1 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS 2 **DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION** BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR 3 4 5 In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION 6 CARLOS X. MONTANO, **ORDER OF SUSPENSION** 7 8 **Respondent.** 9 10 11 WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A) requires the Administrative Director 12 to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' 13 compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider if the individual has been 14 convicted of any felony or misdemeanor described in Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A); 15 and 16 WHEREAS, on or about July 26, 2018, Respondent Carlos X. Montano pled guilty to 17 or was found guilty of one or more felonies or misdemeanors described in Labor Code 18 section 139.21(a)(1)(A) in the Superior Court of California, County of Orange; and 19 WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(B) requires the Administrative Director 20 to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' 21 compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider who has been suspended, 22 due to fraud or abuse, from the federal Medicare or Medicaid programs; and 23 WHEREAS, Carlos X. Montano was suspended, due to fraud or abuse, from the 24 federal Medicare or Medicaid programs; and 25 WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(C) requires the Administrative Director 26 to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' 27 compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider whose license, certification,

28 or approval to provide health care services has been surrendered or revoked; and

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WHEREAS, on or about June 21, 2021, Carlos X. Montano' license, certification, or approval to provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the Medical Board, Department of Consumer Affairs; and

WHEREAS, on or about January 16, 2024, the Administrative Director mailed to Carlos X. Montano a written notice of the right to a hearing regarding the suspension and the procedure to follow to request a hearing, as provided in Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations, title 8, section 9788.1; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21(b)(2) and California Code of Regulations, title 8, section 9788.1(d), the written notice advised Carlos X. Montano that the suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Carlos X. Montano submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

WHEREAS, Carlos X. Montano did not submit a written request for hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Director is required to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider pursuant to Labor Code section 139.21 and California Code of Regulations, title 8, section 9788.2, after thirty (30) days from the date the notice was mailed, unless the physician, practitioner, or provider submits a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mail of the notice;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent Carlos X. Montano is hereby suspended from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider.

Date: March 26, 2024

<u>/S/ George Parisotto</u> GEORGE PARISOTTO Administrative Director Division of Workers' Compensation