## Sara Cook-Pulizzotto, Radiographer

Mark D. Olszyk, M.D., Chair Disciplinary Panel A Maryland State Board of Physicians 4201 Patterson Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Baltimore, MD 21215-2299

Re: Surrender of License to Practice Radiography

Sara Cook-Pulizzotto, Radiographer

License Number: R03620 Case Number: 7723-0076

Dear Dr. Olszyk and Members of Disciplinary Panel A:

Please be advised that, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Health Occ. ("Health Occ.") §14-5B-13 (2021 Repl. Vol.), I have decided to **SURRENDER** my license to practice radiography in the State of Maryland, License Number R03620, effective immediately. I understand that upon surrender of my license, I may not practice radiography, with or without compensation, in the State of Maryland as it is defined in the Maryland Medical Practice Act (the "Act"), Health Occ. §§ 14-5B-01 et seq. and other applicable laws. In other words, as of the effective date of this Letter of Surrender, I understand that the surrender of my license means that I am in the same position as an unlicensed individual in the State of Maryland.

I understand that this Letter of Surrender is a **PUBLIC DOCUMENT**, and upon Disciplinary Panel A's ("Panel A") acceptance, becomes a **FINAL ORDER** of Panel A of the Maryland State Board of Physicians (the "Board").

I acknowledge that the Board initiated an investigation based on my violation of my Participant Rehabilitation Agreement ("PRA") and Participant Rehabilitation Plan ("PRP") with the Maryland Professional Rehabilitation Program ("MPRP") and the Disposition Agreement dated August 31, 2021. On August 3, 2022, Panel A issued an Order After Show Cause Hearing that placed my license on probation for a minimum of two (2) years and required that I continue to participate in MPRP.

I acknowledge that I again violated my PRA and PRP and the Order after Show Cause Hearing dated August 3, 2022. On April 24, 2023 Panel A issued a second Order After Show Cause Hearing that suspended my license for a minimum of one (1) year and required that I continue to participate in MPRP based on the second instance of failure to comply with my PRA and PRP.

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I acknowledge that I again violated my PRA and PRP and the April 24, 2023 Order After Show Cause Hearing.

I have decided to surrender my license to practice radiography in the State of Maryland because I no longer wish to comply with the terms and conditions of the April 24, 2023 Order After Show Cause Hearing and to avoid prosecution for failing to comply with the conditions of the Order. I acknowledge that the April 24, 2023 Order After Show Cause Hearing will remain and will continue to be a valid Final Order of the Board, however, upon acceptance of the Letter of Surrender, I will not be required to comply with the conditions of the April 24, 2023 Order After Show Cause Hearing as long as I do not have or possess an active radiography license in Maryland.

I wish to make it clear that I have voluntarily, knowingly and freely chosen to submit this Letter of Surrender to avoid the issuance of charges and prosecution for failing to comply with the terms and conditions of the April 24, 2023 Order After Show Cause Hearing. I do not wish to contest these allegations. I understand that by executing this Letter of Surrender, I am waiving my right to contest any charges that would issue from Panel A's investigative findings in a formal evidentiary hearing at which I would have had the right to counsel, to confront witnesses, to give testimony, to call witnesses on my own behalf and all other substantive and procedural protections provided by law, including the right to appeal to circuit court.

I understand that the Board will advise the Federation of State Medical Boards and the National Practitioner Data Bank of this Letter of Surrender. I also understand that in the event I would apply for licensure in any form in any other state or jurisdiction that this Letter of Surrender may be released or published by the Board to the same extent as a final order that would result from disciplinary action, pursuant to Md. Code Ann., Gen. Prov. §§ 4-101 et seq. (2014), and that this Letter of Surrender constitutes a disciplinary action by Panel A.

I further recognize and agree that by submitting this Letter of Surrender, my license in Maryland will remain surrendered unless and until the Board grants reinstatement. In the event that I apply for reinstatement of my Maryland License, I understand that Panel A or its successor is not required to grant reinstatement; and, if it does grant reinstatement, may impose any terms and conditions the disciplinary panel considers appropriate for public safety and the protection of the integrity and reputation of the profession. I further understand that if I file a petition for reinstatement, I will approach Panel A or its successor in the same position as an individual whose license has been revoked.

I acknowledge that I may not rescind this Letter of Surrender in part or in its entirety for any reason whatsoever. Finally, I wish to make clear that I have been advised of my right to be represented by an attorney of my choice throughout proceedings before Panel A, including the right to consult with an attorney prior to signing this Letter of

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Surrender. I understand both the nature of Panel A's actions and this Letter of Surrender fully. I acknowledge that I understand and comprehend the language, meaning and terms and effect of this Letter of Surrender. I make this decision knowingly and voluntarily.

Very truly yours,

Signature On File

Sara Cook-Pulizzotto, Radiographer

## NOTARY

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this of day of 2023 before me, a Notary Public of the City/County aforesaid, personally appeared Sara Cook-Pulizzotto, Radiographer, and declared and affirmed under the penalties of perjury that the signing of this Letter of Surrender was her voluntary act and deed.

AS WITNESS my hand and Notarial seal.

y Public-Maryland Harford County Commission Expires June 03, 2024

Notary Public

My commission expires:

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**ACCEPTANCE** 

On behalf of Disciplinary Panel A, on this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023, I, Christine A. Farrelly, accept Sara Cook-Pulizzotto, Radiographer's, PUBLIC SURRENDER of her license to practice radiography in the State of Maryland.

Signature On File

Christine A. Farrelly, Executive Director Maryland Board of Physicians