IN THE MATTER OF * BEFORE THE MARYLAND

* BOARD OF NURSING

PAULINE IRUNGU

LICENSE NO.: LP52564 * OAG CASE NO. 22 - BP – 005

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ORDER CONTINUING SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE LICENSE

On March 29, 2022, the Maryland Board of Nursing ("the Board") issued an "Order for Summary Suspension of Licensed Practical Nurse License and Multistate Licensure Privilege to Practice Registered Nursing in the State of Maryland Pursuant to Section 10-226(c)(2) of the Administrative Procedure Act" to PAULINE IRUNGU, License Number LP52564, ("the Respondent"). On April 27, 2022, the Board held a Show Cause Hearing to give the Respondent an opportunity to present argument as to why the Board should not continue the summary suspension of the Respondent's license. The Respondent failed to appear at the Show Cause Hearing. The Administrative Prosecutor was present at the Show Cause Hearing on behalf of the State. After considering the oral argument(s) presented at the Show Cause Hearing, the Board decided to continue the summary suspension of the Respondent's license to practice as licensed practical nurse to practice in the State of Maryland.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Board concludes that the public health, safety, or welfare imperatively requires continued emergency action in this case under Md. Code Ann., State Gov't § 10-226(c)(2) (2014).

<u>ORDER</u>

Based on the foregoing, it is hereby:

ORDERED that the SUMMARY SUSPENSION of the Respondent's license to practice as a Licensed Practical Nurse in the State of Maryland is CONTINUED until further Order of the Board in this case; and it is further

ORDERED that an evidentiary hearing on the merits of the Order for Summary Suspension will be scheduled before the Board of Nursing if the Respondent submits a written request to the Board no later than thirty (30) days from the date of this Order; and it is further

ORDERED that if the Respondent does not submit a timely written request to the Board for an evidentiary hearing within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order, the Respondent shall have waived all rights now and in the future to an evidentiary hearing; and it is further

ORDERED that this Order Continuing Summary Suspension is a **PUBLIC RECORD** pursuant to Maryland Code Ann., General Provisions §§ 4-101 et seq. (2014).

April 27, 2022

Date

Karen E.B. Evans, MSN, RN-BC The Executive Director's Signature Appears on the Original Document

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