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

In Re: PROVIDER SUSPENSION

CAROLINA VELEZ.

Respondent.

ORDER OF SUSPENSION

WHEREAS, Labor Code section 139.21(a)(1)(C) 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 April 22, 2019, Carolina Velez's license, certification or approval to provide health care services was surrendered or revoked by the Medical Board of California, Department of Consumer Affairs; and

WHEREAS, on or about August 15, 2019, the Administrative Director mailed to Carolina Velez 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 Carolina Velez that the suspension would start thirty (30) calendar days after the date of mailing of written notice, unless Carolina Velez submitted a written request for a hearing within ten (10) calendar days of the date of mailing of the notice; and

WHEREAS, Carolina Velez 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 title 8, California Code of

Regulations 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 mailing of the notice;

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

Date: October <u>6</u>, 2019

GEØRGE PARISOTTO
Administrative Director
Division of Workers' Compensation