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CERTIFIED MAIL

Dennis Meador
Open Door Baptist Church
Highway 22
Montpelier, IA 52759

NOTICE TO CEASE AND DESIST

Dear Mr. Meador:

Recently, the Iowa Board of Medicine (Board) received information which indicates that you have represented yourself as a physician and that you have provided medical services from a storefront located in Muscatine, Iowa. The information reviewed by the Board indicates that you performed examinations, diagnosed medical conditions, and you made treatment recommendations. The information also indicates that you told people that you are a licensed medical and naturopathic doctor and that you graduated from the University of Iowa School of Medicine in 2001. The Board contacted the registrar at the University of Iowa and there is no record of your enrollment in the medical school. Further, Board records indicate that you do not hold an Iowa medical license. This letter is to formally advise you that you must **CEASE AND DESIST** from holding yourself out as a physician and engaging in the practice of medicine in Iowa.

Iowa Code section 148.1 (2007) provides that the following persons are deemed to be engaged in the practice of medicine:

1. Persons who publicly profess to be physicians or surgeons or who publicly profess to assume the duties incident to the practice of medicine or surgery.
2. Persons who prescribe, or prescribe and furnish medicine for human ailments or treat the same by surgery.
3. Persons who act as representatives of any person in doing any of the things mentioned in this section.

A person who is engaged in the practice of medicine is required to obtain a license for that purpose. See Iowa Code section 147.2. In the event a person engages in the practice of medicine without a license issued by the Board, the office of the Iowa Attorney General is authorized to file a civil action against that person in a state district court to obtain a permanent injunction prohibiting that person from engaging in the unauthorized practice of medicine. See Iowa Code sections 147.83 and 147.92. Furthermore, the unlicensed practice of medicine could subject you to criminal charges, as Iowa Code section 147.103A(1) provides that a violation of section 147.2 is a Class "D" felony.

You are hereby warned that you must **CEASE AND DESIST** from holding yourself out as a physician and practicing medicine without a license. If the Board receives information that you have engaged in the unauthorized practice of medicine after the date you receive this letter, a civil injunction action may be filed against you by the office of the Iowa Attorney General, and/or the case may be referred to the county attorney for consideration of criminal prosecution.

I would strongly advise you to contact your attorney to seek advice regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Yasyn Lee", written over a horizontal line.

Yasyn Lee, M.D., Chairperson
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