State of New Hampshire New Hampshire Board of Nursing Concord, New Hampshire 03301

In the matter of: Steve Carver, APRN/RN APRN Lic. #085700-23 RN Lic. #085700-21 DOCKET #2022-NUR-044

VOLUNTARY PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT NOT TO PRACTICE

The New Hampshire Board of Nursing ("Board") licenses Steve Carver ("Mr. Carver or Respondent") as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse ("APRN") and Registered Nurse ("RN"). Mr. Carver holds licenses APRN Lic. #085700-23 and RN Lic. #085700-21.

On October 27, 2022, the Board issued an emergency suspension of Mr. Carver's license to practice as an RN over concerns about the status of his sobriety, location, and active NH license after allegations of professional misconduct stemming from failure to comply with conditions of a monitoring agreement and drug screening in the State of Vermont. An emergency hearing is scheduled for November 10, 2022 at 5:00 PM.

In lieu of the emergency hearing, Mr. Carver enters into a Voluntary Preliminary

Agreement Not to Practice with the Board as follows:

- I, Steve Carver, voluntarily agree not to practice as an APRN or RN in the State of New Hampshire, effective upon my signing this Voluntary Preliminary Agreement Not to Practice.
- 2. I admit to no violations of NH RSA 326-B or any administrative rules, ethical provisions, or any other laws, statutes, or regulations, adopted by the Board.
- Understanding that this Voluntary Preliminary Agreement Not to Practice and the
 restrictions herein shall remain until further order of the Board. I hereby specifically
 waive any

- statute of limitations, or laches defense, which might be then available, including but not limited to, those based on RSA 332-G: 8 and RSA 332-G: 9.
- 4. I understand that this *Voluntary Preliminary Agreement Not to Practice* shall remain in place until such time the ongoing investigation into this matter is completed and the adjudicatory process has been completed.
- 5. In the event that I apply for a renewal of my license while this agreement is in effect, I voluntarily agree to waive any statutory or administrative time deadlines regarding the Board's final action on any such license renewal application. I understand that by waiving such deadlines, the Board's final action on any such license renewal application will be automatically deferred until after the disposition of this Board matter and that my license will not expire while this Preliminary Agreement is in effect.
- 6. I enter into this *Voluntary Preliminary Agreement Not to Practice* with the Board and state that no promises or representations have been made to me other than those terms and conditions expressly stated herein.
- 7. I further understand that this document shall become a permanent part of my file and will be maintained by the Board as a public document upon execution by the Board as a Board Order.
- 8. I have had the opportunity to seek and obtain the advice of an attorney of my choosing in connection with my decision to sign this *Voluntary Preliminary Agreement Not to Practice*.

- I am of sound mind and not under the influence of any substance that would impair
 my judgement at the time I sign this Voluntary Preliminary Agreement Not to
 Practice.
- 10. I understand that my failure to comply with the terms of this *Voluntary Preliminary*Agreement Not to Practice shall constitute unprofessional conduct under RSA 326-B:37 and may subject me to discipline under RSA 326-B: 37.

FOR RESPONDENT

Date: 11/07/2022

Respondent (Steven Carver, APRN, RN)

FOR THE BOARD

This Voluntary Preliminary Agreement Not to Practice is hereby accepted in accordance with the binding terms and conditions set forth above and shall issue as an Order of the Board upon execution by the Board.

Date: November 8, 2022

Ashley Czechowicz

Print Name

Authorized Representative of the New Hampshire Board of Nursing