## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

## SUFFOLK COUNTY

## BOARD OF REGISTRATION IN PHARMACY

In the Matter of	)	
Prithvi Thadikonda	)	PHA-2022-0196
PI166776	)	CAS-2022-1297
Expires: 10/1/2025	. <b>)</b>	

## CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR VOLUNTARY SURRENDER

The Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy ("Board") and Prithvi Thadikonda ("Licensee"), pharmacy intern licensed by the Board, License No. PI166776 do hereby stipulate and agree that the following information shall be entered into and become a permanent part of the Licensee's record maintained by the Board:

- 1. The Licensee acknowledges that the Board opened a complaint against their Massachusetts pharmacy intern license related to the conduct set forth in Paragraph 2, identified as Docket No. PHA-2022-0196 ("the Complaint").<sup>1</sup>
- 2. The Licensee and the Board agree to resolve this Complaint without making any admissions or findings and without proceeding to a formal adjudicatory hearing. The Complaint alleges the following:
  - a. The Licensee worked as a pharmacy intern for Stop and Shop Pharmacy from approximately April, 2022 until approximately October 14, 2022.
    - i. While employed by Stop and Shop Pharmacy as a pharmacy intern, the Licensee diverted the following controlled substances in varying quantities: 1) alprazolam 1 mg tablets; 2) alprazolam 2 mg tablets; 3) lorazepam 1 mg tablets; and 4) zolpidem 10 mg tablets.<sup>2</sup>
    - ii. The Licensee did not have valid prescriptions for said controlled substances.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The term "license" includes a current license and the right to renew an expired license.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Licensee diverted from Stop and Shop Pharmacies located in Edgartown (S&S #398), Hadley (S&S #95), and Northampton (S&S #787).

- iii. The Licensee signed a written admission as to the above allegations.
- 3. The Licensee agrees the conduct described in Paragraph 2 constitutes a violation of M.G.L. c. 94C, §37 and warrants disciplinary action by the Board under M.G.L. c. 112, §§ 42A and 61, 247 CMR 10.03(1)(a), (h), (l) & (x).
- 4. The Licensee agrees to SURRENDER their pharmacy intern license for an indefinite period of time and refrain from practicing as a pharmacy intern and from working in any pharmacy-related setting in Massachusetts, commencing with the date on which the Board signs this Agreement ("Effective Date").
- 5. The Licensee agrees that they will not practice as a pharmacy intern or work in a pharmacy related setting in Massachusetts from the Effective Date unless and until the Board reinstates their license.<sup>3</sup>
- 6. The Board agrees that in return for the Licensee's execution of this Agreement it will not prosecute the Complaint.
- 7. The Licensee understands that they have a right to a formal adjudicatory hearing concerning the allegations against them and that during said adjudication they would possess the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses, to call witnesses, to present evidence, to testify on their own behalf, to contest the allegations, to present oral argument, to appeal to the courts, and all other rights as set forth in the Massachusetts Administrative Procedures Act, M.G.L. c. 30A, and the Standard Adjudicatory Rules of Practice and Procedure, 801 CMR 1.01 *et seq.* The Licensee further understands that by executing this Agreement they are knowingly and voluntarily waiving their right to a formal adjudication of the Complaint.
- 8. The Licensee acknowledges that they have been at all times free to seek and use legal counsel in connection with the Complaint and this Agreement.
- 9. The Licensee acknowledges that after the Effective Date, the Agreement constitutes a public record of disciplinary action by the Board. The Board may

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Licensee understands that practice as a pharmacy intern includes, but is not limited to, seeking and/or accepting a paid or voluntary position as a pharmacy intern, or a paid or voluntary position requiring that the applicant hold a current pharmacy intern license. The Licensee further understands that if they accept a voluntary or paid position as a pharmacy intern, or engages in any practice of pharmacy after the Effective Date and before the Board formally reinstates their license, evidence of such practice shall be grounds for the Board's referral of any such unlicensed practice to the appropriate law enforcement authorities for prosecution.

forward a copy of this Agreement to other licensing boards, law enforcement entities, and other individuals or entities as required or permitted by law.

10. The Licensee certifies that they have read this Agreement. The Licensee understands and agrees that entering into this Agreement is a final act and not subject to reconsideration, appeal, or judicial review.

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Witness (sign and date)

Prithvi Thadikonda Licensee (sign and date)

David Sencabaugh M B David Sencabaugh, R. Ph.

**Executive Director** Board of Registration in Pharmacy

8/28/2023

**Effective Date** 

Fully Signed Agreement Sent to Licensee on \_\_\_9/12/2023\_\_\_ by Certified Mail No.\_\_\_\_70222410000168553712