This matter came on for hearing on December 13, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. in Department 65 of the above-captioned Court, the Honorable Robert Longstreth presiding, on Plaintiff's Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement and Attorneys' Fees and Costs.

Having received and considered the motions and supporting papers, including the Class Action Settlement Agreement ("Settlement"), the evidence and documents received by the Court in connection with the Motions for Final Approval and Attorneys' Fees and Costs, and the previously decided Motion for Preliminary Approval, the Court GRANTS FINAL APPROVAL of the Settlement and ORDERS AND MAKES THE FOLLOWING DETERMINATIONS:

- 1. Pursuant to the terms of the Settlement and the Order Granting Preliminary Approval, and the Settlement, a notice was sent to each class member by first-class U.S. mail. The notice informed the class of the terms of the Settlement, their right to receive a settlement payment without any required action, their right to comment upon or object to the Settlement, and their right to appear in person or by counsel at the Final Approval Hearing and to be heard regarding approval of the Settlement. Adequate periods of time were provided for each of these procedures.
- 2. Zero class members returned a written objection to the proposed Settlement as part of the notice process or stated an intention to appear at the Final Approval Hearing and there we no dissenting appearances from class members at the hearing. Five class members requested exclusion from the Settlement: David J. Tolbert, Sazja Lincoln, Chuong D. Nguyen, Svetlana Netchaeva, and Jie Ning Liang. These "opt outs" are affirmatively excluded from the class settlement.
- 3. The Court finds and determines the notice procedure afforded adequate protections to the class and provides the basis for the Court's informed decision regarding approval of the Settlement based the response. The Court finds and determines the notice provided was the best notice practicable, satisfying the requirements of law and due process.
- 4. For purposes of approving this Settlement only, this Court finds and concludes: (a) the proposed class is ascertainable and so numerous that joinder of all members of the class is impracticable; (b) there are questions of law or fact common to the proposed class, and there is a well-defined community of interest among members of the class with respect to the subject matter of the claims; (c) the claims of the representative are typical of the claims of the class; (d) the class

representative has and will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the class; (e) a class action is superior to other available methods for an efficient adjudication of this controversy in the context of settlement; and (f) the law firm of Ferraro Vega Employment Lawyers, Inc. is qualified and adequate to serve as Class Counsel in this action.

- 5. The Court confirms certification, for settlement purposes only, of the class as defined in the Settlement and approved at the preliminary approval stage.
- 6. The Court finds and determines the terms set forth in the Settlement are fair, reasonable, and adequate and, having found the Settlement was reached as a result of informed and non-collusive arms'-length negotiations facilitated by a neutral and experienced mediator, directs the Parties to effectuate the Settlement according to its terms. The Court further finds the Parties conducted extensive investigation, research, and informal discovery, and that their attorneys were able to reasonably evaluate their respective positions. The Court also finds that Settlement will enable the Parties to avoid additional and potentially substantial litigation costs, as well as delay and risks if the Parties were to continue to litigate the case. The Court has reviewed the monetary recovery and recognizes the significant value provided to the Class. Therefore, the Court approves the Settlement and incorporates the terms of the Settlement in full into this Final Approval Order as though fully set forth herein.
- 7. The Court finds and determines the fees and expenses in administering the Settlement incurred by the Settlement Administrator of \$13,500 are fair and reasonable. The Court orders these administration costs be paid in accordance with the terms of the Settlement.
- 8. The Court finds and determines the Service Award of \$5,000 to Plaintiff Robles as fair and reasonable. The Court orders the service awards be paid in accordance with the terms of the Settlement.
- 9. The Court finds and determines payment to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency of \$7,500, as its 75% share of the civil penalties under the Private Attorneys General Act is fair, reasonable, and appropriate. The Court orders that amount be paid in accordance with the terms of the Settlement and approves the settlement of claims under the Private Attorneys General Act pursuant to Labor Code § 2699(s)(2).