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February 1, 2021

Mr. Kamyar Maghazehe a.k.a. Kam Maghazehe

Re: Order to Cease and Desist Impersonating a Certified New Jersey Emergency Medical Technician EMS ID # 635649 and 603799 Investigation Control # 2021-0018V

Dear Mr. Maghazehe:

The New Jersey Department of Health (Department) is vested with the responsibility of carrying out the provisions of the Health Care Facilities Planning Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 26:2H-1 to -27, which was enacted, in part, to ensure that all hospital and related health care services rendered in the State of New Jersey are of the highest quality. As defined at <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 26:2H-2(b), health care services include any pre-hospital care rendered by Basic Life Support (BLS) personnel. In addition, the Emergency Medical Services Act, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 26:2K-7 to -69, authorizes the Department to certify Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs). In furtherance of the objectives set forth in the statutes, the Department has adopted regulations that govern the training, certification and professional conduct of EMTs and EMT candidates. (See <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 8:40A-1.1 et. seg.)

On October 2, 2020, the Department's Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS) was informed that while you were teaching an American Heart Association Healthcare Professional Basic Life Support CPR class, you were wearing a jacket with a New Jersey EMT patch on the right shoulder. The complainant did not believe that you were certified as an EMT or authorized to wear an EMT patch. Upon receiving this notification, the OEMS opened an investigation into this matter.

It was determined during the investigation that you have two (2) accounts on the OEMS Certification System with an EMS ID number of 635649 and 603799. The transcript for the account with EMS ID 635649 shows that you attempted an EMT Initial program in 2018, but you did not successfully complete the course. The transcript for the account with EMS ID 603799 shows that you did not attempt to complete any EMT Initial program. In short, the Department's OEMS Certification system shows no valid

certification associated with either account. As such, OEMS has determined that you are not certified in New Jersey as an EMT.

Additionally, the OEMS investigators were provided with a picture of you that was posted on social media on October 14, 2020. In the picture, you are wearing a jacket with a New Jersey EMT patch on the right shoulder, a Capital Health System EMS patch on the left shoulder, your first initial and last name on the right chest of the jacket and a Capital Health System identification badge.

Pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 26:2K-40, <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 26:2K-42 and <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 8:40A-7.1(a), an individual shall not act in the capacity of or portray themselves as an EMT-Basic unless certified by the Department. From its investigation, the Department finds that you are in violation of the statutes and rule because you are not certified by the Department as an EMT-Basic, yet you were portraying yourself as an EMT-Basic. Thus, the Department finds that you were impersonating an EMT-Basic in the State of New Jersey.

Based upon the foregoing, the Department hereby orders you, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 8:40A-10.4(a)(1), to immediately CEASE AND DESIST from making any further representations that you are a certified New Jersey EMT. You are further prohibited from acting in the capacity of an EMT. Additionally, you are hereby ordered to immediately surrender any and all invalid and/or fraudulent certification credentials including EMT patches and badges that you may have to the Department. Failure to abide by this order to cease and desist may result in additional fines and penalties as provided for in N.J.A.C. 8:40A-10.4(a)(2).

Pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 8:40A-10.4(a)(1)(ii), this order to desist shall constitute a Final Agency Decision.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Investigator Zak Raab at (609) 633-7777 or via email at <u>zachary.raab@doh.nj.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Terry Clancy, PhD, RN, NRP Director Office of Emergency Medical Services

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