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| 1  | 3. On or about May 26, 2022, Respondent was served with Accusation No. 7251 at his  |  |
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| 2  | address of record which was and is:   |  |
| 3  | 555 Gidda Loop  |  |
| 4  | Yuba City, CA 95993.  |  |
| 5  | 4. On or about May 31, 2022, Respondent signed and returned a Notice of Defense,  |  |
| 6  | requesting a hearing in this matter. The Notice of Defense listed Respondent's mailing address  |  |
| 7  | as:   |  |
| 8  | 1843 Pebble Beach Drive   |  |
| 9  | Yuba City, CA 95993.  |  |
| 10 | 5. On, July 18, 2022, a Notice of Hearing was served by mail at the address provided by   |  |
| 11 | Respondent in the Notice of Defense which was and is:   |  |
| 12 | 1843 Pebble Beach Drive   |  |
| 13 | Yuba City, CA 95993.  |  |
| 14 | The Notice of Hearing informed him that an administrative hearing in this matter was scheduled  |  |
| 15 | for November 22, 2022.  |  |
| 16 | 6. Service of the Accusation was effective as a matter of law under the provisions of   |  |
| 17 | Government Code section 11505(c) and/or Business and Professions Code section 124.  |  |
| 18 | 7. The matter was called for hearing at the date, time and location set forth in the Notice   |  |
| 19 | of Hearing. The assigned Administrative Law Judge found that the service of the Notice of   |  |
| 20 | Hearing on Respondent was proper. There was no appearance by or on behalf of Respondent. A  |  |
| 21 | default was declared and on motion of counsel for Complainant, the matter was remanded to the   |  |
| 22 | Board under Government Code section 11520.  |  |
| 23 | 8. Government Code section 11506(c) states, in pertinent part:  |  |
| 24 | (c) The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent   |  |
| 25 | files a notice of defense and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all parts of the accusation not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense |  |
| 26 | shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing, but the agency in its discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing.                                      |  |
| 27 | 9. California Government Code section 11520(a) states, in pertinent part:   |  |
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| 1<br>2 | the hearing, the agency may take action based upon the respondent's express<br>admissions or upon other evidence and affidavits may be used as evidence without<br>any notice to respondent |  |
| 3      | 10. Pursuant to its authority under Government Code section 11520, the Board finds  |  |
| 4      | Respondent is in default. The Board will take action without further hearing and, based on the  |  |
| 5      | relevant evidence contained in the Default Decision Investigatory Evidence Packet in this matter,   |  |
| 6      | finds that the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 7251, are separately and severally, found  |  |
| 7      | to be true and correct by clear and convincing evidence.  |  |
| 8      | 11. The Board finds that the actual costs for Investigation and Enforcement are   |  |
| 9      | \$9,173.75.   |  |
| 10     | DETERMINATION OF ISSUES   |  |
| 11     | 1. Based on the foregoing findings of fact, Respondent Munpreet Singh has subjected   |  |
| 12     | his Intern Pharmacist Registration No. INT 43866 to discipline.   |  |
| 13     | 2. The agency has jurisdiction to adjudicate this case by default.  |  |
| 14     | 3. The Board of Pharmacy is authorized to revoke Respondent's Intern Pharmacist   |  |
| 15     | Registration based upon the following violations alleged in the Accusation which are supported  |  |
| 16     | by the evidence contained in the Default Decision Investigatory Evidence Packet in this case:   |  |
| 17     | a. Respondent violated Business and Professions Code (Code) sections 4301,  |  |
| 18     | subdivision (l), and 490 on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that he was convicted of the  |  |
| 19     | following crimes substantially related to the qualification, functions, and duties of a pharmacist  |  |
| 20     | intern:   |  |
| 21     | i. On or about June 11, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled <i>People v. Munpreet</i>   |  |
| 22     | Singh, Sutter County Superior Court case number CRTR20-0000344, Respondent was convicted  |  |
| 23     | on his plea of no contest to violating Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (b) (driving with a  |  |
| 24     | blood alcohol content of 0.08 percent or higher), a misdemeanor. He remains on criminal   |  |
| 25     | probation through June 2024. The circumstances of this conviction are that on or about January  |  |
| 26     | 12, 2020, a Yuba City police officer initiated a traffic enforcement stop on a vehicle with an  |  |
| 27     | obscured rear license plate that remained stopped after the light turned green at an intersection on  |  |
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Plumas Street in Yuba City. Respondent was identified as the driver, and he failed a series of
 Field Sobriety Tests. His blood alcohol content was 0.11 percent and 0.11 percent.

On or about June 11, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled People v. Munpreet ii. 3 Singh, Sutter County Superior Court case number CRF20-00000731, Respondent was convicted 4 5 on his plea of no contest to violating Penal Code section 422, subdivision (a) (threats to commit a crime resulting in death or great bodily injury), a misdemeanor. The circumstances of this 6 7 conviction are that on or about March 13, 2020, several Sutter County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to Respondent's residence in response to a female calling for help who stated that 8 someone was trying to kill her father. Deputy C observed two people on the floor of the laundry 9 room, one of whom was identified as Respondent, and a third person who appeared to be trying to 10 kick them. Respondent was detained for questioning and acted increasingly aggressive, included 11 making the statement "F you. I am getting a law degree" to Deputy C. Respondent's father 12 reported to Deputy C that he and Respondent argued about Respondent's alcohol consumption, 13 the argument became physical, and Respondent shoved his father to the ground, grabbed him by 14 the throat, and hit him multiple times in the face. Respondent also allegedly said to his father 15 "you'll be dead by the time help arrives." Deputy C observed several injuries on Respondent's 16 father, including multiple small abrasions to his right and left cheek, and a small laceration to the 17 scalp behind the right ear. 18

19 iii. On or about June 11, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled *People v. Munpreet* Singh, Sutter County Superior Court case number CRM20-0002539, Respondent was convicted 20 on his plea of no contest to violating Penal Code section 148, subdivision (a)(1) (resisting arrest), 21 a misdemeanor. The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about September 30, 2020, 22 Sutter County Sheriff's Deputies ZA and MA observed a vehicle later identified as Respondent's 23 24 speeding and weaving in traffic in a school zone. Respondent refused to exit his vehicle, and when the deputies finally removed him, he actively resisted by stiffening his arms and pulling his 25 body away from the deputies. A subsequent records check revealed that Respondent had three 26 suspensions on his driver's license for excessive blood alcohol content, and failure to appear in 27

court. Respondent was issued a citation for reckless driving, resisting arrest, and driving with a
 suspended license. Deputy ZA observed Respondent take the citation and tear it into pieces.

On or about June 11, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled *People v. Munpreet* 3 iv. Singh, Sutter County Superior Court case number CRM21-0000010, Respondent was convicted 4 5 on his plea of no contest to violating Penal Code section 148, subdivision (a)(1) (resisting arrest), a misdemeanor. The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about December 10, 2020, 6 7 Sutter County Sheriff's Deputies R and P were dispatched to investigate a report of a male destroying property inside a residence. When the deputies entered the house, Respondent yelled 8 "get the f out of my house." Deputy R saw broken glass and several broken pieces of 9 furniture, and when he attempted to ask Respondent what was happening, Respondent put his 10 hands inside his pockets as if to get something, and yelled "f you!" Respondent resisted arrest 11 and appeared to be under the influence of a stimulant. Deputy R asked Respondent if he would 12 provide a urine sample at the jail and he said "f you, I'm not doing anything." 13

14 v. On or about July 12, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled *People v. Munpreet* Singh, Sutter County Superior Court case number CRF21-0000305, Respondent was convicted on 15 his plea of no contest to violating Penal Code section 422, subdivision (a) (threats to commit 16 crime resulting in death or great bodily injury), a felony. He remains on formal probation until 17 July 2023. The circumstances of the conviction are that on or about February 10, 2021, Sutter 18 County Sheriff's Deputy F was dispatched to a residence in Yuba City to investigate a male 19 acting erratically and causing damage to a vehicle. Upon arrival, Deputy F saw two Yuba City 20police officers speaking to the male, identified as Respondent. One of the police officers said 21 Respondent was not cooperating and had been on top of the vehicle screaming at them. Deputy F 22 tried to talk to Respondent and de-escalate the situation. Respondent said his brother stole his 23 24 vehicle and he wanted it back. Deputy F was unable to locate Respondent's brother or his vehicle, which Respondent later said was towed. Respondent repeatedly said he wanted to fight 25 his brother, to which Deputy F told Respondent he could possible go to jail if his brother pressed 26 charges. Respondent told Deputy F "I don't have any issues with you because you're six feet tall 27 and I can put you under. I come from a religion where it's easy to put someone under." Deputy F 28

| 1  | believed Respondent's comments to be a threat, and placed him in the patrol vehicle while the        |  |
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| 2  | deputy spoke to the original reporting party. The reporting party said the Respondent arrived at     |  |
| 3  | her residence screaming and yelling at her, and began to hit her vehicle. Deputy F noted both        |  |
| 4  | windshield wipers and the wiper assembly were broken and estimated Respondent caused                 |  |
| 5  | approximately \$300-\$500 damage to the vehicle. When Deputy F returned to his patrol vehicle to     |  |
| 6  | question Respondent, Respondent said he did not like Deputy F because he was "a copy," and           |  |
| 7  | told Deputy F that [Respondent[ was going to kill him if [Respondent] got out of handcuffs and       |  |
| 8  | that [Respondent] would "beat [his] ass" until Deputy F was dead, therefore Respondent was           |  |
| 9  | arrested. During booking when Respondent's handcuffs were removed, he pointed his fingers            |  |
| 10 | toward Deputy F in the form of a gun.  |  |
| 11 | b. Respondent violated Code section 4301, subdivision (f) on the grounds of                          |  |
| 12 | unprofessional conduct, in that Respondent committed acts involving moral turpitude, dishonesty,     |  |
| 13 | fraud, deceit, or corruption, as more particularly set forth above in paragraph a., subparagraphs i. |  |
| 14 | through v.   |  |
| 15 | c. Respondent violated Code section 4301, subdivision (h) on the grounds of                          |  |
| 16 | unprofessional conduct, in that he used alcohol to an extent or in a manner dangerous or injurious   |  |
| 17 | to himself, any other person, or the public as more particularly set for above in paragraph a.,      |  |
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|    | 6<br>(MUNPREET SINGH) DEFAULT DECISION & ORDER Case No. 7251   |  |

| 1  | <u>ORDER</u>  |  |
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| 2  | IT IS SO ORDERED that Intern Pharmacist Registration No. INT 43866, issued to                   |  |
| 3  | Respondent Munpreet Singh, is revoked.  |  |
| 4  | Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a              |  |
| 5  | written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within |  |
| 6  | seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The agency in its discretion may    |  |
| 7  | vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute.  |  |
| 8  | This Decision shall become effective at 5:00 p.m. on February 8, 2023.                          |  |
| 9  | It is so ORDERE on January 9, 2023.   |  |
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| 11 | Jeury W. Ch. Pharme D   |  |
| 12 | Seung W. Oh, Pharm.D.<br>Board President  |  |
| 13 | FOR THE BOARD OF PHARMACY<br>DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS                                     |  |
| 14 | 36731411.DOCX<br>DOJ Matter ID:SA2022300731   |  |
| 15 | Attachment:   |  |
| 16 | Exhibit A: Accusation   |  |
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|    | 7<br>(MUNPREET SINGH) DEFAULT DECISION & ORDER Case No. 72                                      |  |

## Exhibit A

Accusation

| 1        | Rob Bonta  |   |  |
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| 2        | Attorney General of California<br>DAVID E. BRICE   |   |  |
| 3        | Supervising Deputy Attorney General<br>PATRICIA WEBBER HEIM                                  |   |  |
| 4        | Deputy Attorney General<br>State Bar No. 230889  |   |  |
| 5        | 1300 I Street, Suite 125<br>P.O. Box 944255  |   |  |
| 6        | Sacramento, CA 94244-2550<br>Telephone: (916) 210-7519                                       |   |  |
| 7        | Facsimile: (916) 327-8643<br>E-mail: Patricia.Heim@doj.ca.gov                                |   |  |
| 8        | Attorneys for Complainant  |   |  |
| 9        | BEFORE THE   |   |  |
| 10       | BOARD OF F<br>DEPARTMENT OF C  |   |  |
| 11       | DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS<br>STATE OF CALIFORNIA  |   |  |
| 12       |  |   |  |
| 13       | In the Matter of the Accusation Against:   | Case No. 7251                                     |  |
| 14       | MUNPREET SINGH<br>555 Gidda Loop   |   |  |
| 15       | Yuba City, CA 95993  | ACCUSATION  |  |
| 16       | Intern Pharmacist Registration No. INT<br>43866  |   |  |
| 17       | Respondent.  |   |  |
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| 19<br>20 | PAR  | TIES  |  |
| 20<br>21 |  | s this Accusation solely in her official capacity |  |
| 21       | as the Executive Officer of the Board of Pharmac   |   |  |
| 22       |  | ard issued Intern Pharmacist Registration         |  |
| 23<br>24 | Number INT 43866 to Munpreet Singh (Respondent). The Intern Pharmacist Registration was in   |   |  |
| 25       | full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on |   |  |
| 26       | December 31, 2022, unless renewed.   |   |  |
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| 1              | JURISDICTION   |  |
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| 2              | 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board under the authority of the following  |  |
| 3              | laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code (Code) unless otherwise  |  |
| 4              | indicated.   |  |
| 5              | 4. Section 4300 of the Code states, in pertinent part:   |  |
| 6              | (a) Every license issued may be suspended or revoked.  |  |
| 7<br>8         | (b) The board shall discipline the holder of any license issued by the board, whose default has been entered or whose case has been heard by the board and found guilty, by any of the following methods:  |  |
| 9              | (1) Suspending judgment.   |  |
| 10             | (2) Placing him or her upon probation.   |  |
| 11             | (3) Suspending his or her right to practice for a period not exceeding one year.   |  |
| 12             | (4) Revoking his or her license.   |  |
| 13             | (5) Taking any other action in relation to disciplining him or her as the board in its discretion may deem proper  |  |
| 14             |  |  |
| 15             | 5. Section 4300.1 of the Code states, in pertinent part:   |  |
| 16             | The expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, or suspension of a board-issued license<br>by operation of law or by order or decision of the board or a court of law, the   |  |
| 17<br>18<br>19 | placement of a license on a retired status, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee shall not deprive the board of jurisdiction to commence or proceed with any investigation of, or action or disciplinary proceeding against, the licensee or to render a decision suspending or revoking the license. |  |
| 20             | STATUTORY PROVISIONS   |  |
|                | 6. Section 4301 of the Code states, in pertinent part:   |  |
| 21             |  |  |
| 22<br>23       | The board shall take action against any holder of a license who is guilty of<br>unprofessional conduct or whose license has been issued by mistake. Unprofessional<br>conduct shall include, but is not limited to, any of the following:  |  |
| 24             |  |  |
| 25             | (f) The commission of any act involving moral turpitude, dishonesty, fraud,  |  |
| 26             | deceit, or corruption, whether the act is committed in the course of relations as a licensee or otherwise, and whether the act is a felony or misdemeanor or not.  |  |
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| 28             | (h) The administering to oneself, of any controlled substance, or the use of any   |  |
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dangerous drug or of alcoholic beverages to the extent or in a manner as to be dangerous or injurious to oneself, to a person holding a license under this chapter, or to any other person or to the public, or to the extent that the use impairs the ability of the person to conduct with safety to the public the practice authorized by the license.

(*l*) The conviction of a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. The record of conviction of a violation of Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 801) of Title 21 of the United States Code regulating controlled substances or of a violation of the statutes of this state regulating controlled substances or dangerous drugs shall be conclusive evidence of unprofessional conduct. In all other cases, the record of conviction shall be conclusive evidence only of the fact that the conviction occurred. The board may inquire into the circumstances surrounding the commission of the crime, in order to fix the degree of discipline or, in the case of a conviction not involving controlled substances or dangerous drugs, to determine if the conviction is of an offense substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a licensee under this chapter. A plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere is deemed to be a conviction within the meaning of this provision. The board may take action when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing the person to withdraw his or her plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or setting aside the verdict of guilty, or dismissing the accusation, information, or indictment.

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Section 490 of the Code states:

(a) In addition to any other action that a board is permitted to take against a licensee, a board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime, if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a board may exercise any authority to discipline a licensee for conviction of a crime that is independent of the authority granted under subdivision (a) only if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the licensee's license was issued.

(c) A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. Any action that a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under the provisions of Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code.

(d) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that the application of this section has been made unclear by the holding in *Petropoulos v. Department of Real Estate* (2006) 142 Cal.App.4th 554, and that the holding in that case has placed a significant number of statutes and regulations in question, resulting in potential harm to the consumers of California from licensees who have been convicted of crimes. Therefore, the Legislature finds and declares that this section establishes an

independent basis for a board to impose discipline on a licenses, and that the amendments to this section made by Chapter 33 of the Statutes of 2008 do not 1 constitute a change to, but rather are declaratory of, existing law. 2 COST RECOVERY 3 8. Code section 125.3 states, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the 4 administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of 5 the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and 6 enforcement of the case. 7 FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS 8 January 12, 2020, Incident 9 9. On or about January 12, 2020, a Yuba City police officer initiated a traffic 10 enforcement stop on a vehicle with an obscured rear license plate that remained stopped after the 11 light turned green at an intersection on Plumas Street in Yuba City. The officer identified the 12 driver of the vehicle as Respondent, who displayed signs of alcohol impairment. Respondent told 13 14 the officer he last had alcohol two days previously. While Respondent remained seated in the vehicle, the officer asked him a series of driving under the influence (DUI) investigation 15 questions, and later performed a series of Field Sobriety Tests, which Respondent failed. The 16 officer arrested Respondent. Respondent agreed to take a chemical breath test, and his blood 17 alcohol content (BAC) was .11% BAC and .11% BAC respectively. 18 19 10. On or about February 26, 2020, a Board inspector contacted Respondent regarding his DUI arrest on January 12, 2020. Respondent said he was on academic leave and not currently 20working as a pharmacist intern. At the time of his arrest, Respondent did not feel intoxicated and 21 felt the police officer was "picking on him." Respondent admitted he drank two beers prior to his 22 contact with the police. Respondent said he drank alcohol about three times a week, and the 23 24 officer caught him on a "bad day." The Board's investigator provided Respondent with information about the Pharmacist Recovery Program. Respondent said he would consider calling 25 the program. 26 11. On or about June 11, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled People v. Munpreet 27 Singh (Sutter County Superior Court Case CRTR20-0000344), Respondent was convicted by the 28

court on his plea of no contest to violating Vehicle Code section 23152, subdivision (b) (driving 1 2 with a BAC of .08% or higher), a misdemeanor. As a result of his conviction, Respondent was sentenced to three years' probation, and ordered to serve 48 hours in jail, enroll in and complete a 3 three-month DUI program, and pay all fines and fees. 4

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## March 13, 2020, Incident

12. On or about March 13, 2020, several Sutter County Sheriff's deputies were 6 dispatched to Respondent's residence in response to a female calling for help who stated someone 7 8 was trying to kill her father. Deputy C observed two people on the floor of the laundry room, one 9 of whom was identified as Respondent, and a third person who appeared to be trying to kick them. Respondent was detained for questioning and acted increasingly aggressive. When Deputy 10 C attempted to question Respondent, he responded with "Fuck you. I am getting a law degree." 11 Respondent was yelling at family members and tried to get up from the couch, where he was 12 being detained for questioning. Through a translator, Respondent's father told Deputy C that he 13 14 and Respondent argued about Respondent's alcohol consumption throughout the day. The argument became physical when Respondent shoved his father to the ground, grabbed him by the 15 throat and hit him multiple times in the face. Respondent allegedly said to his father "you'll be 16 dead by the time help arrives." Deputy C observed several injuries on Respondent's father, 17 including multiple small abrasions to his right and left cheek, and a small laceration to the scalp 18 19 behind the right ear. Deputy L spoke with Respondent's brother who said his father and Respondent were fighting about Respondent's alcohol and drug use. The brother confirmed that 20Respondent choked their father and threatened to kill him. Respondent refused to provide a 21 statement and was arrested. 22

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On or about June 11, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled People v. Munpreet 13. 24 Singh (Sutter County Superior Court Case CRF20-0000731), Respondent was convicted on his plea of no contest to violating Penal Code section 422, subdivision (a) (Threat(s) to Commit 25 Crime Resulting in Death or Great Bodily Injury), a misdemeanor. As a result of his conviction, 26 Respondent was sentenced to one year summary probation, ordered to serve 76 days in jail, and 27 pay all fines and fees. 28

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## September 30, 2020 Incident

2 14. On or about September 30, 2020, Sutter County Sheriff's Deputies ZA and MA initiated a traffic enforcement stop while on routine patrol. The Deputies observed a vehicle later 3 identified as Respondent's, speeding and weaving in traffic in a school zone. Respondent refused 4 5 to exit his vehicle, and when the deputies finally removed him, he actively resisted by stiffening his arms and pulling his body away from the deputies. A subsequent records check revealed that 6 Respondent had three suspensions on his driver's license for excessive BAC, and failure to appear 7 8 in court. Deputy ZA issued a citation to Respondent for reckless driving, resisting arrest, and 9 driving with a suspended license, and told him to appear in court. Deputy ZA observed 10 Respondent take the citation and tear it into pieces.

11 15. On or about June 11, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled *People v. Munpreet*12 *Singh* (Sutter County Superior Court Case CRM20-0002539), Respondent was convicted on his
13 plea of no contest to violating Penal Code section 148, subdivision (a)(1) (Resisting Arrest), a
14 misdemeanor. As a result of his conviction, Respondent was sentenced to one day in jail, and
15 ordered to pay all fines and fees.

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## December 10, 2020, Incident

16. On or about December 10, 2020, Sutter County Sheriff's Deputies R and P were 17 dispatched to investigate a report of a male destroying property inside a residence. When the 18 deputies entered the house, Respondent yelled "get the fuck out of my house." Deputy R saw 19 broken glass and several broken pieces of furniture, and when he attempted to ask Respondent 20what was happening, Respondent put his hands inside his pockets as if to get something, and 21 yelled "fuck you!" Respondent resisted arrest, and appeared to be under the influence of a 22 stimulant. Deputy R asked Respondent if he would provide a urine sample at the jail and he said 23 24 "fuck you, I'm not doing anything."

17. On or about June 11, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled *People v. Munpreet Singh* (Sutter County Superior Court Case CRM21-0000010), Respondent was convicted on his
no contest plea of violating Penal Code section 148, subdivision (a)(1) (Resisting Arrest), a

misdemeanor. As a result of his conviction, Respondent was sentenced to four days in jail, and
 ordered to pay all fines and fees.

3 February 10, 2021, Incident

18. On or about February 10, 2021, Deputy F was dispatched to a residence in Yuba City 4 5 to investigate a male acting erratically and causing damage to a vehicle. Upon arrival, Deputy F saw two Yuba City police officers speaking with the male, identified as Respondent. One of the 6 7 police officers said Respondent was not cooperating and had been on top of the vehicle screaming at them. Deputy F tried to talk to Respondent and de-escalate the situation. Respondent said his 8 brother stole his vehicle and he wanted it back. Deputy F was unable to locate Respondent's 9 brother or his vehicle, which Respondent later said was towed. Respondent repeatedly said he 10 wanted to fight with his brother. Deputy F told Respondent that he would possibly to go jail if his 11 brother pressed charges. Respondent told Deputy F "I don't have any issues with you because 12 you're six feet fall and I can put you under. I come from a religion where it's easy to put 13 someone under." Deputy F believed Respondent's comments to be a threat, and placed 14 Respondent in his patrol vehicle while he spoke to the original reporting party. She reported that 15 Respondent arrived at her residence screaming and yelling at her, and began to hit her vehicle. 16 Deputy F noted both windshield wipers and the wiper assembly were broken, and estimated that 17 Respondent had caused approximately \$300-\$350 damage to the vehicle. When Deputy F 18 returned to his patrol vehicle to question Respondent, Respondent said he did not like Deputy F 19 because he was "a cop," and told Deputy F that [Respondent] was going to kill him if 20[Respondent] got out of handcuffs and that [Respondent] would "beat [his] ass" until Deputy F 21 was dead, therefore Respondent was arrested. During booking when Respondent's handcuffs 22 were removed, he pointed his fingers toward Deputy F in the form of a gun. 23

24 19. On or about July 12, 2021, in the criminal proceeding entitled *People v. Munpreet*25 *Singh* (Sutter County Superior Court Case CRF21-0000305), Respondent was convicted on his no
26 contest plea of violating Penal Code section 422, subdivision (a) (Threat(s) to Commit Crime
27 Resulting in Death or Great Bodily Injury), a felony. As a result of his conviction, Respondent

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| 1        | was sentenced to two years formal probation, ordered to serve 225 days in jail, and pay all fines   |  |
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| 2        | and fees.   |  |
| 3        | FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE  |  |
| 4        | (Conviction of a Crime)   |  |
| 5        | 20. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code sections 4301, subdivision              |  |
| 6        | (l), and 490 on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that he was convicted of crimes           |  |
| 7        | substantially related to the qualifications, functions, and duties of a pharmacist intern, as more  |  |
| 8        | particularly set forth in paragraphs 11, 13, 15, 17, and 19.  |  |
| 9        | SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE   |  |
| 10       | (Dangerous Use of Drugs or Alcohol)   |  |
| 11       | 21. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (h),          |  |
| 12       | on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that he used alcohol to an extent or in a manner       |  |
| 13       | dangerous or injurious to himself, any other person, or the public, as more particularly set forth  |  |
| 14       | above in paragraph 9.   |  |
| 15       | THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE  |  |
| 16<br>17 | (Commission of Any Act Involving Moral Turpitude,<br>Dishonesty, Fraud, Deceit or Corruption)       |  |
| 18       | 22. Respondent is subject to disciplinary action under Code section 4301, subdivision (f),          |  |
| 19       | on the grounds of unprofessional conduct, in that he committed acts involving moral turpitude,      |  |
| 20       | dishonesty, fraud, deceit, or corruption, as more particularly set forth above in paragraphs 9, 12, |  |
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| 1        |              | PRAYER  |  |
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| 2        | WHE          | WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged, |  |
| 3        | and that fol | llowing the hearing, the Board of Pharmacy issue a decision:                          |  |
| 4        | 1.           | Revoking or suspending Intern Pharmacist Registration Number INT 43866, issued to     |  |
| 5        | Munpreet S   | Singh;  |  |
| 6        | 2.           | Ordering Munpreet Singh to pay the Board of Pharmacy the reasonable costs of the      |  |
| 7        | investigatio | on and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section    |  |
| 8        | 125.3; and,  |   |  |
| 9        | 3.           | Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.                  |  |
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| 12       |              | 5/12/2022 Signature on File   |  |
| 13       |              | ANNE SODERGREN<br>Executive Officer   |  |
| 14       |              | Board of Pharmacy<br>Department of Consumer Affairs                                   |  |
| 15       |              | State of California<br>Complainant  |  |
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