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In the Matter of:

No. 17-I-042

JAMIE E. GILL, LRT
(Certificate No. LRT.000528)
Respondent

**INTERIM
CONSENT ORDER**

This matter is before the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners (the "Board") in connection with an ongoing investigation conducted by the Investigating Officer of the Board regarding Jamie E. Gill, LRT ("Mr. Gill"), who at all pertinent times has been licensed and engaged in practice as a Respiratory Therapist in and around Jonesboro, Louisiana. Apparently reliable information gathered to date indicates that Mr. Gill, who suffers from a recurring dependency to alcohol, was terminated from employment after testing positive for alcohol while on duty. Mr. Gill has advised us that he would like to give up his license and is agreeable to this interim suspension.

Predicated upon the information outlined above, the Investigating Officer has determined that reasonable cause exists for recommending that a formal Administrative Complaint be filed against Mr. Gill, charging him with violation of the Louisiana Respiratory Therapy Practice Act and the Board's Rules and Regulations pertaining to Respiratory Therapists.¹

As evidenced by his subscription hereto, Mr. Gill acknowledges the right to have written notification of any charges that may be asserted, as well as the right to have evidence of such charges asserted during an administrative hearing at which time he will be entitled to be represented by legal counsel, to call witnesses and to present evidence in defense or in mitigation of the charges made, and to a decision thereon by the Board based upon written findings of fact and conclusions of law, pursuant to La. Rev. Stat. §§49:951, *et seq.* While maintaining such rights Mr. Gill, nonetheless, hereby consents to the indefinite suspension of his license to practice respiratory therapy in this state, with reinstatement thereof subject to the terms and conditions of this Order. By his subscription hereto, Mr. Gill authorizes the Investigating Officer designated by the Board with respect hereto to present this Interim Consent Order to the Board for its consideration and to fully discuss with and disclose to the Board the nature

¹ La. Rev. Stat. §37:3358(A) provides that the board may deny, refuse to renew a license, may suspend, revoke, or impose probationary conditions on a license if the licensee or applicant for license has been found guilty of unprofessional conduct which has endangered or is likely to endanger the health, welfare, or safety of the public. Such unprofessional conduct shall include:

(7) 'Habitual or recurring abuse of drugs, including alcohol, which affect the central nervous system and which are capable of inducing physiological or psychological dependence.'

(15) 'Inability to practice respiratory therapy with reasonable competence, skill, or safety to patients because of mental or physical illness, condition, or deficiency, including but not limited to deterioration through the aging process or excessive use or abuse of drugs, including alcohol.'

The Board's rules also prescribe such conduct as well. La. Adm. C. §§46XIV:5519 A.5. and i3.

and extent of such charges and he waives any objection to such disclosures under La. Rev. Stat. §49:960. Mr. Gill expressly acknowledges that disclosure of such information to the Board by the Investigating Officer shall be without prejudice to the Investigating Officer's authority to prosecute the abovementioned charges and/or any additional administrative charges that may be filed in this matter or to the Board's capacity to adjudicate such charges.

Accordingly, in consideration of the foregoing and pursuant to the authority vested in the Board by La. Rev. Stat. §37:3358 and La. Rev. Stat. §49:955(D);

IT IS ORDERED that the license of Jamie E. Gill, to engage in the practice of respiratory therapy in the State of Louisiana, as evidenced by Certificate No. LRT 000528, be and the same is hereby, effective as of the date hereof, **INDEFINITELY SUSPENDED**.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Jamie E. Gill, LRT shall not practice in the State of Louisiana until and unless the Board issues and serves a written decision reinstating his license to practice following: (1) a meeting at the Board office with the Director of Investigations or designee; **and** (2) receipt of satisfactory documentation that Mr. Gill has successfully completed all recommendations by the Director of Investigations or designee to demonstrate to the Board that he is competent to return to the practice of respiratory therapy with skill and safety; **and** (3) the conclusion of the pending investigation by administrative hearing and final decision of the Board on any charges that may be filed in these proceedings including, but not limited to, those identified in this Order; or alternatively, by the Board's acceptance of a Consent Order or other disposition of the pending investigation.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any violation or failure of strict compliance with any of the terms, conditions or restrictions set forth by this Order by Mr. Gill shall be deemed adequate and sufficient cause, upon proof of such violation or failure, for the revocation and cancellation of Mr. Gill's license to practice respiratory therapy in the state of Louisiana or for such other action as the Board may deem appropriate, as if such violations were enumerated among the causes provided in La. Rev. Stat. §37:3358.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Interim Consent Order shall be, and shall be deemed to be, a public record.

New Orleans, Louisiana, this 13th day of March, 2017.

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By: K. Barton Farris, M.D.
K. BARTON FARRIS, M.D.
Vice President

STATE OF Louisiana

PARISH/COUNTY OF Jackson

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT
AND CONSENT**

I, JAMIE E. GILL, LRT, hereby acknowledge, approve, accept and consent to entry of the above
and foregoing, Order, this 21st day of February, 2017.

[Signature]
Jamie E. Gill, LRT

WITNESSES:

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Sworn to and subscribed before me at Jonesboro, Louisiana, this 21st day of February, 2017.
in the presence of the two stated witnesses.

[Signature]
Notary Public

Print name Christy Wyatt

Bar/Notary No.: 62314