LICENSE NO. M-9567

IN THE MATTER OF

BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY

THE LICENSE OF

PANEL OF THE

AASHISH RAMESH PARIKH, M.D.

TEXAS MEDICAL BOARD

ORDER OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION (WITHOUT NOTICE OF HEARING)

On November 14, 2019, came to be heard before the Disciplinary Panel (Panel) of the Texas Medical Board (Board), composed of George De Loach, D.O., Chair, LuAnn R. Morgan, and Robert Gracia, members of the Board duly in session, the matter of the Application for Temporary Suspension (Without Notice of Hearing) of the license of Aashish Ramesh Parikh, M.D. (Respondent). Samer Shobassy represented Board staff. Based on evidence submitted, the Board through this Panel makes the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and enters this Order of Temporary Suspension (Without Notice of Hearing):

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. Respondent is a physician primarily engaged in the practice of Psychiatry, and is board certified by the American Board of Psychiatry & Neurology.
- 2. Respondent practices as a Psychiatrist at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Dallas, Texas, and also at his private clinic located at 3901 Arlington Highlands Blvd. Suite 200, Arlington, Texas.
- 3. Respondent currently suffers from a drug or alcohol related impairment that makes him a threat to patient or public safety.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the above Findings of Fact, the Panel concludes the following:

1. Section 164.059 of the Act authorizes the Disciplinary Panel to temporarily suspend or restrict the medical license of Respondent if the Disciplinary Panel determines from evidence presented to it that the Respondent's continuation in the practice of medicine would constitute a continuing threat to the public welfare.

- 2. Based on the evidence presented and the Findings of Fact set forth herein, the Disciplinary Panel finds that Respondent violated various sections of the Medical Practice Act, specifically:
 - a. Section 164.051(a)(4) of the Act authorizes the Board to take disciplinary action against Respondent based upon Respondent's inability to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety to patients because of illness, drunkenness, excessive use of drugs, narcotics, chemicals, or other substances, or as a result of any mental or physical condition.
 - b. Section 164.052(a)(4) of the Act authorizes the Board to take disciplinary action against Respondent based upon Respondent's use of alcohol or drugs in an intemperate manner that, in the opinion of the Board, could endanger the lives of patients.
- 3. Based on the evidence presented and the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Panel determines that Respondent's continuation in the practice of medicine would constitute a continuing threat to the public welfare.

ORDER

Based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, the Panel ORDERS that:

- 1. Respondent's Texas Medical License No. M-9567 is hereby TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED.
- 2. This Order of Temporary Suspension (Without Notice of Hearing) is effective on the date rendered.
- 3. Notice of this Order of Temporary Suspension (Without Notice of Hearing) shall be given immediately to Respondent.
- 4. A hearing on the Application for Temporary Suspension (With Notice of Hearing) will hereby be scheduled before a Disciplinary Panel of the Board at a date to be determined as soon as practicable, at the offices of the Board, unless such hearing is specifically waived by Respondent.

5. This Order of Temporary Suspension (Without Notice of Hearing) shall remain in effect until such time as a hearing on the Application for Temporary Suspension (With Notice of Hearing) is conducted and a Disciplinary Panel enters an order, or until superseded by a subsequent order of the Board.

Signed and entered this November 14, 2019.

George De Loach, D.O. Chair, Disciplinary Panel Texas Medical Board