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**RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
DIVISION OF HEALTHCARE QUALITY AND SAFETY
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**IN THE MATTER OF: MICHEL ROMERO HAZIM
LICENSEE NO.: NA 54257
COMPLAINT ID #: C24-0358**

CONSENT ORDER

Pursuant to R.I. Gen Laws §23-17.9-1 *et seq.* and the Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, 216-RICR-40-05-22, the Rhode Island Department of Health ("RIDOH") has investigated Complaint No. C24-0358 (the "Complaint") charging **MICHEL ROMERO HAZIM**, nursing assistant license number NA 54257, ("Respondent") with violations of R.I. Gen Laws §23-17.9-1 *et seq.*

After review and consideration by RIDOH with respect to the allegations of unprofessional conduct of Respondent, the following are and shall constitute

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. That Respondent is a Nursing Assistant licensed to practice in the State of Rhode Island under Nursing Assistant License Number NA 54257.
2. That on or about March 28 and 29, and April 1, 2, and 3, 2024, Respondent was employed as a nursing assistant and was assigned to work for a patient at the patient's home in Providence, Rhode Island.
3. That on or about March 28 and 29, and April 1, 2, and 3, 2024, Respondent was in the Dominican Republic. Respondent told the patient that she would be on vacation on March 28 and 29, and April 1, 2, and 3, 2024.
4. Respondent asked a friend of her to clock in and out for her while she was in the Dominican Republic to make it appear as if she had worked at the patient's home on those dates. The friend did so and Respondent submitted timesheets to her employee indicating that she had worked at the patient's home, thus committing fraud.

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5. That the conduct described in paragraph four (4) herein constitutes unprofessional conduct pursuant to R.I. Gen Laws §23-17.9-1 et seq. and the Rules and Regulations promulgated there under.
6. That Respondent admits to the jurisdiction of RIDOH and hereby agrees to remain under the jurisdiction of RIDOH.
7. That Respondent has read this Consent Order and understands this Consent Order shall become binding once signed by Respondent and RIDOH.
8. That Respondent understands the purpose of this Consent Order is solely to resolve the Complaint.
9. That Respondent hereby acknowledges and waives:
 - a) The right to have an administrative hearing on this matter;
 - b) The right to represent oneself or be represented by an attorney of Respondent's own choosing at said hearing;
 - c) The right to present testimony, evidence and witnesses on Respondent's behalf;
 - d) The right to cross-examine witnesses presented by RIDOH;
 - e) The right to further procedural steps except for those specifically contained herein;
 - f) The right to take an appeal from the terms of this Consent Order; and
 - g) Any objection that this Consent Order will (i) be reported to the National Practitioner Data Bank, (ii) become a permanent part of Respondent's record maintained by RIDOH and a part of the public record of this proceeding, or (iii) be posted on RIDOH's public website.

ACCORDINGLY AND BASED ON THE FOREGOING

RIDOH and Respondent hereby agree to the following disposition of this Complaint:

9. Respondent is hereby issued the sanction of a Reprimand, effective on the day this Consent Order is last executed.
10. Respondent acknowledges that this Consent Order is an agreement between Respondent and RIDOH.

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Michel Romera Hazim

MICHEL ROMERA HAZIM
LICENSEE NO. NA 54257

Date Signed:

05/13/24

Bruce D. Todesco

Bruce D. Todesco, Chief
Center for Professional Boards and Licensing

Date Signed:

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