1	BEFORE THE ARIZONA BOARD	
2	OF MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS	
3 4 5 6 7	In the Matter of HEE YANG, LMT Holder of License No. MT-17196 As a Massage Therapist In the State of Arizona	Board Case Nos. 21-145 CONSENT AGREEMENT FOR CIVIL PENALTY AND CONTINUING EDUCATION
8	In the interest of a prompt and judicious settlement of this case, consistent with the	
9	public interest, statutory requirements and the responsibilities of the Arizona State Board	
10	of Massage Therapy (Board) under A.R.S. § 32-4201, et. seq., Hee Yang (Respondent),	
11	holder of Massage Therapist License Number MT-17196 in the State of Arizona, and the	
12	Board enter into the following Recitals, Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order	
13	(Consent Agreement) as a final disposition of this matter.	
14	RECITALS	
15	1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and has had	
16	the opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney, or has waived the	
17	opportunity to discuss this Consent Agreement with an attorney.	
18	3. Respondent understands that she has a right to a public administrative	
19	hearing concerning this matter, at which hearing Respondent could present evidence and	
20	cross-examine witnesses. By entering into this Consent Agreement, Respondent	
21	knowingly and voluntarily relinquishes all right to such an administrative hearing, as well	
22	as rights of rehearing, review, reconsideration, appeal, judicial review or any other	
23	administrative and/or judicial action, concerning the matters set forth herein.	
24	4. Respondent affirmatively agrees that this Consent Agreement shall be	
25	irrevocable.	
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S. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement or any part of the
 agreement may be considered in any future disciplinary action by the Board against
 Respondent.

6. Respondent understands this Consent Agreement deals with Board case
number 21-145 involving allegations that Respondent engaged in conduct that would
subject Respondent to discipline under the Board's statutes and rules. The investigation
into these allegations against Respondent shall be concluded upon the Board's adoption
of this Consent Agreement.

9 7. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement does not constitute a
10 dismissal or resolution of any other matters currently pending before the Board, if any,
11 and does not constitute any waiver, express or implied, of the Board's statutory authority
12 or jurisdiction regarding any other pending or future investigation, action or proceeding.

13 8. Notwithstanding any language in this Consent Agreement and Order, this 14 Consent Agreement and Order does not preclude in any way any other State agency or 15 officer or political subdivision of this state from instituting proceedings, investigating claims, or taking legal action as may be appropriate now or in the future relating to this 16 17 matter or other matters concerning Respondent, including but not limited to, violations of 18 Arizona's Consumer Fraud Act. Respondent acknowledges that, other than with respect to 19 the Board, this Consent Agreement and Order makes no representations, implied or 20 otherwise, about the views or intended actions of any other state agency or officer or 21 political subdivisions of the State relating to this matter or other matters concerning Respondent. 22

9. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that, upon signing this Consent
Agreement and returning this document to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent
may not revoke Respondent's acceptance of the Consent Agreement or make any

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modifications to the document regardless of whether the Consent Agreement has been
signed by the Executive Director. Any modification to this original document is
ineffective and void unless mutually agreed by the parties in writing.

4 10. This Consent Agreement is effective only when signed by the Executive5 Director on behalf of the Board.

6 11. If a court of competent jurisdiction rules that any part of this Consent
7 Agreement is void or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of the Consent Agreement
8 shall remain in full force and effect.

9 12. Respondent understands that this Consent Agreement constitutes
10 disciplinary action and is a public record that may be publicly disseminated as a formal
11 action of the Board and shall be reported as required by law to the National Practitioner
12 Data Bank or other such databases.

13 13. Respondent agrees that the Board will adopt the following Findings of Fact,
14 Conclusions of Law and Order.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED BY RESPONDENT

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Dated: 06,14,22

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FINDINGS OF FACT

21 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for licensing and regulating the
22 practice of Massage Therapy in the State of Arizona.

23 2. Respondent is the holder of license number MT-17196 to practice as a
24 Massage Therapist in the State of Arizona.

1 3. On January 14, 2020, the Board was notified by Tempe Police Department 2 Detective R.K. that on October 30, 2019, Respondent was arrested during the course of a 3 sting operation at K Massage located at 1853 East Baseline Road in Tempe, Arizona. The 4 information also indicated that Respondent had been charged with: Employee of a House 5 of Prostitution, Prostitution, Money Laundering, Conducting an Illegal Enterprise and 6 Conspiracy. Based on this information the Board conducted an investigation. Respondent 7 failed to report the charges within 10 days as required by law. 4. 8 After further review it has been determined that the Respondent was never

9 formally charged in the above related matter and had only just begun working at the
10 facility at the time of the arrest. This incidence occurred roughly three years ago and the
11 Respondent has not had any arrests or violations since.

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

13 1. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter and over
14 Respondent pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-4201 *et seq*.

15 2. The Board possesses statutory authority to enter into a consent agreement
with a massage therapist to limit or restrict the licensee's practice or to rehabilitate the
licensee, protect the public and ensure the licensee's ability to safely engage in the
practice of massage therapy. The Board may also require the licensee to successfully
complete a Board approved rehabilitative, retraining, continuing education or assessment
program. *See* A.R.S. § 32-4254(D).

- 3. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute grounds for
 discipline pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-4253(A)(16), which states, "failing to adhere to the
 recognized standards and ethics of the profession."
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4. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute grounds for
 discipline pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-4253(A)(23), which states, "violating Board statutes,
 rules, or orders."

5. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute grounds for
discipline pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-3208(A), which states, "a health professional who has
been charged with a misdemeanor involving conduct that may affect patient safety or a
felony after receiving or renewing a license or certificate must notify the health
professionals regulatory board in writing within ten days after the charge is filed."

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent shall remit a \$500.00 civil penalty
 via certified funds to the Board's administrative office within 90 days of the effective
 date of this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Respondent complete and submit proof of
 three (3) hours of Board staff pre-approved continuing education in the area of Ethics
 within 90 days. These hours are in addition to those required for renewal of a licensure.

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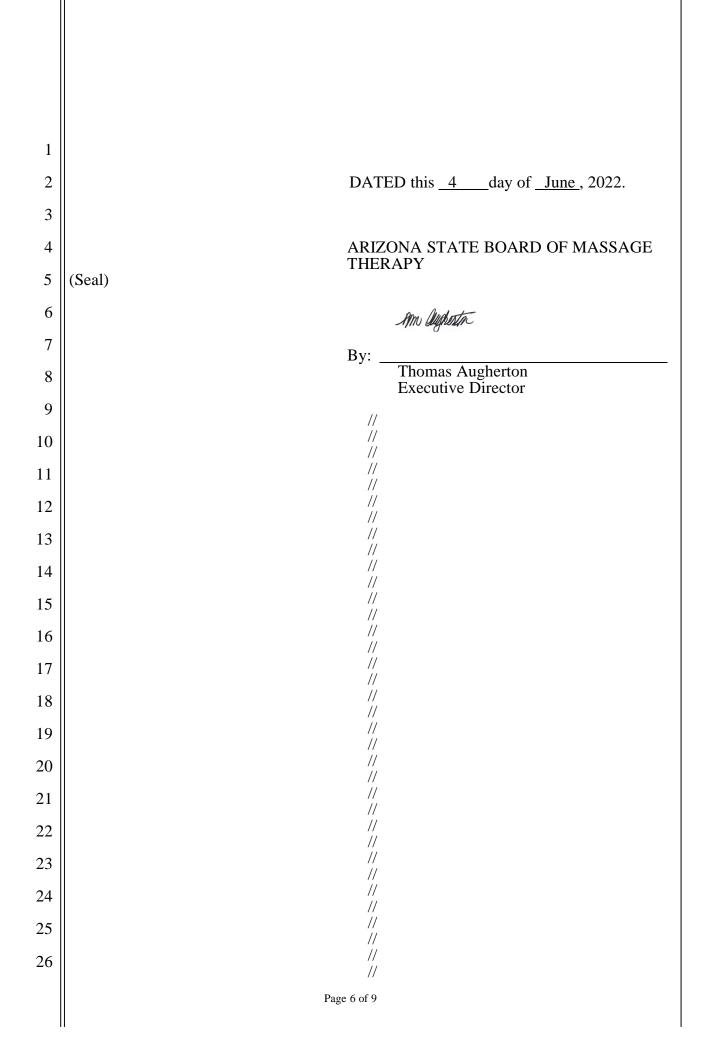
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1. General Provisions.

a. Respondent shall pay all costs associated with complying with this Order.
b. If Respondent violates this Order in any way or fails to fulfill the requirements
of this Order, the Board, after giving the Respondent notice and the opportunity to be
heard, may revoke, suspend or take other disciplinary actions against Respondent's
license. The issue at such a hearing will be limited solely to whether this Order has been
violated.

c. This Order shall terminate <u>90 days</u> from the effective date of the Order, but only
if all terms and conditions have been successfully completed to the satisfaction of the
Board.

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1	ORIGINAL OF THE FORGOING FILED this4 day of June 2022, with:
2	Arizona State Board of Massage Therapy
3	1740 West Adams, Suite 3401 Phoenix, Arizona 85007
4	EXECUTED COPY OF THE FOREGOING MAILED/E-MAILED
5	this _ 4 day of June 2022, to:
6	Sara Stark, Esq. Chelle Law
7	5425 East Bell Road, Ste 107 Scottsdale, Arizona 85254
8	Hee Yang
9	Address of Record Respondent
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11	Seamus Monaghan, AAG 2005 North Central Avenue, SGD/LES
12	Phoenix, Arizona 85004 Attorney for the Board
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