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THE SHYFT GROUP GTB, LLC

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

OCTAVIO AGUSTO ARIAS, individually,
and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

THE SHYFT GROUP GTB, LLC AKA
SPARTAN MOTORS GTB, LLC, a limited
liability company; and DOES 1 through 10,
inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No.: 22STCV37390

[*Consolidated with Case No. 23STCV08099*]

CLASS ACTION

[*Assigned for all purposes to: Hon. William
Highberger, Dept. 10*]

**DECLARATION OF SHAREEF S. FARAG
IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR
PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS
ACTION AND PAGA SETTLEMENT**

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I, Shareef S. Farag, declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney duly admitted to practice before this Court. I am a partner with the law firm Baker & Hostetler LLP, attorneys of record for Defendant The Shyft Group GTB, LLC (“Shyft”) in the above-captioned action. I make this declaration in support of Plaintiff Octavio Augusto Arias’ (“Plaintiff”) Motion for Preliminary Approval of Class Action and PAGA Settlement in this action. I have personal knowledge of all facts and matters set forth in this declaration and could and would testify competently and truthfully to the same if called as a witness and placed under oath.

2. The parties have agreed to use Phoenix Class Action Administration Solutions (“Phoenix”) as the neutral third-party settlement administrator, and respectfully request this Court appoint Phoenix to conduct settlement administration. No one at Baker & Hostetler LLP has any financial interest in or otherwise has a relationship with Phoenix which would create an actual or potential conflict of interest.

3. Other than the actions listed in the caption above, I am not aware of any pending matter or action asserting claims that will be extinguished or adversely affected by Plaintiff's proposed settlement in this action.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 23rd of April 2024, at Los Angeles, California.


SHAREEF S. FARAG

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