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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation against

ASSOCIATED REALTY SERVICE OF NEWPORT BEACH, INC.;

JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI, individually and as former designated officer for Associated Realty Service of Newport Beach, Inc.; and

JAMES ALAN JACOBS, individually and as former designated officer for Associated Realty Service of Newport Beach, Inc.,

Respondents.

DRE No. H-41658 LA OAH No. 2020080594

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT IN SETTLEMENT AND ORDER AS TO RESPONDENT JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI

It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondent Jeannie Cruz Madali ("Respondent"), Respondent is representing herself in the above-referenced matter, and the Complainant, acting by and through Lissete Garcia, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate ("Department"), as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing the Accusation filed on May 7, 2020, with Department Case No. H-41658 LA ("Accusation") in this matter:

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- 1. All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be presented by Complainant and Respondent at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing was to be held in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act ("APA"), shall instead and in place thereof be submitted on the basis of the provisions of this Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement and Order ("Stipulation").
- 2. Respondent has received, read, and understands the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA, and Accusation filed by the Department in this proceeding.
- 3. Respondent filed a Notice of Defense pursuant to Section 11506 of the Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Accusation. Respondent hereby freely and voluntarily withdraws said Notice of Defense. Respondent acknowledges and understands that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense, Respondent will thereby waive Respondent's rights to require the Real Estate Commissioner ("Commissioner") to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that Respondent will waive other rights afforded to Respondent in connection with the hearing such as the right to present evidence in defense of the allegations in the Accusation and the right to cross-examine witnesses.
- 4. This Stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation filed in this proceeding. In the interest of expedience and economy, Respondent chooses not to contest these factual allegations, but to remain silent and understand that, as a result thereof, these factual statements, will serve as a prima facie basis for the disciplinary action stipulated to herein. The Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence to prove such allegations.

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- 5. This Stipulation and Respondent's decision not to contest the Accusation are made for the purpose of reaching an agreed disposition of this proceeding and are expressly limited to this proceeding and any other proceeding or case in which the Department, or another licensing agency of this state, another state or if the federal government is involved and otherwise shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceedings.
- It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the 6. Stipulation and Agreement as the Commissioner's Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondent's real estate license(s) and license rights as set forth in the below "Order." In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation and Agreement, it shall be void and of no effect, and Respondent shall retain the right to a hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under all the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by any admission or waiver made herein.
- 7. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real Estate Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation and Agreement shall not constitute an estoppel, merger or bar to any further administrative or civil proceedings by the Department of Real Estate with respect to any matters which were not specifically alleged to be causes for accusation in this proceeding.

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DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing stipulation and agreement and solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation without a hearing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following determination of issues shall be made:

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The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI as set forth herein above in Paragraph 4, constitute cause for the suspension or revocation of all real estate licenses and license rights of Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI pursuant to the provisions of Code section 10177, subdivisions (g) and (h), for violation of Code section 10159.2 and Regulation 2725.

<u>ORDER</u>

I.

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI under the Real Estate Law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted real estate salesperson license shall be issued to Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI (pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Code if Respondent makes application therefor and pays to the Department the appropriate fee for the restricted license within 90 days from the effective date of this Decision and Order. The restricted license issued to Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Code and to the following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed under authority of Section 10156.6 of that Code:

1. The restricted license issued to Respondent may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner in the event of Respondent's conviction or plea of nolo contendere to a crime which is substantially related to Respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee.

- 2. The restricted license may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that Respondent has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner or conditions attaching to said restricted license.
- 3. Respondent shall not be eligible for the issuance of any unrestricted real estate license nor for the removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions of the restricted license until at least two (2) years have elapsed from the effective date of this Decision. Respondent shall not be eligible to apply for any unrestricted licenses until all restrictions attaching to the license have been removed.
- 4. Respondent shall submit with any application for license under an employing broker, or any application for transfer to a new employing broker, a statement signed by the prospective employing real estate broker on a form approved by the Bureau of Real Estate which shall certify:
- (a) That the employing broker has read the Decision of the Commissioner which granted the right to a restricted license; and
- (b) That the employing broker will exercise close supervision over the performance by the restricted licensee relating to activities for which a real estate license is required.
- 5. Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI is severally liable to pay a proportionate share of the total sum for the Commissioner's reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement which led to this disciplinary action. Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI shall pay the sum of \$1,970.33 for her pro rata share of the Commissioner's reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement which led to this disciplinary action. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the Department of Real Estate. The investigative

and enforcement costs must be delivered to the Department of Real Estate, Flag Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013, within 180 days of the effective date.

Payment of investigation and enforcement costs should not be made until the Stipulation has been approved by the Commissioner. If Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI fails to satisfy this condition in a timely manner as provided for herein, Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI's real estate licenses shall automatically be suspended until payment is made in full, or until a decision providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing held pursuant to this condition.

- 6. Pursuant to Section 10148 of the Code, Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI will pay a proportionate share of the total sum for the Commissioner's reasonable costs of the audit which led to this disciplinary action. Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI is severally liable to pay the sum of \$5,125.50 for her pro rata share of the Commissioner's cost of the audit which led to this disciplinary action. Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI shall pay such cost within one-hundred and twenty (120) days of receiving an invoice therefore from the Commissioner. Payment of audit costs should not be made until Respondent receives the invoice. If Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI fails to satisfy this condition in a timely manner as provided for herein, Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI's real estate licenses shall automatically be suspended until payment is made in full, or until a decision providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing held pursuant to this condition.
- 7. Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI shall, within nine (9) months from the effective date of this Decision and Order, present evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that Respondent has, since the most recent issuance of an original or renewal real estate license, taken and successfully completed the continuing education requirements of Article 2.5 of Chapter 3 of the Real Estate Law for renewal of a real estate license. The continuing education

I have read this Stipulation and its terms are understood by me and are agreeable and acceptable to me. I understand that I am waiving rights given to me by the California APA (including, but not limited to, Sections 11506, 11508, 11509, and 11513 of the Government Code), and I willingly, intelligently, and voluntarily waive those rights, including the right of requiring the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a hearing at which I would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against me and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.

Respondent can signify acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this

Stipulation and Agreement by electronically e-mailing a copy of the signature page, as actually signed by Respondent, to the Department. Respondent agrees, acknowledges, and understands that by electronically sending to the Department an electronic copy of Respondent's actual signatures, as it appears on the Stipulation that receipt of the emailed copy by the Department shall be as binding on Respondent as if the Department had received the original signed Stipulation. By signing this Stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that Respondent may not withdraw Respondent's agreement or seek to rescind the Stipulation prior to the time the Commissioner considers and acts upon it or prior to the effective date of the Stipulation and Order.

MAILING

Respondent shall, within five (5) business days from signing the Stipulation, <u>mail</u> the original signed signature page(s) of the Stipulation herein to Lissete Garcia, Attention: Legal Section, Department of Real Estate, 320 W. Fourth St., Room 350, Los Angeles, California 90013-1105.

1	Respondent's signature below constitutes acceptance and approval of the terms and
2	conditions of this Stipulation. Respondent agrees, acknowledges, and understands that by
3	signing this Stipulation, Respondent is bound by its terms as of the date of such signature and
4	that this agreement is not subject to rescission or amendment at a later date except by a separate
5	Decision and Order of the Real Estate Commissioner.
6	DATED: 01/04/2020
7	Respondent JEANNIE CRUZ MADALI
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10	The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement and Order is hereby adopted by
11	me as my Decision in this matter and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on
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