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1	NAOMI FARFAN, LOLLIE WEBSTER,	Case No.: 34-2020-00278767
1	individually and on behalf of other members of the general public similarly situated,	CLASS LAWSUIT
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3	Plaintiff,	JOINT STIPULATION OF CLASS ACTION AND PAGA SETTLEMENT
4	VS.	
	SSC CARMICHAEL OPERATING	
5	COMPANY LP (dba) MISSION CARMICHAEL HEALTHCARE CENTER;	
6	SSC CARMICHAEL OPERATING GP.	
7	LLC; SSC CARMICHAEL MANAGEMENT COMPANY LP; SAVASENIORCARE	
8	ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, LLC;	
0	SAVASENIORCARE, LLC; SAVASENIORCARE CONSULTING, LLC;	
9	SSC SAN JOSE OPERATING COMPANY	
10	LP (dba) COURTYARD CARE CENTER; SSC PITTSBURG OPERATING COMPANY	
11	LP (dba) DIAMOND RIDGE	
	HEALTHCARE CENTER; SSC OAKLAND EXCELL OPERATING COMPANY LP	
12	(dba) EXCEL HEALTH CARE CENTER;	
13	ÀND SSC TARZANA OPERATING COMPANY LP (dba) TARZANA HEALTH	
14	& REHABILITATION CENTER.	
	Defendants.	
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16	Subject to the Court's approval, the Parti	es have entered into an Agreement pursuant to the
17	terms and conditions in this Joint Stipulation of	Class Action and PAGA Settlement Agreement
18	("Agreement") between Plaintiffs Naomi Farfan	and Lollie Webster ("Plaintiffs") individually and
19	on behalf of the Settlement Class, and Defendan	t SSC Carmichael Operating Company LP (dba)
20	Mission Carmichael HealthCare Center; SSC Carmichael Operating GP. LLC; SSC Carmichael	
21	Management Company LP; SavaSeniorCare Ad	ministrative Services, LLC; SavaSeniorCare,

<sup>22</sup> LLC; SavaSeniorCare Consulting, LLC; SSC San Jose Operating Company LP dba Courtyard

<sup>23</sup> Care Center; SSC Pittsburg Operating Company LP dba Diamond Ridge Healthcare Center; SSC

<sup>24</sup> Oakland Excell Operating Company LP dba Excel Health Care Center; and SSC Tarzana

<sup>25</sup> Operating Company LP dba Tarzana Health & Rehabilitation Center (collectively the

<sup>26</sup> "Defendant"). This Agreement fully and finally settles and resolves the Action set forth in the

- <sup>27</sup> First Amended Complaint entitled Naomi Farfan and Lollie Webster, et al v. SSC Carmichael
- <sup>28</sup> Operating Company. LP, et al, (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-00278767)

(the "Complaint"). 1 I. **DEFINITIONS** 2 "Action" is the First Amended Complaint entitled Naomi Farfan and Lollie 3 1. Webster, et al v. SSC Carmichael Operating Company. LP, et al, (Sacramento County Superior 4 Court Case No. 34-2020-00278767), filed on July 7, 2020. Action also includes all causes of 5 action alleged in the First Amended Complaint filed initially in federal court, Naomi Farfan, Lollie 6 Webster, and Terri Richter et al v. SSC Carmichael Operating Company. LP, et al, U.S. Northern 7 8 District of California, Case No. 4:18-cv-01472-HSG (First Amended Complaint filed on May 1, 2018). 9 2. "Agreement" or "Settlement Agreement" is the instant Joint Stipulation of Class 10 Action and PAGA Settlement Agreement. 11 3. "Class Counsel" means the attorneys of record for the Class Representatives and 12 13 Class Members, *i.e.*, Edward J. Wynne and Bryan J. McCormack. 4. "Class Counsel Award" means an award of attorneys' fees, expenses and costs 14 granted to Class Counsel and paid from the Maximum Settlement Amount. 15 5. "Class Data" means information regarding Class Members that Defendant will 16 collect from its electronic records and provide to the Settlement Administrator. It shall be 17 formatted as a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet and shall include for each Class Member their full 18 name, last known address, last known telephone number, and Social Security number; as well as 19 information sufficient to allow the Settlement Administrator to calculate the number of 20 "Workweeks" for all Class Members during the Class Period. 21 6. "Class Members" ("<u>CM</u>") means all individuals who are or previously were 22 23 employed by Defendant in California, and classified as a non-exempt employee at any time during the Class Period (as defined herein). 24 7. "Class Period" for settlement purposes shall mean the time period from February 25 25, 2017 through June 17, 2020. Plaintiff filed the original complaint in this Action on March 7, 26 2018 (United States District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 5:18-cv-01472). 27 Plaintiff filed a First Amended Complaint on May 1, 2018 (N.D. Cal. Case No. 5:18-cv-01472, 28 JOINT STIPULATION OF CLASS ACTION AND PAGA SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

Dkt. No. 12). The Parties litigated this case extensively, including formal discovery and motions 1 to compel the arbitration of the individual claims of the Plaintiffs. On October 7, 2019, the Court 2 dismissed Plaintiffs' statutory wage and hour class action claims, granted Defendant' motion to 3 compel the arbitration of the Plaintiffs' claims on an individual basis only, and stayed the PAGA 4 claims pending the arbitrations. Thereafter, the Parties agreed to proceed to mediation. Pursuant 5 to the Parties' agreement from the mediation, the Parties withdrew this Action from the Northern 6 7 District and re-filed the instant Action. Defendant may waive this statute of limitations 8 affirmative defense. See Cal. Code Civ. Proc. § 340(a); John R. Sand & Gravel Co. v. United States, 552 U.S. 130, 133 (2008). By entering into this Agreement, Defendant has, for the 9 purposes of settlement only, waived the statute of limitations defense in this Action with regard to 10 the claims alleged in the First Amended Complaint filed in this Court on July 7, 2020, Case No. 11 34-2020-00278767. Defendant agreed to provide significant and adequate consideration to release 12 the statutory wage and hour class claims, and PAGA claims seeking civil penalties, raised by the 13 Plaintiffs during the Class Period. 14

8. "Class Representative Service Award" or ("Service Award") means the amount that
the Court authorizes to be paid to the Class Representatives from the Maximum Settlement
Amount, in addition to each Class Representative's Individual Settlement Payment.

18 9. "Class Representatives" means the named Plaintiffs in this Action, Naomi Farfan19 and Lollie Webster.

10. "Corporate Payroll Taxes" shall mean the employer's share of taxes and
contributions, required under applicable state and federal law, with respect to the wage portion of
payments under this Settlement. These taxes shall be paid separately and in addition to the
Maximum Settlement Amount paid by Defendant.

24 11. "Court" means the Superior Court for the State of California, County of
25 Sacramento.

12. "Defendant" shall collectively mean SSC Carmichael Operating Company LP (dba)
 Mission Carmichael HealthCare Center; SSC Carmichael Operating GP. LLC; SSC Carmichael
 Management Company LP; SavaSeniorCare Administrative Services, LLC; SavaSeniorCare,

LLC; SavaSeniorCare Consulting, LLC; SSC San Jose Operating Company LP dba Courtyard
 Care Center; SSC Pittsburg Operating Company LP dba Diamond Ridge Healthcare Center; SSC
 Oakland Excell Operating Company LP dba Excel Health Care Center; and SSC Tarzana
 Operating Company LP dba Tarzana Health & Rehabilitation Center.

13. "Defense Counsel" or "Counsel for Defendant" shall mean Michael J. Nader of
Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak & Stewart, P.C., 500 Capitol Mall, Suite 2500, Sacramento, CA
95814.

8 14. "Effective Date" shall be the later of the following: (a) if no objections to the
9 settlement are pending, then the date the Court enters judgment granting Final Approval; (b) if an
10 objection to the settlement is filed, then the date when the time expires to file an appeal of the
11 Court's grant of Final Approval of settlement; or (c) if an objection is filed, as well as a timely
12 Notice of Appeal of the Court's grant of Final Approval of settlement, then the date the appeal is
13 finally resolved, with the final approval unaffected.

14 15. "Final Approval Order" means the Court's order granting final approval of the15 Settlement.

16 16. "Individual Settlement Payment" ("ISP") means the amount payable from the Net
17 Settlement Amount to each Settlement Class Member.

18 17. "Maximum Settlement Amount" or ("MSA") means the maximum sum to be paid by Defendant pursuant to this Settlement, which is nine-hundred forty-two thousand five-hundred 19 dollars (\$942,500). The MSA shall include all payments contemplated by this Settlement 20 Agreement, including but not limited to all ISPs, the Service Awards, the Class Counsel Award, 21 the PAGA Penalties Fund, the Settlement Administration Costs, and any award of costs or 22 23 reimbursements to Class Counsel. The MSA does not include the Defendant's Corporate Payroll Taxes. With the exception of the Defendant's Corporate Payroll Taxes, in no event shall 24 Defendant pay any amount more than the MSA. 25

18. "Net Settlement Amount" or ("<u>NSA</u>") means the MSA minus the Service Awards,
the Class Counsel Award, the PAGA Penalties Fund, the Settlement Administration Costs, any
award of costs or reimbursements to Class Counsel.

1	19. "Notice Packet" means the Notice of Class Action and PAGA Settlement in a form		
2	substantially similar to the form attached as <b>Exhibit 1</b> (the "Notice").		
3	20. "PAGA" means the California Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004.		
4	Cal. Lab. Code §§ 2698-2699.5.		
5	21. "PAGA Penalties Fund" is the amount of one-hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000)	,	
6	which shall be deducted from the MSA. The PAGA Penalties Fund shall be allocated as follows:		
7	twenty-five percent (25%) to the Class Members on a pro rata basis as defined herein, and		
8	seventy-five percent (75%) to the LWDA pursuant to Cal. Lab. Code § 2699(i).		
9	22. "Parties" mean Plaintiff and Defendant, collectively, and "Party" shall mean either		
10	Plaintiff or Defendant, individually.		
11	23. "Payment Ratio" means the respective Qualified Workweeks for each Settlement		
12	Class Member divided by the total Qualified Workweeks for all Class Members.		
13	24. "Plaintiffs" shall mean the named Plaintiffs in this Action, Naomi Farfan and Lollie	j	
14	Webster.		
15	25. "Preliminary Approval Date" means the date the Court enters an order granting		
16	preliminary approval of the Settlement Agreement.		
17	26. "Preliminary Approval Order" means the Order Granting Preliminary Approval.		
18	27. "Qualified Settlement Fund" means the fund set up by the Settlement Administrato	r	
19	into which the NSA shall be deposited and disbursements from it shall be made.		
20	28. "Qualified Workweeks" means the number of Workweeks(as defined herein) for		
21	each Class Member within the Class Period.		
22	29. "Released Claims" by Class Members (including the Plaintiffs in their capacity as		
23	settlement Class Members) means all causes of action that were or reasonably could have been		
24	brought based on the facts and legal theories alleged in the Action, as well as all of the following		
25	legal claims: (a) any and all claims for unpaid wages, including, but not limited to, claims for		
26	minimum, overtime, and double-time wages, the failure to pay for all hours worked, alleged		
27	improper deductions of time worked, and the failure to pay for all hours worked at correct rates;		
28	(b) any and all claims for meal period violations, including claims for late, short, interrupted		
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and/or missed meal periods and/or the failure to pay premium wages, and the alleged failure to 1 2 properly record meal breaks; (c) any and all claims for rest break violations, including claims for 3 late, short, interrupted and/or missed rest breaks and/or the failure to pay premium wages; (d) any and all claims for improper or inaccurate itemized wage statements, including any alleged 4 violations of Labor Code Section 226(a)(1)-(9), and including claims for injuries suffered 5 therefrom; (e) any and all claims for waiting time penalties under Labor Code Section 203 based 6 7 on the facts, claims, causes of action, or legal theories alleged in the Action; (f) any and all claims 8 for civil penalties under the Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004, Labor Code Section 2699 et seq. ("PAGA") premised on the facts, claims, causes of action, or legal theories 9 described herein or in the Action; (g) any and all claims under the Business & Professions Code 10 (including Section 17200 et seq.) premised on the facts, claims, or legal theories described herein 11 or in the Action, including, but not limited to, allegations of unpaid overtime and minimum wages, 12 and the alleged failure to provide compliant meal periods and rest breaks; (h) any and all claims 13 under 29 U.S.C. § 216(b) of the Fair Labor Standards Act, premised on the facts, claims, or legal 14 theories described herein or in the Action, including 29 U.S.C. §§ 206, 207, and 255; and (i) the 15 alleged violation of, or claims for relief pursuant to, Labor Code Sections 201, 202, 203, 204, 16 206.5, 210, 218.5, 226, 226.3, 226.7, 510, 512, 1174, 1174.5, 1194, 1194.2, 2698 et seq. (the 17 18 PAGA), and IWC Wage Order 5-2001. The Class Members are also barred according to a Civil Code Section 1542 release that is limited to the Released Claims herein. Each and every ISP 19 check will include an endorsement confirming that by cashing the check, the SCMs are releasing 20 the Released Claims. 21

30. "Released Parties" means all of the following: SSC Carmichael Operating
Company LP (dba) Mission Carmichael HealthCare Center; SSC Carmichael Operating GP. LLC;
SSC Carmichael Management Company LP; SavaSeniorCare Administrative Services, LLC;
SavaSeniorCare, LLC; SavaSeniorCare Consulting, LLC; SSC San Jose Operating Company LP
dba Courtyard Care Center; SSC Pittsburg Operating Company LP dba Diamond Ridge
Healthcare Center; SSC Oakland Excell Operating Company LP dba Excel Health Care Center;
and SSC Tarzana Operating Company LP dba Tarzana Health & Rehabilitation Center, as well as

each of their divisions, affiliates, parents, subsidiaries, successors, assigns and operating
 companies, including but not limited to, the respective officers, directors, employees, agents,
 insurers, and affiliates of each of them, and any individual or entity which could be jointly liable
 with Defendant.
 31. "Request for Exclusion" refers to a formal request to be excluded from the
 Settlement Agreement as described in the "Requests for Exclusion" section herein.

7 32. "Response Deadline" means the date forty-five (45) days after the Settlement
8 Administrator mails Notices to Class Members, and the last date on which Class Members may
9 submit requests for exclusion or objections to the Settlement Agreement.

10 33. "Settlement Agreement" means this Joint Stipulation of Class Action and PAGA
11 Settlement Agreement.

12 34. "Settlement Administrator" means Phoenix Settlement Administrators, as approved13 by the Court.

14 35. "Settlement Administration Costs" means the amount to be paid to the Settlement
15 Administrator from the MSA for administration of this Settlement.

36. "Settlement Class Members" ("SCM") means all SCMs who do not submit a
request for exclusion. SCMs will be bound by the Released Claims and by the terms of the
Settlement Agreement and any final judgment entered in this Action.

19 37. "Workweek" means the seven consecutive days starting on and including Monday
20 through and including Sunday (a "week") during which time the Class Data reflects that a given
21 SCM worked during the Class Period at any point in time for any amount of time during a given
22 week, and does not include weeks when an SCM was on PTO, a leave of absence, jury duty, or the
23 like for the entire week.

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## II. <u>RECITALS</u>

38. <u>Class Certification</u>. The Parties stipulate and agree to certification of a "Settlement
Class" for the purposes of this Settlement Agreement only. Should the Settlement Agreement not
obtain Court approval and become final and effective, class certification shall immediately be set
aside and the Settlement Class immediately decertified. The Parties' stipulation to class

certification as part of the Settlement Agreement shall not be considered in connection with the
 issue of whether a class should be certified in this Action or any other action, and shall not be
 admissible in any such proceeding other than in the context of this Settlement Agreement.

39. Procedural History. On March 7, 2018, Plaintiffs filed a putative class action 4 Complaint (United States District Court, Northern District of California, Case No. 5:18-cv-01472), 5 asserting claims against the Defendant, including claims for failure to pay minimum and overtime 6 7 wages under the FLSA and California law; failure to provide compliant meal and rest breaks and 8 related premium payments; failure to provide compliant wage statements; failure to pay final wages; and unfair business practices in violation of California Business and Professions Code § 9 17200 et seq. On May 1, 2018, Plaintiffs filed a First Amended Complaint (N.D. Cal. Case No. 10 5:18-cv-01472, Dkt. No. 12) alleging the same claims in the original complaint, and adding claims 11 for civil penalties under the California Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004, Labor 12 Code §§ 2698 et seq. (the "Federal FAC") The Parties litigated this case extensively, including 13 discovery and motions to compel the arbitration of the individual claims of the Plaintiffs. On 14 October 7, 2019, the Norther District dismissed Plaintiffs' statutory wage and hour class action 15 claims, granted Defendant's motion to compel the arbitration of the Plaintiffs' claims on an 16 individual basis only, and stayed the PAGA claims pending the arbitrations. Thereafter, the 17 18 Parties agreed to proceed to mediation.

40. <u>Mediation</u>. The mediation took place on January 22, 2020. The mediation was
conducted by Louis Marlin, an experienced wage and hour mediator. No settlement was reached
that day, but the Parties continued to work on resolving the case, and eventually worked out the
terms of this Settlement Agreement, and respectfully seek Court approval.

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41. <u>Complaint</u>. As a result of the mediated settlement, and thus by agreement of the Parties, on May 15, 2020, Plaintiffs filed the Complaint in this court, (Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 34-2020-00278767) alleging the same claims in the Federal FAC.

42. <u>Benefits of Settlement Agreement to Settlement Class Members</u>. Plaintiffs and
Class Counsel recognize the expense and length of continued proceedings necessary to litigate this
Action through trial and potential appeals. Plaintiffs have also taken into account the uncertainty

and risk of the outcome of further litigation and arbitration, and the difficulties and delays inherent 1 in such proceedings. Plaintiffs and Class Counsel are also aware of the burdens of proof necessary 2 3 to establish liability for the claims asserted in the Action, both generally and in response to Defendant's defenses, and the difficulties in establishing damages for the Class Members. Thus, 4 Plaintiffs and Class Counsel have determined that the terms set forth in this Settlement Agreement 5 are fair, adequate and reasonable, and in the best interests of the Settlement Class Members. 6

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43. Defendant's Reasons for Settlement Agreement. Defendant has concluded that 8 further defense of this Action would be protracted and expensive for all Parties. Substantial amounts of Defendant's time and resources have been, and unless this Settlement Agreement is 9 completed, will continue to be devoted to the defense of the Action. Defendant has also taken into 10 account the risks of further litigation in reaching its decision to enter into this Settlement 11 Agreement. Defendant firmly contends that it is not liable for any of Plaintiffs' claims, but has 12 agreed to settle along the terms set forth in this Settlement Agreement to fully resolve the Action. 13

44. <u>Class Members' Claims</u>. The Class Representatives claim that their allegations 14 have merit in regards to the putative Class Members. This Settlement Agreement is a compromise 15 of disputed claims. The monies paid in this Settlement Agreement are genuinely disputed and the 16 Parties agree that the provisions of Labor Code section 206.5 do not apply to this Settlement 17 18 Agreement. Nothing in this Settlement Agreement or its exhibits, and no action taken to carry out this Settlement Agreement may be construed or used as an admission by or against the putative 19 Class Members or Class Counsel as to the merits of the claims asserted. 20

45. Defendant's Defenses. Defendant claims that the Released Claims have no merit. 21 This Settlement Agreement is a compromise of disputed claims. The Settlement funds are 22 23 genuinely disputed and the Parties agree that the provisions of Labor Code section 206.5 do not apply to this Settlement Agreement. Nothing in this Settlement Agreement or its exhibits, and no 24 action taken to carry out this Settlement Agreement may be construed or used as an admission by 25 or against Defendant as to the merits of the claims asserted. 26

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## III. TERMS OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

46. <u>Settlement Agreement Consideration by Defendant.</u> Defendant shall pay the MSA
and nothing more than the MSA, in the total amount of nine-hundred forty-five thousand dollars
(\$942,500).

47. Released Claims by the Settlement Class Members. If the Court approves the 5 Settlement, each Class Member who has not excluded themselves from the Settlement will be 6 7 bound by the Settlement, and thereby release Defendant of all causes of action that were or 8 reasonably could have been brought based on the facts and legal theories alleged in the Action, including the Released Claims as defined herein. Pursuant to Civil Code Section 1542, Settlement 9 Class Members may hereafter discover facts or legal arguments in addition to or different from 10 those they now know or currently believe to be true with respect to the claims, causes of action 11 and legal theories of recovery in this case which are the subject matter of the Released Claims. 12 Regardless, the discovery of new facts or legal arguments shall in no way limit the scope or 13 definition of the Released Claims, and by virtue of this Settlement, the Settlement Class Members 14 shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the final judgment approved by the Court, shall have, 15 fully, finally, and forever settled and released all of the Released Claims. 16

48. General Release of Claims By Plaintiffs. In exchange for the consideration in this 17 Settlement Agreement, Plaintiffs, for themselves and their heirs, successors and assigns, hereby 18 waive, release, acquit and forever discharge the Released Parties from any and all Released Claims 19 as well as any and all claims, actions, charges, complaints, grievances and causes of action, of 20 whatever nature, whether known or unknown, which exist or may exist on Plaintiffs' behalf as of 21 the date they sign this Settlement Agreement, including but not limited to, any and all tort claims, 22 23 contract claims, wage claims, wrongful termination claims, disability claims, benefit claims, public policy claims, retaliation claims, statutory claims, personal injury claims, emotional distress 24 claims, invasion of privacy claims, defamation claims, fraud claims, quantum meruit claims, and 25 any and all claims arising under any federal, state or other governmental statute, law, regulation or 26 ordinance, including, but not limited to, claims for violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act, the 27 California Labor Code, the Wage Orders of California's Industrial Welfare Commission, other 28

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state wage and hour laws, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Employee Retirement Income 1 Security Act, Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the California Fair Employment and 2 3 Housing Act, the California Family Rights Act, the Family Medical Leave Act, California's Whistleblower Protection Act, California Business & Professions Code Section 17200 et seq., and 4 any and all claims arising under any federal, state or other governmental statute, law, regulation or 5 ordinance. Plaintiffs expressly waive and relinquish any and all claims, rights or benefits they 6 7 may have under California Civil Code § 1542, which provides as follows: "A general release does 8 not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release and that, if known by him or her, would have 9 materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party." Plaintiffs may later 10 discover claims or facts in addition to, or different from, those which they know or believe to 11 exist, but they expressly agree to fully, finally and forever settle and release any and all claims 12 against the Released Parties, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, which exist or may 13 exist at the time they sign this Settlement Agreement, including, but not limited to, any and all 14 claims relating to or arising from Plaintiffs' employment with Defendant. The Parties further 15 acknowledge, understand and agree that this Settlement Agreement would not have been finalized 16 without this representation and commitment from the Plaintiffs. 17

49. <u>Conditions Precedent</u>: This Settlement Agreement will become final and effective
only upon the occurrence of all of the following events: (a) the Court enters an order granting
preliminary approval of the Settlement Agreement; (b) the Court enters an order granting final
approval of the Settlement Agreement and a Final Judgment; and (c) The Effective Date occurs.

50. <u>Nullification of Settlement Agreement</u>. In the event that this Settlement Agreement
is not finally approved by the Court, fails to become effective, or is reversed, withdrawn or
modified by the Court, or in any way prevents or prohibits Defendant from obtaining a complete
resolution of the claims as described herein, then (a) this Settlement Agreement shall be void ab
initio and of no force or effect, and shall not be admissible in any judicial, administrative or
arbitral proceeding for any purpose or with respect to any issue, substantive or procedural; (b) the
conditional class certification (obtained for any purpose) shall be void ab initio and of no force or

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effect, and shall not be admissible in any judicial, administrative or arbitral proceeding for any
 purpose or with respect to any issue, substantive or procedural; and (c) none of the Parties to this
 Settlement Agreement will be deemed to have waived any claims, objections, defenses or
 arguments in the Action, including with respect to the issue of class certification.

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51. <u>Certification of the Settlement Class</u>. The Parties stipulate to conditional class certification of the Settlement Class for the Class Period for purposes of the Settlement Agreement only, and to agree that the Plaintiffs shall be appointed as Class Representatives, and that Edward J. Wynne and Bryan J. McCormack shall be appointed Class Counsel.

52. Tax Liability. The Parties recognize that ten percent (10%) of each ISP to be paid 9 to each SCM (other than the Service Awards to the Plaintiffs) will be treated as payment of wages 10 and will be subject to IRS Form W-2 reporting. SCMs shall be paid their ISPs, subject to 11 reduction for the applicable employee's share of taxes and withholdings with respect to the wage 12 portion of his or her ISP. Ninety percent (90%) of the ISPs made will be treated as payment of 13 interest and penalties. SCMs will be issued an IRS Form 1099 for the interest and penalties 14 portion of the ISPs, and no taxes will be withheld from these portions. The Settlement 15 Administrator shall be responsible for calculating, withholding, and transmitting all required state 16 and federal taxes related to the ISPs. No benefit, including but not limited to any 401(k) plan, 17 18 shall increase or accrue as a result of any payment made as a result of this settlement. The SCMs will be responsible for correctly characterizing their respective settlement payments for tax 19 purposes and paying any taxes owing on said amounts (including, without limitation, any interest 20 or penalties required by law), other than the Corporate Payroll Taxes. Defendant shall pay all 21 Corporate Payroll Taxes separately and in addition to the Maximum Settlement Amount. 22

53. <u>Circular 230 Disclaimer</u>. Each Party to this Settlement Agreement acknowledges
and agrees that no provision of this Settlement Agreement, and no written communication or
disclosure between the Parties or their attorneys, was intended to be relied upon as tax advice
within the meaning of United States Treasury Department circular 230 (31 CFR part 10, as
amended); and that each Party has relied exclusively on their own, independent legal and tax
counsel for advice (including tax advice) in connection with this Settlement Agreement; and that

each Party is not entitled to rely upon any communication or disclosure by any attorney or advisor 1 2 to avoid any tax penalty.

3 54. Preliminary Approval Motion. At the earliest practicable time, Plaintiffs shall file with the Court a Motion for Order Granting Preliminary Approval and supporting papers, which 4 shall include this Settlement Agreement. Plaintiff shall provide a courtesy draft of these papers to 5 Defense Counsel at least seven (7) days before filing the documents. 6

7 55. Settlement Administrator. By accepting the role as Settlement Administrator, the 8 Settlement Administrator is bound to all of the terms, conditions and obligations described in this Settlement Agreement. Among these obligations, the Settlement Administrator shall have sole 9 and exclusive responsibility for: (a) calculating the Qualified Workweeks, Payment Ratio, and the 10 ISP for each Settlement Class Member; (b) processing and mailing payments to the Class 11 Representatives, Class Counsel, the LWDA, and the SCMs; (c) printing and mailing the Notices to 12 the Class Members as directed by the Court; (d) receiving and reporting objections, opt outs, 13 Requests for Exclusion, and Notices of Objection; (e) deducting all legally required taxes from the 14 ISPs and distributing tax forms; (f) processing and mailing any tax payments to the appropriate 15 state and federal taxing authorities; (g) providing declaration(s) as necessary in support of 16 preliminary and/or final approval of this Settlement Agreement; and (h) other tasks that the Parties 17 18 mutually agree on, or the Court orders the Settlement Administrator to perform. The Settlement Administrator shall keep the Parties timely apprised of the performance of its duties. Defendant 19 and their Counsel shall have no responsibility for validating or ensuring the accuracy of the 20 Settlement Administrator's work. Plaintiffs, Class Counsel, Defendant and Defense Counsel shall 21 not bear any responsibility for errors or omissions in the calculation or distribution of the ISPs or 22 23 any other distribution of monies contemplated by this Settlement Agreement.

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56. Notice Procedure.

Class Data. The Class Data shall be confidential. The Settlement 25 a. Administrator shall not provide the Class Data to Class Counsel or Plaintiffs or any 26 third party, or use the Class Data or any of its information for any purpose other 27 28 than to administer this Settlement Agreement. Defendant shall provide the

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1	Settlement Administrator with the Class Data to prepare and mail the Notices to the		
2	SCMs. This shall take place within fourteen (14) calendar days after the date that		
3	both of the following has occurred: (a) the Preliminary Approval Date; and (b) the		
4	date on which Defendant receives sufficient and reasonable written assurances from		
5	the Settlement Administrator that the Administrator will maintain the		
6	confidentiality of the Class Data.		
7	b. <u>Notices</u> .		
8	i. The Notice of Class Action and PAGA Settlement Agreement		
9	mailed out to Class Members (the "Notice") shall be in a form		
10	substantially similar to the form attached as Exhibit 1. The Notice		
11	shall inform Class Members to notify the Settlement Administrator		
12	of their current mailing address where the ISP should be mailed		
13	following the Effective Date. The Notice shall include the release to		
14	be given by each SCM in exchange for the ISP.		
15	ii. The Notice shall also provide each SCM's starting and ending dates		
16	of employment in a class position during the Settlement Class		
17	Period, the number of Qualified Workweeks calculated by the		
18	Settlement Administrator, and the Settlement Administrator's		
19	calculation of each SCM's estimated ISP.		
20	iii. The Notice's mailing envelope shall include the following language:		
21	"IMPORTANT LEGAL DOCUMENT- YOU MAY GET MONEY		
22	FROM A CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT; A		
23	PROMPT REPLY IS REQUIRED TO PRESERVE YOUR		
24	RIGHTS."		
25	c. <u>Notice By First Class U.S. Mail.</u> No later than fourteen (14) calendar days		
26	after receiving the Class Data from Defendant as provided herein, the		
27	Settlement Administrator shall mail copies of the Notice to all Class		
28	Members via regular First Class U.S. Mail. The Settlement Administrator		
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shall exercise its best judgment to determine the current mailing address for each Class Member.

d. Undeliverable Notices. Any Notices returned to the Settlement Administrator as non-delivered on or before the Response Deadline shall be re-mailed to the forwarding address affixed thereto. If no forwarding address is provided, the Settlement Administrator shall promptly attempt to determine a correct address by lawful use of skip-tracing, or other search using the name, address, email address, social media, and/or Social Security number of the Class Member involved, and shall then perform a re-mailing, if another mailing address is identified by the Settlement Administrator. If any Notices sent to SCMs currently employed by Defendant are returned to the Settlement Administrator as non-delivered and no forwarding address is provided, the Settlement Administrator shall notify Defendant. Defendant will request that the currently employed SCM provide a corrected address to the Defendant to forward to the Settlement Administrator. Class Members who received a re-mailed Notice shall have their Response Deadline extended fifteen calendar (15) days from the original Response Deadline. e. <u>Disputes Regarding ISPs</u>. SCMs will have the opportunity, should they disagree with the estimated number of Qualified Workweeks stated on their Notice, to provide documentation and/or an explanation to show contrary employment dates. If there is a dispute, the Settlement Administrator will consult with the Parties to determine whether an adjustment is warranted. The Settlement Administrator shall determine the eligibility for, and the amounts of, any ISP under the terms of this Settlement Agreement, and that determination shall be binding upon the SCM and the Parties. f. Disputes Regarding Administration of Settlement Agreement. Any disputes not resolved by the Settlement Administrator concerning the administration of the Settlement Agreement will be resolved by the Court under the laws of 16 JOINT STIPULATION OF CLASS ACTION AND PAGA SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

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the State of California. Prior to any such involvement of the Court, counsel for the Parties will confer in good faith to resolve the disputes without the necessity of involving the Court.

## g. <u>Requests for Exclusion.</u>

i. The Notice shall include an explanation that Class Members who wish to exclude themselves from the Settlement Agreement must submit a written Request for Exclusion by the Response Deadline. The written Request for Exclusion must state that the Class Member has decided to exclude himself or herself from the Settlement Agreement and (1) must contain the name, address, and the last four digits of the Social Security number and/or Employee ID number of the person requesting exclusion; (2) must be signed by the Class Member; (3) must be postmarked by the Response Deadline and returned to the Settlement Administrator at the specified address; and (4) contain a typewritten or handwritten notice stating in substance: "I wish to opt out of the Settlement Agreement of the class action lawsuit involving Sava Senior Care filed in the Superior Court of California, County of Sacramento." ii. The Request for Exclusion will not be valid if it is not timely submitted, or if it is not signed by the Class Member, or if it does not contain the name and address of the Class Member. The date of the postmark on the return mailing envelope for the Request for Exclusion shall be the exclusive means used to determine whether

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the Request for Exclusion was timely submitted. Class Members

on or before the Response Deadline shall be Settlement Class

who fail to submit a valid and timely written Request for Exclusion

Members ("SCMs") who are bound by all terms of the Settlement

1		Agreement, and any final judgment entered in this Action, if the
2		Settlement Agreement is approved by the Court.
3	iii.	Any Class Member who requests to be excluded from the Settlement
4		Agreement will not be entitled to any recovery under the Settlement
5		Agreement and will not be bound by its terms or have any right to
6		object, appeal or comment on it. Nothing in this Settlement
7		Agreement can be construed as a waiver of any defense that
8		Defendant or the Released Parties have or could assert against
9		anyone who timely serves a Request for Exclusion.
10	iv.	No later than five (5) calendar days after the Response Deadline, the
11		Settlement Administrator shall provide counsel for the Parties with a
12		final list of the Class Members who have timely submitted written
13		Requests for Exclusion.
14	v.	At no time shall any of the Parties or their counsel seek to solicit or
15		otherwise encourage Class Members to submit Requests for
16		Exclusion from the Settlement Agreement.
17	h. <u>Objec</u>	tions
18	i.	The Notice shall state that SCMs who wish to object to the
19		Settlement Agreement must mail to the Settlement Administrator a
20		written statement of objection ("Notice of Objection") by the
21		Response Deadline. The postmark date of the mailing shall be
22		deemed the exclusive means for determining that a Notice of
23		Objection was served timely.
24	ii.	SCMs who submit a timely Notice of Objection will have a right to
25		appear at the Final Approval/Settlement Agreement Fairness
26		Hearing in order to have their objections heard by the Court. The
27		Notice of Objection must be signed by the SCM and state the case
28		name and number, the name and address of the SCM, the last four
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1		digits of the SCM's Social Security number and/or Employee ID	
2		number, the basis for the objection, and if the SCM intends to	
3		appear at the Final Approval/Settlement Agreement Fairness	
4		Hearing. SCMs who fail to make objections in the manner specified	
5		above shall be deemed to have waived any objections and shall be	
6		foreclosed from making any objections (whether by appeal or	
7		otherwise) to the Settlement Agreement.	
8	iii.	At no time shall any of the Parties or their counsel seek to solicit or	
9		otherwise encourage SCMs to object to the Settlement Agreement or	
10		appeal from the Order and Final Judgment.	
11	iv.	Class Members who submit a written Request for Exclusion are not	
12		entitled to object to the Settlement Agreement.	
13	v.	The Settlement Administrator shall send all objections to Class	
14		Counsel and Defense Counsel. Class Counsel will be responsible	
15		for filing the Notices of Objection with the Court in advance of the	
16		Final Approval Hearing. Plaintiff and/or Defendant may file	
17		oppositions to Notices of Objection prior to the date of the Final	
18		Approval/Settlement Agreement Fairness Hearing.	
19	vi.	Defendant shall not be responsible for the fees, costs, or expenses	
20		incurred by Plaintiff, Class Counsel, or SCMs arising from or	
21		related to any objection to the Settlement Agreement or related to	
22		any appeals thereof.	
23	57. <u>Funding and Allocation of the Maximum Settlement Amount</u> . Upon satisfaction of		
24	the preconditions described in this Settlement Agreement, and pursuant to the timeline and		
25	instructions below, Defendant will deposit the MSA into a Qualified Settlement Fund to be		
26	established by the Settlement Administrator.		
27	58. <u>Funding Due Date</u> . The MSA shall be paid as follows:		
28	a) \$192,5	00 on the later date of either June 1, 2020, or within ten (10) court days after	
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1	the Court approves the Settlement Agreement (the "First Deposit").		
2	b) \$250,000 on the later date of either July 1, 2020, or within ten (10) court days after		
3	the Court approves the Settlement Agreement (the "Second Deposit").		
4	c) \$250,000 on the later date of either August 1, 2020, or within ten (10) court days		
5		after the Court approves the Settlement Agreement (the "Third Deposit").	
6		d) \$250,000 on the later date of either September 1, 2020, or within ten (10) court	
7		days after the Court approves the Settlement Agreement (the Fourth Deposit").	
8		e) The settlement payments will be paid to the Settlement Administrator who will	
9		deposit the sums in an interest-bearing account. Once all settlement payments have been	
10		made, and after the Effective Date of this Settlement occurs, the Settlement Administrator	
11		shall disburse the MSA plus any accrued interest as set forth herein. All interest earned	
12		shall inure to the benefit of the aggrieved employees as defined herein and class counsel.	
13	59.	Individual Settlement Payments. ISPs shall be paid from the NSA and shall be paid	
14	pursuant to th	ne following formula:	
15		a. <u>Calculation of Individual Settlement Payments ("ISPs")</u> . Using the Class	
16	Data, the Settlement Administrator will calculate the total Qualified Workweeks for		
17	all SCMs. The respective Qualified Workweeks for each SCM will be divided by		
18	the total Qualified Workweeks for all SCMs, resulting in the Payment Ratio for		
19	each individual SCM. Each SCM's Payment Ratio will then be multiplied by the		
20	NSA to calculate each SCM's estimated ISP. The ISP will be provided only to the		
21		individual SCM. Each ISP will be reduced by any legally mandated employee tax	
22		withholdings (e.g., employee payroll taxes, etc.). The ISP checks will include an	
23	endorsement confirming that by cashing the check, each SCM is releasing state and		
24	federal claims covered by the Released Claims.		
25	b. <u>Tax Allocation</u> . For tax purposes, each ISP shall be allocated as follows:		
26	10% as wages subject to IRS Form W-2 reporting and applicable		
27	taxes/withholdings, and 90% as statutory and civil damages and penalties for which		
28	an IRS Form 1099 will be issued.		
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1	c. <u>Mailing</u> . ISPs shall be mailed by regular, First Class, U.S. Mail to each		
2	SCM no later than ten (10) days after the Effective Date.		
3	d. <u>Uncashed Checks</u> . Any checks issued to SCMs shall remain valid and		
4	negotiable for one hundred and eighty (180) days after the date they are issued.		
5	The Settlement Administrator will mail a reminder notice to those SCMs who have		
6	not cashed their checks after one hundred twenty (120) days and will also send a		
7	reminder via any available email address or social media for these SCMs. In the		
8	event an ISP check has not been cashed within one hundred and eighty (180) days,		
9	then such funds will be tendered to the California Department of Industrial		
10	Relations Unpaid Wage Fund (see Cal. Lab. Code § 96.6) for the benefit of the		
11	SCMs who did not cash their checks until such time as they claim their property.		
12	The Settlement Administrator shall prepare a report regarding the extent of		
13	unclaimed funds, and the report shall be presented to the Court by Class Counsel.		
14	e. <u>Class Representative Service Awards ("Service Awards")</u> .		
15	i. Defendant agrees not to oppose or object to Class Representative		
16	Service Awards of up to five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to each Class		
17	Representative (Naomi Farfan and Lollie Webster) in exchange for		
18	her General Release of claims, including the Released Claims, and		
19	for her time, effort and risk in bringing and prosecuting this matter.		
20	The Service Awards shall be in addition to each Class		
21	Representative's ISP as an SCM.		
22	ii. The Settlement Administrator shall pay the Service Awards to each		
23	Class Representative from the MSA after the Effective Date. Any		
24	portion of the requested Service Awards that is not awarded to a		
25	Class Representative shall become part of the NSA.		
26	iii. The Settlement Administrator shall issue an IRS Form 1099 - MISC		
27	to each Class Representative for the Service Award. Each Class		
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1		Representative shall be solely and legally responsible to pay any and
2		all applicable taxes on the Service Award.
3	iv.	If the Court reduces or does not approve the requested Service
4		Award, Plaintiff shall not have the right to revoke the Settlement
5		Agreement, which shall remain binding.
6	f. <u>Class</u>	Counsel Award.
7	i.	In consideration for settling the Action and for all Released Claims
8		to the Released Parties, as well as the General Release of claims by
9		the Class Representatives, Class Counsel intends to apply for an
10		award of attorneys' fees not to exceed three-hundred thirty thousand
11		seven-hundred and fifty dollars (\$329,875), plus costs and expenses
12		supported by declaration not to exceed twelve thousand dollars
13		(\$12,000.00). These amounts will be issued out of the MSA.
14	ii.	Class Counsel, Plaintiffs and the SCMs will not apply to the Court
15		for any additional payment of attorney fees and costs, or for an
16		increase in the MSA. The Parties agree that, over and above the
17		Court-approved Class Counsel Award, each of the Parties, including
18		all SCMs, shall bear their own fees and costs, including, but not
19		limited to, those related to the investigation, filing, or prosecution of
20		the Action; the negotiation, execution, or implementation of this
21		Settlement Agreement; and/or the process of obtaining,
22		administering, or challenging an Order Granting Preliminary
23		Approval and/or Final Approval.
24	iii.	Any portion of the requested Class Counsel Award that is not
25		awarded to Class Counsel shall be part of the NSA and shall be
26		distributed to SCMs as provided in this Settlement Agreement.
27	iv.	The Settlement Administrator shall pay the Class Counsel Award to
28		Class Counsel from the MSA after the Effective Date.
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1	v. Class Counsel shall be solely and legally responsible to pay all
2	applicable taxes on the Class Counsel Award. The Settlement
3	Administrator shall issue an IRS Form 1099 - MISC to Class
4	Counsel for the payment.
5	vi. In the event that the Court reduces or does not approve the requested
6	Class Counsel Award, Plaintiff and Class Counsel shall not have the
7	right to modify or revoke the Settlement Agreement, except that
8	Class Counsel may appeal the Court's ruling on the award of
9	attorneys' fees and costs.
10	g. <u>PAGA Penalties Fund</u> . One-hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) shall be
11	allocated from the MSA for the release of claims for civil penalties under
12	the Private Attorneys General Act of 2004. The Settlement Administrator
13	shall pay seventy-five percent (75%) of the Fund, or \$75,000, to the
14	California Labor and Workforce Development Agency (the "PAGA
15	Payment") after Defendant provides funds to the Settlement Administrator
16	for disbursement under this Settlement Agreement. Twenty-five (25%) of
17	the remaining amount of the \$100,000 payment, or \$25,000, will remain in
18	the NSA and distributed as described in this Settlement Agreement. Class
19	Counsel will take all action required by California Labor Code section
20	2699(1).
21	h. <u>Settlement Administrator Costs</u> . The Settlement Administrator shall be
22	paid for the costs of administration of the Settlement Agreement from the
23	MSA. Based upon estimates received, the Settlement Administrator Costs
24	shall not exceed twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000). The Settlement
25	Administrator shall be paid the Settlement Administrator Costs after
26	Defendant provides funds to the Settlement Administrator for disbursement
27	under this Settlement Agreement.
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60. Mutual Full Cooperation. The Parties agree to fully cooperate with each other to 1 accomplish the terms of this Settlement Agreement, including but not limited to, the execution of 2 3 necessary documents and to take such other action as may be reasonably necessary to implement the terms of this Settlement Agreement. As soon as practicable after execution of this Settlement 4 Agreement, Class Counsel shall, with the assistance and cooperation of Defendant and Defense 5 Counsel, take all necessary steps to secure the Court's Preliminary and Final Approval of this 6 7 Settlement Agreement. The Parties also agree to cooperate in the Settlement Administrator 8 process. The Parties each represent they do not have any financial interest in the Settlement Administrator or otherwise have a relationship with the Settlement Administrator that could create 9 a conflict of interest. Class Counsel will also notify Defense Counsel if subpoenaed or upon 10 receipt of any other request for documents or information regarding any other lawsuit filed, or 11 potential lawsuit, against the Released Parties that covers or includes any SCMs and the Released 12 Claims. 13

61. Preliminary Approval Hearing. Plaintiff shall obtain a hearing before the Court to 14 request the preliminary approval of the Settlement Agreement, and the setting of a date for a Final 15 Approval/Settlement Agreement Fairness Hearing. The Preliminary Approval Order shall provide 16 for the Notice of Class Action and PAGA Settlement (the "Notice") to be sent to all Class 17 18 Members as specified herein. In conjunction with the Preliminary Approval Hearing, Plaintiff shall submit this Settlement Agreement and the proposed Notice. Plaintiff shall provide drafts of 19 all papers filed in support of preliminary approval to Defense Counsel at least seven (7) days prior 20 to filing the documents. 21

62. <u>Final Approval Motion</u>. At the earliest practicable time following the expiration of
the Response Deadline, Plaintiff shall file with the Court a Motion for Order Granting Final
Approval and Entering Judgment, requesting final approval of the Settlement Agreement and a
determination of the amounts payable for the Service Awards, the Class Counsel Award, the
PAGA Payment, and the Settlement Administration Costs. Plaintiff shall provide drafts of these
papers to Defense Counsel at least seven (7) days prior to filing the documents.

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1	a. <u>Declaration by Settlement Administrator</u> . The Settlement Administrator		
2	shall submit a declaration in support of Plaintiffs' motion for final approval		
3	of this Settlement Agreement detailing the number of Notices mailed and		
4	re-mailed to Class Members, the number of undeliverable Notices, the		
5	number of timely requests for exclusion, the number of Notices of		
6	Objections received, the amount of the average ISP, the Settlement		
7	Administration Costs, and any other information as the Parties mutually		
8	agree on, or that the Court orders the Settlement Administrator to provide.		
9	b. <u>Final Approval Order and Judgment</u> . The Parties shall present an Order		
10	Granting Final Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement Agreement		
11	to the Court for its approval, and Judgment thereon consistent with the		
12	terms and conditions of this Settlement Agreement.		
13	63. <u>Review of Motions for Preliminary and Final Approval</u> . Class Counsel will		
14	provide an opportunity for Defense Counsel to review the Motions for Preliminary and Final		
15	Approval prior to filing with the Court. The Parties and their counsel will cooperate and use their		
16	best efforts to effect the Court's approval of the Motions for Preliminary and Final Approval of		
17	the Settlement Agreement, and entry of Judgment.		
18	64. <u>Interim Stay of Proceedings</u> . The Parties agree to stay all proceedings in the		
19	Action, except such proceedings necessary to implement and complete the Settlement Agreement,		
20	pending the Final Approval/Settlement Agreement Fairness Hearing to be conducted by the Court,		
21	and that the time within which to bring this action to trial under California Code of Civil		
22	Procedure Section 583.310 shall be extended from the date the Memorandum of Agreement was		
23	signed on March 24, 2020, until the settlement is revoked and the stay is lifted.		
24	65. <u>Nullification of Settlement Agreement</u> . In the event that the Court does not grant		
25	final approval, or the Court does not enter a final judgment as provided herein, or the Settlement		
26	Agreement does not become final for any other reason, this Settlement Agreement shall be null		
27	and void and any order or judgment entered by the Court in furtherance of this Settlement		
28	Agreement shall be treated as void from the beginning. In such a case, the entire MSA money		
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shall be returned to the Defendant; the Parties shall proceed in all respects as if this Settlement 1 Agreement had not been executed, except that any costs already incurred by the Settlement 2 3 Administrator shall be paid by equal apportionment among the Parties; and this Agreement and its terms, and the communications, negotiations, and settlement discussions related the Action, shall 4 be inadmissible and treated as confidential to the fullest extent allowed by law. In the event an 5 appeal is filed from the Court's final judgment, or any other appellate review is sought, 6 7 administration of the Settlement Agreement shall be stayed pending final resolution of the appeal 8 or other appellate review, but any fees incurred by the Settlement Administrator prior to being notified of the filing of an appeal from the Court's Final Judgment, or any other appellate review, 9 shall be paid to the Settlement Administrator within thirty (30) days of said notification. 10

11 66. <u>No Effect on Employee Benefits</u>. Amounts paid to Plaintiff or other SCMs
 12 pursuant to this Settlement Agreement shall not be deemed pensionable earnings or have any
 13 effect on the eligibility for, or calculation of, any employee benefits (e.g., vacations, holiday pay,
 14 retirement plans, etc.) of the Plaintiff or SCMs.

67. <u>Exhibits and Headings</u>. The terms of this Settlement Agreement include the terms
set forth in the attached Exhibits. The descriptive headings of any paragraphs or sections of this
Settlement Agreement are inserted for ease of reference only and do not constitute a part of this
Settlement Agreement.

19 68. <u>Amendment or Modification</u>. With Court approval, this Settlement Agreement
20 may be amended or modified only by a written instrument that is signed by counsel for all Parties
21 or their successors-in-interest, and signed by the Parties or their successors-in-interest.

69. Entire Settlement Agreement. This Settlement Agreement and its exhibits
constitute the entire Settlement Agreement among the Parties, and no oral or written
representations, warranties or inducements have been made to any Party concerning this
Settlement Agreement or its exhibits other than the representations, warranties and covenants
contained and memorialized in the Settlement Agreement and its exhibits.

27 70. <u>Authorization to Enter into Settlement Agreement</u>. Counsel for all Parties warrant
28 and represent they are expressly authorized by the Parties whom they represent to negotiate this

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Settlement Agreement and to take all appropriate actions needed by this Settlement Agreement to
 effectuate its terms. The person signing this Settlement Agreement on behalf of Defendant
 represents and warrants that they are authorized to sign this Settlement Agreement on behalf of
 Defendant. Plaintiffs represent that they are authorized to sign this Settlement Agreement and that
 they have not assigned, transferred, or encumbered any claim, or part of a claim, demand, cause of
 action or any rights herein released and discharged or covered by this Settlement Agreement to

8 71. <u>Binding on Successors and Assigns</u>. The provisions of this Settlement Agreement
9 shall run in perpetuity. This Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit
10 of, the successors or assigns of the Parties.

11 72. <u>California Law Governs</u>. All terms of this Settlement Agreement and its exhibits,
12 and any disputes arising hereunder shall be governed by and interpreted according to the laws of
13 the State of California.

14 73. <u>Counterparts</u>. This Settlement Agreement may be executed in one or more
15 counterparts. All executed counterparts and each of them shall be deemed to be one and the same
16 instrument provided that counsel for the Parties to this Settlement Agreement shall exchange
17 among themselves copies or originals of the signed counterparts.

18 74. <u>This Settlement Agreement Is Fair, Adequate and Reasonable</u>. The Parties believe
19 that this Settlement Agreement is a fair, adequate and reasonable Settlement Agreement of this
20 Action and have arrived at this Settlement Agreement after extensive arm's-length negotiations,
21 taking into account all relevant factors, present and potential. The Parties further agree that this
22 Settlement Agreement shall not be construed in favor of or against any party by reason of the
23 extent to which any party or their counsel participated in the drafting of this Settlement
24 Agreement.

25 75. Jurisdiction of the Court. The Parties agree that, pursuant to California Code of
26 Civil Procedure Section 664.6, the Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to the interpretation,
27 implementation and enforcement of the terms of this Settlement Agreement and all orders and
28 judgments entered in connection to it, and the Parties and their counsel submit to the jurisdiction

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of the Court for purposes of interpreting, implementing and enforcing the Settlement Agreement
 and all orders and judgments entered in connection to it.

76. 3 <u>Publicity</u>. Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Counsel agree not to disclose or publicize the Settlement, including the fact of the Settlement, its terms or contents, and the negotiations 4 underlying the Settlement, in any manner or form, directly or indirectly, to any person or entity, 5 except as may be strictly required to effectuate the terms of the Settlement. For the avoidance of 6 7 doubt, this section includes Plaintiffs and Plaintiffs' Counsel's agreement not to issue press 8 releases, communicate with, or respond to any media or publication entities, publish information in manner or form, whether printed or electronic, on any medium or otherwise communicate, 9 whether by print, video, recording or any other medium, with any person or entity concerning the 10 Settlement, including the fact of the Settlement, its terms or contents and the negotiations 11 underlying the Settlement, except as shall be contractually required to effectuate the terms of the 12 Settlement. However, Plaintiffs' Counsel may disclose the name of the Parties in this action, the 13 venue/case number, and settlement details available in the public record, for the limited purpose of 14 allowing Plaintiffs' Counsel to prove adequacy as class counsel in other actions or for purposes of 15 seeking approval of an unrelated settlement. 16

17 77. Waiver of Certain Appeals. The Parties agree to waive appeals and to stipulate to
18 class certification for this Settlement only, except, however, that Plaintiffs or Class Counsel may
19 appeal any reduction in the amount of attorney fees and costs they request from the Court, and
20 either party may appeal any Court order that materially alters the Settlement Agreement's terms.
21 As noted elsewhere, in the event the Court reduces or does not approve the award of fees and costs
22 to Class Counsel, Plaintiffs and Class Counsel shall not have the right to rescind the Settlement.

78. <u>Denial of Liability</u>. The Parties expressly recognize that the making of this
Settlement Agreement does not in any way constitute an admission or concession of wrongdoing
on the part of Defendants. Nothing in this Settlement, nor any action taken in implementation
thereof, nor any statements, discussions or communications, nor any materials prepared,
exchanged, issued or used during the course of this Action, is intended by the Parties to, nor will
any of the foregoing constitute, be introduced, be used or be admissible in any way in any other

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1	judicial, arbitral, administrative, investigative or other forum or proceeding, as evidence of any		
2	violation of any federal, state, or local law, statute, ordinance, regulation, rule or executive order,		
3	or any obligation or duty at law or in equity. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may		
4	be used in any proceeding in the Cou	rt that has as its purpose the interpretation, implementation,	
5	or enforcement of the Settlement or a	ny orders or judgments of the Court entered into in	
6	connection therewith.		
7	79. <u>Notice of Settlement A</u>	Agreement to LWDA. Class Counsel shall provide notice of	
8	this Settlement Agreement to the Lab	or Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA") as required	
9	by Labor Code Section 2699(1)(2).		
10	80. IN WITNESS WHER	EOF, this Joint Stipulation of Class Action and PAGA	
11	Settlement Agreement and Release of	f Claims is voluntarily executed by the Parties and their	
12	attorneys as of the dates noted.		
13	IT IS SO AGREED:		
14	07/21/2020 Dated:	Marin Jose	
15		Naomi Farfan, Plaintiff	
16	Datadi		
17	Dated:	Lollie Webster, Plaintiff	
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19	Dated:	Michael J. Angelo	
20		Authorized agent for Defendant	
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22	Dated:	Edward J. Wynne	
23		Wynne Law Firm Attorney for Plaintiffs	
24		Approved as to form only except for ¶76.	
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26	Dated:	Bryan J. McCormack	
27		McCormack Law Firm Attorney for Plaintiffs	
28		Approved as to form only except for ¶76.	
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1	judicial, arbitral, administrative, investigative or other forum or proceeding, as evidence of any		
2	violation of any federal, state, or local law, statute, ordinance, regulation, rule or executive order,		
3	or any obligation or duty at law or in equity. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may		
4	be used in any proceeding in the Court that has as its purpose the interpretation, implementation,		
5	or enforcement of the Settlement or any orders or judgments of the Court entered into in		
6	connection therewith.		
7	79. <u>Notice of Settlement Ag</u>	greement to LWDA. Class Counsel shall provide notice of	
8	this Settlement Agreement to the Labor Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA") as required		
9	by Labor Code Section 2699(1)(2).		
10	80. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Joint Stipulation of Class Action and PAGA		
11	Settlement Agreement and Release of Claims is voluntarily executed by the Parties and their		
12	IT IS SO AGREED:		
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14	Dated:		
15		Naomi Farfan, Plaintiff	
16	Dated:07162020	Lettie Un	
17	Daleu: 07102020	Lollie Webster, Plaintiff	
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judicial, arbitral, administrative, investigative or other forum or proceeding, as evidence of any
 violation of any federal, state, or local law, statute, ordinance, regulation, rule or executive order,
 or any obligation or duty at law or in equity. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Agreement may
 be used in any proceeding in the Court that has as its purpose the interpretation, implementation,
 or enforcement of the Settlement or any orders or judgments of the Court entered into in
 connection therewith.

7 79. Notice of Settlement Agreement to LWDA. Class Counsel shall provide notice of
8 this Settlement Agreement to the Labor Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA") as required
9 by Labor Code Section 2699(1)(2).

10 80. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Joint Stipulation of Class Action and PAGA
11 Settlement Agreement and Release of Claims is voluntarily executed by the Parties and their
12 attorneys as of the dates noted.
11 IS SO AGREED:

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Naomi Farfan, Plaintiff

Lollie Webster, Plaintiff DocuSigned by: Michael J. Angelo

Michael J. Angelo Authorized agent for Defendant

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