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LOUISIANA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY

IN THE MATTER OF

ROSE MASSAGE SPA

LICENSE NO. E4700

VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF LICENSE

WHEREAS, HONGPING GAO (“Ms. Gao”) is the owner of Rose Massage Spa, a licensed massage establishment in the State of Louisiana as evidenced by LBMT License No. E4700, and is subject to the jurisdiction and rules and regulations of the Louisiana Massage Therapists and Massage Establishments Act (La. R.S. 37:3551, *et seq.*), and the rules promulgated by the Louisiana Board of Massage Therapy (“LBMT”) (LAC 46:XLIV §101, *et seq.*);

WHEREAS, on June 28, 2023, LBMT Inspector Jessica Menard inspected Rose Massage Spa. Upon inspection, Inspector Menard determined that the establishment and massage therapists’ licenses were expired. Inspector Menard issued a Cease and Desist based on the expired licenses.

WHEREAS, on July 10, 2023, the LBMT fined Rose Massage Spa for operating without current licenses.

WHEREAS, Ms. Gao submitted a renewal application for licensure for Rose Massage Spa on or about July 31, 2023, which had expired on March 31, 2023.

WHEREAS, as part of the application renewal process, the LBMT searches websites where businesses offering illicit services and/or illegal prostitution regularly advertise. The LBMT searches these websites to compare the names, addresses, and phone numbers of its licensed massage establishments.

WHEREAS, the phone number provided in the application, 318-225-0555, was identified on a number of these websites, as was the address for the establishment, 2210 Clovis Street, Bossier City, LA 71111. The phone number and/or address were used in advertisements for illicit

services on “BodyRubMassage”, “RubMaps”, “BodyRubPage”, “AdultListMap”, “AdultGirlsMap” and “Eccie”. The advertisements included partially clothed or fully nude Asian women, and used the following nonexclusive list of descriptions regarding the women and/or their services: “Just arrived in Shreveport and I will show u an AMAZING time here!”, “ Soft Skin, Beautiful Face, Natural Perfect Massage”, “5 STAR Level of VIP Massage for U”, “Multiple sensory stimulation”, “ Come to see me, We Enjoy the time together after that I gonna give you Wonderful Full Body Massage Table Shower and ...”, “FBSM” and “HE.”

WHEREAS, after reviewing the advertisements, the LBMT, through James R. Raines, Complaint Counsel for the LBMT, issued a Notice of Intent to Deny Renewal Application for Establishment License Number E4700 on August 15, 2023. A hearing regarding further action regarding the license of Rose Massage Spa was scheduled for September 25, 2023.

WHEREAS, on September 1, 2023, LBMT Inspector Lacey Robin inspected Rose Massage Spa and discovered that it was in operation.

WHEREAS, on September 21, 2023, the LBMT issued a Notice Violation – Subsequent/Repeat Violation which included a fine of \$1,500.00.

WHEREAS, the respondent, Ms. Gao, has indicated her desire to voluntarily surrender her license with the LBMT, particularly License No. E4700 issued to Rose Massage Spa, in lieu of further disciplinary proceedings.

WHEREAS, the respondent, Ms. Gao, acknowledges that in accordance with the written policies of the LBMT, the following will result due to the voluntary surrender of her license:

1. Public notification of this Voluntary Surrender of License by posting a copy of this Voluntary Surrender of License on the LBMT website.
2. She shall be ineligible for reinstatement of her establishment license in the state of Louisiana and shall be ineligible to apply for a new establishment license for a period of five (5) years.

3. She shall pay costs associated with the investigation of this matter in the amount of \$1,000.00 as well as outstanding fines of \$1,500.00 when she submits this Voluntary Surrender of License to be approved by the LBMT, which amount shall be made by certified check or money order.

WHEREAS, Ms. Gao acknowledges that she has had the opportunity to thoroughly review the contents of this Voluntary Surrender of License, and that she is informed of and understands her rights, including her rights to due process in connection with this Voluntary Surrender of License.

WHEREAS, Ms. Gao further acknowledges that failure to reimburse the costs set forth above at Paragraph 3 will require the Board to take further action in collection of this debt. Respondent has thirty (30) days to reimburse the expenses before the debt will be considered final and transferred to the Louisiana Office of Debt Recovery (ODR). After transfer, the debt is subject to an additional collection fee of up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the total debt liability, as provided for in La. R.S. 47:1676(E).

WHEREAS, by the voluntary surrender of her license, Ms. Gao, moreover, acknowledges, stipulates, and agrees that she hereby waives any right to which she may be entitled pursuant to the Louisiana Administrative Procedure Act or which otherwise may be afforded to her by law, to contest her agreement to, or the force and effect of this document in any Court related to the matters referred to herein, and further waives the right to appeal the acceptance and approval of this Agreement by the LBMT.

WHEREAS, Ms. Gao acknowledges that she has had the opportunity to seek the advice and guidance of legal counsel with respect to this Voluntary Surrender of License.

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WHEREAS, based on the above, Hongping Gao surrenders her license held with the
EBMT, particularly License No. F4700 issued to Rose Massage Spa.

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12/12/2023
Date

I, HONGPING GAO, have read the Voluntary Surrender of License and Order, understand
it, and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions.

DATED: 12/12/2023

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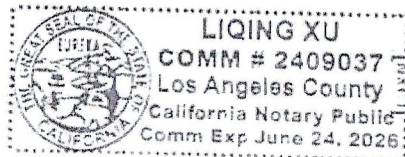
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this 12th day of December,
2023, at Monterey Park, California.

[Signature]

Notary Public

Print Name: Liqing Xu

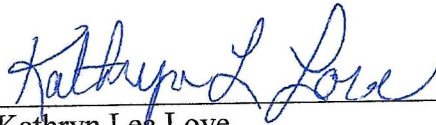
My Commission Expires: 06/24/2026



ORDER

The Louisiana Board of Massage Therapists, having examined this Voluntary Surrender of License, and upon a unanimous vote of the Board, accepts the Voluntary Surrender of License in this matter on this 13th day of November, 2023.

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Kathryn Lea Love
Board Chair