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 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

IN RE: **RICHARD THIBODEAU**) **CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR**
 of Lewiston, Maine) **VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF**
 License #P008532) **LICENSE**

INTRODUCTION

This document is a Consent Agreement regarding Richard Thibodeau's license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine. The parties enter into this Agreement pursuant to 10 M.R.S.A. § 8003(5)(B) and 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(1-A)(C). The parties to this Consent Agreement are Richard Thibodeau ("Licensee"), Maine State Board of Nursing ("Board") and the Department of Attorney General, State of Maine. The parties reached this Agreement on the basis of information submitted by Falmouth By The Sea from faxes dated December 22, 1999 and January 3, 2000 and information submitted the Maine Department of Human Services, Bureau of Medical Services, Division of Licensing and Certification in report #00PNF194, attached as Exhibit "A".

FACTS

1. Richard Thibodeau has been a licensed practical nurse by the Board to practice in Maine since 1984.
2. On January 1, 2000, the Division of Licensing and Certification investigated an allegation of abuse at Falmouth By The Sea, in Falmouth, Maine. Upon completion of the investigation it was determined that Mr. Thibodeau had abused a resident. See Exhibit A.
3. After considering the facts in Exhibit A, the Board finds that Mr. Thibodeau's nursing behavior failed to conform to the legal standards and accepted standards of the nursing profession by causing emotional injury to a patient and by failing to safeguard the patient's dignity.

AGREEMENT

4. The Board accepts the voluntary surrender of Richard Thibodeau's practical nursing license, number P008532.

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5. Richard Thibodeau understands that this document imposes discipline regarding his license to practice practical nursing in the State of Maine under 32 M.R.S.A. § 2105-A(2)(F) and (2)(H), Chapter 4(1)(A)(5)(b), 4(1)(A)(6), (4)(3)(f), (4)(3)(H) and (4)(3)(K). Mr. Thibodeau understands that he does not have to execute this Consent Agreement and that he has the right to consult with an attorney before entering into this Consent Agreement.
6. Richard Thibodeau may petition the Board for reinstatement of his license to probationary status when he decides to return to nursing. Mr. Thibodeau agrees and understands that his license will not be reinstated until and unless the Board, upon Mr. Thibodeau's written request, votes to reinstate Mr. Thibodeau's license. When considering whether to reinstate Mr. Thibodeau's license on probationary status, the Board will consider underlying facts of this case (Exhibit A) and any information Mr. Thibodeau wishes to provide to the Board that he is prepared to resume the practical practice of nursing.
7. Richard Thibodeau affirms that he executes this Consent Agreement of his own free will.
8. Modification of this Consent Agreement must be in writing and signed by all the parties.
9. This Consent Agreement is not subject to review or appeal by the Licensee, but may be enforced by an action in the Superior Court.
10. This Consent Agreement becomes effective upon the date of the last necessary signature below.

I, RICHARD THIBODEAU HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING CONSENT AGREEMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT BY SIGNING IT, I WAIVE CERTAIN RIGHTS. I SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY, WITHOUT ANY THREAT OR PROMISE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS CONSENT AGREEMENT CONTAINS THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND THERE IS NO OTHER AGREEMENT OF ANY KIND.

DATED: July 11 2001

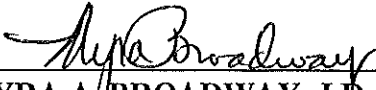
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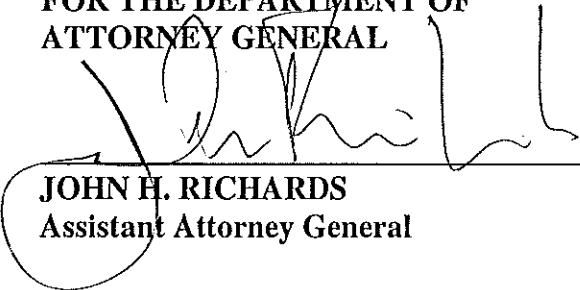
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**FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
ATTORNEY GENERAL**

DATED: 7/23/01



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