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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of

GREAT WALL REALTY, INC., and HONGHUA SHANG, individually and as designated officer of Great Wall Realty, Inc.,

Respondents.

DRE No. H-41723 LA

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondents GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. and HONGHUA SHANG (collectively "Respondents") and their attorney of record, Timothy S. Camarena, and the Complainant, acting by and through Kevin H. Sun, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the First Amended Accusation filed on August 28, 2020, in this matter (Case No. H-41723 LA):

l. All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be presented by Complainant and Respondents 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").

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- Respondents have received, read and understand the Statement to Respondents, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate in this proceeding.
- 3. On or about July 16, 2020, Respondents filed Notices of Defense pursuant to Section 11506 of the Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Accusation. Respondents hereby freely and voluntarily withdraw said Notices of Defense. Respondents acknowledge that they understand that by withdrawing said Notices of Defense they will thereby waive their rights to require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that they will waive other rights afforded to them 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. Respondents, pursuant to the limitations set forth below, hereby admit that the factual allegations in the Accusation filed in this proceeding are true and correct and the Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence of such allegations.
- 5. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation and Agreement as his Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondents' real estate licenses 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 Respondents 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.
- 6. 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 stipulations, admissions and waivers 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:

The conduct of Respondents, as described in the Accusation, are in violation of California Business and Professions Code ("Code") Sections 10141.6, and 10145, as well as Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations ("Regulations") Sections 2831, 2831.2, 2831.1, 2832, 2832.1, 2834, 2950 and 2951 and are grounds for the suspension or revocation of all of the real estate license and license rights of Respondents under the provision of Code Sections 10177(d), and (g) of the Code. In addition, the Conduct of HONGHUA SHANG, as described in the Accusation, are in violation of Code Section 10159.2, as well as Regulations Sections 2725, and are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and license rights of HONGHUA SHANG under the provision of Code Sections 10177(h) of the Code.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:

I.

(GREAT WALL REALTY, INC.)

All licenses and license rights of Respondent GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a period of sixty (60) days from the effective date of this Decision;

A. Provided, however, that the initial thirty (30) days of said suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Respondent GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. shall pay a monetary penalty pursuant to Code section 10175.2 at the rate of \$100.00 per day for each of the thirty (30) days of suspension for a total monetary penalty of \$3,000.00.
- 2. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the Department of Real Estate. Said check must be delivered to the Department of Real Estate, Flag

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RE 511 (Rev. 7/18) Section, P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013, prior to the effective date of this Decision and Order.

- 3. No further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Decision in this matter.
- 4. If Respondent GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. fails to pay the monetary penalty in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Decision, the suspension shall go into effect automatically with regard to said Respondent. Respondent GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, for money paid to the Department under the terms of this Decision and Order.
- 5. If Respondent GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. pays the monetary penalty and if no further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Decision, the stay hereby granted shall become permanent.
- B. The remaining thirty (30) days of said suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and conditions:
- 1. That Respondent GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and
- 2. That no final subsequent determination be made after hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years from the effective date of this Decision. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate and set aside the stay order and re-impose all or a portion of the stayed suspension. Should no such determination be made under this section, the stay imposed herein shall become permanent.

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(HONGHUA SHANG)

All licenses and license rights of Respondent HONGHUA SHANG under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a period of sixty (60) days from the effective date of this Decision:

A. Provided, however, that the initial thirty (30) days of said suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Respondent HONGHUA SHANG shall pay a monetary penalty pursuant to Code section 10175.2 at the rate of \$100.00 per day for each of the thirty (30) days of suspension for a total monetary penalty of \$3,000.00.
- 2. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the Department of Real Estate. Said check must be delivered to the Department of Real Estate, Flag Section, P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013, prior to the effective date of this Decision and Order.
- 3. No further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent HONGHUA SHANG occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Decision in this matter.
- 4. If Respondent HONGHUA SHANG fails to pay the monetary penalty in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Decision, the suspension shall go into effect automatically with regard to said Respondent. Respondent HONGHUA SHANG shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, for money paid to the Department under the terms of this Decision and Order.
- 5. If Respondent HONGHUA SHANG pays the monetary penalty and if no further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Decision, the stay hereby granted shall become permanent.
- B. The remaining thirty (30) days of the sixty (60) day suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and conditions:

RE 511 (Rev. 7/18) That Respondent HONGHUA SHANG shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and

- 2. That no final subsequent determination be made after hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years from the effective date of this Decision. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate and set aside the stay order and re-impose all or a portion of the stayed suspension. Should no such determination be made under this section, the stay imposed herein shall become permanent.
- D. Respondent HONGHUA SHANG shall, within six (6) months from the effective date of this Decision and Order, take and complete trust fund management course and filed proof of completion of such course with the Department. If Respondent HONGHUA SHANG fails to satisfy this condition, Respondent's real estate license shall automatically be suspended until Respondent provides such proof of completion.
- E. Respondent HONGHUA SHANG's Mortgage Loan Originator ("MLO") endorsement is hereby revoked; provided, however, a restricted MLO license endorsement shall be issued to Respondent and 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 the Code:
- 1. The restricted MLO license endorsement shall not confer any property right in the privileges to be exercised including the right of renewal, and the Commissioner may by appropriate order suspend the right to exercise any privileges granted under the restricted license in the event of:
- i. Respondent's conviction (including a plea of nolo contendere) of a crime that bears a substantial relationship to Respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee; or
- ii. The receipt of evidence that Respondent has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Commissioner, or

conditions attaching to the restricted license.

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2. Respondent HONGHUA SHANG shall not be eligible to petition for the issuance of an unrestricted MLO license endorsement, nor the removal of any of the conditions, limitations, or restrictions attaching to the restricted MLO license endorsement until two (2) years have elapsed from the date of issuance of the restricted MLO license endorsement to Respondent. Respondent shall not be eligible to apply for any unrestricted MLO license endorsements until all restrictions attaching to the MLO license endorsement have been removed.

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(GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. and HONGHUA SHANG)

A. All licenses and licensing rights of Respondents GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. and HONGHUA SHANG are indefinitely suspended unless or until Respondents pays the sum of \$2,710.60 for 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 payment for 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, prior to the effective date of this Decision and Order. If Respondents fail to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner shall order suspension of Respondents' licenses and license rights until the sum is paid.

B. Pursuant to Code Sections 10148, Respondents shall pay the Commissioner's reasonable costs for the audit which led to this disciplinary action in the amount of \$11,518.82. Respondents shall pay such costs within ninety (90) days of receiving an invoice therefore from the Commissioner. Payment of the audit costs should not be made until Respondents receives the invoice. If Respondents fails to satisfy this condition in a timely manner as provided for herein, Respondents' 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.

C. Pursuant to Code section 10148 of the Code, Respondents shall pay the Commissioner's reasonable costs, not to exceed \$14,398.53, for a subsequent audit to determine if

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Respondents has corrected the violations found in the Determination of Issues. In calculating the amount of the Commissioner's reasonable costs, the Commissioner may use the estimated average hourly salary for all persons performing audits of real estate brokers, and shall include an allocation for travel time to and from the auditor's place of work. Respondents shall pay such costs within sixty (60) days of receiving an invoice therefor from the Commissioner. Payment of the audit costs should not be made until Respondents receives the invoice. If Respondents fail to satisfy this condition in a timely manner as provided for herein, Respondents' 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.

DATED: 2/27/221

Kevin H. Sun, Counsel for Department of Real Estate

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EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION

We have read the Stipulation, have discussed it with our counsel, and its terms are understood by us and are agreeable and acceptable to us. We understand that we are waiving rights given to us by the California Administrative Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the Government Code), and we 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 we would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against us and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.

Respondents shall <u>mail the original</u> signed signature page of the stipulation herein to Kevin H. Sun, Attention: Legal Section, Department of Real Estate, 320 W. Fourth St., Suite 350, Los Angeles, California 90013-1105.

In the event of time constraints before an administrative hearing, Respondents can signify acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Agreement by

emailing a scanned copy of the signature page, as actually signed by Respondents, to the Department counsel assigned to this case. Respondents agree, acknowledge and understand that by 2 electronically sending the Department a scan of Respondents' actual signature as it appears on the 3 Stipulation and Agreement that receipt of the scan by the Department shall be binding on 4 Respondents as if the Department had received the original signed Stipulation. Respondents shall 5 also mail the original signed signature page of this Stipulation to the Department counsel. 6 Respondents' signatures below constitute acceptance and approval of the terms and 7 conditions of this Stipulation. Respondents agree, acknowledge and understand that by signing this 8 Stipulation, Respondents are bound by its terms as of the date of such signatures and that this 9 agreement is not subject to rescission or amendment at a later date except by a separate Decision and Order of the Real Estate Commissioner. 11 12 13 14 Respondent 15 16 17 as designated officer of GREAT/WALL REALTY, INC., 18 Respondent 19 20 DATED: 21 Timothy S. Camarena, Esq. Counsel for Respondents 22 Approved as to Form 23 24 25 26

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1	The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision as to
2	Respondent GREAT WALL REALTY, INC. and HONGHUA SHANG in this matter and shall
3	become effective at 12 o'clock noon on MAY 19 2021 , 2021.
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5	IT IS SO ORDERED 4 . 12 - 21, 2021.
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