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VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES February 19, 2020 **Department of Health Professions Perimeter Center** 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201

Henrico, VA

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

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CALL TO ORDER: A special conference committee meeting of the Board was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kenneth Walker, M.D., Chair

Jacob Miller, D.O. Martha Wingfield

STAFF PRESENT:

Michael Sobowale, LL.M., Deputy Executive Director, Licensure

Shevaun Roukos, Adjudication Specialist, APD

MATTER:

Ghada Abdulrahman Almubarak, M.D.

Case No.: 196821

Dr. Miller provided the emergency egress instructions prior to proceeding with the informal conference.

DISCUSSION: Dr. Almubarak appeared before the committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated January 16, 2020 to respond to the Board's inquiry regarding the possible refusal to issue a license to practice as a medical doctor pursuant to Virginia Code Section 54.1-2915(A)(4) and (13). Dr. Almubarak appeared without counsel.

The committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Almubarak.

CLOSED SESSION: Upon conclusion of the open session with Dr. Almubarak, Ms. Wingfield moved to convene a closed session pursuant to section §2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Almubarak. Additionally, she moved that Mr. Sobowale attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was duly seconded by Dr. Miller. Motion carried.

RECONVENE: Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of Virginia Code Section §2.2-3712, the Committee re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION: Upon a motion by Dr. Miller, and duly seconded by Martha Wingfield, the committee made certain findings of fact and conclusions of law and voted unanimously to approve Dr. Almubarak's application for licensure to practice medicine and subject her license to terms and conditions.

ADJOURNMENT: The Committee adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Almubarak, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Dr. Almubarak, within such a time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

Kenneth Walker, M.D., Chair

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