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SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF CALAVERAS

ALLYSON FOOTE, JASON ROSS, and
COURTNEY JONES, individually, and on behalf
of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs,

v.

GOTTA LUV PIZZA, a California corporation;
GOTTA LUV PIZZA INC DBA ROUND TABLE
PIZZA #05, an unknown entity; and DOES 1
through 10, inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: 24CV47525

*[Assigned for All Purposes to the Hon. David
M. Sanders, Dept. 2]*

**PLAINTIFFS' NOTICE OF MOTION
AND MOTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL
OF CLASS ACTION AND PAGA
SETTLEMENT; MEMORANDUM OF
POINTS AND AUTHORITIES**

Final Approval Hearing:

Date: August 28, 2026

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Dept.: 2

Complaint filed: July 31, 2024

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Trial date: Not set

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES AND THEIR ATTORNEYS OF RECORD:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on August 28, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard in Department 2 of the Superior Court of California, County of Calaveras, located at 400 Government Center Drive, San Andreas, CA 95249-9794 Plaintiffs Allyson Foote, Jason Ross, and Courtney Jones (“Plaintiffs”) will and hereby do move this Court for an Order:

1. Granting final approval of the proposed Settlement Agreement;
2. Awarding Class Counsel attorneys’ fees in the amount of \$150,000.00 and reimbursement of litigation costs in the amount of \$22,540.68;
3. Awarding Plaintiffs a Class Representative Service Payment in the amount of \$10,000.00 each (\$30,000.00 total);
4. Awarding \$7,500.00 to ILYM Group, Inc. (“ILYM”) for its settlement administration expenses; and
5. Approving allocation of \$20,000.00 as civil penalties under the Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004 (“PAGA”), 65% of which (\$13,000.00) will be paid to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency, and 35% of which (\$7,000.00) will be distributed to Aggrieved Employees based on the number of pay periods worked during the PAGA Period.

This Motion is based on this Notice of Motion, Memorandum of Points and Authorities, the Declaration of Tyler J. Woods, the Declaration of Nick Castro, and on all records and documents on file, together with such oral and documentary evidence that may be presented at the hearing on this matter.

Pursuant to Local Rule 3.3.7, the Court will make a tentative ruling on the merits of this matter by 2:00 p.m. the court day before the hearing. The complete text of the tentative ruling may be accessed on the Court’s website or by calling 209-754-6285 and listening to the recorded tentative ruling. If you do not call all the other parties and the Court by 4:00 p.m. the court day preceding the hearing, no hearing will be held, and the tentative ruling shall become the ruling of the court.

Dated: August 4, 2026

WILSHIRE LAW FIRM, PLC

By: /s/ Giancarlo Recinos

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1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

2 Plaintiffs Allyson Foote, Jason Ross, and Courtney Jones (“Plaintiffs”) seek final
3 approval of a non-reversionary Gross Settlement Amount of \$450,000.00. The Settlement
4 Agreement (“Settlement Agreement”) provides that the deductions will be made from the Gross
5 Settlement Amount as follows:

- 6 1. Attorneys’ fees up to one third (1/3) of the Gross Settlement Amount;
7 2. Litigation costs up to \$22,540.68;
8 3. Class Representative Service Payments up to \$10,000.00 each (\$30,000.00 total);
9 4. Settlement administration expenses up to \$7,500.00; and
10 5. Civil penalties in the amount of \$20,000.00 for claims under the Labor Code
11 Private Attorneys General Act of 2004 (“PAGA”), 65% of which (\$13,000.00) will be paid to
12 the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency (“LWDA), and 35% of which
13 (\$7,000.00) will be distributed to Aggrieved Employees based on the number of pay periods
14 worked during the PAGA Period. *See* Settlement §§ 1.36, 3.2.5; *see also* Declaration of Nick
15 Castro (“Castro Decl.”) at ¶ 15.

16 After all deductions are made, the Net Settlement Amount will be distributed to 366
17 Class Members as of the filing of this Motion for Final Approval of Class Action and PAGA
18 Settlement (the “Motion”) (“Participating Class Members”) based on the number of weeks
19 worked during the Class Period. Castro Decl. at ¶ 15.

20 The proposed Settlement is a product of diligent efforts, litigation, arm’s length
21 negotiations, and informal discovery that resulted in the best possible outcome for the Class. By
22 resolving this matter now, Class Members will receive a guaranteed recovery without risk of
23 nonpayment, delay, or an adverse judgment at trial.

24 As of the filing of this Motion, there have been no objections to the Settlement and no
25 requests for exclusion. Castro Decl. at ¶¶ 11, 12. Participating Class Members will receive an
26 estimated average Individual Class Payment of \$600.98, with the highest estimated average
27 Individual Class Payment being \$5,767.27. Castro Decl. at ¶ 15. Aggrieved Employees will
28 receive an estimated average Individual PAGA Payment of \$53.03, with the highest estimated

1 average Individual PAGA Payment being \$122.00. Castro Decl. at ¶ 16. In light of the favorable
2 response from the Class, and the facts and law set forth below as well as in the motion for
3 preliminary approval, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court now enter an Order: (1)
4 granting final approval of the Settlement; (2) entering final judgment; (3) requiring distribution
5 of individual settlement shares to participating Class Members; and (4) approving payments for
6 Class Counsel Fees, Class Counsel Expenses, the Class Representative Service Payments, the
7 Settlement Administrator’s costs, and civil penalties under PAGA.

8 **II. THE SETTLEMENT MERITS FINAL APPROVAL**

9 In deciding whether to grant final approval of a class action settlement, California courts
10 consider whether the settlement is “fair, adequate, and reasonable.” *Dunk v. Ford Motor Co.*,
11 48 Cal.App.4th 1794, 1801 (1996). In evaluating whether a settlement is fair, adequate, and
12 reasonable, courts evaluate the following factors: (1) the strength of the plaintiff’s case; (2) the
13 risk, expense, complexity and duration of further litigation; (3) the risk of maintaining class
14 action status through trial; (4) the amount offered in settlement; (5) the extent of discovery
15 completed and the stage of the proceedings; (6) the experience and views of counsel; (7) the
16 presence of a governmental participant; and (8) the reaction of class members to the proposed
17 settlement. *Id.*

18 **A. A Presumption of Fairness Exists**

19 While the burden is on the proponent to demonstrate that a proposed settlement is fair,
20 adequate, and reasonable, “a presumption of fairness exists where: (1) the settlement is reached
21 through arm’s length bargaining; (2) investigation is sufficient to allow counsel and the court
22 to act intelligently; (3) counsel is experienced in similar litigation; and (4) the percentage of
23 objectors is small.” *Id.* at 1802.

24 At preliminary approval, Plaintiffs presented evidence that this Settlement is entitled to
25 a presumption of fairness because: (1) it was reached through arm’s length bargaining with the
26 assistance of an experienced mediator; (2) Plaintiffs conducted a thorough investigation through
27 informal discovery and an analysis of Class Members’ time data and payroll records and policy
28 documents pertaining to Plaintiffs’ claims; and (3) Class Counsel is experienced in similar

litigation. *See* Declaration of Tyler J. Woods in Support of Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement (“Woods MPA Decl.”) filed March 5, 2026, at ¶¶ 7, 14, 15. As of the filing of this Motion, no Class Members have opted out, and none have objected. *See* Castro Decl. at ¶¶ 11, 12. Therefore, the Court can confidently conclude that a presumption of fairness exists.

B. The Strength of Plaintiffs’ Claims, and the Risks, Expense, Complexity, and Likely Duration of Further Litigation as a Class Action Through Trial

Courts are not required to ensure that a settlement maximizes the value of released claims with mathematical precision. “[T]he test is not the maximum amount plaintiffs might have obtained at trial on the complaint, but rather whether the settlement is reasonable under all of the circumstances.” *Wershba v. Apple Computer, Inc.* 91 Cal.App.4th 224, 250 (2001), disapproved of on other grounds by *Hernandez v. Restoration Hardware, Inc.*, 4 Cal.5th 260, 269-270 (2018); *see also 7-Eleven Owners for Fair Franchising v. Southland Corp.*, 85 Cal.App.4th 1135, 1150 (2000) (“the merits of the underlying class claims are not a basis for upsetting the settlement of a class action; the operative word is ‘settlement.’”). The relevant circumstances include the strengths and weaknesses of plaintiffs’ claims and the risks they faced in litigation. *7-Eleven*, 85 Cal.App.4th at 1146.

Here, Plaintiffs presented sufficient information at preliminary approval regarding the number of Class Members and an estimate of the maximum value of each of the claims alleged. *See* Woods MPA Decl. at ¶¶ 17-27. Plaintiffs have also described in detail the risks the Class faced in litigation and the strengths and weaknesses of each of the claims. *See id.* Defendant denied Plaintiffs’ allegations, and Plaintiffs noted potential difficulties in obtaining class certification and succeeding on the merits at trial. *See id.* The factual record here is sufficiently developed to allow the Court to independently satisfy itself “that the consideration being received for the release of the class members’ claims is reasonable in light of the strengths and weaknesses of the claims and the risks of the particular litigation.” *Munoz v. BCI Coca-Cola Bottling Co. of Los Angeles*, 186 Cal.App.4th 399, 410 (2010).

1 **C. The Amount Offered in Settlement**

2 The Settlement provides for a \$450,000.00 Gross Settlement Amount (“GSA”) to be
3 distributed among the 366 Class Members who did not opt out as of the date of this filing. Castro
4 Decl. at ¶¶ 7, 15. The GSA will be used to pay Class Counsel’s attorneys’ fees and litigation
5 costs, Plaintiffs’ Class Representative Service Payments, and the fees and expenses of ILYM
6 Group, Inc. (“ILYM”) for its administration of the Class Notice and settlement funds. *Id.* at ¶
7 15. The Settlement also allocates \$20,000.00 from the GSA to civil penalties under PAGA. *See*
8 Settlement Agreement at § 3.2.5; *see also* Castro Decl. at ¶ 15. After all deductions are made,
9 the Net Settlement Amount available to Participating Class Members for their Individual Class
10 Payments is estimated to be \$219,959.32, which will be distributed to Participating Class
11 Members according to the number of Workweeks they worked for Defendant during the Class
12 Period. *See* Castro Decl. at ¶ 15; Settlement Agreement at § 3.2.4.

13 The Settlement Administrator has calculated a total of 16,416 Workweeks in the Class
14 Period. Castro Decl. at ¶ 14. As a result, the estimated average Individual Class Payment for
15 Participating Class Members is \$600.98, and the highest estimated Individual Class Payment
16 for Participating Class Members is \$5,767.27. *Id.* at ¶ 15. Weighing the potential value of the
17 class claims against the risk and expense of trial, the Settlement provides substantial relief in
18 light of the potential risks associated with seeking a class judgment.

19 **D. The Extent of Discovery Completed and the Stage of the Proceedings**

20 Class Counsel sufficiently investigated the alleged claims, applicable law, and potential
21 defenses. *See* Woods MPA Decl. at ¶ 5, 6. Specifically, Class Counsel assessed the value of the
22 claims using data and documents provided by Defendant in informal discovery, which included
23 policy documents and timekeeping and payroll records. *Id.* Following a complete analysis of
24 this information, the Parties attended mediation on August 27, 2025, with an experienced
25 mediator. *Id.* at ¶ 7. The Parties negotiated the terms of the Settlement and finalized the terms
26 of the Settlement on November 10, 2025. *Id.* at ¶ 8.

27 **E. The Experience and Views of Counsel**

28 Plaintiffs are represented by Wilshire Law Firm, PLC. Declaration of Tyler J. Woods

1 Support of Motion for Final Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement (“Woods MFA
2 Decl.”) at ¶ 3. Class Counsel prosecutes wage and hour cases, including class and representative
3 actions. *Id.* at ¶¶ 4, 5. Class Counsel has litigated many wage and hour cases and has successfully
4 resolved cases involving similar issues presented in this matter. *Id.* at ¶¶ 4-17. Class Counsel
5 has negotiated a settlement here that they believe is fair, reasonable, and adequate based on
6 Class Counsel’s prior experience litigating these types of cases. *Id.* at ¶ 21.

7 **F. The Presence of a Government Participant**

8 The LWDA has received the required notice of this Settlement. On April 2, 2025,
9 Plaintiffs provided notice to the LWDA of the specific provisions of the Labor Code alleged to
10 have been violated, including the facts and theories in support. Woods MPA Decl. at ¶ 4. The
11 Settlement provides for the payment of \$20,000.00 in civil penalties, 65% of which (\$13,000.00)
12 will be paid to the LWDA, and 35% of which (\$7,000.00) will be paid to Aggrieved Employees
13 based on the number of pay periods worked during the PAGA Period. *See* Castro Decl. at ¶ 16;
14 *see also* Settlement Agreement at §§ 1.36, 3.2.5. Plaintiffs submitted a copy of the Settlement
15 Agreement to the LWDA on November 17, 2025. Woods MPA Decl. at ¶ 9. The LWDA has not
16 responded to or objected to the Settlement. Woods MFA Decl. at ¶ 27.

17 **G. The Reaction of Class Members to the Proposed Settlement**

18 Class Members’ reaction to the Settlement has been favorable. A court may properly
19 infer that a class action settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate when few class members
20 object to or opt out of it. *Lealo v. Beneficial California, Inc.*, 82 Cal.App.4th 19, 51 (2000).

21 When the Court granted preliminary approval, it also approved the method of providing
22 notice to Class Members. Following a search of the National Change of Address database,
23 ILYM mailed the Class Notice to all Class Members on June 11, 2026. Castro Decl. at ¶ 7. The
24 Class Notice informed Class Members of the terms of the Settlement, the amount of their
25 individual settlements and how those amounts were calculated, their right to either participate
26 in the Settlement, opt out of it, object to it, or dispute the amount of their individual settlement
27 payment, the procedures and deadlines to submit an opt out, objection, or dispute, and the date,
28 time, and place of the hearing on Plaintiffs’ Motion for Final Approval and instructions to be

1 heard at the hearing. *Id.* at ¶ 7, Exhibit A. In response to the Class Notice, ILYM has received
2 no requests for exclusion from Class Members, no objections from any Class Members, and no
3 disputes from Class Members, as of the date of the filing of this Motion. *Id.* at ¶¶ 11, 12. Class
4 Members’ favorable response to the Settlement further supports final approval.

5 **III. THE REQUESTED FEE AWARD IS REASONABLE AND SHOULD BE**
6 **APPROVED**

7 There are two (2) primary methods of determining a reasonable attorney fee in the
8 context of class action litigation. *Laffitte v. Robert Half Int’l, Inc.*, 1 Cal.5th 480, 489 (2016).
9 The percentage-of-recovery method calculates the fee as a percentage of a common fund
10 recovered on behalf of the class. *Id.* The lodestar method calculates the fee by multiplying the
11 number of hours reasonably expended by counsel by a reasonable hourly rate, which amount
12 then may be adjusted based on other factors. *Id.* In *Laffitte*, the California Supreme Court held
13 that trial courts have the discretion to choose between the two (2) calculation methods. *Id.* at
14 504. Trial courts also have the discretion to blend the two (2) fee calculation methods, using
15 one method to “cross-check” the reasonableness of the other’s result, but a cross-check is not
16 required. *Id.* at 506.

17 **A. The Requested Fee Award is Fair and Reasonable Based on the Percentage-**
18 **of-Recovery Method**

19 The ultimate purpose of the percentage-of-recovery method is to “spread the attorney fee
20 among all the beneficiaries of the fund.” *Id.* at 503. The California Supreme Court recognized
21 that the percentage-of-recovery method has many advantages, “including relative ease of
22 calculation, alignment of incentives between counsel and the class, a better approximation of
23 market conditions in a contingency case, and the encouragement it provides counsel to seek an
24 early settlement and avoid unnecessarily prolonging the litigation [citation] . . .” *Id.*

25 The requested fee award of one third (1/3) of the GSA is consistent with the average fee
26 award in class actions. *See, e.g., Roos v. Honeywell Int’l, Inc.*, 241 Cal.App.4th 1472 (2015)
27 (fee award of 37.5% was not an abuse of discretion), disapproved of on other grounds by
28 *Hernandez v. Restoration Hardware, Inc.*, 4 Cal.5th 260, 287 (2018); *Wren v. RGIS Inventory*

1 *Specialists*, No. C-06-05778 JCS, 2011 WL 1230826, at *29 (N.D. Cal. Apr. 1, 2011) (approving
2 fee award of 42%); *Singer v. Becton Dickinson and Co.*, No. 08-CV-821-IEG, 2010 WL
3 2196104, at *8 (S.D. Cal. June 1, 2010) (approving fee award of one-third and noting that the
4 typical fees awarded in wage and hour class action cases ranges from 33.33% to 40%).
5 Therefore, the percentage-of-recovery method should be utilized to approve the requested fee.

6 **B. A Lodestar Cross-Check Confirms the Reasonableness of the Requested Fee**

7 Although *Laffitte* makes clear that a lodestar cross-check is not required, Class Counsel's
8 lodestar supports the reasonableness of the requested fee. The lodestar is determined by
9 multiplying the number of hours reasonably expended by the reasonable hourly rate. *PLCM*
10 *Group, Inc. v. Drexler*, 22 Cal.4th 1084, 1095 (2000). The lodestar figure may then be adjusted,
11 based on consideration of factors specific to the case, in order to fix the fee at the fair market
12 value for the legal services provided." *Id.* The factors that can be considered include "the nature
13 of the litigation, its difficulty, the amount involved, the skill required in its handling, the skill
14 employed, the attention given, the success or failure, and other circumstances in the case."
15 *Melnyk v. Robledo*, 64 Cal.App.3d 618, 623-624 (1976) (citations omitted). Additionally, Courts
16 utilize "multipliers" to account for the risk of taking on cases where there is no guarantee of
17 recovery, uncertainties as to the amount that will be recovered, uncertainty as to the cost of
18 litigating the case (both in effort and expenses), and uncertainty about how much time will pass
19 before the recovery is obtained. *Ketchum v. Moses*, 24 Cal.4th 1122, 1132-33 (2001); *see also*
20 *Serrano v. Priest*, 20 Cal. 3d 25, 48-49 (1977) (approving the adjustment of the lodestar figure
21 based on factors specific to the case to ensure fair market value for legal services provided on
22 a contingency basis). Application of that rule is particularly appropriate where the case is
23 brought to redress important rights of vulnerable persons. *Ketchum*, 24 Cal.4th at 1133.

24 Generally, "[m]ultipliers can range from 2 to 4 or even higher." *Wershba v. Apple*
25 *Computers, Inc.*, 91 Cal.App.4th at p. 255 (2001); *see also Sutter Health Uninsured Pricing*
26 *Cases*, 171 Cal. App. 4th 495, 512 (2009) (applying a 2.52 multiplier on a cross-check in an
27 antitrust class action); *Chavez v. Netflix, Inc.*, 162 Cal. App. 4th 43, 60 (2008) (applying a 2.5
28 multiplier on a lodestar cross-check); *Vizcaino v. Microsoft Corp.*, 290 F.3d 1043, 1051 n.6 (9th

1 Cir. 2002) (“most” common fund cases apply a multiplier of 1.0-4.0); *Laffitte v. Robert Half*
2 *Int’l*, 231 Cal. App. 4th 860, 881-82 (2004) (affirming a 2.13 multiplier after finding that “2 to
3 4” is a reasonable range for multipliers on a cross-check).

4 The total hours expended on this action by Class Counsel were reasonable and in line
5 with comparable cases. While it is not necessary to substantiate the fee award with a lodestar in
6 this Action, it should be noted that Class Counsel spent approximately 186.2 hours prosecuting
7 this action, which were divided among the attorneys working on this case according to skill
8 level. Woods MFA Decl. at ¶¶ 23-24. Multiplying the total hours expended by Class Counsel
9 by their reasonable hourly rates yields a lodestar of \$435,440.00. *Id.* at ¶ 23. This amount
10 surpasses the requested fee award of \$150,000.00, resulting in a negative multiplier. *Id.* at ¶ 24.
11 This amount does not include the time Class Counsel will spend at the Final Approval Hearing
12 and assisting the Settlement Administrator following final approval. *Id.* Class Counsel dedicated
13 significant resources to this case by dividing the tasks required according to skill level. *Id.* The
14 hours expended by each attorney were not duplicative and reflect the extensive investigation
15 and analysis that was required to achieve this Settlement. This time could have been spent on
16 other potentially lucrative cases. *Id.* Class Counsel’s lodestar reflects the efficiencies achieved
17 by attorneys experienced in this field. *Id.* Moreover, Class Counsel has singularly assumed the
18 risk and costs of litigation purely on a contingency basis. *Id.* And, while Plaintiffs are confident
19 in the merits of their claims, a legitimate controversy exists as to each cause of action, posing
20 an actual risk that Plaintiffs may not succeed at class certification and/or trial. *Id.* Any of these
21 obstacles could have prevented recovery completely, meaning Class Counsel would have been
22 left with no compensation for all the time and money invested in litigating this case. *Id.* Despite
23 these risks, Class Counsel took this case on a contingency basis so that Class Members (a
24 particularly vulnerable group of hourly paid workers) could be compensated for their unpaid
25 wages. *Id.* Consequently, Class Counsel was precluded from focusing on, or taking on, other
26 cases which could have resulted in a larger, and less risky, monetary gain. *Id.*

1 **C. Class Counsel’s Rates Are Similar to Those Approved by California Courts in**
2 **Comparable Cases.**

3 Class Counsel’s hourly rates are comparable to those charged by other class action
4 plaintiffs’ counsel and the firms defending class actions. Woods MFA Decl. at ¶ 20. Class
5 Counsel’s rates are well within the range of hourly rates that the Los Angeles legal marketplace
6 would compensate counsel for similar services accomplishing similar results. *Id.* For example, in
7 *Bronshteyn v. State of California*, Los Angeles County Superior Ct. No. 19SMCV00057, Order
8 Granting Plaintiffs’ Motion for Statutory Attorneys’ Fees and Costs filed March 30, 2023, an
9 employment action brought by two small law firms (Levy, Vinick, Burrell & Hyams LLP and Law
10 Offices of Wendy Musell), the court found that counsel’s 2022 hourly rates of \$1,100 and \$1,000
11 per hour were reasonable for the plaintiff’s five senior attorneys, including \$1,000 per hour for the
12 plaintiff’s 23-year lead counsel and \$850 per hour for a senior associate. *Id.* These rates were then
13 augmented by a 1.75 lodestar multiplier and affirmed by the California Court of Appeals. *Id.* The
14 rates (and multiplier) requested here are well in line with those found reasonable in *Bronshteyn*. In
15 *Tran v. Golden State FC LLC, et al.* (LASC Case No. BC699931), Fee Order filed 4/8/2022, the
16 court found hourly rates of \$1,300 per hour reasonable for plaintiff’s 32-year attorney and \$1,000
17 per hour reasonable for a 14-year attorney. *Id.* The multiplier here is even more compelling given
18 Class Counsel represents approximately 366 Class Members. *Id.*

19 Likewise, Class Counsel’s hourly rates are reasonable when compared to rates charged within
20 the relevant legal marketplace. Woods MFA Decl. ¶ 21, **Exhibits 1**. In light of the foregoing, and
21 considered against the risks of continued litigation, and the importance of advocating for employment
22 rights and a speedy recovery, the relief provided under the Settlement represents a very strong result
23 for the Class Members and Aggrieved Employees. Class Counsel’s fee request is fair and reasonable
24 and should be approved. Accordingly, Class Counsel respectfully requests the Court approve their
25 \$150,000.00 fee request.

26 **IV. THE REQUESTED LITIGATION EXPENSES PAYMENT IS REASONABLE**
27 **AND SHOULD BE APPROVED**

28 The Settlement permits Class Counsel to seek reimbursement of litigation costs in an

1 amount up to \$26,000.00. The actual costs incurred (\$22,290.68) were spent on items such as
2 filing fees, service fees, mediation fees, and expert fees. Woods MFA Decl. at ¶ 25 **Exhibit 2**.
3 Additionally, Class Counsel anticipates incurring \$250.00 in future costs for filing fees and
4 service fees for a total of \$22,540.68 in costs. *Id.* Since Class Counsel’s costs do not meet the
5 maximum of \$26,000.00, the remaining \$3,459.32 will revert to the Net Settlement Amount. *Id.*
6 These costs were reasonable and necessary to prosecute this case and obtain the results achieved.
7 *Id.*

8 **V. THE REQUESTED CLASS REPRESENTATIVE SERVICE PAYMENTS ARE**
9 **REASONABLE AND SHOULD BE APPROVED**

10 Plaintiffs also request that they be awarded Class Representative Service payments of
11 \$10,000.00 each (\$30,000.00 total) for their role in obtaining the Settlement. In evaluating a
12 service payment, the Court may consider: “(1) the risk, both financial and otherwise, the class
13 representative faced in bringing the suit; (2) the notoriety and personal difficulties encountered
14 by the class representative; (3) the amount of time and effort spent by the class representative;
15 (4) the duration of the litigation; and (5) the personal benefit received by the class representative
16 as a result of the litigation.” *Golba v. Dick’s Sporting Goods, Inc.*, 238 Cal.App.4th 1251, 1272
17 (2015); *Clark v. American Residential Services, LLC*, 175 Cal.App.4th 785, 804 (2009).

18 Here, Plaintiffs each provided a declaration in support of Plaintiffs’ Motion for
19 Preliminary Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement and a declaration in support of
20 Plaintiffs’ Motion for Final Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement detailing the risk
21 they faced in bringing the suit, the notoriety and personal difficulties they encountered, the
22 amount of time and effort they spent on this litigation, the duration of this litigation, and the
23 personal benefit they will receive as a result of the litigation. *See generally* Declaration of
24 Allyson Foote, Jason Ross, and Courtney Jones in Support of Plaintiffs’ Motion for Preliminary
25 Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement filed on March 5, 2026. Plaintiffs should be
26 adequately compensated for their role in obtaining this Settlement.

27 Additionally, no Class Members objected to the amount of additional compensation
28 sought by Plaintiffs. As such, the requested Class Representative Service payments are

reasonable in light of the substantial benefits Plaintiffs conferred upon the settlement class.

VI. THE SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATION COSTS ARE REASONABLE AND SHOULD BE APPROVED

The Parties agreed to hire ILYM as the Settlement Administrator in this case and the Court approved this choice at preliminary approval. The Settlement Administrator was responsible for (a) printing and mailing the *Court Approved Notice of Class Action and PAGA Settlement and Hearing Date for Final Court Approval*, in both English and Spanish (collectively referred to as “Class Notice”); (b) receiving and processing requests for exclusion; (c) resolving Class Members’ disputes over the number of workweeks Defendant has record of them working during the Class Period, which was pre-printed on their individualized Class Notice; (d) calculating individual settlement award amounts; (e) processing and mailing settlement award checks; (f) handling tax withholdings as required by the Settlement and the law; (g) preparing, issuing and filing tax returns and other applicable tax forms; (h) handling the distribution of any unclaimed funds pursuant to the terms of the Settlement; and (i) performing other tasks as the Parties mutually agree to and/or the Court orders ILYM Group to perform. Castro Decl. at ¶ 3. The requested amount of \$7,500.00 for services rendered and to be rendered is therefore fair and reasonable.

VII. CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing, Class Counsel respectfully requests that the Court grant final approval of the Class Action and PAGA Settlement, approve Class Counsel’s attorneys’ fees in the amount of \$150,000.00 and reimbursement of litigation costs in the amount of \$22,540.68, the Class Representative Service Payments in the amount of \$10,000.00 each (\$30,000.00 total), civil penalties under PAGA in the amount of \$20,000.00, and settlement administration costs for ILYM in the amount of \$7,500.00.

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