STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

50 WEST TOWN STREET 3RD FLOOR, SUITE 300 COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215

In the Matter of:

NYLA MARTIN HOPPER

NPN: 19871543 : JUDITH L. FRENCH
TO BE LICENSED AS A RESIDENT : Superintendent/Director

INSURANCE AGENT :

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

The Ohio Department of Insurance ("Department"), by and through the Superintendent, is charged with the responsibility of administering and enforcing Title 39 of the Ohio Revised Code ("R.C.") and the associated rules and regulations.

Nyla Martin Hopper ("Hopper") is currently licensed as a resident insurance agent in the State of Ohio. Hopper has been licensed with the Department since April 19, 2021. The Department, on behalf of the Superintendent, conducted an investigation of the activities of Hopper. As a result of that investigation, the Department alleges that Hopper committed violations of the laws and regulations of this State and that she is not suitable to be licensed as an insurance agent in the State of Ohio.

In accordance with R.C. Chapter 119 and Title 39, Hopper is notified that the Superintendent intends to revoke her license as an insurance agent in the State of Ohio and/or impose any other sanction authorized by R.C. 3905.14(E) and (G), including civil penalties and/or administrative costs. The grounds for such action are alleged below.

COUNT ONE

On or about December 23, 2022, Hopper submitted a new Allstate Insurance auto policy on behalf of P.W.. P.W. did not know about, nor did she authorize, the application, which included fictitious bank account information.

R.C. 3905.14(B)(26) provides that the Superintendent may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue a license for submitting or using a document in the conduct of the business of insurance when the person knew or should have known that the document contained a writing that was forged as defined in section 2913.01 of the Revised Code.

COUNT TWO

On or about July 15, 2024, Hopper was convicted of Attempted Unauthorized Use of Property, a misdemeanor of the 1st degree, in the Summit County Court of Common Pleas, case no.: CR-2023-06-2145. Hopper was originally charged with Identity Theft, a felony of the 4th degree, Identity Fraud, a felony of the 5th degree, and Insurance Fraud, a misdemeanor of the 1st degree.

R.C. 3905.14(B)(7) provides that the Superintendent may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue a license for having been convicted of or pleaded guilty or no contest to a misdemeanor that involves the misuse or theft of money or property belonging to another,

fraud, forgery, dishonest acts, or breach of a fiduciary duty, that is based on any act or omission relating to the business of insurance, securities, or financial services, or that involves moral turpitude regardless of whether a judgment has been entered by the court.

COUNT THREE

The allegations contained in Count's One and Two are hereby incorporated as if fully restated herein.

R.C. 3905.14(B)(9) provides that the Superintendent may suspend, revoke, or refuse to issue a license for using fraudulent, coercive, or dishonest practices, or demonstrating incompetence, untrustworthiness, or financial irresponsibility, in the conduct of business in this state or elsewhere.

Hopper is notified that she may request a hearing pursuant to R.C. Chapter 119. The Department must receive any request for a hearing within thirty (30) days your receipt of this Notice. The request must be in writing and directed to:

Hearing Administrator
Ohio Department of Insurance
50 West Town Street, 3rd Floor, Suite 300
Columbus, Ohio 43215
Telephone: (614) 644-2640
Facsimile (614) 644-3742

At the hearing, Hopper may appear in person, by her attorney, or by such other representative as is permitted to practice before the agency, or she may present her position, arguments, or contentions in writing and, at the hearing, Hopper may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for and against her.

Email: ins.hearings@insurance.ohio.gov

If no hearing is requested, the matter will proceed to the Superintendent for a decision where she may impose any sanction allowed by law.

BY:

JUDITH L. FRENCH

Director

DATED: April 3., 2025

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