

JOINT STIPULATION OF CLASS ACTION AND PAGA SETTLEMENT

This Joint Stipulation of Class Action and PAGA Settlement (“Settlement,” “Agreement,” or “Settlement Agreement”) is made and entered into by and between Plaintiff Angelica Lizzeth Perez (“Plaintiff” or “Class Representative”), individually, on behalf of all others similarly situated, and on behalf of the State of California, and Defendant FC Juice Partners California, LLC dba Jamba Juice (“Defendant”) (together, Plaintiff and Defendant are referred to as “Parties” and individually as “Party”).

This Settlement Agreement shall be binding on Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members (as defined herein), the State of California as to the employment of PAGA Employees (as defined herein), and Defendant, subject to the terms and conditions hereof and the approval of the Court.

RECITALS

1. On October 18, 2024, Plaintiff filed a Class Action Complaint in the action entitled *Angelica Lizzeth Perez v. FC Juice Partners California, LLC dba Jamba Juice*, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 24STCV27401 (“Action”), thereby commencing a putative class action against Defendant.

2. The Class Action Complaint contained causes of action against Defendant for: (1) Violation of Cal. Labor Code §§ 1194, 1197, and 1197.1 (Minimum Wages); (2) Violation of Cal. Labor Code §§ 510 and 1198 (Unpaid Overtime); (3) Violation of Cal. Labor Code §§ 226.7 and 512(a) (Meal Break Violations); (4) Violation of Cal. Labor Code § 226.7 (Rest Break Violations); (5) Violation of Cal. Labor Code §§ 204 and 210 (Wages Not Timely Paid During Employment); (6) Violation of Cal. Labor Code § 226(a) (Wage Statement Violations); (7) Violation of Cal. Labor Code §§ 201, 202, and 203 (Untimely Final Wages); (8) Violation of Cal. Labor Code §§ 2800 and 2802 (Failure to Reimburse Necessary Business Expenses); (9) and Violation of Cal. Business & Professions Code §§ 17200, *et seq.*

3. On December 23, 2025, Plaintiff provided written notice to the Labor and Workforce Development Agency (“LWDA”) by online submission and to Defendant by U.S. Certified Mail, pursuant to California Labor Code Section 2699.3, of the specific provisions of the California Labor Code alleged to have been violated by Defendant (“PAGA Letter”).

1 4. The Parties agree that Plaintiff will file a First Amended Class and Representative
2 Action Complaint (“Operative Complaint” or “First Amended Complaint”) in the Action, adding a
3 cause of action under the Private Attorneys General Act of 2004 pursuant to California Labor Code
4 Section 2698 *et seq.* (“PAGA”) against Defendant. The Parties agree that they will file a joint
5 stipulation for leave for Plaintiff to file the Operative Complaint prior to the filing of the motion for
6 preliminary approval.

7 5. The Operative Complaint in the Action alleges ten (10) causes of action for violations
8 of the California Labor Code for failure to pay minimum wages, failure to pay overtime wages, failure
9 to provide compliant meal periods and premium payments in lieu thereof, failure to provide compliant
10 rest periods and premium payments in lieu thereof, failure to timely pay wages during employment,
11 failure to provide compliant wage statements, failure to timely pay wages upon termination, and failure
12 to reimburse necessary business expenses, for violations of California Business & Professions Code
13 Section 17200, *et seq.* based on the aforementioned California Labor Code violations, and for civil
14 penalties under PAGA based on the aforementioned California Labor Code violations.

15 6. Defendant denies all material allegations set forth in the Operative Complaint, has
16 asserted numerous affirmative defenses thereto, and denies any wrongdoing whatsoever.

17 7. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the interest of avoiding further litigation, the Parties
18 desire to fully and finally settle the Action as set forth herein.

19 8. Class Counsel diligently investigated the class and PAGA claims against Defendant,
20 including any and all applicable defenses and the applicable law. The investigation included, *inter*
21 *alia*, the exchange of information, data, and documents, and review of corporate policies and practices.
22 Based on that investigation, Class Counsel believes it possesses sufficient information to assess the
23 relative merits of the claims and contentions of the Parties.

24 9. On November 6, 2025, the Parties participated in mediation with Steven J. Rottman,
25 Esq. (the “Mediator”), a respected mediator of complex wage and hour actions. At the conclusion of
26 that mediation, the Parties reached the settlement that is memorialized herein. Based on Class
27 Counsel’s investigation and evaluation, Class Counsel believes that the settlement with Defendant for
28 the consideration and on the terms set forth in this Settlement Agreement is fair, reasonable, and

adequate and is in the best interest of the Class Members, State of California, and PAGA Employees in light of all known facts and circumstances, including the risk of significant delay and uncertainty associated with litigation and various defenses asserted by Defendant.

10. The Parties expressly acknowledge that this Settlement Agreement is entered into solely for the purpose of compromising significantly disputed claims and that nothing herein is intended or will be construed as an admission of liability or wrongdoing by Defendant. If for any reason this Settlement Agreement is not approved, it will be of no force or effect, and the Parties shall be returned to their original respective positions.

DEFINITIONS

11. The following definitions are applicable to this Settlement Agreement. Definitions contained elsewhere in this Settlement Agreement will also be effective.

a. “Attorneys’ Fees and Costs” means attorneys’ fees approved by the Court for Class Counsel’s litigation and resolution of the Action and all actual costs and expenses incurred and to be incurred by Class Counsel in connection with the Action, as set forth in Paragraph 14.

b. For the purposes of this Settlement only, “Class” or “Class Member(s)” means all current and former hourly-paid and/or non-exempt employees who worked for Defendant in the State of California at any time during the Class Period.

c. For the purposes of this Settlement only, “Class Counsel” means Jonathan M. Genish, Miriam L. Schimmel, Joana Fang, Alexandra Rose, Jared C. Osborne, and Lizeth Marin of Blackstone Law, APC, who will seek to be appointed counsel for the Class.

d. “Class List” means a complete list of all Class Members that Defendant will diligently and in good faith compile from its records and provide to the Settlement Administrator. The Class List will be formatted in a readable Microsoft Office Excel spreadsheet containing the following information for each Class Member: (1) full name; (2) last known mailing address; (3) Social Security number; (4) dates worked for Defendant during the Class Period; and (5) such other information as is necessary for the Settlement Administrator to calculate Workweeks and Pay Periods.

e. “Class Notice” means the Notice of Class Action Settlement, substantially in the form attached hereto as “**Exhibit A**.”

1 f. “Class Period” means the period from October 18, 2020 through Preliminary
2 Approval, except as provided in Paragraph 18 below.

3 g. “Class Settlement” means the settlement and resolution of all Released Class
4 Claims.

5 h. “Court” means the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of
6 Los Angeles.

7 i. “Defendant’s Counsel” means William R.H. Mosher of Lewis Brisbois
8 Bisgaard & Smith.

9 j. “Dispute” means a letter submitted by a Class Member disputing the number of
10 Workweeks and/or Pay Periods which have been credited to them, which must: (a) contain the case
11 name and number of the Action; (b) contain the Class Member’s full name, signature, address,
12 telephone number, and the last four (4) digits of the Class Member’s Social Security number; (c)
13 clearly state that the Class Member disputes the number of Workweeks and/or Pay Periods credited to
14 the Class Member and what the Class Member contends is the correct number; and (d) be returned by
15 mail to the Settlement Administrator at the specified address, postmarked on or before the Response
16 Deadline.

17 k. “Effective Date” means the following: (i) if no Settlement Class Member
18 objects to the Class Settlement, then the Effective Date will be the date of Final Approval; or (ii) if
19 any Settlement Class Member objects to the Class Settlement, the Effective Date will be the sixty-first
20 (61st) calendar day after the date of Final Approval, provided no appeal is initiated by an objector; or
21 (iii) if a timely appeal is initiated by an objector, then the Effective Date will be the day after final
22 resolution of that appeal (including any requests for rehearing and/or petitions for certiorari), resulting
23 in final judicial approval of the Settlement.

24 l. “Employer Taxes” means the employer’s share of taxes and contributions in
25 connection with the wages portion of Individual Settlement Shares, which shall be paid by Defendant
26 in addition to the Gross Settlement Amount.

27 m. “Enhancement Payment” means the amount to be paid to Plaintiff, in
28 recognition of her effort and work in prosecuting the Action on behalf of Class Members and PAGA

1 Employees, and in exchange for the general release of claims contained herein, as set forth in
2 Paragraph 15.

3 n. “Final Approval” means the determination by the Court that the Settlement is
4 fair, reasonable, and adequate, and entry of the Final Approval Order and Judgment based thereon.

5 o. “Final Approval Hearing” means the hearing at which the Court will consider
6 and determine whether the Settlement should be granted Final Approval.

7 p. “Final Approval Order and Judgment” means the order granting final approval
8 of the Settlement and entering judgment thereon, in a form and content mutually agreed to by the
9 Parties, and subject to approval by the Court.

10 q. “Gross Settlement Amount” means the amount of Five Hundred Thousand
11 Dollars and Zero Cents (\$500,000.00) to be paid by Defendant in full satisfaction of the Action,
12 Released Class Claims, and Released PAGA Claims, which includes all Attorneys’ Fees and Costs,
13 Enhancement Payment, PAGA Amount, Settlement Administration Costs, and Net Settlement
14 Amount to be paid to the Settlement Class Members. Defendant shall pay the Employer Taxes, if any,
15 due on the portion of the Individual Settlement Shares allocated to wages separately and in addition
16 to the Gross Settlement Amount. The Gross Settlement Amount is non-reversionary; no portion of
17 the Gross Settlement Payment will return to Defendant. The Gross Settlement Amount is subject to
18 increase, as provided in Paragraph 18. Defendant will have no obligation to pay the Gross Settlement
19 Amount or the Employer Taxes until after the Court grants Final Approval of the Settlement.

20 r. “Individual PAGA Payment” means the *pro rata* share of the PAGA Employee
21 Amount that a PAGA Employee may be eligible to receive under the PAGA Settlement, to be
22 calculated in accordance with Paragraph 20.

23 s. “Individual Settlement Payment” means the net payment of each Settlement
24 Class Member’s Individual Settlement Share, after reduction for the employee’s share of taxes and
25 withholdings with respect to the wages portion of the Individual Settlement Share, as provided in
26 Paragraph 21.

27 t. “Individual Settlement Share” means the *pro rata* share of the Net Settlement
28 Amount that a Settlement Class Member may be eligible to receive under the Class Settlement, to be

1 calculated in accordance with Paragraph 19.

2 u. “LWDA Payment” means the amount of Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred Fifty
3 Dollars and Zero Cents (\$16,250.00), i.e., 65% of the PAGA Amount, that the Parties have agreed to
4 pay to the LWDA under the PAGA Settlement, as set forth in Paragraph 16.

5 v. “Net Settlement Amount” means the portion of the Gross Settlement Amount
6 that is available for distribution to Settlement Class Members, which is the Gross Settlement Amount
7 less the Court-approved Attorneys’ Fees and Costs, Enhancement Payment, PAGA Amount, and
8 Settlement Administration Costs.

9 w. “Notice of Objection” means a Settlement Class Member’s written objection to
10 the Class Settlement, which must: (a) contain the case name and number of the Action; (b) contain the
11 objector’s full name, signature, address, telephone number, and the last four (4) digits of the objector’s
12 Social Security number; (c) contain a written statement of all grounds for the objection accompanied
13 by any legal support for such objection; (d) contain copies of any papers, briefs, or other documents
14 upon which the objection is based; and (e) be returned by mail to the Settlement Administrator at the
15 specified address, postmarked on or before the Response Deadline.

16 x. “PAGA Amount” means the allocation of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars and
17 Zero Cents (\$25,000.00) from the Gross Settlement Amount for the PAGA Settlement. Sixty-five
18 percent (65%) of the PAGA Amount, or \$16,250.00, will be paid to the LWDA (i.e., the LWDA
19 Payment) and the remaining thirty-five percent (35%), or \$8,750.00, will be distributed to the PAGA
20 Employees (i.e., the PAGA Employee Amount).

21 y. For the purposes of this Settlement only, “PAGA Employee(s)” means all
22 current and former hourly-paid and/or non-exempt employees who worked for Defendant in the State
23 of California at any time during the PAGA Period.

24 z. “PAGA Employee Amount” means the amount of Eight Thousand Seven
25 Hundred Fifty Dollars and Zero Cents (\$8,750.00), i.e., 35% of the PAGA Amount, to be distributed
26 to PAGA Employees on a *pro rata* basis based on their Pay Periods.

27 aa. “PAGA Period” means the period from February 26, 2025 through Preliminary
28 Approval, except as provided in Paragraph 18 below.

1 bb. “PAGA Settlement” means the settlement and resolution of all Released PAGA
2 Claims.

3 cc. “Pay Periods” means the number of pay periods each PAGA Employee worked
4 for Defendant as an hourly-paid and/or non-exempt employee in California during the PAGA Period.
5 Pay Periods will be calculated by the Settlement Administrator.

6 dd. “Preliminary Approval” means the date on which the Court enters the
7 Preliminary Approval Order.

8 ee. “Preliminary Approval Order” means the order granting preliminary approval
9 of the Settlement, in a form and content mutually agreed to by the Parties, and subject to approval by
10 the Court.

11 ff. “Released Class Claims” means the claims being released as described in
12 Paragraph 46 below.

13 gg. “Released PAGA Claims” means the claims being released as described in
14 Paragraph 47 below.

15 hh. “Released Parties” means Defendant and each of Defendant’s past, present, and
16 future parent companies, subsidiaries, affiliates, principals, and any other person, corporation,
17 association, or partnership responsible or potentially responsible for any claims made or that could
18 have been made in the Action, and the past, present, and future shareholders, directors, officers, agents,
19 employees, attorneys, insurers, predecessors, successors, and assigns of any of the foregoing.

20 ii. “Request for Exclusion” means a letter submitted by a Class Member indicating
21 a request to be excluded from the Class Settlement, which must: (a) contain the case name and number
22 of the Action; (b) contain the Class Member’s full name, signature, address, telephone number, and
23 last four (4) digits of the Class Member’s Social Security number; (c) clearly state that the Class
24 Member does not wish to be included in the Class Settlement; and (d) be returned by mail to the
25 Settlement Administrator at the specified address, postmarked on or before the Response Deadline.

26 jj. “Response Deadline” means the deadline by which Class Members must mail
27 a Request for Exclusion, Notice of Objection, and/or Dispute, which shall be the date that is forty-five
28 (45) calendar days from the initial mailing of the Class Notice by the Settlement Administrator to

1 Class Members, unless the 45th day falls on a Sunday or Federal holiday, in which case the Response
2 Deadline will be extended to the next day on which the United States Postal service is open. The
3 Response Deadline may also be extended by express agreement between Class Counsel and
4 Defendant's Counsel. In the event that a Class Notice is re-mailed to a Class Member, the Response
5 Deadline for that Class Member shall be extended fifteen (15) calendar days from the original
6 Response Deadline.

7 kk. "Settlement Administrator" means Apex Class Action LLC, or any other third-
8 party class action settlement administrator agreed to by the Parties and approved by the Court for
9 purposes of administering the Settlement. The Parties each represent that they do not have any
10 financial interest in the Settlement Administrator or otherwise have a relationship with the Settlement
11 Administrator that could create a conflict of interest.

12 ll. "Settlement Administration Costs" means the costs payable from the Gross
13 Settlement Amount to the Settlement Administrator for administering the Settlement, as set forth in
14 Paragraph 16.

15 mm. "Settlement Class" or "Settlement Class Member(s)" means all Class Members
16 who do not submit a timely and valid Request for Exclusion.

17 nn. "Workweeks" means the number of weeks each Class Member worked for
18 Defendant as an hourly-paid and/or non-exempt employee in California during the Class Period.
19 Workweeks will be calculated by the Settlement Administrator.

20 **CLASS CERTIFICATION**

21 12. For the purposes of this Settlement only, the Parties stipulate to the certification of the
22 Class.

23 13. The Parties agree that certification for the purpose of settlement is not an admission
24 that certification is proper under Section 382 of the California Code of Civil Procedure. Should, for
25 whatever reason, the Court not grant Final Approval, the Parties' stipulation to class certification as
26 part of the Settlement shall become null and void ab initio and shall have no bearing on, and shall not
27 be admissible in connection with, the issue of whether or not certification would be inappropriate in a
28 non-settlement context.

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2 **TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT**

3 NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants, promises, and agreements set
4 forth herein, the Parties agree, subject to the Court's approval, as follows:

5 14. Attorneys' Fees and Costs. Defendant agrees not to oppose or impede any application
6 or motion by Class Counsel for attorneys' fees in the amount up to Thirty-Five Percent (35%) of the
7 Gross Settlement Amount (i.e., \$175,000.00 if the Gross Settlement Amount is \$500,000.00) and
8 reimbursement of actual costs and expenses associated with Class Counsel's litigation and settlement
9 of the Action, in an amount not to exceed Thirty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$30,000.00), both
10 of which will be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount. These amounts will cover any and all work
11 performed and any and all costs incurred by Class Counsel in connection with the litigation of the
12 Action, including without limitation all work performed and costs incurred to date, and all work to be
13 performed and all costs to be incurred in connection with obtaining the Court's approval of this
14 Settlement Agreement, including any objections raised and any appeals necessitated by those
15 objections. Class Counsel shall be solely and legally responsible for correctly characterizing this
16 compensation for tax purposes and for paying any taxes on the amounts received. The Settlement
17 Administrator shall issue an IRS Form 1099 to Class Counsel for the Attorneys' Fees and Costs. Any
18 portion of the requested Attorneys' Fees and Costs that is not awarded by the Court to Class Counsel
19 shall be reallocated to the Net Settlement Amount for the benefit of the Settlement Class Members.

20 15. Enhancement Payment. Defendant agrees not to oppose or impede any application or
21 motion by Plaintiff for an Enhancement Payment in the amount up to Seven Thousand Five Hundred
22 Dollars and Zero Cents (\$7,500.00). The Enhancement Payment, which will be paid from the Gross
23 Settlement Amount, subject to Court approval, will be in addition to any other payment(s) Plaintiff is
24 entitled to under the Settlement. Plaintiff shall be solely and legally responsible for correctly
25 characterizing this compensation for tax purposes and for paying any taxes on the amounts received.
26 The Settlement Administrator shall issue an IRS Form 1099 to Plaintiff for the Enhancement Payment.
27 Any portion of the requested Enhancement Payment that is not awarded by the Court to Plaintiff shall
28 be reallocated to the Net Settlement Amount for the benefit of the Settlement Class Members.

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2 16. PAGA Amount. Subject to approval by the Court, the Parties agree that the amount of
3 Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$25,000.00) shall be allocated from the Gross
4 Settlement Amount toward penalties under the Private Attorneys General Act, California Labor Code
5 Section 2698, *et seq.* (i.e., the PAGA Amount), of which sixty-five percent (65%), or \$16,250.00, will
6 be paid to the LWDA (i.e., the LWDA Payment) and thirty-five percent (35%), or \$8,750.00, will be
7 distributed to PAGA Employees (i.e., the PAGA Employee Amount) on a *pro rata* basis, based on the
8 total number of Pay Periods worked by each PAGA Employee during the PAGA Period (i.e., the
9 Individual PAGA Payments). If the Court approves the PAGA Amount of less than the amount
10 requested, the Settlement Administrator will allocate the remainder to the Net Settlement Amount for
11 the benefit of the Settlement Class Members. The Settlement Administrator shall issue IRS Form
12 1099 to the PAGA Employees for the Individual PAGA Payments.

13 17. Settlement Administration Costs. The Settlement Administrator will be paid for the
14 reasonable costs of administration of the Settlement and distribution of payments under the Settlement,
15 which is currently estimated not to exceed Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars and Zero
16 Cents (\$12,990.00). These costs, which will be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount, subject to
17 Court approval, will include, *inter alia*, translating the Class Notice to Spanish, printing, distributing,
18 and tracking Class Notices and other documents for the Settlement, calculating and distributing
19 payments due under the Settlement, issuing of 1099 and W-2 IRS Forms and all required tax reporting,
20 filings, withholdings, and remittances, providing necessary reports and declarations, and other duties
21 and responsibilities set forth herein to process the Settlement, and as requested by the Parties. To the
22 extent the actual Settlement Administrator's costs are greater than the estimated amount stated herein,
23 such excess amount will be deducted from the Gross Settlement Amount, subject to approval by the
24 Court. Any portion of the estimated, designated, and/or awarded Settlement Administration Costs
25 which are not in fact required to fulfill payment to the Settlement Administrator to undertake the
26 required settlement administration duties shall be reallocated to the Net Settlement Amount for the
27 benefit of the Settlement Class Members.
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2 18. Escalator Clause. Defendant has represented that the Class Members worked a total of
3 approximately 24,000 Workweeks between the start of the Class Period, from October 18, 2020,
4 through November 6, 2025. However, should the Settlement Administrator determine that the actual
5 number of Workweeks worked by Class Members during the Class Period is more than 10% greater
6 than this figure (i.e., if there are more than 26,400 Workweeks worked by the Class Members),
7 Defendant shall have the option of either: (a) increasing the Gross Settlement Amount pro rata for
8 every additional Workweek worked by the Class Members above that 10% threshold (e.g., if the
9 number of Workweeks worked by the Class Members is 11% higher than 24,000, Defendant shall
10 increase the Gross Settlement Amount by 1%) or (b) ending the Class Period and PAGA Period on
11 the date that the number of Workweeks worked by the Class Members equals 26,400, in which case
12 no adjustment to the Gross Settlement Amount shall be made. Defendant shall inform Plaintiff of its
13 election within seven (7) calendar days of receiving the Settlement Administrator's Workweeks
14 calculations.

15 19. Individual Settlement Share Calculations. Individual Settlement Shares will be
16 calculated and apportioned from the Net Settlement Amount based on the Class Members' number of
17 Workweeks, as follows:

18 a. After Preliminary Approval, the Settlement Administrator will divide the Net
19 Settlement Amount by the Workweeks of all Class Members to yield the "Estimated Workweek
20 Value," and multiply each Class Member's individual Workweeks by the Estimated Workweek Value
21 to yield each Class Member's estimated Individual Settlement Share that the Class Member may be
22 entitled to receive under the Class Settlement.

23 b. After Final Approval, the Settlement Administrator will divide the final Net
24 Settlement Amount by the Workweeks of all Settlement Class Members to yield the "Final Workweek
25 Value," and multiply each Settlement Class Member's individual Workweeks by the Final Workweek
26 Value to yield each Settlement Class Member's final Individual Settlement Share.

27 20. Individual PAGA Payment Calculations. Individual PAGA Payments will be
28 calculated and apportioned from the PAGA Employee Amount based on the PAGA Employees'

number of Pay Periods, as follows: The Settlement Administrator will divide the PAGA Employee Amount, i.e., 35% of the PAGA Amount, by the Pay Periods of all PAGA Employees to yield the “Pay Period Value,” and multiply each PAGA Employee’s individual Pay Periods by the Pay Period Value to yield each PAGA Employee’s Individual PAGA Payment.

21. Tax Treatment of Individual Settlement Shares and Individual PAGA Payments. Each Individual Settlement Share will be allocated as follows: ten percent (10%) wages and ninety percent (90%) penalties, interest, and non-wage damages. The portion allocated to wages will be reported on an IRS Form W-2 and the portions allocated to penalties, interest, and non-wage damages will be reported on an IRS Form 1099 (if applicable) by the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator will withhold the employee’s share of taxes and withholdings with respect to the wages portion of the Individual Settlement Shares, and issue checks to Settlement Class Members for their Individual Settlement Payments (i.e., payment of their Individual Settlement Share net of these taxes and withholdings). The Employer Taxes will be paid separately and in addition to the Gross Settlement Amount. Each Individual PAGA Payment will be allocated as one hundred percent (100%) penalties and will be reported on an IRS Form 1099 (if applicable) by the Settlement Administrator.

22. Administration of Taxes by the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator will be responsible for issuing to Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members, PAGA Employees, and Class Counsel any tax forms (i.e., IRS Forms W-2, IRS Forms 1099, etc.) as may be required by law for all amounts paid pursuant to this Settlement Agreement. The Settlement Administrator will also be responsible for calculating the Employer Taxes and forwarding all payroll taxes and other legally required withholdings to the appropriate government authorities.

23. Tax Liability. Plaintiff, Class Counsel, Defendant, and Defendant’s Counsel do not intend anything contained in this Settlement Agreement to constitute advice regarding taxes or taxability, nor shall anything in this Settlement Agreement be relied on as such. Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members, and PAGA Employees are not relying on any statement, representation, or calculation by Defendant, the Settlement Administrator, or Class Counsel in this regard. Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members, and PAGA Employees understand and agree that Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members, and PAGA Employees will be solely responsible for the payment of any taxes and penalties

1 assessed on the payments described in this Settlement Agreement. Plaintiff, Settlement Class
2 Members, and PAGA Employees should consult with their tax advisors concerning the tax
3 consequences of any payment they receive under the Settlement.

4 24. Circular 230 Disclaimer. EACH PARTY TO THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
5 (FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, THE “ACKNOWLEDGING PARTY” AND EACH PARTY
6 TO THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT OTHER THAN THE ACKNOWLEDGING PARTY, AN
7 “OTHER PARTY”) ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT (1) NO PROVISION OF THIS
8 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, AND NO WRITTEN COMMUNICATION OR DISCLOSURE
9 BETWEEN OR AMONG THE PARTIES OR THEIR ATTORNEYS AND OTHER ADVISORS, IS
10 OR WAS INTENDED TO BE, NOR WILL ANY SUCH COMMUNICATION OR DISCLOSURE
11 CONSTITUTE OR BE CONSTRUED OR BE RELIED UPON AS, TAX ADVICE WITHIN THE
12 MEANING OF UNITED STATES TREASURY DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR 230 (31 CFR PART
13 10, AS AMENDED); (2) THE ACKNOWLEDGING PARTY (A) HAS RELIED EXCLUSIVELY
14 UPON HIS, HER, OR ITS OWN, INDEPENDENT LEGAL AND TAX COUNSEL FOR ADVICE
15 (INCLUDING TAX ADVICE) IN CONNECTION WITH THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, (B)
16 HAS NOT ENTERED INTO THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BASED UPON THE
17 RECOMMENDATION OF ANY OTHER PARTY OR ANY ATTORNEY OR ADVISOR TO ANY
18 OTHER PARTY, AND (C) IS NOT ENTITLED TO RELY UPON ANY COMMUNICATION OR
19 DISCLOSURE BY ANY ATTORNEY OR ADVISOR TO ANY OTHER PARTY TO AVOID ANY
20 TAX PENALTY THAT MAY BE IMPOSED ON THE ACKNOWLEDGING PARTY; AND (3) NO
21 ATTORNEY OR ADVISOR TO ANY OTHER PARTY HAS IMPOSED ANY LIMITATION
22 THAT PROTECTS THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF ANY SUCH ATTORNEY’S OR ADVISOR’S
23 TAX STRATEGIES (REGARDLESS OF WHETHER SUCH LIMITATION IS LEGALLY
24 BINDING) UPON DISCLOSURE BY THE ACKNOWLEDGING PARTY OF THE TAX
25 TREATMENT OR TAX STRUCTURE OF ANY TRANSACTION, INCLUDING ANY
26 TRANSACTION CONTEMPLATED BY THIS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.

27 25. Settlement Awards Do Not Trigger Additional Benefits. All payments made under the
28 Settlement shall be deemed to be paid to the payee solely in the year in which such payments actually

are issued to the payee. It is expressly understood and agreed that payments made under this Settlement shall not in any way entitle Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members, or any PAGA Employee to additional compensation or benefits under any new or additional compensation or benefits, or any bonus, contest, or other compensation or benefit plan or agreement in place during the Class Period, nor will it entitle Plaintiff, Settlement Class Members, or any PAGA Employee to any increased retirement, 401K benefits or matching benefits, or deferred compensation benefits (notwithstanding any contrary language or agreement in any benefit or compensation plan document that might have been in effect during the Class Period).

26. Filing of First Amended Complaint. Prior to filing any motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, Plaintiff shall file the First Amended Complaint in the Action. The First Amended Complaint shall contain substantially the same content as the Class Action Complaint, but shall include an additional cause of action for violation of PAGA. Plaintiff and Defendant shall cooperate in the preparation of a stipulation and proposed order authorizing Plaintiff's filing of the First Amended Complaint.

27. Duties of the Parties with Respect to Obtaining Preliminary Approval of the Settlement. Plaintiff will obtain a hearing date from the Court for Plaintiff's motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, which Class Counsel will be responsible for drafting, and submit this Settlement Agreement to the Court in support of said motion. Class Counsel will provide Defendant's Counsel a draft of the preliminary approval motion before filing it with the Court. Defendant's Counsel will provide Class Counsel a declaration from Defendant explaining the cash flow/financial considerations to support the agreed upon timetable for funding the Gross Settlement Amount to file concurrently with the motion for preliminary approval pursuant to the requirement of the Los Angeles Superior Court, Complex Civil Department Checklist for Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement. Defendant agrees not to oppose the motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement provided that it is consistent with this Settlement Agreement. By way of said motion, Plaintiff will apply for the entry of the Preliminary Approval Order seeking the following:

- a. Conditionally certifying the Class for settlement purposes only;
- b. Granting Preliminary Approval of the Settlement;

- c. Preliminarily appointing Plaintiff as the representative of the Class;
- d. Preliminarily appointing Class Counsel as counsel for the Class;
- e. Approving as to form and content, the mutually-agreed upon and proposed Class Notice and directing its mailing by First Class U.S. Mail;
- f. Approving the manner and method for Class Members to request exclusion from or object to the Class Settlement as contained herein and within the Class Notice; and
- g. Scheduling a Final Approval Hearing at which the Court will determine whether Final Approval of the Settlement should be granted.

28. Notice of Settlement to the LWDA. Pursuant to California Labor Code § 2699(1)(2), Class Counsel shall notify the LWDA of the Settlement.

29. Delivery of Class List. No later than thirty (30) calendar days before the hearing on the motion for preliminary approval, Defendant shall provide the Class List to the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator shall provide the Parties with the to date Workweeks calculations within seven (7) calendar days upon receipt of the Class List. Defendant shall inform Plaintiff of its election of the Escalator Clause within seven (7) calendar days of receiving the Settlement Administrator's Workweeks calculations. If required, the Parties shall circulate an amendment to this Agreement and file any supplemental briefing required with the Court.

30. Within fourteen (14) calendar days of Preliminary Approval, Defendant will provide the Class List to the Settlement Administrator. To protect Class Members' and PAGA Employees' privacy rights, the Settlement Administrator must maintain the Class List in confidence, use the Class List only for purposes of this Settlement and for no other purpose, and restrict access to the Class List to Settlement Administrator employees who need access to effect and perform under this Agreement.

31. Confidentiality of Class List. The Class List and any other data provided by Defendant to the Settlement Administrator shall be treated as confidential, and shall not be subject to disclosure by the Settlement Administrator, except that: (a) relevant information may be provided to Class Counsel to the extent necessary to address a disputed claim or to respond to a specific inquiry from a Class Member, PAGA Employee, or a third-party; (b) to allow Defendant's Counsel and Class Counsel to confirm that the calculation of a particular Class Member's or PAGA Employee's

1 estimated share of the settlement is accurate; and (c) as is otherwise necessary for the Settlement
2 Administrator to perform its obligations described in this Agreement. Furthermore, the Settlement
3 Administrator (and Class Counsel, if appropriate) shall use commercially reasonable efforts to secure
4 the data provided by Defendant at all times so as to avoid inadvertent or unauthorized disclosure or
5 use of such data other than as permitted by this Agreement, and shall destroy the data and all copies
6 of it in a complete and secure manner when it is no longer required for purposes of this Agreement.
7 The Settlement Administrator shall ensure that the Class Notice and any other communications to
8 Class Members or PAGA Employees shall not include any Class Member's or PAGA Employee's
9 Social Security number, except for the last four digits.

10 32. Settlement Administrator's Disclosure. Within five (5) business days after receiving
11 the Class List, the Settlement Administrator will provide the Parties with a spreadsheet showing its
12 calculations for anticipated payments to Class Members and PAGA Employees, its allocation of
13 Workweeks to Class Members and Pay Periods to PAGA Employees, and the anticipated payroll taxes
14 to be paid by Defendant. The Settlement Administrator shall redact any identifying information and
15 instead use an employee number to differentiate in order to protect Class Members' confidential
16 information.

17 33. Contact Information. The Parties agree the Class Members' and PAGA Employees'
18 contact information and Social Security numbers will be used only by the Settlement Administrator
19 for the sole purpose of effectuating the Agreement.

20 34. Notice by First-Class U.S. Mail.

21 a. Within ten (10) business days after receiving the Class List from Defendant,
22 subject to the Parties' approval of its preliminary calculations, the Settlement Administrator will
23 perform a search based on the National Change of Address Database or any other similar services
24 available, such as provided by Experian, for information to update and correct for any known or
25 identifiable address changes for Class Members and PAGA Employees, and will mail the Court-
26 approved Class Notices in English and Spanish (in the form attached as **Exhibit A** to this Settlement
27 Agreement) to all Class Members and PAGA Employees via First-Class U.S. Mail, using the most
28 current, known mailing addresses identified by the Settlement Administrator.

1 b. Any Class Notice returned to the Settlement Administrator as undeliverable on
2 or before the Response Deadline will be sent promptly via First-Class U.S. Mail to the forwarding
3 address affixed thereto and the Settlement Administrator will indicate the date of such re-mailing on
4 the Class Notice. If no forwarding address is provided, the Settlement Administrator will promptly
5 attempt to determine the correct address using a skip-trace or other search, using the name, address,
6 and/or Social Security number of the Class Member, and perform a single re-mailing within five (5)
7 calendar days.

8 c. Compliance with the procedures described herein above shall constitute due and
9 sufficient notice to Class Members of the Settlement and shall satisfy the requirements of due process.
10 Nothing else shall be required of or done by the Parties, Class Counsel, or Defendant's Counsel to
11 provide notice of the Settlement.

12 35. Disputes Regarding Workweeks and/or Pay Periods. Class Members will have an
13 opportunity to dispute the number of Workweeks and/or Pay Periods which have been credited to
14 them, as reflected in their respective Class Notices, by submitting a timely and valid Dispute to the
15 Settlement Administrator, by mail, postmarked on or before the Response Deadline. The date of the
16 postmark on the return mailing envelope will be the exclusive means to determine whether a Dispute
17 has been timely submitted. Absent evidence rebutting the accuracy of Defendant's records and data
18 as they pertain to the number of Workweeks and/or Pay Periods to be credited to a disputing Class
19 Member, Defendant's records will be presumed to be correct and determinative of the dispute.
20 However, if a Class Member produces information and/or documents to the contrary, the Settlement
21 Administrator will evaluate the materials submitted by the Class Member and the Settlement
22 Administrator will resolve and determine the number of eligible Workweeks and/or Pay Periods that
23 the disputing Class Member should be credited with under the Settlement. The Settlement
24 Administrator's decision on such disputes will be final and non-appealable. However, any dispute
25 regarding the validity of any Class Member's response to the Class Notice (e.g. a potentially late,
26 incomplete, or unclear response) shall be resolved by the mutual agreement of the Parties.

27 36. Requesting Exclusion from the Class Settlement. Any Class Member wishing to be
28 excluded from the Class Settlement must submit a timely and valid Request for Exclusion to the

1 Settlement Administrator, by mail, postmarked on or before the Response Deadline. The date of the
2 postmark on the return mailing envelope will be the exclusive means to determine whether a Request
3 for Exclusion has been timely submitted. The Settlement Administrator will certify jointly to Class
4 Counsel and Defendant's Counsel the number of timely and valid Requests for Exclusion that are
5 submitted, and also identify the individuals who have submitted a timely and valid Request for
6 Exclusion in a declaration that is to be filed with the Court in advance of the Final Approval Hearing.
7 At no time will any of the Parties or their counsel seek to solicit or otherwise encourage Class Members
8 or PAGA Employees to object to and/or request exclusion from the Class Settlement or file any new
9 claims against Defendant regarding the claims released herein. Any Class Member who submits a
10 Request for Exclusion is prohibited from making any objection to the Class Settlement. Any Class
11 Member who submits a timely and valid Request for Exclusion will not be bound by the Class
12 Settlement and will not be issued an Individual Settlement Payment. Any Class Member who does
13 not affirmatively request exclusion from the Class Settlement by submitting a timely and valid Request
14 for Exclusion will be bound by all of the terms of the Class Settlement, including and not limited to
15 those pertaining to the Released Class Claims, as well as any judgment that may be entered by the
16 Court if it grants Final Approval to the Settlement. Notwithstanding the above, all PAGA Employees
17 will be bound to the PAGA Settlement and will be issued their Individual PAGA Payment, irrespective
18 of whether they submit a Request for Exclusion.

19 37. Objecting to the Class Settlement. To object to the Class Settlement, Settlement Class
20 Members must submit a timely and complete Notice of Objection to the Settlement Administrator, by
21 mail, postmarked on or before the Response Deadline. The date of the postmark on the return mailing
22 envelope will be the exclusive means to determine whether a Notice of Objection has been timely
23 submitted. The Settlement Administrator will certify jointly to Class Counsel and Defendant's
24 Counsel the number of Notices of Objection that are submitted (specifying which ones were timely
25 and complete and which were not), and also attach them to a declaration that is to be filed with the
26 Court in advance of the Final Approval Hearing. At no time will any of the Parties or their counsel
27 seek to solicit or otherwise encourage Settlement Class Members to object to the Class Settlement or
28 appeal from the Final Approval Order and Judgment. Settlement Class Members, individually or

1 through counsel, may also present their objection orally at the Final Approval Hearing, regardless of
2 whether they have submitted a Notice of Objection.

3 38. Reports by the Settlement Administrator. The Settlement Administrator shall provide
4 weekly reports to counsel for the Parties providing: (a) the number of undeliverable and re-mailed
5 Class Notices; (ii) the number of Class Members who have submitted Disputes; (iii) the number of
6 Class Members who have submitted Requests for Exclusion; and (iv) the number of Settlement Class
7 Members who have submitted Notices of Objection. Additionally, the Settlement Administrator will
8 provide to counsel for the Parties any updated reports regarding the administration of the Settlement
9 Agreement as needed or requested, and immediately notify the Parties when it receives a request from
10 an individual or any other entity regarding inclusion in the Class and/or Settlement or regarding a
11 Dispute. Finally, within seven (7) calendar days after the last day for any Class Members to object to
12 the Class Settlement, dispute their information, or request to be excluded from the Class Settlement,
13 the Settlement Administrator shall provide the Parties with a signed declaration summarizing the
14 details of the administration process, the number of objections received, the number of opt-out
15 requests received, the number of disputes submitted, and the final status of all such items.

16 39. Defendant's Right to Rescind. If more than ten percent (10%) of the Class Members
17 submit timely and valid Requests for Exclusion, Defendant may elect to rescind the Settlement
18 Agreement. Defendant must exercise this right of rescission in writing that is provided to Class
19 Counsel within fourteen (14) calendar days of the Settlement Administrator notifying the Parties of
20 the number of Class Members who have submitted timely and valid Requests for Exclusion following
21 the Response Deadline. If Defendant exercises this option, Defendant shall pay any costs of settlement
22 administration owed to the Settlement Administrator incurred up to that date.

23 40. Certification of Completion. Upon completion of administration of the Settlement, the
24 Settlement Administrator will provide a written declaration under oath to certify such completion to
25 the Court and counsel for all Parties.

26 41. Duties of the Parties with Respect to Obtaining Final Approval of the Settlement. After
27 the Response Deadline, a Final Approval Hearing will be conducted to determine whether Final
28 Approval of the Settlement should be granted, along with the amounts properly payable for: (a)

Individual Settlement Shares; (b) Individual PAGA Payments; (c) LWDA Payment; (d) Attorneys' Fees and Costs; (e) Enhancement Payment; and (f) Settlement Administration Costs. The Final Approval Hearing will not be held earlier than thirty (30) calendar days after the Response Deadline. Plaintiff and Class Counsel will be responsible for drafting the motion seeking Final Approval of the Settlement. Class Counsel will provide Defendant's Counsel a draft of the Final Approval motion before filing it with the Court. By way of said motion, Plaintiff will apply for the entry of the Final Approval Order and Judgment, which will provide for, in substantial part, the following:

- a. Approval of the Settlement as fair, reasonable, and adequate, and directing consummation of its terms and provisions;
- b. Certification of the Settlement Class;
- c. Approval of the application for Attorneys' Fees and Costs to Class Counsel;
- d. Approval of the application for Enhancement Payment to Plaintiff;
- e. Directing Defendant to fund all amounts due under the Settlement Agreement and ordered by the Court; and
- f. Entering judgment in the Action, while maintaining continuing jurisdiction, in conformity with California Rules of Court 3.769 and the Settlement Agreement.

42. Within seven (7) business days after the Court grants Final Approval of this Agreement, the Settlement Administrator shall provide the Parties with a spreadsheet showing its final calculations for payments to all Settlement Class Members and its final calculations for payments to all PAGA Employees.

43. Funding of the Gross Settlement Amount.

- a. First Installment. No later than thirty (30) calendar days after Final Approval, Defendant will deposit half of the Gross Settlement Amount (i.e., \$250,000.00) ("First Installment") into a Qualified Settlement Fund ("QSF") within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.468B-1, *et seq.*, to be established by the Settlement Administrator.
- b. Second Installment. No later than October 31, 2027, Defendant will deposit the remaining half of the Gross Settlement Amount (i.e., \$250,000.00) ("Second Installment") and Employer Taxes into the QSF. Defendant shall provide all

1 information necessary for the Settlement Administrator to calculate necessary payroll
2 taxes including its official name, 8-digit state unemployment insurance tax ID number,
3 and other information requested by the Settlement Administrator, no later than October
4 31, 2027.

5 44. Distribution of the Gross Settlement Amount.

- 6 a. Within five (5) business days of the funding of the Second Installment and Effective
7 Date, upon approval by the Parties of the final distribution amounts, the Settlement
8 Administrator will issue the Individual Settlement Payments to Settlement Class
9 Members, the Individual PAGA Payments to PAGA Employees, the LWDA Payment
10 to the LWDA, the Enhancement Payment to Plaintiff, the Attorneys' Fees and Costs to
11 Class Counsel, and the Settlement Administration Costs to itself. The Settlement
12 Administrator shall also set aside the Employer Taxes and all employee-side payroll
13 taxes, contributions, and withholding, and timely forward these to the appropriate
14 government authorities.

15 45. Settlement Checks. The Settlement Administrator will be responsible for undertaking
16 appropriate deductions, required tax reporting, and issuing the Individual Settlement Payments by way
17 of check to the Settlement Class Members and the Individual PAGA Payments by way of check to the
18 PAGA Employees in accordance with this Settlement Agreement. When issuing payments, the
19 Settlement Administrator may combine the Individual Settlement Payment and Individual PAGA
20 Payment into one check if the intended recipient for both payments is one individual. Settlement Class
21 Members and PAGA Employees are not required to submit a claim to be issued an Individual
22 Settlement Payment and/or Individual PAGA Payment. Each Individual Settlement Payment and
23 Individual PAGA Payment check will be valid and negotiable for one hundred and twenty (120)
24 calendar days from the date the checks are issued, and thereafter, shall be voided and will not be
25 reissued. Any funds associated with such canceled checks shall be distributed by the Settlement
26 Administrator to the State of California's Unclaimed Property Division in the name of the Settlement
27 Class Member and/or PAGA Employee to whom they were originally issued within thirty (30) days
28 of the check cashing deadline. The Parties agree that this disposition results in no "unpaid residue"
under California Civil Procedure Code Section 384, as the entire Net Settlement Amount will be paid

1 out to Settlement Class Members, whether or not they cash their settlement checks. Therefore,
2 Defendant will not be required to pay any interest on such amounts. The Settlement Administrator
3 shall undertake amended and/or supplemental tax filings and reporting required under applicable local,
4 state, and federal tax laws that are necessitated due to the cancelation of any Individual Settlement
5 Payment and/or Individual PAGA Payment checks. Settlement Class Members whose Individual
6 Settlement Payment checks are canceled shall, nevertheless, be bound by the Class Settlement, and
7 PAGA Employees whose Individual PAGA Payment checks are canceled shall, nevertheless, be
8 bound by the PAGA Settlement. Within ten (10) calendar days after the Settlement Administrator
9 deposits all unclaimed settlement funds with the State of California Unclaimed Property Division, the
10 Settlement Administrator shall provide the Parties with a declaration outlining the settlement
11 administration process and completion of payment.

12 46. Class Settlement Release. Upon the Effective Date and full funding of the Gross
13 Settlement Amount, Settlement Class Members will be deemed to release and forever discharge the
14 Released Parties from any and all claims asserted or which could have been reasonably asserted in the
15 Action, arising during the Class Period, based on the facts alleged in the Operative Complaint
16 including, but not limited to, any alleged failure to pay minimum wages, failure to pay overtime wages,
17 failure to provide compliant meal periods and premium payments in lieu thereof, failure to provide
18 compliant rest periods and premium payments in lieu thereof, failure to timely pay wages during
19 employment, failure to provide compliant wage statements, failure to timely pay wages upon
20 termination, and failure to reimburse necessary business expenses, for violations of California
21 Business & Professions Code Section 17200, *et seq.*, violations of the California Industrial Welfare
22 Commission's Wage Orders, violations of the California Labor Code, and all claims for costs,
23 attorney's fees, penalties (except PAGA penalties), premium pay, and liquidated damages related
24 thereto (collectively, the "Released Class Claims"). The Released Class Claims shall not extend to
25 any claims outside of the Class Period.

26 47. PAGA Settlement Release. Upon the Effective Date and full funding of the Gross
27 Settlement Amount, all PAGA Employees hereby release and forever discharge the Released Parties
28 from any and all claims under PAGA that were asserted or which could have been reasonably asserted

1 in the Action, arising during the PAGA Period, based on the facts alleged in the Operative Complaint
2 and PAGA Letter including, but not limited to, claims under PAGA arising from any alleged failure
3 to pay minimum wages, failure to pay overtime wages, failure to provide compliant meal periods and
4 premium payments in lieu thereof, failure to provide compliant rest periods and premium payments in
5 lieu thereof, failure to timely pay wages during employment, failure to provide compliant wage
6 statements, failure to timely pay wages upon termination, and failure to reimburse necessary business
7 expenses, violations of the California Industrial Welfare Commission's Wage Orders, violations of
8 the California Labor Code, and all claims for costs, attorney's fees, and civil penalties related thereto
9 (collectively, the "Released PAGA Claims"). The Released PAGA Claims shall not extend to any
10 claims outside of the PAGA Period. The PAGA Employees shall not have the right to opt-out of the
11 Released PAGA Claims.

12 48. Plaintiff's General Release. Upon the Effective Date and full funding of the Gross
13 Settlement Amount, Plaintiff, on behalf of herself and her heirs, successors, assigns, attorneys and
14 agents, will be deemed to have fully, finally, and forever released, settled, compromised, relinquished,
15 and discharged the Released Parties from any and all claims, debts, liabilities, demands, obligations,
16 guarantees, costs, expenses, attorneys' fees, damages, or causes of action of any kind or nature
17 whatsoever, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, asserted or unasserted, which Plaintiff, at
18 any time up until the execution of the Settlement Agreement, had or claimed to have or may have
19 (including, but not limited to, any claims arising out of, relating to, or resulting from her employment
20 and/or separation of employment with Defendant). It is agreed that this is a general release and is to
21 be broadly construed as a release of all claims, provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, this
22 Paragraph expressly does not include a release of any claims that cannot be released hereunder by law.
23 Any and all rights granted under any state or federal law or regulation limiting the effect of the
24 Settlement Agreement, including the provisions of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code, ARE
25 HEREBY EXPRESSLY WAIVED. Section 1542 of the California Civil Code reads as follows:

26 **A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR**
27 **OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER**
28 **FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM**

1 **OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH**
2 **THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.**

3 49. Final Approval Order and Judgment. The Parties shall provide the Settlement
4 Administrator with a copy of the Final Approval Order and Judgment once it is entered by the Court,
5 and the Settlement Administrator shall post the Final Approval Order and Judgment on its website for
6 sixty (60) calendar days. No individualized notice of the Final Approval Order and Judgment to the
7 Class will be required.

8 50. Continued Jurisdiction. After entry of the judgment pursuant to the Settlement, the
9 Court will have continuing jurisdiction pursuant to Rule 3.769 of the California Rules of Court and
10 Section 664.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, for purposes of addressing: (a) the
11 interpretation and enforcement of the terms of the Settlement, (b) settlement administration matters,
12 and (c) such post-judgment matters as may be appropriate under court rules or as set forth in this
13 Settlement Agreement.

14 51. Effects of Termination or Rescission of Settlement. Termination or rescission of the
15 Settlement Agreement shall have the following effects:

16 a. The Settlement Agreement shall be void and shall have no force or effect, and
17 no Party shall be bound by any of its terms;

18 b. In the event the Settlement Agreement is terminated, Defendant shall have no
19 obligation to make any payments to any Party, Class Member, or attorney, except that the terminating
20 Party shall pay the Settlement Administrator for services rendered up to the date the Settlement
21 Administrator is notified that the Settlement has been terminated;

22 c. The Preliminary Approval Order and Final Approval Order and Judgment,
23 including any order certifying the Class, shall be vacated;

24 d. The Settlement Agreement and all negotiations, statements, and proceedings
25 relating thereto shall be without prejudice to the rights of any of the Parties, all of whom shall be
26 restored to their respective positions in the Action prior to the execution of the Settlement Agreement;

27 e. Neither this Settlement Agreement, nor any ancillary documents, actions,
28 statements, or filings in furtherance of the Settlement (including all matters associated with the

mediation) shall be admissible or offered into evidence in the Action or any other action for any purpose whatsoever; and

f. Any documents generated to bring the Settlement into effect, will be null and void, and any order or judgment entered by the Court in furtherance of this Settlement Agreement will likewise be treated as void from the beginning.

52. No Prior Assignments. The Parties represent, covenant, and warrant that they have not directly or indirectly assigned, transferred, encumbered, or purported to assign, transfer, or encumber to any person or entity any portion of any liability, claim, demand, action, cause of action or right herein released and discharged.

53. Exhibits Incorporated by Reference. The terms of this Settlement include the terms set forth in any attached exhibits, which are incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Any exhibits to this Settlement Agreement are an integral part of the Settlement.

54. Entire Agreement. This Settlement Agreement and any attached exhibits constitute the entirety of the Parties' agreement relating to the settlement and transaction completed thereby, and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, representations, and statements, whether oral or written and whether by a Party or such Party's legal counsel, are merged herein. No other prior or contemporaneous written or oral agreements may be deemed binding on the Parties. The Parties expressly recognize California Civil Code Section 1625 and California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1856(a), which provide that a written agreement is to be construed according to its terms and may not be varied or contradicted by extrinsic evidence, and the Parties agree that no such extrinsic oral or written representations or terms will modify, vary, or contradict the terms of this Settlement Agreement.

55. Interim Stay of Proceedings. The Parties agree to hold in abeyance all proceedings in the Action (including with respect to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 583.310), except such proceedings necessary to implement and complete this Settlement Agreement, pending the Final Approval Hearing to be conducted by the Court.

56. Amendment or Modification. Prior to the filing of the motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, the Parties may not amend or modify any provision of this Settlement Agreement except by written agreement signed by all Parties. After the filing of the motion for preliminary approval of the Settlement, the Parties may not amend or modify any provision of this Settlement

1 Agreement except by written agreement signed by all the Parties and subject to Court approval. A
2 waiver or amendment of any provision of this Settlement Agreement will not constitute a waiver of
3 any other provision.

4 57. Authorization to Enter into Settlement Agreement. All Parties warrant and represent
5 they are expressly authorized to negotiate this Settlement Agreement and to take all appropriate action
6 required or permitted to be taken by such Parties pursuant to this Settlement Agreement to effectuate
7 its terms and to execute any other documents required to effectuate the terms of this Settlement
8 Agreement. The Parties warrant that they understand and have full authority to enter into this
9 Settlement Agreement, and further intend that this Settlement Agreement will be fully enforceable
10 and binding on all Parties, and agree that it will be admissible and subject to disclosure in any
11 proceeding to enforce its terms, notwithstanding any mediation confidentiality provisions that
12 otherwise might apply under state or federal law.

13 58. Signatories. It is agreed that because the members of the Class are so numerous, it is
14 impossible or impractical to have each Settlement Class Member or PAGA Employee execute this
15 Settlement Agreement. The Class Notice will advise all Class Members of the binding nature of the
16 Class Settlement as to the Settlement Class Members and the binding nature of the PAGA Settlement
17 as to the PAGA Employees, and the releases provided for by this Settlement Agreement shall have
18 the same force and effect as if this Settlement Agreement were executed by each Settlement Class
19 Member and PAGA Employee.

20 59. Binding on Successors and Assigns. This Settlement Agreement will be binding upon,
21 and inure to the benefit of, the successors or assigns of the Parties hereto, as previously defined.

22 60. California Law Governs. All terms of this Settlement Agreement and attached exhibits
23 hereto will be governed by and interpreted according to the laws of the State of California.

24 61. Execution and Counterparts. This Settlement Agreement is subject only to the
25 execution of all Parties. However, this Settlement Agreement may be executed in one or more
26 counterparts. All executed counterparts and each of them, including facsimile, electronic, and scanned
27 copies of the signature page, will be deemed to be one and the same instrument.

28 62. Acknowledgement that the Settlement is Fair and Reasonable. The Parties believe this
Settlement Agreement is a fair, adequate, and reasonable settlement of the Action and have arrived at

1 this Settlement after arm's length negotiations and in the context of adversarial litigation, taking into
2 account all relevant factors, present and potential. The Parties further acknowledge that they are each
3 represented by competent counsel and that they have had an opportunity to consult with their counsel
4 regarding the fairness and reasonableness of this Settlement Agreement.

5 63. Invalidity of Any Provision. Before declaring any provision of this Settlement
6 Agreement invalid, the Court will first attempt to construe the provision as valid to the fullest extent
7 possible consistent with applicable precedents so as to define all provisions of this Settlement
8 Agreement valid and enforceable.

9 64. Enforcement Action. In the event that one or more of the Parties institutes any legal
10 action or other proceeding against any other Party or Parties to enforce the provisions of this
11 Settlement Agreement or to declare rights and/or obligations under this Settlement, the successful
12 Party or Parties will be entitled to recover from the unsuccessful Party or Parties reasonable attorneys'
13 fees and costs, including expert witness fees, in connection with any enforcement actions.

14 65. Plaintiff's Cooperation. Plaintiff agrees to sign this Settlement Agreement and, by
15 signing this Settlement Agreement, is hereby bound by the terms herein and agrees to fully cooperate
16 to implement the Settlement.

17 66. Non-Admission of Liability. The Parties enter into this Settlement Agreement to
18 resolve the dispute that has arisen between them and to avoid the burden, expense, and risk of
19 continued litigation. In entering into this Settlement Agreement, Defendant does not admit, and
20 specifically denies, it has violated any federal, state, or local law; violated any regulations or guidelines
21 promulgated pursuant to any statute or any other applicable laws, regulations, or legal requirements;
22 breached any contract; violated or breached any duty; engaged in any misrepresentation or deception;
23 or engaged in any other unlawful conduct with respect to its employees. Neither this Settlement
24 Agreement, nor any of its terms or provisions, nor any of the negotiations connected with it, shall be
25 construed as an admission or concession by Defendant of any such violations or failures to comply
26 with any applicable law. Except as necessary in a proceeding to enforce the terms of this Settlement
27 Agreement, this Settlement Agreement and its terms and provisions shall not be offered or received
28 as evidence in any action or proceeding to establish any liability or admission on the part of Defendant

1 or to establish the existence of any condition constituting a violation of, or a non-compliance with,
2 federal, state, local, or other applicable law.

3 67. Confidentiality. Plaintiff represents and agrees that she has not and will not issue any
4 press release, publication, or otherwise disclose this Agreement to the press, media, websites, or any
5 service which reports verdicts and settlements. Plaintiff further agrees not to, at any time or in any
6 manner, talk about, write about, disclose, or otherwise publicize or cause to be publicized the
7 confidential, proprietary, or trade secret information of the Released Parties.

8 68. Attorney Liens. Plaintiff represents and warrants that all legal expenses, bills, costs, or
9 contingency fee agreements resulting from or arising out of the representation of Plaintiff in relation
10 to the Action are Plaintiff's responsibility to pay, and that any liens based on any legal expenses, bills,
11 costs, or contingency fee agreements incurred as a result of the Action will be satisfied by the incurring
12 party. Plaintiff will indemnify, defend, and hold Released Parties harmless from any such claims.

13 69. No Additional Recovery. It is the intent of this Agreement that Plaintiff, lienholders,
14 and any other individual or entity with an interest in the released claims herein shall not recover,
15 directly or indirectly, any sums from the Released Parties other than the funds received pursuant to
16 this Agreement.

17 70. Captions. The captions and paragraph numbers in this Settlement Agreement are
18 inserted for the reader's convenience, and in no way define, limit, construe, or describe the scope or
19 intent of the provisions of this Settlement Agreement.

20 71. Mutual Preparation. The Parties have had a full opportunity to negotiate the terms and
21 conditions of this Settlement Agreement. Accordingly, this Settlement Agreement will not be
22 construed more strictly against one Party than another merely by virtue of the fact that it may have
23 been prepared by counsel for one of the Parties, it being recognized that, because of the arms-length
24 negotiations between the Parties, all Parties have contributed equally to the preparation of this
25 Settlement Agreement.

26 72. Representation By Counsel. The Parties acknowledge that they have been represented
27 by counsel throughout all negotiations that preceded the execution of this Settlement Agreement, and
28 that this Settlement Agreement has been executed with the consent and advice of counsel, and

1 reviewed in full.

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3 73. All Terms Subject to Final Court Approval. All amounts and procedures described in
4 this Settlement Agreement herein will be subject to final Court approval.

5 74. Notices. All notices, demands, and other communications to be provided concerning
6 the Settlement Agreement shall be in writing and deemed to have been duly given as of the third
7 business day after mailing by First Class U.S. Mail, or the day sent by email or messenger, addressed
8 as follows:

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24 75. Cooperation and Execution of Necessary Documents. All Parties and their counsel will
25 cooperate with each other in good faith and use their best efforts to implement the Settlement,
26 including and not limited to, executing all documents to the extent reasonably necessary to effectuate
27 the terms of this Settlement Agreement. If the Parties are unable to reach agreement on the form or
28 content of any document needed to implement the Settlement Agreement, or on any supplemental

provisions that may become necessary to effectuate the terms of this Settlement Agreement, the Parties may seek the assistance of the Mediator and then the Court to resolve such disagreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto knowingly and voluntarily executed this Joint Stipulation of Class Action and PAGA Settlement between Plaintiff and Defendant:

IT IS SO AGREED.

PLAINTIFF ANGELICA LIZZETH PEREZ

Angelica Perez

Dated: 06/11/2026

Plaintiff Angelica Lizzeth Perez

**DEFENDANT FC JUICE PARTNERS
CALIFORNIA, LLC dba JAMBA JUICE**

Dated: _____

Full Name: _____

Title: _____
On behalf of Defendant FC Juice Partners
California, LLC dba Jamba Juice

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Dated: 6/15/2026

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provisions that may become necessary to effectuate the terms of this Settlement Agreement, the Parties may seek the assistance of the Mediator and then the Court to resolve such disagreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto knowingly and voluntarily executed this Joint Stipulation of Class Action and PAGA Settlement between Plaintiff and Defendant:

IT IS SO AGREED.

PLAINTIFF ANGELICA LIZZETH PEREZ

Dated: _____

Plaintiff Angelica Lizzeth Perez

**DEFENDANT FC JUICE PARTNERS
CALIFORNIA, LLC dba JAMBA JUICE**

Dated: 6-19-26

Full Name: Jeffrey Fine
Title: Authorized Signatory
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EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

Angelica Lizzeth Perez v. FC Juice Partners California, LLC dba Jamba Juice
Superior Court of California for the County of Los Angeles, Case No. 24STCV27401

PLEASE READ THIS CLASS NOTICE CAREFULLY.

You have received this Class Notice because Defendant's records indicate that you may be eligible to take part in the class action settlement reached in the above-referenced case.

You do not need to take any action to receive a settlement payment.

This Class Notice is designed to advise you of your rights and options with respect to the settlement, and how you can request to be excluded from the Class Settlement, object to the Class Settlement, and/or dispute the number of Workweeks and/or Pay Periods that you are credited with, if you so choose.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT: A class and representative action settlement has been reached between Plaintiff Angelica Lizzeth Perez ("Plaintiff") and Defendant FC Juice Partners California, LLC dba Jamba Juice ("Defendant") (Plaintiff and Defendant are collectively referred to as the "Parties") in the case entitled *Angelica Lizzeth Perez v. FC Juice Partners California, LLC dba Jamba Juice*, Los Angeles County Superior Court, Case No. 24STCV27401 ("Action"), which may affect your legal rights. On [date of Preliminary Approval], the Court granted preliminary approval of the settlement and scheduled a hearing on [hearing date] at [hearing time] ("Final Approval Hearing") to determine whether or not the Court should grant final approval of the settlement.

I. IMPORTANT DEFINITIONS

"Class" or "Class Member(s)" means all current and former hourly-paid and/or non-exempt employees who worked for Defendant in the State of California at any time during the Class Period.

"Class Period" means the period from October 18, 2020 through Preliminary Approval, except as provided in the Escalator Clause in the Settlement Agreement.

"Class Settlement" means the settlement and resolution of all Released Class Claims.

"PAGA Employee(s)" means all current and former hourly-paid and/or non-exempt employees who worked for Defendant in the State of California at any time during the PAGA Period.

"PAGA Period" means the period from February 26, 2025 through Preliminary Approval, except as provided in the Escalator Clause in the Settlement Agreement.

"PAGA Settlement" means the settlement and resolution of all Released PAGA Claims.

II. BACKGROUND OF THE ACTION

On October 18, 2024, Plaintiff commenced a putative class action lawsuit by filing a Class Action Complaint in the Action. On December 23, 2025, Plaintiff provided written notice to the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency ("LWDA") and Defendant of the specific provisions of the California Labor Code that Plaintiff contends were violated ("PAGA Letter"). On [redacted], Plaintiff filed a First Amended Class and Representative Action Complaint ("Operative Complaint") in the Action, which added a cause of action under the Private Attorneys General Act of 2004 pursuant to California Labor Code Section 2698 *et seq.* ("PAGA").

Plaintiff contends that Defendant failed to properly pay minimum and overtime wages, provide compliant meal and rest breaks and associated premiums, timely pay wages during employment and upon termination of employment and associated waiting-time penalties, provide accurate wage statements, and reimburse business expenses, and thereby engaged in unfair business practices in violation of the California Business and Professions Code section 17200, *et seq.*, and conduct that gives rise to penalties under PAGA. Plaintiff seeks, among other things, recovery of unpaid wages and meal and rest period premiums, unreimbursed business expenses, restitution, penalties, interest, and attorneys' fees and costs.

Defendant denies all of the allegations in the Action or that it violated any law.

The Parties participated in mediation with a respected class action mediator, and as a result, the Parties reached a settlement. The Parties have since entered into a Joint Stipulation of Class Action and PAGA Settlement (“Settlement” or “Settlement Agreement”).

On [Date of Preliminary Approval], the Court entered an order preliminarily approving the Settlement. The Court has appointed [redacted] as the administrator of the Settlement (“Settlement Administrator”), Plaintiff Angelica Lizzeth Perez as representative of the Class (“Class Representative”), and the following Plaintiff’s attorneys as counsel for the Class (“Class Counsel”):

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If you are a Class Member, you need not take any action to receive an Individual Settlement Payment, but you have the opportunity to request exclusion from the Class Settlement (in which case you will not receive an Individual Settlement Payment), object to the Class Settlement, and/or dispute the Workweeks and/or Pay Periods credited to you, if you so choose, as explained more fully in Sections III and IV below. If you are a PAGA Employee, you do not need to take any action to receive an Individual PAGA Payment; you will not have the opportunity to object or seek exclusion from the PAGA Settlement and all PAGA Employees will be bound to the PAGA Settlement if the Court grants final approval of the Settlement.

The Settlement represents a compromise and settlement of highly disputed claims. Nothing in the Settlement is intended or will be construed as an admission by Defendant that the claims in the Action have merit or that Defendant has any liability to Plaintiff, Class Members, or PAGA Employees. Plaintiff and Defendant, and their respective counsel, have concluded and agree that, in light of the risks and uncertainties to each side of continued litigation, the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate, and is in the best interests of the Class Members, the State of California, and PAGA Employees.

III. SUMMARY OF THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENT

A. Settlement Formula

The total gross settlement amount is Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$500,000.00) (the “Gross Settlement Amount”). The portion of the Gross Settlement Amount that is available for payment to Class Members is referred to as the “Net Settlement Amount.” The Net Settlement Amount will be the Gross Settlement Amount less the following payments which are subject to approval by the Court: (1) attorneys’ fees, in an amount not to exceed thirty-five percent (35%) of the Gross Settlement Amount (i.e., \$175,000.00), and reimbursement of litigation costs and expenses, in an amount not to exceed Thirty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$30,000.00) to Class Counsel; (2) Enhancement Payment in an amount not to exceed Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$7,500.00) to Plaintiff for her services in the Action; (3) the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$25,000.00) allocated toward civil penalties under the Private Attorneys General Act (“PAGA Amount”), of which the LWDA will be paid 65% (\$16,250.00) (“LWDA Payment”) and the remaining 35% (\$8,750.00) will be distributed to PAGA Employees (“PAGA Employee Amount”); and (4) Settlement Administration Costs in an amount not to exceed Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars and Zero Cents (\$12,990.00) to the Settlement Administrator.

Class Members are eligible to receive payment under the Class Settlement of their *pro rata* share of the Net Settlement Amount (“Individual Settlement Share”) based on the number of weeks each Class Member worked for Defendant as an hourly-paid and/or non-exempt employee in California during the Class Period (“Workweeks”). The Settlement

Administrator has divided the Net Settlement Amount by the Workweeks of all Class Members to yield the “Estimated Workweek Value,” and multiplied each Class Member’s individual Workweeks by the Estimated Workweek Value to yield an estimated Individual Settlement Share that each Class Member may be entitled to receive under the Class Settlement (which is listed in Section III.C below). Class Members who do not submit a timely and valid Request for Exclusion (“Settlement Class Members”) will be issued their final Individual Settlement Payment.

Each Individual Settlement Share will be allocated as ten percent (10%) as wages, which will be reported on an IRS Form W-2, and ninety percent (90%) as penalties, interest, and non-wage damages, which will be reported on an IRS Form 1099 (if applicable). Each Individual Settlement Share will be subject to reduction for the employee’s share of payroll taxes and withholdings with respect to the wages portion of the Individual Settlement Shares resulting in a net payment to the Settlement Class Member (“Individual Settlement Payment”). The employer’s share of taxes and contributions in connection with the wages portion of Individual Settlement Shares (“Employer Taxes”) will be paid by Defendant separately and in addition to the Gross Settlement Amount.

PAGA Employees are eligible to receive payment under the PAGA Settlement of their *pro rata* share of the PAGA Employee Amount (“Individual PAGA Payment”) based on the number of pay periods each PAGA Employee worked for Defendant as an hourly-paid and/or non-exempt employee in California during the PAGA Period (“Pay Periods”). The Settlement Administrator had divided the PAGA Employee Amount, i.e., 35% of the PAGA Amount, by the Pay Periods of all PAGA Employees to yield the “PAGA Pay Period Value,” and multiplied each PAGA Employee’s individual Pay Periods by the Pay Period Value to yield each PAGA Employee’s Individual PAGA Payment.

Each Individual PAGA Payment will be allocated as one hundred percent (100%) penalties, will not be subject to taxes or withholdings, and will be reported on IRS Form 1099 (if applicable).

If the Court grants final approval, Defendant will fund the Gross Settlement Amount in two (2) installments as follows:

- No later than thirty (30) calendar days after the Court grants final approval, Defendant will deposit half of the Gross Settlement Amount (i.e., \$250,000.00) (“First Installment”) into a qualified settlement account established by the Settlement Administrator.
 - Within five (5) business days of the funding of the First Installment and Effective Date, the Settlement Administrator will issue half of the Individual Settlement Payments to Settlement Class Members, half of the Individual PAGA Payments to PAGA Employees, half of the LWDA Payment to the LWDA, half of the Enhancement Payment to Plaintiff, half of the Attorneys’ Fees and Costs to Class Counsel, and half of the Settlement Administration Costs to itself.
- No later than October 31, 2027, Defendant will deposit the remaining half of the Gross Settlement Amount (i.e., \$250,000.00) (“Second Installment”) and Employer Taxes into the qualified settlement account established by the Settlement Administrator.
 - Within five (5) business days of the funding of the Second Installment and Effective Date, the Settlement Administrator will issue the remaining half of the Individual Settlement Payments to Settlement Class Members, remaining half of the Individual PAGA Payments to PAGA Employees, remaining half of the LWDA Payment to the LWDA, remaining half of the Enhancement Payment to Plaintiff, remaining half of the Attorneys’ Fees and Costs to Class Counsel, and remaining half of the Settlement Administration Costs to itself.

If the Court grants final approval of the Settlement, Individual Settlement Payments will be mailed to Settlement Class Members and Individual PAGA Payments will be mailed to PAGA Employees at the address that is on file with the Settlement Administrator. **If the address to which this Class Notice was mailed is not correct, or if you move after you receive this Class Notice, you must provide your correct mailing address to the Settlement Administrator as soon as possible to ensure you receive any payment that you may be entitled to under the Settlement.**

B. Your Workweeks and Pay Periods (if applicable) Based on Defendant’s Records

According to Defendant’s records:

- **From October 18, 2020 through [REDACTED] (i.e., the Class Period), you are credited as having worked [REDACTED] Workweeks.**

- **From February 26, 2025 through [REDACTED] (i.e., the PAGA Period), you are credited as having worked [REDACTED] Pay Periods.**

If you wish to dispute the Workweeks and/or Pay Periods credited to you, you must submit your dispute in writing to the Settlement Administrator (“Dispute”). The Dispute must: (a) contain the case name and number of the Action (*Perez v. FC Juice Partners California, LLC dba Jamba Juice*, Case No. 24STCV27401); (b) contain your full name, signature, address, telephone number, and the last four (4) digits of your Social Security number; (c) clearly state that you dispute the number of Workweeks and/or Pay Periods credited to you and what you contend is the correct number; and (d) be returned by mail to the Settlement Administrator at the specified address listed in Section IV.B below, postmarked **on or before [Response Deadline]**.

C. Your Estimated Individual Settlement Share and Individual PAGA Payment (if applicable)

As explained above, your estimated Individual Settlement Share and Individual PAGA Payment (if applicable) is based on the number of Workweeks and Pay Periods (if applicable) credited to you.

Under the terms of the Settlement, your Individual Settlement Share is estimated to be \$ [REDACTED]. The Individual Settlement Share is subject to reduction for the employee’s share of taxes and withholdings with respect to the wages portion of the Individual Settlement Share and will only be distributed if the Court approves the Settlement and after the Settlement goes into effect.

Under the terms of the Settlement, your Individual PAGA Payment is estimated to be \$ [REDACTED] and will only be distributed if the Court approves the Settlement and after the Settlement goes into effect.

The settlement approval process may take multiple months. Your Individual Settlement Share and Individual PAGA Payment (if applicable) reflected in this Class Notice is only an estimate. Your actual Individual Settlement Payment and Individual PAGA Payment (if applicable) may be higher or lower.

D. Release of Claims

Upon the Effective Date and full funding of the Gross Settlement Amount, Settlement Class Members will be deemed to release and forever discharge the Released Parties from any and all claims asserted or which could have been reasonably asserted in the Action, arising during the Class Period, based on the facts alleged in the Operative Complaint including, but not limited to, any alleged failure to pay minimum wages, failure to pay overtime wages, failure to provide compliant meal periods and premium payments in lieu thereof, failure to provide compliant rest periods and premium payments in lieu thereof, failure to timely pay wages during employment, failure to provide compliant wage statements, failure to timely pay wages upon termination, and failure to reimburse necessary business expenses, for violations of California Business & Professions Code Section 17200, *et seq.*, violations of the California Industrial Welfare Commission’s Wage Orders, violations of the California Labor Code, and all claims for costs, attorney’s fees, penalties (except PAGA penalties), premium pay, and liquidated damages related thereto (collectively, the “Released Class Claims”). The Released Class Claims shall not extend to any claims outside of the Class Period.

Upon the Effective Date and full funding of the Gross Settlement Amount, all PAGA Employees hereby release and forever discharge the Released Parties from any and all claims under PAGA that were asserted or which could have been reasonably asserted in the Action, arising during the PAGA Period, based on the facts alleged in the Operative Complaint and PAGA Letter including, but not limited to, claims under PAGA arising from any alleged failure to pay minimum wages, failure to pay overtime wages, failure to provide compliant meal periods and premium payments in lieu thereof, failure to provide compliant rest periods and premium payments in lieu thereof, failure to timely pay wages during employment, failure to provide compliant wage statements, failure to timely pay wages upon termination, and failure to reimburse necessary business expenses, violations of the California Industrial Welfare Commission’s Wage Orders, violations of the California Labor Code, and all claims for costs, attorney’s fees, and civil penalties related thereto (collectively, the “Released PAGA Claims”). The Released PAGA Claims shall not extend to any claims outside of the PAGA Period. The PAGA Employees shall not have the right to opt-out of the Released PAGA Claims.

“Released Parties” means Defendant and each of Defendant’s past, present, and future parent companies, subsidiaries,

affiliates, principals, and any other person, corporation, association, or partnership responsible or potentially responsible for any claims made or that could have been made in the Action, and the past, present, and future shareholders, directors, officers, agents, employees, attorneys, insurers, predecessors, successors, and assigns of any of the foregoing.

E. Attorneys' Fees and Costs to Class Counsel

Class Counsel will seek attorneys' fees in an amount not to exceed thirty-five percent (35%) of the Gross Settlement Amount (i.e., \$175,000.00) and reimbursement of litigation costs and expenses in an amount not to exceed Thirty Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents (\$30,000.00) (collectively, "Attorneys' Fees and Costs"), subject to approval by the Court. The Attorneys' Fees and Costs granted by the Court will be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount. Class Counsel has been prosecuting the Action on behalf of Plaintiff, Class Members, and PAGA Employees on a contingency fee basis (that is, without being paid any money to date) and has been paying all litigation costs and expenses.

F. Enhancement Payment to Plaintiff

Plaintiff will seek the amount of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$7,500.00) ("Enhancement Payment), in recognition of her services in connection with the Action. The Enhancement Payment will be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount, subject to approval by the Court, and if awarded, it will be paid to Plaintiff in addition to any other payment(s) that she is entitled to under the Settlement.

G. Settlement Administration Costs to Settlement Administrator

Payment to the Settlement Administrator is estimated not to exceed Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars and Zero Cents (\$12,990.00) ("Settlement Administration Costs") for the costs of the notice and settlement administration process, including and not limited to, the expense of notifying the Class Members of the Settlement, processing Requests for Exclusion, Notices of Objection, and Disputes, calculating Individual Settlement Shares, Individual Settlement Payments, and Individual PAGA Payments, and distributing payments and tax forms under the Settlement, and shall be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount, subject to approval by the Court.

IV. WHAT ARE YOUR RIGHTS AND OPTIONS AS A CLASS MEMBER?

A. Participate in the Settlement

If you want to participate in the Class Settlement and receive money from the Class Settlement, you do not have to do anything. You will automatically be included in the Class Settlement and issued your Individual Settlement Payment unless you decide to exclude yourself from the Class Settlement.

Unless you elect to exclude yourself from the Class Settlement and if the Court grants final approval of the Settlement, you will be bound by the terms of the Class Settlement and any judgment that may be entered by the Court based thereon, and you will release the Released Class Claims against the Released Parties as described in Section III.D above.

If you are a PAGA Employee and the Court grants final approval of the Settlement, you will automatically be included in the PAGA Settlement and issued your Individual PAGA Payment. This means you will be bound by the terms of the PAGA Settlement and any judgment that may be entered by the Court based thereon, and you will release the Released PAGA Claims against the Released Parties as described in Section III.D above.

As a Class Member and PAGA Employee (if applicable), you will not be separately responsible for the payment of attorney's fees or litigation costs and expenses, unless you retain your own counsel, in which event you will be responsible for your own attorney's fees and expenses.

B. Request Exclusion from the Class Settlement

Class Members may request to be excluded from the Class Settlement by submitting a letter ("Request for Exclusion") to the Settlement Administrator, at the following address:

[Settlement Administrator]
[Mailing Address]

A Request for Exclusion must: (a) contain the case name and number of the Action (*Perez v. FC Juice Partners California*,

LLC dba Jamba Juice, Case No. 24STCV27401); (b) contain your full name, signature, address, telephone number, and last four (4) digits of your Social Security number; (c) clearly state that you do not wish to be included in the Class Settlement; and (d) be returned by mail to the Settlement Administrator at the specified address above, postmarked **on or before** **[Response Deadline]**.

If the Court grants final approval of the Settlement, any Class Member who submits a timely and valid Request for Exclusion will not be issued an Individual Settlement Payment, will not be bound by the Class Settlement (and the release of Released Class Claims described in Section III.D above), and will not have any right to object to, appeal, or comment on the Class Settlement. Class Members who do not submit a timely and valid Request for Exclusion will be deemed Settlement Class Members and will be bound by all terms of the Class Settlement, including those pertaining to the release of claims described in Section III.D above, as well as any judgment that may be entered by the Court based thereon. PAGA Employees will be bound to the PAGA Settlement (and the release of Released PAGA Claims described in Section III.D above) and will still be issued an Individual PAGA Payment, irrespective of whether they submit a Request for Exclusion.

C. Object to the Class Settlement

You can object to the Class Settlement as long as you have not submitted a Request for Exclusion by submitting a written objection (“Notice of Objection”) to the Settlement Administrator.

The Notice of Objection must: (a) contain the case name and number of the Action (*Perez v. FC Juice Partners California, LLC dba Jamba Juice*, Case No. 24STCV27401); (b) contain your full name, signature, address, telephone number, and the last four (4) digits of your Social Security number; (c) contain a written statement of all grounds for the objection accompanied by any legal support for such objection; (d) contain copies of any papers, briefs, or other documents upon which the objection is based; and (e) be returned by mail to the Settlement Administrator at the specified address listed in Section IV.B above, postmarked **on or before** **[Response Deadline]**.

You may also appear at the Final Approval Hearing and present your objection orally, regardless of whether you have submitted a Notice of Objection.

V. FINAL APPROVAL HEARING

The Court will hold a Final Approval Hearing in Department 10 of the Los Angeles County Superior Court, located at 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90012, on **[date]**, at **[time]**, to determine whether the Settlement should be finally approved as fair, reasonable, and adequate. The Court also will be asked to approve and grant the Attorneys’ Fees and Costs to Class Counsel, Enhancement Payment to Plaintiff, and Settlement Administration Costs to the Settlement Administrator.

The Final Approval Hearing may be continued without further notice to the Class Members and PAGA Employees. It is not necessary for you to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, although you may appear if you wish to.

You can find more information regarding appearing remotely through LA Court Connect online at: <https://www.lacourt.org/lacceligibility/ui/civil.aspx?casetype=ci>

VI. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The above is a summary of the basic terms of the Settlement. For the precise terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement, you should review the detailed Settlement Agreement and other papers, which are on file with the Court.

You may view the Settlement Agreement and other documents filed in the Action by visiting Stanley Mosk Courthouse, 111 North Hill Street, California 90012, during normal business hours, or by online by visiting the following website: <https://www.lacourt.ca.gov/pages/lp/access-a-case/tp/find-case-information>

You may also visit the Settlement Administrator’s website at **[redacted]** for key documents in the Action.

PLEASE DO NOT TELEPHONE THE COURT OR THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK FOR INFORMATION REGARDING THIS SETTLEMENT.

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU MAY CALL THE SETTLEMENT ADMINISTRATOR AT THE

FOLLOWING TOLL-FREE NUMBER: [INSERT], OR YOU MAY ALSO CONTACT CLASS COUNSEL.