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STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION BEFORE THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION

LORI ANN PEREZ,

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

Respondent.

WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A) requires the Administrative Director to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider if the individual has been convicted of any felony or misdemeanor described in Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A); and

WHEREAS, on or about May 26, 2022, Respondent Lori Ann Perez pled guilty to or was found guilty of one or more felonies or misdemeanors described in Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(A) in the Superior Court of California, County of Riverside, and

WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(B) requires the Administrative Director to suspend any physician, practitioner, or provider from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner, or provider whose license, certification or approval to provide health care services has been surrendered or revoked; and

WHEREAS, on or about January 19, 2023, Lori Ann Perez's license, certification, or approval to provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the California Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians, Department of Consumer Affairs State of California; and

WHEREAS, on or about December 11, 2023, the Administrative Director mailed to
Lori Ann Perez 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 Lori Ann Perez that the suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Lori Ann Perez submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

WHEREAS, Lori Ann Perez 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 Lori Ann Perez is hereby suspended from participating in the workers' compensation system as a physician, practitioner or provider.

Date: March 4, 2024

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