State of Maryland to avoid further investigation and prosecution of these charges. I recognize that for all purposes relevant to registration or licensure that these allegations shall be treated as proven and that these allegations support a conclusion that I violated Health Occ. § 6-308(a)(2) (Fraudulently or deceptively uses a ... registration); (4) (Is convicted of or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or to a crime involving moral turpitude, whether or not any appeal or other proceeding is pending to have the conviction or plea set aside; (8) (Does an act that is inconsistent with generally accepted standards in the practice of massage therapy); (20) (Engages in conduct that violates the professional code of ethics); and (21) (Knowingly does an act that has been determined by the Board to be a violation of the Board's regulations). In addition, the allegations support a conclusion that I violated the following regulations of the Board: Md. Code Regs. 10.43.18.03(C)(2), (3), (6); (D)(2), (6); Md. Code Regs. 10.43.18.05(A); Md. Code Regs. 10.43.18.08(A); Md. Code Regs. 10.43.21.01(A), (B), and .02(A).

I wish to make it clear that I have voluntarily, knowingly and freely chosen to submit this Letter of Surrender to avoid further prosecution of the disciplinary charges. I acknowledge that for all purposes related to massage therapy licensure, the charges will be treated as if proven.¹

I understand that by executing this Letter of Surrender I am waiving my right to a hearing to contest the disciplinary charges. In waiving my right to contest the charges, I am also waiving the right to be represented by counsel at the hearing, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my own behalf, and all other substantive and procedural protections provided by law, including the right to appeal to circuit court.

I acknowledge that on or before the effective date of this Letter of Surrender I shall present to the Board my Maryland massage therapy license, including any renewal certificates and wallet-sized renewal cards.

I understand that the Board will advise the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards, the National Practitioner Data Bank, and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank of this Letter of Surrender. I also understand that in the event I would apply for registration or licensure in any form in any other state or jurisdiction that this Letter of Surrender may be released or published by the Board to the same extent as a final order that would result from disciplinary action, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. §§ 4-

¹ The Board concedes that it does not have sufficient evidence to prove that I violated Md. Code Regs. 10.43.18.05(B).

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101 *et seq.* (2014 & 2016 Supp.), and that this Letter of Surrender constitutes a disciplinary action by the Board.

I further recognize and agree that by submitting this Letter of Surrender, my registration will remain surrendered for a minimum of **FOUR (4) YEARS**.

I understand that after four years, if I apply for reinstatement of a new Maryland registration, I understand that the Board is not required to grant reinstatement; and, if it does grant reinstatement, may impose any terms and conditions the Board considers appropriate for public safety and the protection of the integrity and reputation of the profession. I further understand that if I ever file a petition for reinstatement, I will approach the Board in the same position as an individual whose registration has been revoked and my application may be accepted or denied by the Board in its sole discretion.

I acknowledge that I may not rescind this permanent Letter of Surrender in part or in its entirety for any reason whatsoever. Finally, I wish to make clear that I have consulted with counsel before signing this permanent Letter of Surrender. I understand both the nature of the Board's actions and this permanent Letter of Surrender fully. I acknowledge that I understand and comprehend the language, meaning and terms and effect of this Letter of Surrender. I make this decision knowingly and voluntarily and without any duress.

Very truly yours,



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NOTARY

STATE OF MD
CITY/COUNTY OF Prince Georges

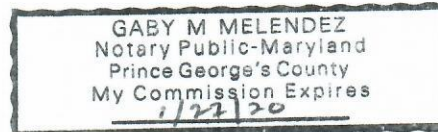
I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 28 day of March, 2018 before me, a Notary Public of the City/County aforesaid, personally appeared Enqiu Huang, and declared and affirmed under the penalties of perjury that the signing of this Letter of Surrender was their voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial seal.


Notary Public


My commission expires:

Jan. 27 . 2020



ACCEPTANCE

On behalf of the Board of Examiners of Massage Therapists, on this 6th day of April, 2018, I, Laurie Sheffield-James, accept Enqiu Huang's **PUBLIC SURRENDER** of his registration to practice massage therapy in the State of Maryland.


Laurie Sheffield-James, Executive Director
Maryland Board of Examiners of Massage Therapists

