Officer Rudolph A. Garza, #0027 San Antonio Police Department San Antonio, Texas

Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission 111 Soledad, Suite 123 San Antonio, Texas 78205

## STATES IS CONSOROR.

## AGREED SUSPENSION

Commissioners and Officer Rudolph A. Garza:

WHEREAS, Officer Rudolph A. Garza, pursuant to Article XXVII, Section 2 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between the City of San Antonio and the San Antonio Police Officers' Association, was served on October 17, 2014 and on January 16, 2015, with contemplated indefinite suspensions; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said contract, Officer Garza was given an opportunity to rebut those charges being brought against him to Police Chief Anthony L. Treviño, Jr.; and

WHEREAS, said opportunity was exercised by Officer Garza; and

WHEREAS, Officer Garza and Chief Treviño have agreed to reduce the discipline in this matter to a three-day suspension without pay; NOW THEREFORE:

The undersigned parties hereby enter into this suspension agreement wherein it is provided that Officer Garza shall be suspended without pay from the San Antonio Police Department for a period of three days, commencing on February 23, 2015, and ending on February 25, 2015. Upon successful completion of one year, from the date this suspension is signed, without an allegation of similar misconduct which is subsequently sustained, and upon application by Officer Garza within two weeks of such date, and approval by the Chief of Police, this suspension shall be reduced to a one-day suspension, and two days' pay and benefits will be returned to Officer Garza. Officer Garza does not admit he violated the rules of the Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission and of the San Antonio Police Department and does not admit, but agrees not to contest the truth of the facts stated in this suspension notice. Officer Garza waives any rights to appeal this Agreed Suspension and agrees no administrative or judicial body shall have power to review this Agreed Suspension or alter the terms of this agreement.

Officer Garza has violated Subsection C of Rule XIII of the City of San Antonio Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission Rules, said rules having been adopted on February 23, 1998, and thereafter from time to time amended, by the Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission as the Civil Service Rules for the Fire and Police Departments of the City of San Antonio. The particular civil service rules violated by Officer Garza and grounds for suspension are as follows:

(12) Violation of an applicable fire or police department rule or special order.

The Rules and Regulations and Procedures of the San Antonio Police Department which Officer Garza has violated are as follows:

RULE 4.03 - REQUIREMENT TO TAKE ACTION: On-duty members are required to take prompt and effective police action conforming to departmental policies with respect to violations of laws and ordinances and matters affecting public safety coming to their attention, or of which they have knowledge.

The factual basis for the instant disciplinary suspension is as follows:

On or about April 28, 2014, Officer Rudolph A. Garza responded to 4703 Lord Road for a Family Violence incident. While at the location, Officer Garza's partner found containers of marijuana belonging to Candice Garza. Officer Garza failed to take effective police action by allowing Ms. Garza to dispose of the marijuana and by failing to report the offense. Officer Garza failed to write an Offense Report as required when any drug/narcotic violation or assault offense is revealed during a preliminary investigation.

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A copy of the instant disciplinary suspension order is being filed with the Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission

AGREED TO BY:

ANTHONY L. TREVIÑO, JR.

CHIEF OF POLICE
SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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the City of San Antonio and the San Antonio Police Officers' Association. I further acknowledge that in light of my entry into this Agreed Suspension, I shall have no right to appeal said suspension nor will any administrative or judicial body have power to review same or alter its terms. I do hereby waive any and all rights to appeal said suspension and no administrative or judicial body shall have power to review same or alter its terms.

OFFICER RUDOLPH A. GARZA, #0027 SAN ANTONIO POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICERS' CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

WITNESSED BY:

TIME: 1555 DATE: 2-11-15

TIME: 1558 DATE: 2-11-15

FILED on this the 11th day of February, 2015, with the Fire Fighters' and Police Officers' Civil Service Commission.

DIRECTOR, FIRE FIGHTERS' AND POLICE

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