1 DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE P. O. Box 187007 2 Sacramento, CA 95818-7007 3 Telephone: (916) 227-0789 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 In the Matter of the Accusation of 12 JAMES WILLIAM BROWN, 13

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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JAMES NILL LANGE OF THE Accusation of

DRE No. H-5645 SAC

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

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Respondents.

IN SETTLEMENT AND ORDER

(JAMES WILLIAM BROWN ONLY)

It is hereby stipulated by and between JAMES WILLIAM BROWN (Respondent) and the Complainant, acting by and through Richard K. Uno, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate; as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on July 27, 2011, in this matter:

- 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 solely on the basis of the provisions of this Stipulation and Agreement In Settlement and Order.
- 2. Respondent has received, read and understands the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate in this proceeding.

- 3. On August 2, 2011, Respondent filed a Notice of Defense pursuant to Section 11505 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 that he understands that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense he 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. This stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation. In the interest of expediency 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 serves as a prima facie basis for the "Determination of Issues" and "Order" set forth below. The Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence to prove such allegations.
- 5. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation and Agreement In Settlement and Order as his Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalties and sanctions on Respondent's 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 In Settlement and Order, 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.
- 6. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real Estate Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation and Agreement In Settlement and Order 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 acts and/or omissions of Respondent, as described in the Accusation, constitute grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondent under the provisions of Section 10177(g) of the Business of Professions Code (the Code).

ORDER

- 1. The real estate broker license and license rights of Respondent under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a period of sixty (60) days from the effective date of this Order; provided, however, that:
- a) Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and,
- b) 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 Order. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate and set aside the stay order and reimpose all or a portion of the stayed suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become permanent.

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RICHARD K. UNO, Counsel DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

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I have read the Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement and Order 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 Administrative Procedure Act (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 1 Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a hearing at which I would have the 2 right to cross-examine witnesses against me and to present evidence in defense and mitigation 3, 1 of the charges. 5 6 6-3-13 DATED 7 8 9 10 N. I 12 The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted by the Real Estate 13 Commissioner as her Decision and Order and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on 14 SEP 0 3 2013 15 IT IS SO ORDERED July 19, ZD13 16 17 18 10 20 21 By: JEFFREY MASON Chief Deputy Commissioner 23 24 25 26 27