



# MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA

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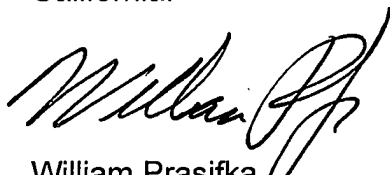
RE: Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. G 64271  
Case No. 800-2020-073958

### **Public Letter of Reprimand**

An investigation by the Medical Board of California revealed that you deviated from the standard of care in the management of a patient with cardiovascular heart failure and moderate to severe respiratory distress.

These actions constitute a violation of Business and Professions Code Section(s):  
2234(b) Unprofessional conduct/gross negligence.

Pursuant to the authority of the California Business and Professions Code section 2233, you are hereby issued this Public Letter of Reprimand by the Medical Board of California.



William Prasifka  
Executive Director