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This Joint Stipulation of Class Action Settlement and Release of Claims ("Settlement Agreement" or "Agreement") is made and entered into by and between Plaintiff Damien Cox ("Plaintiff" or "Class Representative"), individually and on behalf of all putative class members, on the one hand, and Defendant AAMP of Florida, Inc. ("Defendant"). Plaintiff and Defendant are collectively referred to herein as the "Parties."

I. **DEFINITIONS.**

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The following definitions are applicable to this Settlement Agreement, in addition to other terms defined elsewhere in the Agreement:

"Action" shall mean the civil action commenced on October 2, 2017, by Plaintiff A. against Defendant in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. BC678015, entitled: "DAMIEN COX, on behalf of himself, and all others similarly situated, and as an "aggrieved employee" on behalf of other "aggrieved employees" under the Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004, *Plaintiff(s)*, vs. AAMP OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida 12 corporation; and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive, *Defendant(s)*."

13 "Class," "Class Members," or "Settlement Class" shall mean all of B. 14 Defendant's current and former nonexempt hourly employees who worked anytime during the 15 Class Period in California.

16 С. "Class Counsel" shall mean the attorneys representing Plaintiff in the Action: 17 David G. Spivak of The Spivak Law Firm.

D. "Class Counsel Fees Payment" and "Class Counsel Litigation Expenses 18 **Payment**" shall mean the amounts awarded to Class Counsel by the Court to compensate them 19 for, respectively, their fees and expenses in connection with the Action, including their pre-filing 20 investigation, their filing of the Action and all related litigation activities, this Settlement, and all 21 post-Settlement compliance procedures.

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E. "Class Notice" shall mean the Notice of Proposed Settlement attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference into this Agreement.

24 F. "Class Period" shall mean the period of time from October 2, 2013 through 25 February 1, 2019.

G. "Class Representative Payment" shall mean the special payment made to Plaintiff in his capacity as Class Representative to compensate him for initiating the Action, 111



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performing work in support of the Action, and undertaking the risk of liability for attorneys' fees and expenses in the event he was unsuccessful in the prosecution of the Action.

H. "**Court**" shall mean the Superior Court for the County of Los Angeles, Spring Street Courthouse, located at 312 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA, 90012.

I. "Defense Counsel" shall mean the attorneys representing Defendant in the Action: Lawrence Campitiello and Madeline Cahill of Cahill & Campitiello LLP.

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J. "Effective Date" shall mean the date by which this Agreement is approved by the Court by entry of the Judgment and the Judgment becomes Final. The Judgment becomes "Final" when the later of the following events occurs: (1) the period for filing any appeal, writ, or other appellate proceeding opposing the Settlement has elapsed without any appeal, writ, or other appellate proceeding having been filed; (2) any appeal, writ, or other appellate proceeding opposing the Settlement has been dismissed finally and conclusively with no right by any appellate proceeding has upheld the Judgment with no right by any appeal, writ, or other appellate proceeding has upheld the Judgment with no right by any appellant or objector to pursue further remedies or relief. In this regard, it is the intention of the Parties that the Settlement shall not become effective until the Court's Judgment granting final approval of the Settlement is completely final, and no further recourse exists by an appellant or objector who seeks to contest the Settlement. The occurrence of the Effective Date is a prerequisite to any obligation of Defendant to pay any funds into the Settlement Account.

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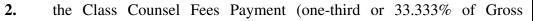
K. "Final Approval Hearing" shall mean the hearing to be conducted by the Court to determine whether to approve finally and implement the terms of this Agreement.

L. "Gross Settlement Amount" shall mean the Gross Settlement Amount of Six Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$650,000.00) payable by Defendant as provided by this Agreement, plus Defendant's employer-side payroll taxes.

M. "Judgment" shall mean the Order of Final Judgment entered by the Court that the Parties anticipate will be entered following a Final Approval Hearing on the Settlement in this Action.

N. "**Net Settlement Amount**" shall mean \$650,000.00 payable by Defendant pursuant to this Settlement, less:

1. the Class Representative Payment approved by the Court;



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Settlement Amount) and the Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment (of not more than 1 \$20,000.00) approved by the Court; 2 3. the Settlement Administrator's reasonable fees and expenses approved by 3 the Court (not to exceed 10,000.00); 4 4. the amount of \$3,750 paid to the Labor Workforce Development Agency 5 of California for the PAGA claim: and 6 5. any other fees or expenses (other than attorneys' fees and expenses) 7 incurred by Plaintiff in implementing the terms and conditions of this Agreement as approved by the Court. 8 0. "Participating Class" or "Participating Class Members" shall mean all 9 Settlement Class members who do not submit a valid letter requesting to be excluded from the 10 Settlement, consistent with the terms set forth in this Settlement Agreement.

P. "**Preliminary Approval of the Settlement**" shall mean the Court's preliminary approval of the Settlement without material change.

Q. "Settlement" shall mean the disposition of the Action and all related claims
 effectuated by this Agreement.

¹⁵ **R.** "Settlement Administrator" shall mean CPT Group, Inc., or another
 ¹⁶ administrator proposed by the Parties and appointed by the Court to administer the Settlement.

¹⁷ S. "Settlement Share" shall mean each Class Member's allocated share of the Net
¹⁸ Settlement Amount as provided by this Agreement.

19 II. <u>RECITALS</u>

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A. On or about June 20, 2017, Plaintiff, through his attorneys, sent a letter to the Labor Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA") alleging the following: (1) failure to pay wages for all hours worked at the correct rates of pay, (2) failure to provide meal periods, (3) failure to authorize and permit rest periods, (4) resulting wage statement violations, (5) resulting failure to pay wages due at separation, (6) resulting failure to timely pay wages, (7) failure to maintain accurate employment records; and (8) a claim for penalties under the Private Attorneys General Act (the "PAGA letter"). Plaintiff asserted these representative claims on behalf of all current and former hourly California Class Members who are or were employed during the applicable statutory period.



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В. On October 2, 2017, Plaintiff filed a class action complaint in the Los Angeles Superior Court, alleging the same wage and hour claims, as set forth in the earlier PAGA letter. On October 11, 2017, Plaintiff filed a first amended class action complaint in the Los Angeles Superior Court, adding a cause of action under PAGA.

4 C. On March 8, 2018, Defendant answered Plaintiff's first amended class action 5 complaint and denied, and continues to deny, all of Plaintiff's material allegations. Specifically, 6 Defendant denies that Plaintiff and putative class members are entitled to additional wages and 7 overtime pay. Defendant contends it paid the putative class members for all hours worked as required by law. Defendant denies its Class Members were deprived of meal and rest periods, 8 alleges that they had meal and rest break policies and procedures in place to ensure compliance 9 with California law, and alleges that employees were allowed to take their rest and meal periods. 10 Defendant further alleges that the unpaid wage, improper wage statement, and rest and meal period claims are not amenable to class treatment because common issues do not predominate. 12 Defendant asserts that the waiting time penalties claim will fail as to former Class Members who 13 cannot prevail on the claims described above.

14 D. The Parties thereafter engaged in an informal, voluntary exchange of information 15 in the context of privileged settlement discussions to facilitate an early mediation. Defendant 16 produced Plaintiff's entire personnel file (including policies and agreements he signed and 17 acknowledged), copies of its relevant company written policies, time-keeping records, email messages, and paycheck data and records for the putative class, and more detailed time and 18 payroll data for a random sample of putative class members specifically selected by Plaintiff's 19 counsel. Defendant's counsel contends that they obtained numerous signed declarations that 20 contested and/or contradicted Plaintiff's allegations and claims. 21



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E. On April 6, 2018 and February 1, 2019, following much of the foregoing informal discovery and exchange of information, the Parties participated in mediation sessions presided over by Mediator Steve Pearl, an experienced class action mediator. During the mediations, the Parties had a full day and one-half of productive negotiations and reached agreement on a classwide settlement during the second mediation session. During the mediation sessions, each side, represented by its respective counsel, recognized the risk of an adverse result in the Action and agreed to settle the Action and all other matters covered by this Agreement pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

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F. Based on their own thorough, independent investigation and evaluation of this case, Class Counsel are of the opinion that the settlement with Defendant for the consideration and on the terms set forth in this Agreement is fair, reasonable, adequate, and in the best interest of the Settlement Class in light of all known facts and circumstances, including the risk of significant costs and delay, the risk of non-certification of the Class, the defenses asserted by Defendant, the risks of adverse determinations on the merits, and numerous potential appellate issues. Although Defendant contends it has no liability in this case, Defendant's counsel shares Class Counsel's belief that the Agreement represents a fair and adequate settlement given the respective risks associated with the case.

G. This Agreement represents a compromise and settlement of highly disputed claims. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or will be construed as an admission by Defendant that Plaintiff's claims in the Action have merit or that it has any liability to Plaintiff or the Class on those claims or to the State, or as an admission by Plaintiff that Defendant's defenses raised in the Action have merit. This Agreement is intended to fully, finally, and forever compromise, release, resolve, discharge, and settle the released claims subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement.

Based on the foregoing Recitals, the Parties agree as follows:

SETTLEMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS III.

17 A. Certification for Settlement Purposes. Solely for the purposes of effectuating this Settlement, and subject to Court approval, the Parties hereby stipulate to the conditional 18 certification of the Settlement Class. The Parties agree that if for any reason the Settlement is not 19 preliminarily and finally approved, the conditional certification of the Settlement Class will be 20 of no force or effect, does not constitute an admission by Defendant that class certification is proper, and will not be deemed admissible in this or any other proceeding, and that the Parties 22 will litigate the issue of class certification. 23

Gross Settlement Amount. Subject to the terms and conditions of this

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Agreement, the Gross Settlement Amount of Six Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars and No

Cents (\$650,000.00), plus Defendant's employer share of payroll taxes, is the maximum amount

payable by Defendant. In no event will Defendant be required to pay more than the Gross

Settlement Amount for distribution to the Plaintiff, Class Counsel, Class Members, LWDA, and

Settlement Administrator. However, Defendant will pay its share of the employer-side payroll taxes.

C. Payments to Plaintiff and Class Counsel and Others. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Settlement Administrator will make the following payments out of the Gross Settlement Amount as follows:

1. To Plaintiff.

6 (a) Class Representative Payment. In addition to his Settlement 7 Share, Plaintiff will apply to the Court for an award of not more than Fifteen Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$15,000.00) as his Class Representative Payment. Defendant will not oppose a 8 Class Representative Payment of not more than \$15,000.00. Plaintiff will receive no other 9 payment other than his Settlement Share and Class Representative Payment, and acknowledges 10 that he is aware of no other facts or circumstances related to his employment with Defendant that 11 could give rise to any additional entitlement to any further payments. The Settlement 12 Administrator will pay the Class Representative Payment approved by the Court out of the Gross 13 Settlement Amount. Payroll taxes, withholdings, and deductions will not be taken from the Class 14 Representative Payment, and instead a Form 1099 will be issued to Plaintiff with respect to that 15 payment. Plaintiff agrees to assume all responsibility and liability for the payment of taxes due 16 on the Class Representative Payment. Any portion of the Class Representative Payment not 17 awarded to Plaintiff will not revert to Defendant, but instead shall be returned to the Net Settlement Amount. 18

2. To Class Counsel. Class Counsel will apply to the Court for an award of 19 not more than Two Hundred and Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-Six Dollars and Sixty-20 Six Cents (\$216,666.66) (which is 33.333% of the Gross Settlement Amount) as their Class 21 Counsel Fees Payment and an amount not more than Twenty Thousand Dollars and No Cents 22 (\$20,000.00) as their Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment, and Defendant will not oppose 23 this request. The Settlement Administrator will pay the amount approved by the Court (but not 24 more than \$216,666.66 in fees and not more than \$20,000.00 in expenses) out of the Gross 25 Settlement Amount. Withholding and deductions will not be taken from the Class Counsel Fees and Litigation Expenses Payment and one or more Forms 1099 will be issued to Class Counsel with respect to those payments.



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3. To the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator will be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount its reasonable fees and expenses as approved by the Court in an amount currently estimated to not exceed Ten Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$10,000.00).

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4. To the LWDA. The Parties will jointly apply to the Court for approval of a settlement of claims under the Private Attorneys General Act ("PAGA"), California Labor Code section 2698, et seq., for Five Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$5,000.00), of which, payment from the Gross Settlement Amount to the LWDA will be made in the amount of Three Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars and No Cents (\$3,750.00), which is 75% of the PAGA settlement. One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars and No Cents (\$1,250.00), 25% of the PAGA settlement, will remain in the Net Settlement Amount for distribution.

D. Allocation of Net Settlement Amount and Calculation of Settlement Shares. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, the Settlement Administrator will 12 distribute a payment from the Net Settlement Amount to each Participating Class Member. The 13 Settlement Share for each Participating Class Member will be calculated as follows, 14 understanding that the formulas below do not constitute an admission by either party, and are 15 intended only to provide a practical means to simplify and administer the claims process:

16 (a) Participating Class Members' Settlement Shares. The 17 settlement shares are allocated one third to wages (for which employment taxes will be deducted and W-2s issued) and one third to interest and one third to penalties (for which 1099s will be 18 issued). 19

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(b) Settlement Ratio Calculation. The Settlement Administrator shall assign to each Class Member a "Settlement Ratio," which shall be a fractional number comprised of (a) that Class Member's Individual Work Weeks as the numerator, and (b) the aggregate total of all Class Members' Individual Work Weeks as the denominator. The Settlement Administrator shall assign to each Class Member the "Settlement Share" which shall be calculated by multiplying that Class Member's Settlement Ratio by the amount allocated to Class Members from the Net Settlement Amount.

Settlement Share Worksheet. Upon calculation of the Class (c) Members' Settlement Share, the Settlement Administrator shall furnish to Class Counsel and Defense counsel a worksheet containing a list of unique identifying numbers for each of the Class

Members with their corresponding Individual Work Weeks and Settlement Shares.

E. Taxes and Withholdings. Each Settlement Share is intended, in part, to settle the Class Members' claims for unpaid wages. Each Class Member shall be individually responsible for the employee's share of applicable payroll tax withholdings and deductions. Accordingly, each Settlement Share allocated to wages will be reduced by applicable employee-side payroll tax withholdings and deductions, and the Settlement Administrator will issue a Form W-2 to each Participating Class Member. Defendant will be responsible for the normal employer's share of any payroll tax attributable to the wage portion of the Settlement Share payments. Defendant's payment of the normal employer's share of payroll taxes attributable to the wage portion of the Settlement Amount or Net Settlement Amount.

F. Appointment of Settlement Administrator. The Parties will ask the Court to 11 appoint CPT Group, Inc., a qualified administrator, to serve as the Settlement Administrator, 12 which, as a condition of appointment, will agree to be bound by this Agreement with respect to 13 the performance of its duties and its compensation. The Settlement Administrator's duties will 14 include preparing, printing, and mailing the Class Notice to all Class Members; and using 15 reasonable measures to contact all Class Members, including conducting a National Change of 16 Address search on all Class Members before mailing the Class Notice to each Class Member's 17 address. The Settlement Administrator's duties will also include re-mailing the Class Notice to the Class Member's new address for those Class Members whose address has changed; providing 18 the Parties with weekly status reports about the delivery of Class Notice; calculating Settlement 19 Shares; issuing and distributing checks to effectuate the payments due under the Settlement; 20 reporting to the Court as required; and otherwise administering the Settlement pursuant to this 21 Agreement. The Settlement Administrator's reasonable fees and expenses, including the cost of 22 printing and mailing the Class Notice, will be paid out of the Gross Settlement Amount, as set 23 forth herein, subject to Court approval. Any portion of the of the Settlement Administrator's fees 24 and expenses that are not used or which are not awarded by the Court will not revert to Defendant, 25 but instead will be part of the Net Settlement Amount for distribution to Participating Class Members. If the Settlement Administrator's fees and expenses exceed \$10,000, such cost will be deducted from the Net Settlement Amount.



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IV.

PROCEDURES FOR APPROVING SETTLEMENT

A. Motion for Preliminary Approval of Settlement by the Court. Class Counsel will move the Court for an order granting Preliminary Approval of the Settlement (the "Motion for Preliminary Approval"), setting a date for the Final Approval Hearing, and approving the Class Notice (attached as **Exhibit A** to this Agreement). Any disagreement among the Parties concerning the Class Notice or other documents necessary to implement the Settlement will be referred to the Court.

7 1. At the hearing on the Motion for Preliminary Approval, the Parties anticipate that they will appear and support the granting of the motion, and that Class Counsel 8 will submit an Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Settlement, Approval of Notice to Class 9 and Setting Hearing for Final Approval of Settlement. 10

2. Should the Court decline to approve the Settlement, the Settlement will be null and void and the Parties will have no further obligations under it.

В. Notice to Class Members. After the Court enters its order granting Preliminary Approval of the Settlement, every Class Member will be provided with a "Class Notice."

1. List of Class Members. Within thirty (30) days after the Court grants Preliminary Approval of the Settlement, Defendant shall provide to the Settlement 16 Administrator:

17 (a) An electronic database of all Class Members, last known mailing address, Social Security number, and Defendant's employee identification number ("Class 18 Members' Data"). 19

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(b) Corresponding to each Class Member's name, Defendant shall provide a figure indicating the total number of Work Weeks during the Class Period in which that Class Member was employed by Defendant. That number of Work Weeks shall be referred to as that Class Member's "Individual Work Weeks."

If any of the Class Members' Data are unavailable to Defendant, (c) Defendant will so inform Class Counsel and the Parties will make their best efforts to reconstruct or otherwise agree upon the Class Members' Data prior to when it must be submitted to the Settlement Administrator. Class Members' Data will otherwise remain confidential and will not be disclosed to anyone, except as necessary to applicable taxing authorities, or pursuant to Defendant's express written authorization or by order of the Court.

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2. Mailing of Class Notice. Within fourteen (14) days after receiving the Class Members' Data, or as soon thereafter as it can do so, the Settlement Administrator will mail the Class Notice to all identified Class Members via first-class U.S. mail using the mailing address information provided by Defendant, unless modified by any updated address information that the Settlement Administrator obtains in the course of administration of the Settlement.

5 3. Returned Class Notice. If a Class Notice is returned because of an 6 incorrect address, the Settlement Administrator will promptly, and not later than ten (10) days 7 from receipt of the returned Class Notice, search for a more current address for the Class Member and re-mail the Class Notice to the Class Member. The Settlement Administrator will use the 8 Class Members' Data and otherwise work with Defendant's Counsel and Class Counsel to find 9 a more current address. The Settlement Administrator will be responsible for taking reasonable 10 steps, consistent with its agreed-upon job parameters, court orders, and fee, to trace the mailing 11 address of any Class Member for whom a Class Notice is returned as undeliverable by the U.S. 12 Postal Service. These reasonable steps shall include the tracking of all undelivered mail; 13 performing address searches for all mail returned without a forwarding address; and promptly re-14 mailing to Class Members for whom new addresses are found. If the Class Notice is re-mailed, 15 the Settlement Administrator will note for its own records and notify Class Counsel and 16 Defendant's Counsel of the date and address of each such re-mailing as part of a weekly status report provided to the Parties. 17

4. Declaration of Settlement Administrator. Not later than twenty-one 18 (21) court days prior to the Final Approval Hearing, the Settlement Administrator will provide the Parties for filing with the Court a declaration of due diligence setting forth its compliance 20 with its obligations under this Agreement. Prior to the Final Approval Hearing, the Settlement Administrator will supplement its declaration of due diligence if any material changes occur from 22 the date of the filing of its prior declaration. 23

5. **Disputed Class Member Settlement Shares.** If a Class Member disputes his/her estimated Settlement Share, the Class Member may produce evidence to the Settlement Administrator for the Class Period. In order for the dispute to be considered, he/she must follow the directions on the Class Notice. To be valid and timely, all disputes and supporting documents must be postmarked by the date specified in the Class Notice (no less than sixty (60) days from the initial mailing of the Class Notice by the Settlement Administrator).

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C. Requests for Exclusion from Settlement; and Objections to Settlement. Class Members may submit requests to be excluded from the effect of the Settlement, or objections to the Settlement, pursuant to the following procedures:

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1. Request for Exclusion from Settlement. A Class Member may request to be excluded from the effect of this Agreement, and any payment of amounts under this Agreement, by timely mailing a letter to the Settlement Administrator stating that the Class Member wants to be excluded from this Action. This letter must include the Class Member's name, address, telephone number, and signature. To be valid and timely, the request to be excluded must be postmarked by the date specified in the Class Notice (no less than sixty (60) days from the initial mailing of the Class Notice by the Settlement Administrator). A Class Member who properly submits a valid and timely request to be excluded from the Action shall not receive any payment of any kind in connection with this Agreement or this Action, shall not be bound by or receive any benefit of this Agreement, and shall have no standing to object to the Settlement. A request for exclusion must be mailed to the Settlement Administrator at the address provided on the Class Notice. The Settlement Administrator shall transmit the request for exclusion to counsel for the Parties as follows:

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To Defense Counsel:

Lawrence Campitiello, Esq. Madeline Cahill, Esq. Cahill & Campitiello LLP 5740 Fleet St., Ste 140 Carlsbad, CA 92008

Objections to Settlement. The Class Notice will provide that any Class Member who does not request exclusion from the Action and who wishes to object to the Settlement should submit an objection in writing to the Settlement Administrator not later than sixty (60) days after the Settlement Administrator mails the Class Notice, a written objection to the Settlement which sets forth the grounds for the objection and the other information required by this paragraph. The objection should be mailed to the Settlement Administrator at the address provided on the Class Notice. The Settlement Administrator shall transmit the objections to counsel for the Parties as follows:



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The written objection must state the objecting Class Member's full name, address, and the approximate dates of his or her employment with Defendant. The written objection must state the basis for each specific objection and any legal support in clear and concise terms. The written objection also should state whether the Class Member intends to formally intervene and become a party of record in the action, and upon formally intervening, appear and argue at the Final Approval Hearing.

However, objectors will be provided with the opportunity to speak at the final approval hearing regardless of whether they have filed an appearance or submitted a written opposition beforehand. If the objecting Class Member does not formally intervene in the action and/or the Court rejects the Class Member's objection, the Class Member will still be bound by the terms of this Agreement.

D. Report. Not later than fourteen (14) days after the deadline for submission of requests for exclusion, the Settlement Administrator will provide the Parties with a complete and accurate list of all Class Members who sent timely requests to be excluded from the Action and all Class Members who objected to the settlement.

19 E. No Solicitation of Objection; Right to Void. Neither the Parties, nor their 20 respective counsel, will directly or indirectly solicit or otherwise encourage any Class Member to seek exclusion from the Settlement, object to the Settlement, or to appeal from the Judgment. 21 If Class Members with Work Weeks accounting for 10% or more of the Class's Work Weeks 22 submit valid requests to be excluded from the Settlement, then Defendant shall have the unilateral 23 right to void this Settlement. Defendant may do so by giving notice to Class Counsel and the 24 Court of its election to void the Settlement not later than seven (7) days before the Final Approval 25 Hearing. No sums shall be payable by Defendant if this Agreement is voided as provided for 26 herein with one exception: Defendant agrees to pay any fees owing to the Settlement 27 Administrator for services rendered in the event Defendant exercises its right to void the SPIVAK LA $\overset{28}{W}$ Settlement.

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F. Additional Briefing and Final Approval. Plaintiff will file with the Court a motion for final approval of the Settlement and payment of the Settlement Administrator's reasonable fees and expenses and a memorandum in support of their motion; and Plaintiff and Class Counsel will serve on Defendant and file with the Court a motion for awards of the Class Representative Payment, the Class Counsel Fees Payment, and the Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment pursuant to this Settlement, and memoranda in support of their motions.

Before the Final Approval Hearing, the Parties shall be entitled to file and serve a response to any Class Member's objection to the Settlement and/or reply in support of their motion for final approval of the Settlement, and payment of the Settlement Administrator's reasonable fees and expenses to the extent that any opposition to the motion is filed; and Plaintiff and Class Counsel may file replies in support of their motions for the Class Representative Payment, the Class Counsel Fees Payment, and the Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment.

If the Court ultimately does not grant final approval of the Settlement or grants final 12 approval conditioned on any material change to the Settlement, then either Party will have the 13 unilateral right to void the Settlement in its entirety; if that occurs, the Parties will have no further 14 obligations under the Settlement, including any obligation by Defendant to pay the Gross 15 Settlement Amount or any amounts that otherwise would have been payable under this 16 Agreement, except that Defendant and Plaintiff will jointly and equally pay the Settlement 17 Administrator's reasonable fees and expenses incurred as of the date that the Party exercises the right to void the Settlement under this Paragraph. However, an award by the Court of a lesser 18 amount than that sought by Plaintiff and Class Counsel for the Class Representative Payment, 19 the Class Counsel Fees Payment, or the Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment, will not 20 constitute a material modification to the Settlement within the meaning of this Paragraph and 21 shall not render the Settlement voidable. Plaintiff and Class Counsel shall retain the right to 22 appeal awards of attorneys' fees and costs less than requested. 23



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Upon final approval of the Settlement by the Court at or after the Final Approval Hearing, the Parties will present for the Court's approval and entry a Proposed Final Order and Judgment. The Final Order and Judgment shall permanently bar all Participating Class Members from prosecuting against Defendant any claims within the scope of the Releases contained in this Agreement.

After entry of the Judgment, the Court will have continuing jurisdiction over the Action

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and the Settlement solely for purposes of (i) enforcing this Agreement, (ii) addressing settlement administration matters, and (iii) addressing such post-Judgment matters as may be appropriate under court rules or applicable law.

3 G. Waiver of Right to Appeal. Provided that the Judgment is consistent with the 4 terms and conditions of this Agreement, and that no Class Member timely objects to the 5 Settlement and formally intervene into the action as required under the California Supreme Court 6 decision of Hernandez v. Restoration Hardware, 4 Cal. 4th 260, 228 Cal. Rptr. 3d 106 (2018) or 7 files a motion pursuant to Civil Procedure Code section 663, Defendant, and their respective counsel hereby waive, except as provided for in this Agreement or prohibited by law, any and all 8 rights to appeal from the Judgment, including all rights to any post-judgment proceeding and 9 appellate proceeding, such as a motion to vacate judgment, a motion for new trial, any 10 extraordinary writ, and any appeal, and the Judgment therefore will become non-appealable at the time it is entered. The waiver of appeal does not include any waiver of the right to oppose 12 any appeal, appellate proceedings, or post-judgment proceedings. If an appeal is taken from the 13 Judgment, the time for consummation of the Settlement (including making any payments under 14 the Settlement) will be suspended until the appeal is fully and finally resolved and the Judgment, 15 consistent with the terms of this Agreement, becomes Final.

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H. Vacating, Reversal, or Material Modification of Judgment on Appeal or 17 **Review.** If, after a notice of appeal, a petition for review, or a petition for *certiorari*, or any other motion, petition, writ, application, or appeal, the reviewing court vacates, reverses, or modifies 18 the Judgment such that there is a material modification to the Settlement, and that court's decision 19 is not completely reversed and the Judgment is not fully affirmed on review by a higher court, 20 then either Plaintiff or Defendant will have the unilateral right to void the Settlement, which the 21 Party must do by giving written notice to the other Parties, the reviewing court, and the Court, 22 not later than fourteen (14) days after the reviewing court's decision vacating, reversing, or 23 materially modifying the Judgment becomes final. The Party exercising its right to unilaterally 24 void the Settlement pursuant to this provision agrees to pay any fees owing to the Settlement 25 Administrator for services rendered. An order vacating, reversing or modifying the Court's award 26 of the Class Representative Payment, or the Class Counsel Fees Payment and/or Class Counsel Litigation Expenses Payment will not constitute a vacation, reversal, or material modification of the Judgment within the meaning of this paragraph, and shall not render the Settlement voidable.



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I. Establishment of Settlement Account. The Settlement Administrator shall establish a Settlement Account for distributing Settlement Shares and Payments identified in this Agreement. Within ten (10) business days after the Judgment becomes Final, Defendant shall pay the Gross Settlement Amount into the Settlement Account.

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J. **Payment of Settlement Shares.** The Settlement Administrator shall pay Settlement Shares, from the Settlement Account, to all Class Members (who do not submit valid requests to be excluded from the Action). The Settlement Administrator shall pay each Settlement Share by sending a check in the appropriate amount to the Class Member at the address indicated in the list of Class Member names and addresses provided by Defendant, or as subsequently determined by the Settlement Administrator to be the correct address.

K. Uncashed Settlement Share Checks. Any check issued by the Settlement 10 Administrator to Class Members who do not timely and validly opt out shall be negotiable for one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days. Those funds represented by checks returned as 12 undeliverable and those checks remaining un-cashed for more than 180 days after issuance 13 (collectively, "Voided Settlement Checks"), plus any interest that has accrued on those funds, 14 will be paid to the Legal Aid at Work ("LAAW"), formerly the Legal Aid Society – Employment 15 Law Center, in accordance with Code of Civil Procedure §384.

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L. The Settlement Administrator will mail or wire all required payments no later than 17 fourteen (14) calendar days after receipt of the funds representing the Gross Settlement Amount from Defendant. Proof of payment will be filed with the Court. 18

М. **Final Report by Settlement Administrator to Court.** Within ten (10) calendar days after final disbursement of all funds from the Settlement Account, the Settlement Administrator will serve on the Parties for filing with the Court a declaration providing a final summary report on the disbursements of all funds from the Settlement Account.

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V. **RELEASE OF CLAIMS**

A. Plaintiff and Class Members. As of the date of the Judgment, Plaintiff, the Class, and each Class Member who has not properly submitted a timely and valid request to be excluded from the Action, regardless of whether that Class Member objected to the Settlement, and without the need to manually sign a release document, in exchange for the consideration recited in this Agreement, on behalf of himself or herself and on behalf of his/her current, former, and future heirs, executors, administrators, attorneys, agents, and assigns, shall and does hereby fully and

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finally release AAMP of Florida, Inc., and each of its parents, predecessors, successors, 1 subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, and trusts, and all of its employees, officers, agents, attorneys, 2 stockholders, members, managers, general and limited partners, owners, employee benefit plans, 3 plan administrators, heirs, administrators, fiduciaries, other service providers, and assigns 4 (collectively hereinafter the "Releasees"), from any and all claims, demands, rights, liabilities, 5 and causes of action of any kind whatsoever, that have been, or could have been, asserted against 6 the Releasees based on the facts alleged at any point in time in this Action during the Class Period 7 (the "Released Claims"). The Released Claims expressly include, without limitation, all such claims for unpaid wages, including overtime wages, off-the-clock claims, minimum wage claims, 8 claims for failure to timely pay wages, both during employment and after termination of 9 employment, claims for failure to keep accurate and complete payroll records, claims for failure 10 to provide accurate and complete wage statements, claims for missed meal periods, rest breaks, 11 wage premiums, penalties, and interest; related penalties, including, but not limited to, 12 recordkeeping penalties, wage statement penalties, minimum-wage penalties, missed meal-13 period and rest-break penalties, waiting-time penalties, penalties under the Private Attorneys 14 General Act; premiums or costs and attorneys' fees and expenses, and any claim arising from the 15 claims described above under applicable state, local or territorial law; all such claims arising 16 under the California Labor Code (including, but not limited to, sections 201-204, 210, 226, 226.3, 17 226.7, 227.3, 510, 512, 558, 1174, 1182.12, 1194-1194.2, 1197, 1197.1, and 1198); the wage orders of the California Industrial Welfare Commission (including Wage Order 7); the Labor 18 Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004, California Labor Code section 2698, et seq.; and 19 California Business and Professions Code section 17200 et seq. 20

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B. Class Counsel. As of the date the Judgment becomes Final, and except as otherwise provided by this Agreement, Class Counsel and any counsel associated with Class Counsel (The Spivak Law Firm), including without limitation David G. Spivak, Esq., waive any claim to costs and attorneys' fees and expenses against Defendant or the Releasees arising from or related to the Action, except those incurred to enforce this Agreement and collect the Judgment, including but not limited to claims based on the California Labor Code, the California Civil Code, the California Code of Civil Procedure, the Fair Labor and Standards Act, or any other statute or law (the "Class Counsel Released Claims").

VI. NON-PUBLICITY PROVISION

The Parties and their counsel agree that they will not issue any press releases, initiate any 2 contact with the press, respond to any press inquiry, or have any communication with the press 3 about the fact, amount, or terms of the Settlement. In addition, the Parties and their counsel agree 4 that they will not engage in any advertising or distribute any marketing materials relating to the 5 Settlement of this case in any manner that identifies the Defendant, including but not limited to 6 any postings on any websites maintained by Class Counsel. Neither Plaintiff nor Class Counsel 7 will discuss the terms or the fact of the Settlement with third parties other than (1) their immediate family members, (2) their respective accountants or lawyers as necessary for tax purposes; or (3) 8 other Class Members. Plaintiff and Class Counsel agree not to publish any of the terms or 9 conditions of this Settlement in any manner that identifies the Defendant. However, Class 10 Counsel may identify this Settlement in other matters to demonstrate their adequacy as counsel in such other matters. 12

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VII. **MISCELLANEOUS TERMS**

13 A. No Effect on Other Benefits. The Settlement Shares will not result in any 14 additional employee benefit payments (such as pension, ERISA, 401(k), vacation, or bonus) and 15 shall not have any effect on the eligibility for, or calculation of, any employee benefit. Plaintiff 16 and Class Members will be deemed to have waived all such claims, whether known or unknown 17 by them, as part of their release of claims under this Agreement.

B. No Admission of Liability. Defendant denies that it has engaged in any unlawful 18 activity, has failed to comply with the law in any respect, or has any liability to anyone under the 19 claims asserted in the Action. This Agreement is entered into solely for the purpose of 20 compromising highly disputed claims. Nothing in this Agreement is intended or will be construed 21 as an admission of liability or wrongdoing by Defendant, or an admission by Plaintiff that any of 22 his claims was non-meritorious or any defense asserted by Defendant was meritorious. This 23 Settlement and the fact that Plaintiff and Defendant were willing to settle the Action will have 24 no bearing on, and will not be admissible in connection with, any litigation (other than solely in 25 connection with the Settlement).

C. Whether or not the Judgment becomes Final, neither the Settlement, this Agreement, any document, statement, proceeding or conduct related to the Settlement or the Agreement, nor any reports or accounting of those matters, will be (i) construed as, offered or

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admitted in evidence as, received as, or deemed to be evidence for any purpose adverse to Defendant or any other Releasees, including, but not limited to, evidence of a presumption, concession, indication or admission by any of the Releasees of any liability, fault, wrongdoing, omission, concession or damage; or (ii) disclosed, referred to or offered in evidence against any of the Releasees, in any further proceeding in the Action, or any other civil, criminal or administrative action or proceeding except for purposes of effectuating the Settlement pursuant to this Agreement.

D. Integrated Agreement. After this Agreement is signed and delivered by all Parties and their counsel, this Agreement and its exhibits will constitute the entire agreement between the Parties relating to the Settlement, and it will then be deemed that no oral representations, warranties, covenants, or inducements have been made to any Party concerning this Agreement or its exhibits other than the representations, warranties, covenants, and inducements expressly stated in this Agreement and its exhibits.

12 E. Attorney Authorization. Class Counsel and Defense Counsel warrant and 13 represent that they are authorized by Plaintiff and Defendant, respectively, to take all appropriate 14 action required or permitted to be taken by such Parties pursuant to this Agreement to effectuate 15 its terms, and to execute any other documents required to effectuate the terms of this Agreement. 16 The Parties and their counsel will cooperate with each other and use their best efforts to effect 17 the implementation of the Settlement. In the event the Parties are unable to reach agreement on the form or content of any document needed to implement the Agreement, or on any supplemental 18 provisions that may become necessary to effectuate the terms of this Agreement, the Parties will 19 seek the assistance of the Court, and in all cases, all such documents, supplemental provisions 20 and assistance of the court will be consistent with this Agreement.

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F. Modification of Agreement. This Agreement, and all parts of it, may be amended, modified, changed, or waived only by an express written instrument signed by all Parties or their successors-in-interest.

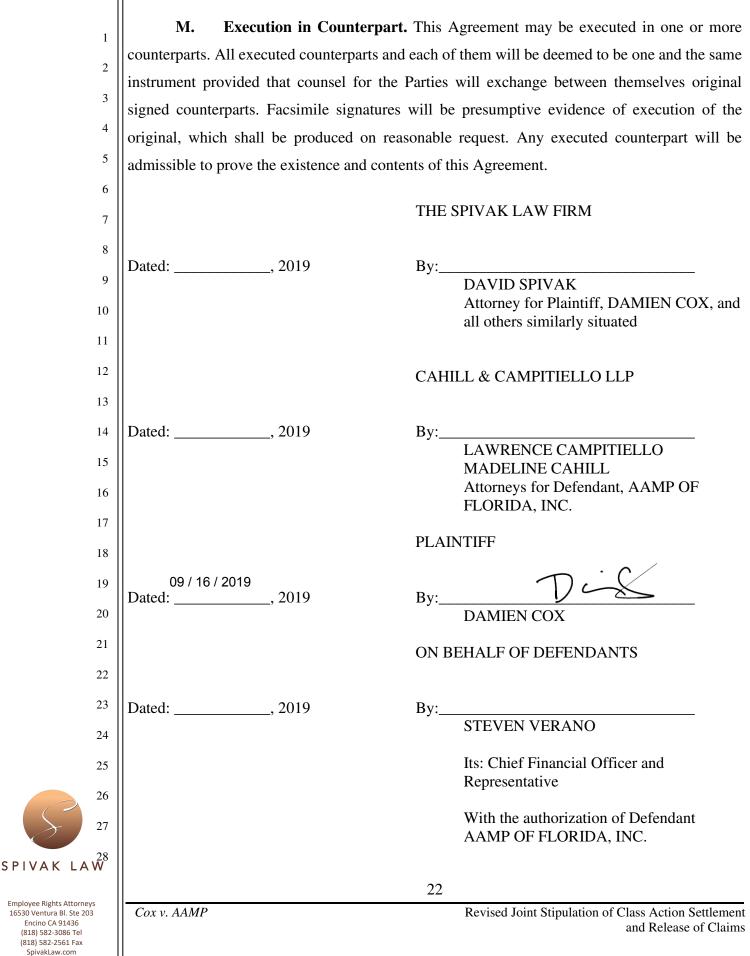
G. Agreement Binding on Successors. This Agreement will be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the successors of each of the Parties.

H. Applicable Law. All terms and conditions of this Agreement and its exhibits will be governed by and interpreted according to the laws of the State of California, without giving effect to any conflict of law principles or choice of law principles.

I. Cooperation in Drafting. The Parties have cooperated in the drafting and preparation of this Agreement. This Agreement will not be construed against any Party on the basis that the Party was the drafter or participated in the drafting. J. Fair Settlement. The Parties and their respective counsel believe and warrant that this Agreement reflects a fair, reasonable, and adequate settlement of the Action and have arrived at this Agreement through arms-length negotiations, considering all relevant factors, current and potential. K. Headings. The descriptive heading of any section or paragraph of this Agreement is inserted for convenience of reference only and does not constitute a part of this Agreement. L. Notice. All notices, demands or other communications given under this Agreement will be in writing and deemed to have been duly given as of the third business day after mailing by United States mail, addressed as follows: To Class Counsel: To Defense Counsel: David G. Spivak, Esq. The Spivak Law Firm 10530 Venture Blvd, Ste. 203 Cahill & Campitello LLP Freine, CA 91436 21 Corr. AMP Revised Joint Stipulation of Chas Action Bettlement 21 21 21					
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	1	IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES		
	2	DAMIEN COX,	Case No. BC678015	
	3 4	H i cicco H	Hon. Daniel J. Buckley	
	5	Plaintiff(s),		
	6	VS.		
	7	AAMP OF FLORIDA, INC.		
	8	Defendant.		
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	11	NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF CLASS ACT	ION AND PROPOSED SETTLEMENT	
	12	I. <u>WHY DID I GET THIS NOTICE?</u>		
	13 14	former nonexempt hourly employees. This Notice explains that for settlement purposes only, the Court has granted		
	15	preliminary approval of this class action settlement that may affect you. You have legal rights and options that you may exercise at this time.		
	16	II. WHAT IS THIS CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT A	BOUT?	
	17	Plaintiff, a former hourly employee who worked for AAMP of Florida, filed a class action lawsuit on behalf of himself and similar employees claiming that AAMP of Florida violated California labor laws by: (1) failing to provide meal periods and rest periods or compensation in lieu thereof; (2) failing to pay all wages for all hours worked,		
	18 19	including minimum, regular, overtime and doubletime wages; (3) failing to timely pay wages owed upon termination of employment; and (4) failing to provide accurate and itemized wage statements.		
	20	AAMP of Florida denies any wrongdoing, denies Plaintiff's allegations, and contends it was in full compliance with all California labor laws.		
	21	The Court has not ruled on whether Plaintiff's allegations have any merit. However, for the purpose o		
	22 23	avoiding the time and expense of further litigation, the ultimate outcome of which is uncertain, and to provide a fair and reasonable resolution of this legal dispute, Plaintiff and AAMP of Florida have negotiated a settlement whereby AAMP of Florida has agreed to pay Six Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$650,000.00) to resolve		
	23 24	all of the class claims listed above. The Settlement is not an admission by AAMP of Florida of any liability.		
		III. WHO IS INCLUDED IN THIS CLASS ACTION?		
	25 26	The Class consists of all of AAMP of Florida's current and former nonexempt hourly employees (collectively "Class Members") who worked anytime during the Class Period in California.		
	27	IV. <u>WHAT DOES THE PROPOSED SETTLEMEN</u>	T OFFER?	
S	28	A. AAMP of Florida will pay \$650,000.00, p The Private Attorneys General Act ("PAGA") cause of action	blus its employer-side payroll taxes, to settle the claims. n was settled for \$5,000, of which, 75% (\$3,750) will go	
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to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA") and 25% (\$1,250) will be distributed among the Class Members. A Settlement Administrator has been appointed to administer the settlement. The Settlement Administrator will pay from the \$650,000: (1) costs of administering the claims up to \$10,000.00; (2) attorneys' fees up to \$216,666.66 plus documented costs up to \$20,000; (3) an enhancement not to exceed \$15,000 to Plaintiff for his work on the class claims; and (4) \$3,750 to the LWDA.

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B. Your individual share will be based on the number of workweeks you worked for AAMP of Florida during the Class Period. The amount of money you receive will be based on the size of your share in comparison to the size of all Class Members' shares combined. The Settlement Administrator will assign to each Class Member a "Settlement Ratio," which will be a fractional number comprised of (a) the number of workweeks that Class Member worked for AAMP of Florida during the Class Period as the numerator, and (b) the aggregate total number of workweeks that all Class Members worked during the Class Period as the denominator. The Settlement Administrator will assign to each Class Member the "Settlement Share" which will be calculated by multiplying that Class Member's Settlement Ratio by amount allocated to Class Members from the net settlement amount.

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C. If you do not exclude yourself from the settlement (according to the procedures explained below), you will release AAMP of Florida and its parents, future parents, predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, assigns, and trusts, and all of its employees, officers, agents, attorneys, stockholders, fiduciaries, other service providers, and assigns ("Releasees") as follows:

As of the date of the Judgment, Plaintiff, the Class, and each Class Member who has not properly submitted a timely and valid request to be excluded from the Action, regardless of whether that Class Member objected to the Settlement, and without the need to manually sign a release document, in exchange for the consideration recited in this Agreement, on behalf of himself or herself and on behalf of his/her current, former, and future heirs, executors, administrators, attorneys, agents, and assigns, shall and does hereby fully and finally release AAMP of Florida, Inc., and each of its parents, predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, and trusts, and all of its employees, officers, agents, attorneys, stockholders, fiduciaries, other service providers, and assigns (collectively hereinafter the "Releasees"), from any and all claims, demands, rights, liabilities, and causes of action of any kind whatsoever, that have been, or could have been, asserted against the Releasees based on the facts alleged at any point in time in this Action during the Class Period (the "Released Claims"). The Released Claims expressly include, without limitation, all such claims for unpaid wages, including overtime wages, off-the-clock claims, minimum wage claims, claims for failure to timely pay wages, both during employment and after termination of employment, claims for failure to keep accurate and complete payroll records, claims for failure to provide accurate and complete wage statements, claims for missed meal periods, rest breaks, wage premiums, penalties, and interest; related penalties, including, but not limited to, recordkeeping penalties, wage statement penalties, minimum-wage penalties, missed meal-period and rest-break penalties, waiting-time penalties, penalties under the Private Attorneys General Act; premiums or costs and attorneys' fees and expenses, and any claim arising from the claims described above under applicable state, local or territorial law; all such claims arising under the California Labor Code (including, but not limited to, sections 201-204, 210, 226, 226.3, 226.7, 227.3, 510, 512, 558, 1174, 1182.12, 1194-1194.2, 1197, 1197.1, and 1198); the wage orders of the California Industrial Welfare Commission (including Wage Order 7); the Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004, California Labor Code section 2698, et seq.; and California Business and Professions Code section 17200 et seq.

V. WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?

A. You may accept your share of the \$650,000 settlement. You will be deemed to have accepted your share of the \$650,000 settlement if you do not submit a timely and valid request to be excluded from the settlement as described in this Notice. In accepting your settlement share, you will waive all "Released Claims" as described above.

B. You may accept your share of the \$650,000.00 settlement but dispute the number of your workweeks. If you do not agree with the number of workweeks on this Class Notice, you should provide the corrected



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C. You may exclude yourself from the class action settlement. If you exclude yourself from the class action settlement, you will no longer be a member of the Class so you will not receive any class action settlement money and you will not be bound by the class settlement Release. To be excluded from the class action settlement, you must send by mail, postmarked by <<<u>date</u>>>, a written letter requesting that you be excluded from the class action with your name, address, telephone number, and signature to the Settlement Administrator, CPT Group, Inc., at the following address: 50 Corporate Park, Irvine, California 92606, or by calling (800) 542-0900.

D. You may object to the settlement. If you want to object to the settlement because you find it unfair, unreasonable, or inadequate, you may do so according to the procedures set forth below in paragraph X below. By objecting, you are not excluding yourself from the settlement. To do so, you should follow the procedures below. If the Court approves the settlement despite your objection, and you do not submit a timely request to be excluded from the settlement, you will be sent a check for your settlement share and you will be bound by the Release described above. The Court will consider the merits of all timely objections, whether or not the objector appears at the final fairness hearing.

WHAT IS MY ESTIMATED SHARE?

Your *estimated* share is [insert estimated share]. This amount was calculated based on AAMP of Florida's records, which show that you worked approximately [insert class member workweeks] workweeks. This amount is an estimate. The actual amount you receive may be more or less than the estimated amount shown, depending on a number of factors including whether other Class Members request exclusion from the settlement and how much the Court approves in attorneys' fees, litigation expenses, and other costs.

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VII. <u>WHAT ARE THE PROCEDURES FOR PAYMENT?</u>

A. The Settlement Administrator will calculate your share of the \$650,000 settlement and issue you a check for your settlement share.

B. The settlement shares are allocated one third to wages (for which employment taxes will be deducted and W-2s issued) and one third to interest and one third to penalties (for which 1099s will be issued).

C. You will have one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days from the date of the check's issuance to cash your settlement check. After the expiration of the 180-day period, any amounts from settlement checks that remain uncashed and otherwise unclaimed, plus any interest that has accrued on those funds, will be paid to the Legal Aid at Work ("LAAW"), formerly the Legal Aid Society – Employment Law Center, in accordance with Code of Civil Procedure §384.

D. It is important for the parties to have your current address in order to be able to send you other mailings regarding this case. You should contact the Settlement Administrator to report any change of your address after you receive this Notice. Failure to report a change of address may result in you not receiving money from the settlement.

VIII. <u>HEARING ON PROPOSED SETTLEMENT</u>

A final fairness hearing will be held by the Court at [<mark>time</mark>] on [date], in the Superior Court for the County of Los Angeles, Spring Street Courthouse, 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA, 90012, Dept. 1 (Judge



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IX. PROCEDURES FOR EXCLUSION FROM SETTLEMENT

If you wish to exclude yourself from the settlement, and any payment of amounts under the Agreement, as described above, you must mail a letter to the Settlement Administrator stating that you want to be excluded from the settlement. This letter must include your name, address, telephone number, and signature on or before 60 days from the mailing of this Notice. The objection must be mailed to the Settlement Administrator as follows:

- *To Settlement Administrator:*
- Cox v. AAMP of Florida
- Settlement Administrator
- c/o CPT Group, Inc.
- 50 Corporate Park
- ⁹ Irvine, CA 92606

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X. <u>PROCEDURES FOR OBJECTING TO SETTLEMENT</u>

If you wish to object to the settlement as described above, you are strongly encouraged to do two things: (1)
 submit an objection in writing to the Settlement Administrator stating why you object to the settlement on or before
 60 days from the mailing of this Notice; and (2) formally intervene into the court action as an aggrieved party by filing
 separate paperwork with the Court through your own independent legal counsel or as a *pro per*.

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The written objection should be mailed to the Settlement Administrator as follows:

15 To Settlement Administrator

16 *Cox v. AAMP of Florida*17 Settlement Administrator
c/o CPT Group, Inc.
18 50 Corporate Park

Irvine, CA 92606

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The written objection must state your full name, address, and the dates of your employment with AAMP of Florida. The written objection must state the basis for each specific objection and any legal support in clear and concise terms. The written objection also should state whether you or your lawyer plan to formally intervene in the action and intend to appear and object at the Final Approval Hearing. Class Counsel will file any objections received with the Court within 5 business days of receipt. Objectors will be provided with the opportunity to speak at the final approval hearing regardless of whether they have filed an appearance or submitted a written opposition beforehand.

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If you do not timely object to the settlement and also formally intervene into the court action as set forth above, you may waive your right and standing to appeal the class settlement judgment that ultimately is entered by the Court over your objections. If you send an objection and/or formally intervene in the action, you may come to Court and be heard, but you do not have to come to Court to talk about it. As long as you mail your written objection on time, the Court will consider it. You may also pay your own lawyer to attend the Final Approval Hearing. The Court will also provide objectors the opportunity to speak at the final approval hearing regardless of whether they have filed an appearance or submitted a written opposition beforehand.



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EXAMINATION OF COURT PAPERS AND INQUIRIES

This Notice summarizes the class action settlement. To obtain additional information regarding the settlement you may: (1) call the Settlement Administrator at (800) 542-0900; (2) inspect the complete court file at maintained by the Clerk of the Superior Court for the County of Los Angeles, Spring Street Courthouse, 312 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA, 90012, Department 1

(Judge Daniel J. Buckley); (3) or access the court file via the Los Angeles Superior Court's web site (information about filed civil cases can be found on the Court's general website at https://www.lacourt.org/).

If you have any questions or comments regarding this Notice, the claims asserted in this class action and/or your rights regarding the settlement, you may contact any of the attorneys for the Class listed below. You will not be charged for speaking with these lawyers. If you want to be represented by your own lawyer, you may hire one at your own expense. The attorneys approved by the Court to represent the class of employees are:

8	David G. Spivak, Esq.
9	The Spivak Law Firm 16530 Ventura Blvd., Suite 203
10	Encino, CA 91436 Toll Free: (877) 203-9010
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13	The Settlement Agreement and, ultimately, the order giving final approval to the Settlement will be posted on the
14	Settlement Administrator's website at <u>wwwcom/</u>
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6	DAMIEN COX, and all others similarly situated		
7	(Additional Counsel on Following Page)		
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9	IN THE SUPERIOR CO	URT OF CALIFO	RNIA
10	FOR THE COUNTY	OF LOS ANCEL	FC
11	FOR THE COUNTY	OF LOS ANGEL	
12	DAMIEN COX, on behalf of himself and all	Case No.: BC678	015
13	others similarly situated, and as an "aggrieved employee" on behalf of other "aggrieved	[PROPOSED] O	RDER
14	employees" under the Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004,	PRELIMINARI ACTION SETT	LY APPROVING CLASS
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16	Plaintiff(s),	Action filed:	October 2, 2017
17	vs.		
18	AAMP OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida	Dept.	SSC-1, Hon. Daniel J. Buckley
	corporation; and DOES 1 through 50,		J. Duckicy
19	inclusive,		
20	Defendants.		
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6	5740 Fleet St., Ste 140 Carlsbad, CA 92008
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9	AAMP OF FLORIDA, INC.
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Plaintiff Damien Cox's (hereafter referred to as "Plaintiff") Motion for Preliminary Approval of a Class Action Settlement (the "Motion") was considered by the Court, the Honorable Daniel J. Buckley presiding. The Court having considered the Motion, the Joint Stipulation of Class Action Settlement and Release of Claims ("Settlement" or "Settlement Agreement"), and supporting papers, HEREBY ORDERS THE FOLLOWING:

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1. The Court grants preliminary approval of the Settlement and the Settlement Class based upon the terms set forth in the Settlement filed as an Exhibit to the Motion for Preliminary Approval. All terms herein shall have the same meaning as defined in the Settlement. The Court has determined there is sufficient evidence to preliminarily determine that (a) the terms of the Settlement appear to be fair, adequate, and reasonable to the Settlement Class and (b) the Settlement falls within the range of reasonableness and appears to be presumptively valid, subject only to any objections that may be raised at the final hearing and final approval by this Court. The Court will make a determination at the hearing on the motion for final approval of class action settlement (the "Final Approval Hearing") as to whether the Settlement is fair, adequate and reasonable to the Settlement Class.

14 2. For purposes of this Preliminary Approval Order, the "Settlement Class" means 15 all persons who are currently employed, or formerly have been employed, by AAMP of Florida, 16 Inc., a Florida corporation ("Defendant" or "AAMP of Florida") as current and former nonexempt hourly employees (collectively "Class Members"), who worked in California 17 anytime during the Class Period. The "Class Period" shall mean the period of time from October 18 2, 2013, through February 1, 2019. Defendant estimates that as of February 1, 2019, there were 19 61 potential Settlement Class Members. The "Effective Date" means the date by which this 20 Agreement is approved by the Court by entry of the Judgment and the Judgment becomes Final. 21 The Judgment becomes "Final" when the later of the following events occurs: (1) the period for 22 filing any appeal, writ, or other appellate proceeding opposing the Settlement has elapsed 23 without any appeal, writ, or other appellate proceeding having been filed; (2) any appeal, writ, 24 or other appellate proceeding opposing the Settlement has been dismissed finally and 25 conclusively with no right by any appellant or objector to pursue further remedies or relief; or 26 (3) any appeal, writ, or other appellate proceeding has upheld the Judgment with no right by any appellant or objector to pursue further remedies or relief. In this regard, the Settlement shall not 27 become effective until the Court's Judgment granting final approval of the Settlement is 28

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completely final, and no further recourse exists by an appellant or objector who seeks to contest the Settlement. The occurrence of the Effective Date is a prerequisite to any obligation of Defendant to pay any funds into the Settlement Account.

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3. This action is provisionally certified pursuant to section 382 of the California Code of Civil Procedure and Rule 3.760, et seq. of the California Rules of Court as a class action for purposes of settlement only with respect to the proposed Settlement Class.

- 6 4. The Court hereby preliminarily finds that the Settlement was the product of 7 serious, informed, non-collusive negotiations conducted at arm's length by the Parties. In making this preliminary finding, the Court considered the nature of the claims set forth in the 8 pleadings, the amounts and kinds of benefits which shall be paid pursuant to the Settlement, the 9 allocation of Settlement proceeds to the Settlement Class, and the fact that the Settlement 10 represents a compromise of the Parties' respective positions. The Court further preliminarily 11 finds that the terms of the Settlement have no obvious deficiencies and do not improperly grant 12 preferential treatment to any individual Class Member. Accordingly, the Court preliminarily 13 finds that the Settlement was entered into in good faith.
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 5. The Court finds that the dates set forth in the Settlement for mailing and
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 - a. By ______, Defendant shall provide CPT Group, Inc., the appointed Settlement Administrator, with: (a) An electronic database of all Class Members, last known mailing address, Social Security number and Defendant's employee identification number ("Class Members' Data"); (b) Corresponding to each Class Member's name, Defendant shall provide a figure indicating the total number of Work Weeks during the Class Period in which that Class Member was employed by Defendant. That number of Work Weeks shall be referred to as that Class Member's "Individual Work Weeks;" (c) If any of the Class Members' Data are unavailable to Defendant, Defendant will so inform Class Counsel and the Parties will make their best

efforts to reconstruct or otherwise agree upon the Class Members' Data prior to when it must be submitted to the Settlement Administrator. Class Members' Data will otherwise remain confidential and will not be disclosed to anyone, except as necessary to applicable taxing authorities, or pursuant to Defendant's express written authorization or by order of the Court.

b. **Mailing of Class Notice.** By ______, approximately fourteen (14) days after receiving the Class Members' Data, or as soon thereafter as it can do so, the Settlement Administrator will mail the Class Notice to all identified Class Members via first-class U.S. mail using the mailing address information provided by Defendant, unless modified by any updated address information that the Settlement Administrator obtains in the course of administration of the Settlement.

Returned Class Notice. If a Class Notice is returned because of an incorrect c. address, the Settlement Administrator will promptly, and not later than ten (10) days from receipt of the returned Class Notice, search for a more current address for the Class Member and re-mail the Class Notice to the Class Member. The Settlement Administrator will use the Class Members' Data and otherwise work with Defendant's Counsel and Class Counsel to find a more current address. The Settlement Administrator will be responsible for taking reasonable steps, consistent with its agreed-upon job parameters, court orders, and fee, to trace the mailing address of any Class Member for whom a Class Notice is returned as undeliverable by the U.S. Postal Service. These reasonable steps shall include the tracking of all undelivered mail; performing address searches for all mail returned without a forwarding address; and promptly re-mailing to Class Members for whom new addresses are found. If the Class Notice is re-mailed, the Settlement Administrator will note for its own records and notify Class Counsel and Defendant's Counsel of the date and address of each such re-mailing as part of a weekly status report provided to the Parties

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d. Declaration of Settlement Administrator. Not later than twenty-one (21)

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court days prior to the Final Approval Hearing, the Settlement Administrator will provide the Parties for filing with the Court a declaration of due diligence setting forth its compliance with its obligations under this Agreement. Prior to the Final Approval Hearing, the Settlement Administrator will supplement its declaration of due diligence if any material changes occur from the date of the filing of its prior declaration.

e. **Requests for Exclusion from Settlement; and Objections to Settlement.** Class Members may submit requests to be excluded from the effect of the Settlement, or objections to the Settlement, pursuant to the following procedures:

i. Request for Exclusion from Settlement. A Class Member may request to be excluded from the effect of this Agreement, and any payment of amounts under this Agreement, by timely mailing a letter to the Settlement Administrator stating that the Class Member wants to be excluded from this Action. This letter must include the Class Member's name, address, telephone number, and signature. To be valid and timely, the request to be excluded must be postmarked by the date specified in the Class Notice (_____, or sixty (60) days from the initial mailing of the Class Notice by the Settlement Administrator). A Class Member who properly submits a valid and timely request to be excluded from the Action shall not receive any payment of any kind in connection with this Agreement or this Action, shall not be bound by or receive any benefit of this Agreement, and shall have no standing to object to the Settlement. A request for exclusion must be mailed to the Settlement Administrator at the address provided on the Class Notice. The Settlement Administrator shall transmit the request for exclusion to counsel for the Parties as follows:

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1	To Class Counsel: To Defense Counsel:		
2	David G. Spivak, Esq. Lawrence Campitiello, Esq.		
3	The Spivak Law FirmMadeline Cahill, Esq.16530 Ventura Blvd, Ste. 2035740 Fleet St., Ste 140		
4	Encino, CA 91436 Carlsbad, CA 92008		
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6	ii. Objections to Settlement. The Class Notice will provide that any		
7	Class Member who does not request exclusion from the Action and		
	who wishes to object to the Settlement should submit an objection in		
8	writing to the Settlement Administrator by, or sixty		
9	(60) days after the Settlement Administrator mails the Class Notice,		
10	which sets forth the grounds for the objection and the other		
11	information required by this paragraph. The objection should be		
12	mailed to the Settlement Administrator at the address provided on the		
13	Class Notice. The Settlement Administrator shall transmit the		
14	objections to counsel for the Parties as follows:		
15	To Class Counsel: To Defense Counsel:		
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17	David G. Spivak, Esq.Lawrence Campitiello, Esq.The Spivak Law FirmMadeline Cahill, Esq.		
18	16530 Ventura Blvd, Ste. 203Cahill & Campitiello LLP		
19	Encino, CA 91436 5740 Fleet St., Ste 140 Carlsbad, CA 92008		
20	The written objection should state the objecting Class Member's full		
21	name, address, and the approximate dates of his or her employment		
22	with Defendant. The written objection should state the basis for each		
23	specific objection and any legal support in clear and concise terms.		
24	The written objection also should state whether the Class Member		
25	intends to formally intervene and become a party of record in the		
26	action, and upon formally intervening, appear and argue at the Final		
27	Approval Hearing. However, the objectors will be provided with the		
28	opportunity to speak at the final approval hearing regardless of		

1	whether they have filed an appearance or submitted a written opposition beforehand.	
2	If the objecting Class Member does not formally intervene in the	
3	action and/or the Court rejects the Class Member's objection, the	
4	Class Member will still be bound by the terms of this Agreement.	
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6	f. Report. Not later than fourteen (14) days after the deadline for submission of requests for exclusion, the Settlement Administrator will provide the	
7	Parties with a complete and accurate list of all Class Members who sent	
8	timely requests to be excluded from the Action and all Class Members who	
9	objected to the settlement.	
	6. The Court approves, as to form and content, the Class Notice in substantially the	
10	form attached as Exhibit A to the Settlement.	
11	7. The Court approves, for settlement purposes only, David Spivak of The Spivak	
12	Law Firm as Class Counsel.	
13	8. The Court approves, for settlement purposes only, Damien Cox as the Class	
14	Representative.	
15	9. The Court approves CPT Group, Inc. as the Settlement Administrator.	
16	10. The Court preliminarily approves Class Counsel's request for attorneys' fees and	
17	costs subject to final review by the Court.	
18	11. The Court preliminarily approves the estimated Settlement Administrator costs	
19	payable to the Settlement Administrator subject to final review by the Court.	
20	12. The Court preliminarily approves Plaintiff's Class Representative Payment	
21	subject to final review by the Court.	
22	13. A Final Approval Hearing shall be held on at in	
23	Department 1 of the Superior Court for the State of California, County of Los Angeles, located	
24	at 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California to consider the fairness, adequacy and	
	reasonableness of the proposed Settlement preliminarily approved by this Preliminary Approval	
25	Order, and to consider the application of Class Counsel for attorneys' fees and costs and the	
26	Class Representative Payment to the Class Representative. The notice of motion and all briefs	
27	and materials in support of the motion for final approval of class action settlement	
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and motion for attorneys' fees and litigation costs shall be served and filed with this Court on or before _____.

If for any reason the Court does not execute and file a final approval order and
 judgment, or if the Effective Date, as defined in the Settlement, does not occur for any reason,
 the proposed Settlement that is the subject of this order, and all evidence and proceedings had
 in connection therewith, shall be without prejudice to the status quo ante rights of the Parties to
 the litigation, as more specifically set forth in the Settlement.

15. The Court expressly reserves the right to adjourn or continue the Final Approval Hearing from time to time without further notice to members of the Class. The Plaintiff shall give prompt notice of any continuance to Settlement Class Members who object to the Settlement.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATE HONORABLE DANIEL J. BUCKLEY, JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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10	SUPERIOR COURT OF TH	E STATE OF CALIFORNIA	
12	FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES (UNLIMITED JURISDICTION)		
13	DAMIEN COX, on behalf of himself and all	Case No.: BC678015	
14	others similarly situated, and as an "aggrieved employee" on behalf of other "aggrieved	[PROPOSED] FINAL ORDER AND	
15 16	employees" under the Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004,	JUDGMENT APPROVING CLASS SETTLEMENT	
17	Plaintiff(s),		
18	vs.	Hearing Dept.: SSC-1, Hon. Daniel J.	
19	AAMP OF FLORIDA, INC., a Florida	Buckley	
20	corporation; and DOES 1 through 50, inclusive,		
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22	Defendants.		
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This matter came on for hearing on ______, 2019 at _____, m. at 312 N. Spring Street in Department 1 of the above-captioned court on Plaintiff's Motion for Final Approval of a Class Action Settlement pursuant to California Rules of Court, Rule 3.769, as set forth in the Settlement Agreement (the "Settlement") filed herewith which provides for a Gross Settlement Amount ("GSA") of \$650,000 in compromise of all disputed claims on behalf of all persons Defendant AAMP of Florida, Inc. ("AAMP of Florida" or "Defendant") employed in California as hourly, non-exempt employees during the period of October 2, 2013 to February 1, 2019 ("Settlement Class Period"). All capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meaning as defined in the Settlement.

9 In accordance with the Court's prior Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class 10 Action Settlement, Class Members have been given notice of the terms of the Settlement and the 11 opportunity to submit a claim, request exclusion, comment upon or object to it or to any of its 12 terms. Having received and considered the Settlement, the supporting papers filed by the Parties, 13 and the evidence and argument received by the Court in conjunction with the motions for preliminary and final approval of the Settlement, the Court grants final approval of the Settlement 14 and HEREBY ORDERS, ADJUDGES, DECREES AND MAKES THE FOLLOWING 15 DETERMINATIONS¹: 16

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The Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Action and over all 1. Parties to the Action, including all Class Members. Pursuant to this Court's Order Granting 18 Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement of _____, the Class Notice was sent 19 to each Class Member by First Class U.S. mail. The Class Notice informed Class Members of 20 the terms of the Settlement, their right to receive their proportional share of the Settlement, their 21 right to request exclusion, their right to comment upon or object to the Settlement, and their right 22 to appear in person or by counsel at the final approval hearing and be heard regarding final 23 approval of the Settlement. Adequate periods of time were provided by each of these procedures. Settlement Class 24 No member of the presented written objections to the /// 25

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A true and correct copy of the Court's ruling on the Motion for Final Approval of Class
 Action Settlement entered on _______ is attached hereto as Exhibit A and
 incorporated by reference. A true and correct copy of the Court's Minute Order dated
 _______, 2019 is attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated by reference.

proposed Settlement as part of this notice process, stated an intention to appear, or actually appeared at the final approval hearing.

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2. For purposes of this Final Order and Judgment, Class Members are all current and former hourly non-exempt employees employed by Defendant within the State of California at any time during the period of October 2, 2013 to February 1, 2019 ("Settlement Class Period").

3. The Court finds and determines that the notice procedure afforded adequate protections to Class Members and provides the basis for the Court to make an informed decision regarding final approval of the Settlement based on the responses of Class Members. The Court finds and determines that the notice provided in this case was the best notice practicable, which satisfied the requirements of law and due process as to all persons entitled to such notice.

2. Release by Plaintiff and Class Members. As of the date of the Judgment, 10 Plaintiff, the Class, and each Class Member who has not properly submitted a timely and valid 11 request to be excluded from the Action, regardless of whether that Class Member objected to the 12 Settlement, and without the need to manually sign a release document, in exchange for the 13 consideration recited in this Agreement, on behalf of himself or herself and on behalf of his/her 14 current, former, and future heirs, executors, administrators, attorneys, agents, and assigns, shall 15 and does hereby fully and finally release AAMP of Florida, Inc., and each of its parents, 16 predecessors, successors, subsidiaries, affiliates, partners, and trusts, and all of its employees, 17 officers, agents, attorneys, stockholders, members, managers, general and limited partners, owners, employee benefit plans, plan administrators, heirs, administrators, fiduciaries, other 18 service providers, and assigns (collectively hereinafter the "Releasees"), from any and all claims, 19 demands, rights, liabilities, and causes of action of any kind whatsoever, that have been, or could 20 have been, asserted against the Releasees based on the facts alleged at any point in time in this 21 Action during the Class Period (the "Released Claims"). The Released Claims expressly include, 22 without limitation, all such claims for unpaid wages, including overtime wages, off-the-clock 23 claims, minimum wage claims, claims for failure to timely pay wages, both during employment 24 and after termination of employment, claims for failure to keep accurate and complete payroll 25 records, claims for failure to provide accurate and complete wage statements, claims for missed 26 meal periods, rest breaks, wage premiums, penalties, and interest; related penalties, including, 27 but not limited to, recordkeeping penalties, wage statement penalties, minimum-wage penalties, missed meal-period and rest-break penalties, waiting-time penalties, penalties under the Private 28

Attorneys General Act; premiums or costs and attorneys' fees and expenses, and any claim arising from the claims described above under applicable state, local or territorial law; all such claims arising under the California Labor Code (including, but not limited to, sections 201-204, 210, 226, 226.3, 226.7, 227.3, 510, 512, 558, 1174, 1182.12, 1194-1194.2, 1197, 1197.1, and 1198); the wage orders of the California Industrial Welfare Commission (including Wage Order 7); the Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004, California Labor Code section 2698, *et seq.*; and California Business and Professions Code section 17200 et seq.

3. 7 The Court further finds and determines that the terms of the Settlement are fair, reasonable and adequate, that the Settlement is ordered finally approved, and that all terms and 8 provisions of the Settlement, including the release of claims contained therein, should be and 9 hereby are ordered to be consummated, and directs the Parties to effectuate the Settlement 10 according to its terms. As of the Effective Date of Settlement, and for the duration of the 11 Settlement Class Period, all Class Members are hereby deemed to have waived and released all 12 Released Claims and are forever barred and enjoined from prosecuting the Released Claims 13 against the Releasees as fully set forth in the Settlement. No objections were received by the 14 Parties or the Court through the date of this Final Order and Judgment. The Court finds 15

¹⁶ as determined by the Settlement Administrator and therefore is/are not in the Settlement Class.

4. The Court finds and determines that (a) the Settlement Shares to be paid to
Participating Class Members and (b) the LWDA payment as civil penalties under the California
Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004, as amended, California Labor Code sections
2699 et seq., as provided for by the Settlement are fair and reasonable. The Court hereby grants
final approval to, and orders the payment of, those amounts be made to the Participating Class
Members and to the California Labor & Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA"), in
accordance with the terms of the Settlement.

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5. The Court further grants final approval to and orders that the following payments be made in accordance with the terms of the Settlement:

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a. Class Counsel fees & costs of \$216,666.66 in attorneys' fees and in litigation costs to Class Counsel;

b. \$15,000 as a Class Representative Payment award payable to Plaintiff
Damien Cox for his service as a Class Representative;

- \$10,000 in costs of the Settlement Administrator payable to c. for its services as the Settlement Administrator; and
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d. Payment of \$3,750.00 (75% of the \$5,000.00 PAGA penalty) to the LWDA.

7. The settlement shall proceed as directed in the Settlement, and no payments pursuant to the Settlement shall be distributed until after the Effective Date of Settlement. Without affecting the finality of this Final Order and Judgment in any way, the Court retains jurisdiction of all matters relating to the interpretation, administration, implementation, effectuation and enforcement of this Final Order and Judgment and the Settlement pursuant to California Rule of Court 3.769(h).

8. Within ten (10) calendar days of the Effective Date of Settlement, Defendant shall 10 deposit the Gross Settlement Amount in an account designated by the Settlement Administrator, 11 from which the Settlement Administrator will then pay: (i) the total amount of all Settlement 12 Shares to Participating Class Members, (ii) the Court approved Class Counsel fees & costs, (iii) 13 the Court-approved Class Representative Payment, (iv) the Court-approved costs of the 14 Settlement Administrator, and (v) the payment to the LWDA. Defendant shall also pay its share 15 of the employer-side payroll taxes.

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9. Defendant's payment of the Gross Settlement Amount shall be the sole financial 17 obligation of Defendant under the Settlement, and shall be in full satisfaction of all claims released herein, including, without limitation, all claims for wages, penalties, interest, attorneys' 18 fees, costs and expenses. 19

10. Pursuant to CCP 384 and the Settlement, Participating Class Members shall have 20 one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of the check's issuance to cash their Settlement 21 Share check. After the expiration of the 180-day period, on Defendant's behalf, the Settlement 22 Administrator shall remit any amounts from Voided Settlement Checks and otherwise unclaimed 23 funds "Residue"), (the plus any interest earned on the Residue Legal to 24

25 Aid at Work ("LAAW"), formerly the Legal Aid Society – Employment Law Center, hereafter 26 referred to as the "Cy Pres Recipient."

27 11. The Parties shall file a final accounting report by _____. A nonappearance case review re submission of a final report is scheduled for _____ at 28

.m. at 312 N. Spring Street in Department 1 of the above-captioned court. The Parties 1 shall also prepare and file a stipulation and proposed order and proposed Amended Final Order 2 and Judgment by ______ which includes the amount of distribution of unpaid cash 3 Residue, and any accrued interest on that sum, and any other information required to be set forth 4 pursuant to Section 68520 of the Government Code, as incorporated into CCP Section 384.5. The 5 stipulation shall be signed by counsel for the class, defense counsel, and counsel for (or an 6 authorized representative of) the Cy Pres Recipient in accord with the proposed Amended Final 7 Order and Judgment. If there are objections by any party or non-party, class counsel shall immediately notify the Court and the matter will be set for further hearing. Pursuant to Section 8 CCP 384.5, a conformed copy of the stipulation and order and Amended Final Order and 9 Judgment (once signed by the Court) shall be forwarded by Class Counsel to the Judicial Council. 10

12. Nothing in this Final Order and Judgment shall preclude any action to enforce the Parties' obligations under the Settlement or hereunder, including the requirement that Defendant deposit the Gross Settlement Amount for distribution by the Settlement Administrator to Participating Class Members in accordance with the Settlement.

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 ¹³. The Court hereby enters final judgment in this case in accordance with the terms
 ¹⁵ of the Settlement, Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement, and this
 ¹⁶ Final Order and Judgment.

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14. The Parties are hereby ordered to comply with the terms of the Settlement.

18 15. The Parties shall bear their own costs and attorneys' fees except as otherwise
19 provided by the Settlement and this Final Order and Judgment.

16. The Settlement is not an admission by Defendant nor is this Final Order and 20 Judgment a finding of the validity of any claims in the Action or of any wrongdoing by 21 Defendant. Furthermore, the Settlement is not a concession by Defendant and shall not be used 22 as an admission of any fault, omission, or wrongdoing by Defendant. Neither this Final Order 23 and Judgment, the Settlement, any document referred to herein, any exhibit to any document 24 referred to herein, any action taken to carry out the Settlement, nor any negotiations or 25 proceedings related to the Settlement are to be construed as, or deemed to be evidence of, or an 26 admission or concession with regard to, the denials or defenses of Defendant, and shall not be 27 offered in evidence in any proceeding against the Parties hereto in any Court, administrative agency, or other tribunal for any purpose whatsoever other than to enforce the provisions of this 28

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	 Final Order and Judgment. This Final Order and Judgment, the Settlement and exhibits thereto, and any other papers and records on file in the Action may be filed in this Court or in any other litigation as evidence of the settlement by Defendant to support a defense of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, or other theory of claim or issue preclusion or similar defense as to the Released Claims. 17. This document shall constitute a Judgment for purposes of California Rule of Court 3.769(h). IT IS SO ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED.
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10	HON. DANIEL J. BUCKLEY,
11	JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
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