SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Settlement Agreement ("Settlement Agreement") is made and entered into as [DATE] (the "Execution Date"), and is by and between My Home Group Real Estate, LLC ("My Home Group") and Plaintiffs Rhonda Burnett, Jeremy Keel, Christopher Moehrl, Daniel Umpa, Don Gibson, and Joseph Masiello (collectively "Plaintiffs," and, together with My Home Group, the "Parties"), who filed suit in *Daniel Umpa v. The National Association of Realtors, et al.*, No. 23-cv-945 (W.D. Mo.) ("*Umpa*"), *Don Gibson v. The National Association of Realtors, et al.*, No. 23-cv-00788 (W.D. Mo.) ("*Gibson*"), *Burnett v. The National Association of Realtors, et al.*, No. 19-cv-0332-SRB (W.D. Mo.) ("*Burnett*"), *Moehrl v. The National Association of Realtors, et al.*, No 1:19-cv-01610 NAR (N.D. Ill. Case No. 1:19-cv-01610) ("*Moehrl*"), *Jeremy Keel v. Washington Fine Properties, LLC, et al.*, No.25-cv-00055 (W.D. Mo.) ("*Keel*"), and *Joseph Masiello v. Arizona Association of Realtors, et al.*, No. 24-cv-00045 (D. Ariz.) ("*Masiello*"), and any forthcoming case as identified in Paragraph 16 below (all three actions collectively, "the Actions"), both individually and as representatives of one or more classes of home sellers.

WHEREAS, My Home Group denies Plaintiffs' allegations in the Actions and indicated it would assert defenses to Plaintiffs' claims:

WHEREAS, extensive arm's-length settlement negotiations have taken place between Plaintiffs' Co-Lead Counsel (as defined below) and counsel for My Home Group leading to this Settlement Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Actions will continue against all other defendants in the Actions, other than My Home Group (the "Non-My Home Group Defendants") unless Plaintiffs separately settle with any of the Non-My Home Group Defendants;

WHEREAS, Plaintiffs have conducted an extensive investigation into the facts and the law regarding the claims asserted in the Actions, and have concluded that a settlement with My Home Group according to the terms set forth below is fair, reasonable, and adequate and in the best interest of Plaintiffs and the Settlement Class;

WHEREAS, My Home Group believes that it is not liable for any claims asserted and has good defenses to Plaintiffs' claims, but nevertheless has decided to enter into this Settlement Agreement to avoid further expense, inconvenience, and the distraction of burdensome and protracted litigation, to obtain the nationwide releases, orders, and judgment contemplated by this Settlement Agreement, and to put to rest with finality all claims that Plaintiffs and Settlement Class Members have or could have asserted against the Released Parties, as defined below; and

WHEREAS, My Home Group in addition to the settlement payments set forth below, has agreed to cooperate with Plaintiffs and to implement certain practice changes, each as set forth in this Settlement Agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the agreements and releases set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, and intending to be legally bound, it is agreed by and between My Home Group and the Plaintiffs that the Actions be settled, compromised, and dismissed with prejudice as to My Home Group only, without costs to Plaintiffs, the Settlement Class, or My Home Group except as provided for herein, subject to the approval of the Court, on the following terms and conditions:

A. <u>Definitions</u>

The following terms, as used in this Settlement Agreement, have the following meanings:

1. "Co-Lead Counsel" means the following law firms:

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Leawood, KS 66211

BOULWARE LAW LLC 1600 Genessee, Suite 416 Kansas City, MO 64102

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With respect to this Settlement only, Co-Lead Counsel also means:

ZIMMERMAN REED LLP 14648 North Scottsdale Road, Suite 130 Scottsdale. AZ 85254

- 2. "Court" means the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Missouri.
- 3. "Defendants" all defendants named in the Actions.
- 4. "Effective" means that all conditions set forth below in the definition of "Effective Date" have occurred.
- 5. "Effective Date" means the date when: (a) the Court has entered a final judgment order approving the Settlement set forth in this Settlement Agreement under Rule 23(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and a final judgment dismissing the Actions against My Home Group with prejudice has been entered; and (b) the time for appeal or to seek permission to appeal from the Court's approval of the Settlement Agreement and the entry of a final judgment has

expired or, if appealed, approval of the Settlement Agreement and the final judgment have been affirmed in their entirety by the Court of last resort to which such appeal has been taken and such affirmance is no longer subject to further appeal or review; excluding, however, any appeal or other proceedings unrelated to this Settlement Agreement initiated by any Non- My Home Group Defendant or any person or entity related to the Non-My Home Group Defendant, and any such appeal or other proceedings shall not delay the Settlement Agreement from becoming final and shall not apply to this section; nor shall this section be construed as an admission that such parties have standing or other rights of objection or appeal with respect to this Settlement. It is agreed that neither the provisions of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 60 nor the All Writs Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1651, shall be considered in determining the above-stated times.

- 6. "Person" means an individual, corporation, partnership, limited partnership, association, joint stock company, estate, legal representative, trust, unincorporated association, government or any political subdivision or agency thereof, any business or legal entity, and such individual's or entity's spouse, heirs, predecessors, successors, representatives, affiliates and assignees. For the avoidance of doubt, Persons include all real estate brokerages.
- 7. "Released Claims" means any and all manner of federal and state claims regardless of the cause of action arising from or relating to conduct that was alleged or could have been alleged in the Actions based on any or all of the same factual predicates for the claims alleged in the Actions, including but not limited to commissions negotiated, offered, obtained, or paid to brokerages in connection with the sale of any residential home.
- 8. "Released Parties" means My Home Group and all of its respective past, present and future, direct and indirect corporate parents (including holding companies), subsidiaries, related entities and affiliates, associates (all as defined in SEC Rule 12b-2 promulgated pursuant

to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934), predecessors, and successors, and all of their respective franchisees, sub-franchisors, officers, directors, managing directors, employees, agents, contractors, independent contractors, attorneys, legal or other representatives, accountants, auditors, experts, trustees, trusts, heirs, beneficiaries, estates, executors, administrators, insurers, and assigns, and all of the franchisees' and sub-franchisors' officers, directors, managing directors, employees, agents, and independent contractors. Notwithstanding this definition, "Released Parties" shall not include the Non- My Home Group Defendants or their past, present and future, direct and indirect corporate parents (including holding companies), subsidiaries, related entities and affiliates, associates (all as defined in SEC Rule 12b-2 promulgated pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934), predecessors, and successors, and all of their respective franchisees, officers, directors, managing directors, employees, agents, contractors, independent contractors, attorneys, legal or other representatives, accountants, auditors, experts, trustees, trusts, heirs, beneficiaries, estates, executors, administrators, insurers, and assigns. For the avoidance of doubt, individuals who were members of the National Association of Realtors are not thereby excluded from being Released Parties, and entities and individuals that were sometimes associated with the My Home Group Entities and other times associated with a different Corporate Defendant are included as Released Parties for the periods of time they were associated with My Home Group and excluded for the periods of time they were associated with a different Corporate Defendant. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing release is not intended to and does not release My Home Group or any other Person for any claims based on the conduct of any real estate brokerage acquired by My Home Group or any other Person who becomes affiliated with My Home Group after the Execution Date for conduct which took place before the Execution Date.

- 9. "Releasing Parties" means Plaintiffs and any Settlement Class Members (including any of their immediate family members, heirs, representatives, administrators, executors, devisees, legatees, and estates, acting in their capacity as such; and for entities including any of their past, present or future officers, directors, insurers, general or limited partners, divisions, stockholders, agents, attorneys, employees, legal representatives, trustees, parents, associates, affiliates, joint ventures, subsidiaries, heirs, executors, administrators, predecessors, successors and assigns, acting in their capacity as such solely with respect to the claims based on or derived from claims of the Plaintiffs or Settlement Class Members).
- 10. "Settlement" means the settlement of the Actions contemplated by this Settlement Agreement.
- 11. "Settlement Class" means the class of persons that will be certified by the Court for settlement purposes only, namely, all persons who sold a home that was listed on a multiple listing service anywhere in the United States where a commission was paid to any brokerage in connection with the sale of the home between October 31, 2019, and date of Class Notice. For avoidance of doubt, Plaintiffs and My Home Group intend this Settlement Agreement to provide for a nationwide class with a nationwide settlement and release.
- 12. "Settlement Class Member" means a member of the Settlement Class who does not file a valid request for exclusion from the Settlement Class.
 - 13. "Settling Parties" means Plaintiffs and My Home Group.
- 14. "Total Monetary Settlement Amount" means Nine Hundred Eighty Seven-Thousand Five Hundred DOLLARS (\$987,500) in United States currency. All costs of settlement, including all payments to class members, all attorneys' fees and costs, all service awards to current and former class representatives, and all costs of notice and administration, will be paid out of the

Total Monetary Settlement Amount, and My Home Group will pay nothing apart from the Total Monetary Settlement Amount.

B. <u>Stipulation to Class Certification for Settlement Purposes</u>

- 15. For purposes of facilitating this Settlement Agreement, and for that reason only, My Home Group acknowledges and agrees that it will be named as a defendant in a new class action lawsuit arising from the same conspiracy alleged in Burnett, Moehrl, Gibson, Umpa, Keel, and Masiello (in which case, such new lawsuit will be included within the term "Actions"). The new lawsuit will be filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri, Western Division. My Home Group will (a) not contest the jurisdiction and venue of the Western District of Missouri for purposes of this settlement only, (b) accept service for the new lawsuit, and (c) not contest the transfer of the new lawsuit to the court of Judge Stephen R. Bough, if it is not randomly assigned there. To the extent necessary, My Home Group hereby agrees to work in good faith with Plaintiffs and Co-Lead Counsel towards Plaintiffs' efficiently and timely filing of the new action and transfer of it to Judge Bough's court. If any Party validly rescinds this Settlement Agreement for any reason, as provided in Paragraphs 43-49 below, then the Parties agree to seek dismissal of any claims against My Home Group in the new class action referenced in this Paragraph, and the plaintiffs in the Masiello case and My Home Group agree to resume litigation in the *Masiello* case in the United States District Court for the District of Arizona.
- 16. The Settling Parties hereby stipulate for purposes of this Settlement only that the requirements of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(a), 23(b)(2), and 23(b)(3) are satisfied and, subject to Court approval, the Settlement Class shall be certified for settlement purposes as to My Home Group. Should, for whatever reason, the Settlement not become Effective, the Settling Parties' stipulation to class certification as part of the Settlement shall become null and void. My

Home Group and Plaintiffs expressly reserve all rights if the Settlement Agreement does not become Effective or if it is rescinded by My Home Group or Plaintiffs, including, but not limited to, any defenses concerning the Court's lack of personal jurisdiction over My Home Group or any Released Parties. Neither this Settlement Agreement, nor any statement, transaction, or proceeding in connection with the negotiation, execution, or implementation of this Settlement Agreement should be construed as or deemed to be evidence of an admission or concession by My Home Group that a class should be or should have been certified for any purposes other than settlement, and none of them shall be admissible in evidence for any such purpose in any proceeding.

17. My Home Group hereby agrees that with respect to the Released Claims, any applicable statute of limitations or other time defenses shall be deemed tolled from the Execution Date until this Settlement Agreement is either finalized or rescinded.

C. Approval of this Settlement Agreement and Dismissal of the Actions

- 18. The Settling Parties agree to make reasonable best efforts to effectuate this Settlement Agreement, including, but not limited to, seeking the Court's approval of procedures (including the giving of class notice under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(c) and (e) and scheduling a final fairness hearing) to obtain final approval of the Settlement and the final dismissal with prejudice of the Actions as to My Home Group.
- 19. Plaintiffs will submit to the Court a motion requesting that the Court preliminarily approve the Settlement (the "Motion"). The Motion shall include a proposed form of order preliminarily approving the Settlement and enjoining Releasing Parties from prosecuting any Released Claims in any forum until the Effective Date of this Settlement. The proposed form of the preliminary approval order shall be acceptable to My Home Group provided that it is

substantially in the form of the orders proposed in connection with the Keller Williams, Anywhere, and RE/MAX settlements. The Settling Parties shall take all reasonable actions as may be necessary to obtain preliminary approval of the Settlement. To the extent the Court finds that the Settlement does not meet the standard for preliminary approval, the Settling Parties will negotiate in good faith to modify the Settlement Agreement directly or with the assistance of a mediator and will endeavor to resolve any issues to the satisfaction of the Court.

- 20. The Settling Parties agree that Plaintiffs may at their sole discretion: (i) seek to include notice of this Settlement to the Settlement Class and for claim administration along with the settlement with any other Defendant or (ii) seek approval of a separate plan for providing class notice of this Settlement in a manner that meets the requirements of due process and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23 ("Class Notice"). The Settling Parties agree that the notice language shall not be subject to My Home Group's review or approval so long as it is substantially in the form of one or more prior Court-approved notices. To the extent Plaintiffs seek to materially vary the language of the notice, they will promptly notify My Home Group in writing of any such changes, and My Home Group will provide any edits or objections within 48 hours, and the Settling Parties shall promptly meet and confer to resolve any such objection. The Settling Parties agree to the use JND as a claims and notice administrator. The timing of any request to disseminate Class Notice to the Settlement Class will be at the discretion of Co-Lead Counsel.
- 21. Within ten (10) calendar days after the filing with the Court of this Settlement Agreement and the accompanying motion papers seeking its preliminary approval, JND, the notice administrator, shall at My Home Group's expense to be credited against the Total Monetary Settlement Amount cause notice of the Settlement Agreement to be served upon appropriate State and Federal officials as provided in the Class Action Fairness Act, 28 U.S.C. § 1715.

- 22. If the Settlement is preliminarily approved by the Court, Plaintiffs shall timely seek final approval of the Settlement and entry of a final judgment order as to My Home Group:
 - (a) certifying the Settlement Class under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(b), solely for purposes of this Settlement;
 - (b) granting final approval of the Settlement as fair, reasonable, and adequate within the meaning of Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 23(e) and directing the consummation of the Settlement according to its terms;
 - (c) directing that, as to My Home Group only, the Actions be dismissed with prejudice and, except as provided for herein, without costs;
 - (d) reserving exclusive jurisdiction over the Settlement and this Settlement Agreement, including reserving exclusive jurisdiction over the administration and consummation of this Settlement to the United States District Court for the Western District of Missouri; and
 - (e) if applicable, determining under Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 54(b) that there is no just reason for delay and directing entry of final judgment as to My Home Group.
- 27. This Settlement Agreement will become Effective only after the occurrence of all conditions set forth above in the definition of the Effective Date.

D. Releases, Discharge, and Covenant Not to Sue

28. Upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties expressly and irrevocably waive, and fully, finally, and forever settle, discharge, and release the Released Parties from, any and all manner of claims, demands, actions, suits, and causes of action, whether individual, class, representative, or otherwise in nature, for damages, restitution, disgorgement, interest, costs, expenses, attorneys' fees, fines, civil or other penalties, or other payment of money,

or for injunctive, declaratory, or other equitable relief, whenever incurred, whether directly, indirectly, derivatively, or otherwise, whether known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, in law or in equity, that any Releasing Party ever had, now has, or hereafter can, shall, or may have and that have accrued as of the date of preliminary approval of the Settlement Agreement arising from, arising out of, or related to the Released Claims. The Released Claims include but are not limited to the antitrust and consumer protection claims brought in the Actions and similar state and federal statutes. In connection therewith, upon the Effective Date of Settlement, each of the Releasing Parties (i) shall forever be enjoined from prosecuting in any forum any Released Claims against any of the Released Parties that accrued from the beginning of time through the date of preliminary approval of the Settlement; and (ii) agrees and covenants not to sue any of the Released Parties with respect to any Released Claims. For avoidance of doubt, this release extends to, but only to, the fullest extent permitted by law.

29. The Releasing Parties may hereafter discover facts other than or different from those which they now know or believe to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Released Claims. Nevertheless, the Releasing Parties expressly, fully, finally, and forever settle and release, and, upon the Effective Date, shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Judgment and Order of Dismissal shall have, fully, finally, and forever settled and released, any and all Released Claims, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such other, different, or additional facts, as well as any and all rights and benefits existing under (i) Cal. Civ. Code Section 1542, which provides as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO
CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING
PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN

HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING
THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR
HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS
OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR
RELEASED PARTY.

or any equivalent, similar or comparable present or future law or principle of law of any jurisdiction, including but not limited to Section 20-7-11 of the South Dakota Codified Laws, which provides that "A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS WHICH THE CREDITOR DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE, WHICH IF KNOWN BY HIM MUST HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR;" or (ii) any law or principle of law of any jurisdiction that would limit or restrict the effect or scope of the provisions of the release set forth above, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such other, different, or additional facts. The Releasing Parties acknowledge that the inclusion of unknown claims in the definition of Released Claims was separately bargained for and was a material element of the Settlement Agreement.

30. The Releasing Parties intend by this Settlement Agreement to settle with and release only the Released Parties, and the Settling Parties do not intend this Settlement Agreement, or any part hereof, or any other aspect of the proposed Settlement or release, to release or otherwise affect in any way any claims concerning product liability, breach of warranty, breach of contract or tort of any kind (other than a breach of contract or tort based on any factual predicate in the Actions), a claim arising out of violation of the Uniform Commercial Code, or personal or bodily injury. The release does not extend to any individual claims that a class member may have against

his or her own broker or agent based on a breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, malpractice, negligence or other tort claim, other than a claim that a class member paid an excessive commission or home price due to the claims at issue in these Actions.

E. Payment of the Settlement Amount

31. Plaintiffs will open a special interest-bearing settlement escrow account or accounts, established for that purpose as a qualified settlement fund as defined in Section 1.468B-1(a) of the U.S. Treasury Regulations (the "Escrow Account"). All accrued interest shall be for the benefit of the plaintiff classes unless the Settlement is not approved, in which case the interest shall be for the benefit of My Home Group. My Home Group shall pay \$100,000 within 90 days of preliminary approval; \$400,000 within the earlier of 90 days of Final Approval (as defined below) and December 31, 2026; and \$487,500 within the earlier of one year of Final Approval (as defined below) and December 31, 2027. Time is of the essence as it relates to the timeliness of the settlement payment, and any failure to timely make any payment will constitute a material default under this Agreement. For the purposes of this Paragraph, "Final Approval" means approval, as ordered by the Western District of Missouri, and the exhaustion of any appeals.

F. The Settlement Fund

32. The Total Monetary Settlement Amount and any interest earned thereon shall be held in the Escrow Account and constitute the "Settlement Fund." The full and complete cost of the settlement notice, claims administration, Settlement Class Members' compensation, current and former class representatives' incentive awards, attorneys' fees and reimbursement of all actual expenses of the Actions, any other litigation costs of Plaintiffs (all as approved by the Court), and all applicable taxes, if any, assessable on the Settlement Fund or any portion thereof, will be paid

out of the Settlement Fund. In no event will My Home Group's monetary liability with respect to the Settlement exceed the Total Monetary Settlement Amount.

- 33. The Settling Parties and their counsel will not have any responsibility, financial obligation, or liability for any fees, costs, or expenses related to providing notice to the Settlement Class or administering the settlement, except those reflected in Paragraph 34. Such fees, costs, or expenses shall be paid solely from the Settlement Fund with Court approval. The balance of the Settlement Fund shall be disbursed to Settlement Class Members as provided in a Plan of Allocation (as defined below) approved by the Court. The Settling Parties shall have the right to audit amounts paid from the Settlement Fund.
- 34. After preliminary approval of the Settlement Agreement and approval of a class notice plan, Co-Lead Counsel may utilize a portion of the Settlement Fund to provide notice of the Settlement to potential members of the Settlement Class. My Home Group will not object to Plaintiffs' counsel withdrawing from the Settlement Fund, subject to any necessary Court approval, up to \$100,000 to pay the costs for notice and administration. If Plaintiffs settle with one (or more) Non- My Home Group Defendants or newly-named brokerage defendants and notice of one or more other settlements is included in the notice of the My Home Group settlement, then the cost of such notice will be apportioned equitably between (or among) the My Home Group Settlement Fund and the other settling Defendant(s)' settlement funds. The amount spent or accrued for notice and administration costs, up to \$100,000, is not refundable to My Home Group in the event the Settlement Agreement does not become Effective or if it is rescinded by My Home Group or the Plaintiffs.
- 35. Subject to Co-Lead Counsel's sole discretion as to timing, except that the timing must be consistent with rules requiring that Settlement Class Members be given the opportunity to

review fee applications, Co-Lead Counsel may apply to the Court for a fee award, plus expenses, and costs incurred, and current and former class representative service awards to be paid out of the Settlement Fund.

- 36. The Settlement Fund will be invested in United States Government Treasury obligations or United States Treasury money market funds.
- 37. My Home Group will not have any responsibility, financial obligation, or liability whatsoever with respect to the investment, distribution, use, or administration of the Settlement Fund, including, but not limited to, the costs and expenses of such investment, distribution, use or administration except as expressly otherwise provided in this Settlement Agreement. My Home Group's only payment obligation is to pay the Total Monetary Settlement Amount.
- 38. There will be no reduction of the Total Monetary Settlement Amount based on Opt-Out Sellers. The Settlement will be non-reversionary except as set forth below in Section H. If the Settlement becomes Effective, no proceeds from the Settlement will revert to My Home Group regardless of the claims that are made.
- 39. No disbursements shall be made from the Settlement Fund prior to the Effective Date of this Settlement Agreement except as described in Paragraphs 34 and 35 above and 43 below.
- 40. The distribution of the Settlement Fund shall be administered pursuant to a plan of allocation (the "Plan of Allocation") proposed by Co-Lead Counsel in their sole and absolute discretion and subject to the approval of the Court. My Home Group will have no participatory or approval rights with respect to the Plan of Allocation. It is understood and agreed by the Settling Parties that any proposed Plan of Allocation, including, but not limited to, any adjustments to an authorized claimant's claim, is completely independent of and is not a part of this Settlement

Agreement and is to be considered by the Court separately from the Court's consideration of the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the Settlement Agreement. The Settlement Class, Plaintiffs, and My Home Group shall be bound by the terms of the Settlement Agreement, irrespective of whether the Court or any other court, including on any appeal, disapproves or modifies the Plan of Allocation, and any modification or rejection of the Plan of Allocation shall not affect the validity or enforceability of this Settlement Agreement or otherwise operate to terminate, modify, or cancel that Agreement.

41. The Releasing Parties will look solely to the Settlement Fund for settlement and satisfaction against the Released Parties of all Released Claims and shall have no other recovery against My Home Group or the Released Parties.

G. <u>Taxes</u>

42. Co-Lead Counsel is solely responsible for filing all informational and other tax returns necessary to report any net taxable income earned by the Settlement Fund and shall file all informational and other tax returns necessary to report any income earned by the Settlement Fund and shall be solely responsible for taking out of the Settlement Fund, as and when legally required, any tax payments, including interest and penalties due on income earned by the Settlement Fund. All taxes (including any interest and penalties) due with respect to the income earned by the Settlement Fund shall be paid from the Settlement Fund. My Home Group has no responsibility to make any filings relating to the Settlement Fund and will have no responsibility to pay tax on any income earned by the Settlement Fund or to pay any taxes on the Settlement Fund unless the Settlement does not become Effective and the Settlement Fund is returned to My Home Group. In the event the Settlement does not become Effective and any funds including interest or other income are returned to My Home Group, My Home Group will be responsible for the payment of

all taxes (including any interest or penalties), if any, on said interest or other income. My Home Group makes no representations regarding, and will not be responsible for, the tax consequences of any payments made pursuant to this Settlement Agreement to Co-Lead Counsel or to any Settlement Class Member.

H. Rescission

- Agreement, or if the Court does not certify the Settlement Class as defined in this Settlement Agreement, or if the Court does not approve this Settlement Agreement in all material respects, or if such approval is modified in or set aside on appeal in any material respects, or if the Court does not enter final approval, or if any judgment approving this Settlement Agreement is materially modified or set aside on appeal, or if all of the conditions for the Effective Date do not occur, then this Settlement Agreement may be rescinded by My Home Group or by Plaintiffs on behalf of the Settlement Class by written notice to the Court and to counsel for the other Settling Party filed and served within 10 business days of the entry of an order not granting court approval or having the effect of disapproving or materially modifying the terms of this Settlement Agreement. A modification or reversal on appeal of any amount of the Settlement Fund that the Court authorizes to be used to pay Plaintiffs' fees or litigation expenses shall not be deemed a modification of all or a part of the terms of this Settlement Agreement or such final judgment order.
- 44. Within ten days of rescission pursuant to this Section, the *Masiello* Plaintiff and My Home Group agree to file a joint notice of rescission in the *Masiello* Case asking that the case resume, as to My Home Group, as if it were April 30, 2025.
- 45. If the Settlement or Settlement Agreement is validly rescinded for any reason, then the balance of the Total Monetary Settlement Amount in the Settlement Fund will be returned to My Home Group. In the event that the Settlement Agreement is rescinded, the funds already

expended from the Settlement Fund for the costs of notice and administration will not be returned to My Home Group. Funds to cover notice and administration expenses that have been incurred but not yet paid from the Settlement Fund will also not be returned to My Home Group.

- 46. If the Settlement or Settlement Agreement is rescinded for any valid reason before payment of claims to Settlement Class Members, then the Settling Parties will be restored to their respective positions (in the *Masiello* Case only) as of the Execution Date. Plaintiffs and My Home Group agree that any rulings or judgments that occur in the Actions on or after the date all parties sign this Settlement Agreement and before this Settlement Agreement is rescinded will not bind Plaintiffs, My Home Group or any of the Released Parties. Plaintiffs and My Home Group agree to waive any argument of claim or issue preclusion against Plaintiffs or My Home Group arising from such rulings or judgments. In the event of rescission, the Actions will proceed only in the Masiello Case as if this Settlement Agreement had never been executed and this Settlement Agreement, and representations made in conjunction with this Settlement Agreement, may not be used in the Actions or otherwise for any purpose. My Home Group and Plaintiffs expressly reserve all rights if the Settlement Agreement does not become Effective or if it is rescinded by My Home Group or the Plaintiffs. The Settling Parties agree that pending deadlines for motions not yet filed, and all deadlines (whether pending or past) for motions that will be withdrawn pursuant to this Settlement Agreement, shall be tolled for the period from April 30, 2025, until the date this Settlement Agreement is rescinded, and no Settling Party shall contend that filing or renewal of such motions was rendered untimely by or was waived by the operation of this Settlement Agreement.
- 47. My Home Group warrants and represents that it is not "insolvent" within the meaning of applicable bankruptcy laws as of the time this Settlement Agreement is executed and

will warrant and represent that it is not "insolvent" within the meaning of applicable bankruptcy laws at the time that payments of the Total Monetary Settlement Amount are actually transferred or made. In the event of a final order of a court of competent jurisdiction, not subject to any further proceedings, determining the transfer of the Total Monetary Settlement Amount, or any portion thereof, by or on behalf of My Home Group to be a preference, voidable transfer, fraudulent transfer or similar transaction under Title 11 of the U.S. Code (Bankruptcy) or applicable state law and any portion thereof is required to be refunded and such amount is not promptly deposited in the Escrow Account by or on behalf of My Home Group, then, at the election of Plaintiff counsel, the settlement may be terminated and the releases given and the judgment entered pursuant to the Settlement shall be null and void.

- 48. The Settling Parties' rights to terminate this Settlement Agreement and withdraw from this Settlement Agreement are a material term of this Settlement Agreement.
- 49. My Home Group reserves all of its legal rights and defenses with respect to any claims brought by potential Opt-Out Sellers.

I. Practice Changes

- 50. As soon as practicable, and in no event later than six months after the Effective Date, My Home Group (defined for purposes of this paragraph to include present and future, direct and indirect corporate subsidiaries, related entities and affiliates, predecessors, and successors but not franchisees) will implement the following practice changes:
 - i. advise and periodically remind My Home Group's company-owned brokerages, franchisees (if any), and their agents that there is no My Home Group requirement that they must make offers to or must accept offers of compensation from buyer brokers or other buyer representatives or that, if

- made, such offers must be blanket, unconditional, or unilateral;
- ii. require that any My Home Group company-owned brokerages and their agents (and recommend and encourage that any franchisees and their agents) disclose to prospective home sellers and buyers and state in conspicuous language that broker commissions are not set by law and are fully negotiable (i) in their listing agreement if it is not a government or MLS-specified form, (ii) in their buyer representation agreement if there is one and it is not a government or MLS-specified form, and (iii) in pre-closing disclosure documents if there are any and they are not government or MLS-specified forms. In the event that the listing agreement, buyer representation agreement, or pre-closing disclosure documents is a government or MLS-specified form, then My Home Group will require that any company-owned brokerages and their agents (and recommend and encourage that any My Home Group franchisees and their agents) include a disclosure with conspicuous language expressly stating that broker commissions are not set by law and are fully negotiable;
- iii. prohibit all My Home Group company-owned brokerages and their agents acting as buyer representatives (and recommend and encourage that franchisees and their agents acting as buyer representatives refrain) from advertising or otherwise representing that their services are free, unless they receive no financial compensation from any sources for those services;
- iv. require that My Home Group-owned brokerages and their agents disclose at the earliest moment possible any offer of compensation made in connection with each active listing marketed to prospective buyers in any format;

- v. prohibit My Home Group-owned brokerages and their agents (and recommend and encourage that any franchisees and their agents refrain) from utilizing any technology or taking manual actions to filter out or restrict listings that are searchable by and displayed to consumers based on the level of compensation offered to any cooperating broker, unless directed to do so by the client (and eliminate any internal systems or technological processes that may currently facilitate such practices);
- vi. advise and periodically remind My Home Group-owned brokerages and their agents of their obligation to (and recommend and encourage that any franchisees and their agents) show properties regardless of the existence or amount of compensation offered to buyer brokers or other buyer representatives provided that each such property meets the buyer's articulated purchasing priorities;
- vii. for each of the above points, for company-owned brokerages, franchisees, and their agents, develop training materials consistent with the above relief and eliminate any contrary training materials currently used.
- 51. If not automatically terminated earlier by their own terms, the obligations set forth in Paragraph 50 will sunset 5 years after the Effective Date.
- 52. My Home Group acknowledges that the practice changes set forth here are a material component of this Settlement Agreement and agrees to use its reasonable best efforts to implement the practice changes specified in this Section.

J. Cooperation

- 53. My Home Group (defined for purposes of this paragraph to include present and future, direct and indirect corporate subsidiaries, related entities and affiliates, predecessors, and successors but not franchisees) will provide valuable cooperation to Plaintiffs as follows in the Actions. Any disputes regarding the scope of these provisions or compliance with these provisions shall be referred to a mediator, mutually chosen by the parties, for binding resolution. My Home Group:
 - will use reasonable efforts to authenticate documents and/or things produced by
 it in the Actions where the facts indicate that the documents and/or things at
 issue are authentic, by declarations or affidavits if possible, or at hearings or
 trial if necessary;
 - ii. use reasonable efforts to provide the facts necessary to establish, where applicable, that documents and/or things produced by it in the Actions are "business records," a present sense impression, an excited utterance, a recorded recollection, or are otherwise admissible under the Federal Rules of Evidence, by declarations or affidavits if possible, or at hearings or trial if necessary;
 - iii. will use reasonable efforts at its expense to provide relevant class member and listing data and answer questions about that data to support the provision of class notice, administration of any settlements, or the litigation of the Actions;
 - iv. if another Defendant includes a witness on a witness list who is then a current officer or employee of My Home Group or its subsidiaries, My Home Group will use reasonable efforts to cooperate in providing access via counsel to that witness prior to trial testimony; and

- v. agree not to provide greater assistance in discovery or trial to any defendant than to the Plaintiffs, unless required by subpoena or other compulsory process.
- 54. My Home Group's cooperation obligations, as set forth in Paragraph 53, shall not require the production of information, testimony, and/or documents that are protected from disclosure by the attorney-client privilege, work product doctrine, joint defense privilege, or any other applicable privilege or doctrine.
- 55. My Home Group's obligation to cooperate will not be affected by the release set forth in this Settlement Agreement or the final judgment orders with respect to My Home Group. Unless this Settlement Agreement is rescinded, disapproved, or otherwise fails to become Effective, the obligation to cooperate as set forth here will continue until the date that final judgment has been entered in the Actions against the non-My Home Group Defendants and the time for appeal or to seek permission to appeal from the from the entry of a final judgment has expired or, if appealed, any final judgment has been affirmed in its entirety by the Court of last resort to which such appeal has been taken and such affirmance is no longer subject to further appeal or review.
- 56. My Home Group acknowledges that the cooperation set forth here is a material component of this Settlement Agreement and agrees to use reasonable efforts to provide the cooperation specified in this Section.

L. Miscellaneous

57. This Settlement Agreement and any actions taken to carry out the Settlement are not intended to be, nor may they be deemed or construed to be, an admission or concession of liability, or of the validity of any claim, defense, or point of fact or law on the part of any party. My Home Group denies the material allegations of the complaints in the Actions. Neither this

Settlement Agreement, nor the fact of Settlement, nor settlement proceedings, nor the settlement negotiations, nor any related document, shall be used as an admission of any fault or omission by My Home Group, or be offered in evidence as an admission, concession, presumption, or inference of any wrongdoing by My Home Group in any proceeding.

- 58. This Settlement Agreement was reached with the assistance of counsel after arm's-length negotiations after considering the risks and costs of litigation. The Settling Parties agree to continue to maintain the confidentiality of all settlement discussions and materials exchanged during the settlement negotiation. The terms of the settlement continue to be subject to any settlement privilege and must be kept strictly confidential until a motion for preliminary approval is filed.
- 59. Any disputes relating to this Settlement Agreement will be governed by Missouri law without regard to conflicts of law provisions. The Parties will not use that the agreement is to be governed by Missouri law as grounds for personal jurisdiction in any litigation (other than in connection with the enforcement of this Settlement Agreement or as otherwise explicitly provided for by this Settlement Agreement). The Parties stipulate that My Home Group will be subject to the Court's jurisdiction for purposes of interpreting, approving, and enforcing the Settlement Agreement.
- 60. This Settlement Agreement does not settle or compromise any claim by Plaintiffs or any other Settlement Class Member against (a) any Non-My Home Group Defendant or (b) any alleged co-conspirator or other person or entity other than the Released Parties. All rights of any Settlement Class Member against any Non-My Home Group Defendant or an alleged co-conspirator or other person or entity other than the Released Parties are specifically reserved by Plaintiffs and the other Settlement Class Members.

- 61. This Settlement Agreement constitutes the entire agreement among Plaintiffs and My Home Group pertaining to the Settlement of the Actions against My Home Group. This Settlement Agreement may be modified or amended only by a writing executed by Plaintiffs and My Home Group.
- 62. This Settlement Agreement may be executed in counterparts by Plaintiffs and My Home Group, and a facsimile or pdf signature shall be deemed an original signature for purposes of executing this Settlement Agreement.
- 63. Neither Plaintiffs nor My Home Group shall be considered the drafter of this Settlement Agreement or any of its provisions for the purpose of any statute, the common law, or rule of interpretation that would or might cause any provision of this Settlement Agreement to be construed against the drafter.
- 64. The provisions of this Settlement Agreement shall, where possible, be interpreted in a manner to sustain their legality and enforceability.
- 65. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over the implementation and enforcement of this Settlement Agreement and the Settlement.
- 66. The terms of the Settlement Agreement are and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of, to the fullest extent possible, each of the Releasing Parties and the Released Parties, and upon all other Persons claiming any interest in the subject matter hereto through any of the Settling Parties, Releasing Parties, Released Parties, and any Settlement Class Members.
- 67. Any disputes between My Home Group and Co-Lead Counsel concerning this Settlement Agreement shall, if they cannot be resolved by the Settling Parties, be presented to a mediator jointly chosen by the parties for assistance in mediating a resolution.
 - 68. Each Settling Party acknowledges that he, she or it has been and is being fully

advised by competent legal counsel of such Settling Party's own choice and fully understands the terms and conditions of this Settlement Agreement, and the meaning and import thereof, and that such Settling Party's execution of this Settlement Agreement is with the advice of such Settling Party's counsel and of such Settling Party's own free will. Each Settling Party represents and warrants that it has sufficient information regarding the transaction and the other parties to reach an informed decision and has, independently and without relying upon the other parties, and based

on such information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own decision to enter into this

Settlement Agreement and was not fraudulently or otherwise wrongfully induced to enter into this

Settlement Agreement.

69. Each of the undersigned attorneys represents that he or she is fully authorized to enter into the terms and conditions of, and to execute, this Settlement Agreement.

Date: ____ day of August

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