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VARIANCE

Pursuant to the authority granted to me in the provisions of 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1250.210, I hereby grant a Variance on behalf of funeral director and embalmer interns whose are licenses in “Inactive”, “Expired”, “Cancelled”, or “Non-Renewed” status to the provisions of 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1250.165(c)(1) which requires them to pay a required fee for renewal.

This Variance is granted based upon the particular facts surrounding the Illinois Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation issued on March 09, 2020.

The purpose of this Variance to allow funeral director and embalmers interns who have Illinois funeral director and embalmer intern licenses in “Inactive”, “Expired”, “Cancelled”, or “Non-Renewed” status to renew their license by paying a reduced renewal fee of \$0 due to the current COVID-19 pandemic and the need for an increased number of professionals to assist in protecting public health. In order to restore a license under this Variance, the license shall not be revoked, suspended, or otherwise encumbered. Licensees renewed under this Variance shall only work in Illinois funeral homes under the direction of an Illinois licensed funeral director and embalmer whose license is in “Active” status. Any license restored under this Variance shall be valid until September 30, 2020.

Notwithstanding the aforementioned Rule, this Variance is in no way intended to waive or modify any statute, rule or regulation concerning the licensure of or practice of funeral director and embalmer interns. Funeral director and embalmer interns shall be required to meet the remaining requirements for renewal contained in the Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing Code and its Administrative Rules before renewing their license to active status.

I have determined that the provision from which this Variance is granted is not statutorily mandated; no party will be injured by the granting of this Variance; and the rules from which this Variance is granted would, in this particular case, be unreasonable.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL  
REGULATION of the State of Illinois  
Deborah Hagan, SECRETARY, by

Acting Director Cecilia Abundis  
Division of Professional Regulation

April 7, 2020

Date