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## Medical Board Suspends License of Cesar E. Maldonado, M.D., of El Paso

A panel of the Texas Medical Board today suspended the license of Cesar E. Maldonado, M.D., License No. K4494, after determining that Dr. Maldonado had violated the terms of an agreed order entered by the board on February 4, 2005.

The February 4, 2005, order contained findings that Dr. Maldonado had abused and was addicted to alcohol. The agreed order required that Dr. Maldonado abstain from prohibited substances and that he participate in the board �s drug and alcohol testing program. The panel found that Dr. Maldonado had failed to submit to appropriate examination to screen for prohibited substances.

The panel directed the board s executive director to suspend Dr. Maldonado s license based on the violations of his agreed order. This suspension is indefinite and it remains in effect until further action by the board.

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The Texas Medical Board, the state agency that regulates physicians, physician assistants, surgical assistants and acupuncturists, provides consumer protection through licensure, investigation and disciplinary action. The Board, under President Roberta M. Kalafut, D.O., and Executive Director Donald W. Patrick, M.D., J.D., and mandated by Senate Bill 104 of the 78th Legislature and S.B. 419 of the 79th Legislature, is strengthening and accelerating the disciplinary process for licensees who fail to meet the required standards of professional proficiency and behavior. Information on filing a complaint is on the

agency web site at <u>www.tmb.state.tx.us/consumers/complain/complain.php</u> or by calling (800) 201-9353. See the home page at <u>www.tmb.state.tx.us</u>