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14	D.D., individually and on behalf of all other persons similarly situated,	Case No. 23STCV03241		
15	Plaintiff,	ASSIGNED FOR ALL PURPOSES TO JUDGE STUART M. RICE, DEPT. 001		
16 17 18	v. NIANTIC, INC., Defendant.	PLAINTIFF'S NOTICE OF SUBMISSION OF AMENDED AND REDLINED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT		
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1 On October 23, 2023, the Court issued a tentative ruling requesting a red-lined version of the 2 settlement agreement. Plaintiff D.D. submits the amended Settlement Agreement attached hereto as 3 Exhibit 1 and a redlined version of the agreement attached hereto as Exhibit 2. 4 5 Dated: October 26, 2023 **BURSOR & FISHER, P.A.** 6 7 8 L. Timothy Fisher (State Bar No. 191626) 1990 North California Blvd., Suite 940 9 Walnut Creek, CA 94596 Telephone: (925) 300-4455 10 Facsimile: (925) 407-2700 E-mail: ltfisher@bursor.com 11 **BURSOR & FISHER, P.A.** 12 Philip L. Fraietta (pro hac vice) Alec M. Leslie (pro hac vice) 13 1330 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10019 14 Telephone: (646) 837-7150 Facsimile: (212) 989-9163 E-Mail: pfraietta@bursor.com 15 aleslie@bursor.com 16 Attorneys for Plaintiff 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26

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**CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE** 

This Class Action Settlement Agreement and Release, including Exhibits A-B hereto ("Settlement Agreement" or "Agreement"), is made and entered into by, between, and among Plaintiff D.D., a minor, through Dominique Davis, his mother and legal guardian ("Settlement Class Representative"), on behalf of himself and the Settlement Class as defined below, and Defendant Niantic, Inc. ("Defendant" or "Niantic"). Settlement Class Representative, the Settlement Class, and Niantic (collectively, the "Parties") enter into this Agreement to effectuate a full and final settlement and dismissal of *D.D. v. Niantic, Inc.*, pending in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles (the "Action").

### I. RECITALS

- 1. WHEREAS, on August 18, 2022, Plaintiff's counsel informed Niantic of Settlement Class Representative's potential claims against Niantic, on behalf of himself and a class of similarly situated minors, including for declaratory, equitable and monetary relief under the Declaratory Judgment Act, California's contract laws, Consumers Legal Remedies Act Cal. Civ. Code § 1750, et seq., Breach of Good Faith and Fair Dealing, Negligent Misrepresentation, Business and Professions Code Sections 17200 et seq., and for Unjust Enrichment.
- 2. WHEREAS, the Parties agreed to mediate, prior to Settlement Class Representative filing his claims against Niantic.
- 3. WHEREAS, the Parties mediated their dispute with Gregory Lindstrom of Phillips ADR on September 8, 2022, which was unsuccessful, and thereafter engaged in continued arm's length negotiations through Mr. Lindstrom, culminating in a term sheet executed by the Parties on November 9, 2022;
- 4. WHEREAS, Settlement Class Representative believes that his claims are meritorious and that he would be successful at trial, but nevertheless agreed to resolve the Action on the terms set forth in this Settlement Agreement solely to eliminate the uncertainties and delay of further protracted litigation;
- 5. WHEREAS, Niantic, while continuing to deny all allegations of wrongdoing and disclaiming all liability with respect to all claims in the Action, considers it desirable to resolve

the Action on the terms stated herein solely to avoid further expense, inconvenience, and burden, and therefore has determined that this settlement on the terms set forth herein is in Defendant's best interests. Neither the Settlement Agreement nor any actions taken to carry out the settlement are intended to be, nor may they be deemed or construed to be, an admission or concession of liability, or of the validity of any claim, defense, or of any point of fact or law on the part of any party. Defendant denies all allegations of the complaint in the Action. Neither the Settlement Agreement, nor the fact of settlement, nor settlement proceedings, nor the settlement negotiations, nor any related document, shall be used as an admission of any fault or omission by Defendant, or be offered or received in evidence as an admission, concession, presumption, or inference of any wrongdoing by Defendant in any proceeding;

- 6. WHEREAS, Settlement Class Representative, Niantic, and the Settlement Class intend for this Settlement Agreement fully and finally to compromise, resolve, discharge, and settle the Released Claims, as defined and on the terms set forth below, and to the full extent reflected herein, subject to the approval of the Court; and
- 7. NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED, CONSENTED TO, AND AGREED, by the Settlement Class Representative, for himself and on behalf of the Settlement Class, and by Niantic that, subject to the approval of the Court, the Action shall be settled, compromised, and adjudged, on the merits, and the Released Claims shall be finally and fully compromised, settled, and adjudged as to the Released Parties, in the manner and upon the terms and conditions hereafter set forth in this Agreement.

#### II. **DEFINITIONS**

- 8. In addition to the terms defined elsewhere in this Agreement, the following terms, used in this Settlement Agreement, shall have the meanings specified below:
- 9. "Attorneys' Fees and Costs Award" means such funds as may be awarded by the Court to Class Counsel to compensate Class Counsel for its fees, costs, and expenses in connection with the Action and the Settlement, as described in Paragraphs VII.49-VII.50.
- 10. "Business Days" means Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, excluding holidays observed by the federal government.

- 11. "Class Counsel" means L. Timothy Fisher, Philip L. Fraietta, and Alec M. Leslie of Bursor & Fisher, P.A..
  - 12. "Court" means the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.
- 13. "Defense Counsel" means the law firm of Cooley LLP and all of Niantic's attorneys of record in the Action.
- 14. "Effective Date" means seven (7) days after which both of the following events have occurred: (i) the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment have been entered and (ii) the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment have become Final.
- 15. "Niantic" means (i) Niantic, Inc. and its past, present, and future parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, joint ventures, licensees, franchisees, and any other legal entities, whether foreign or domestic, that are owned or controlled by Niantic, and (ii) the past, present, and future shareholders, officers, directors, members, agents, employees, independent contractors, consultants, representative, fiduciaries, insurers, attorneys, legal representative, predecessors, successors, and assigns of the entities in Part (i) of this definition.
- 16. "Fairness Hearing" means the hearing that is to take place after the entry of the Preliminary Approval Order for purposes of: (i) entering the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment and adjudicating the Action; (ii) determining whether the Settlement should be approved as fair, reasonable, and adequate pursuant to applicable California Code of Civil Procedure; (iii) ruling upon an application for Service Awards by the Settlement Class Representative; (iv) ruling upon an application by Class Counsel for an Attorneys' Fees and Costs Award; and (v) entering any final order awarding Attorneys' Fees and Costs and Service Awards.
- 17. "Final" means, with respect to any judicial ruling or order, that: (1) if no appeal, motion for reconsideration, reargument and/or rehearing, or petition for writ of certiorari has been filed, the time has expired to file such an appeal, motion, and/or petition; or (2) if an appeal, motion for reconsideration, reargument and/or rehearing, or petition for a writ of certiorari has been filed, the judicial ruling or order has been affirmed with no further right of review, or such appeal, motion, and/or petition has been denied or dismissed with no further right of review. Any proceeding or order, or any appeal or petition for a writ of certiorari pertaining solely to any

application for attorneys' fees or expenses will not in any way delay or preclude the Judgment from becoming Final.

- 18. "Final Approval Order and Final Judgment" means the order finally approving the terms of this Settlement Agreement and a separate judgment to be entered by the Court after the Fairness Hearing, adjudicating the Action, without material variation from the Parties' agreed-upon final approval order and judgment attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 19. "Legally Authorized Representative" means an administrator/administratrix, personal representative, or executor/executrix of a deceased Settlement Class Member's estate; guardian, conservator, or next friend of an incapacitated Settlement Class Member; or any other legally appointed Person responsible for handling the business affairs of a Settlement Class Member.
- 20. "Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, association, affiliate, joint stock company, estate, trust, unincorporated association, entity, government and any political subdivision thereof, or any other type of business or legal entity.
- 21. "Preliminary Approval Order" means the order that preliminarily approves the Settlement and sets a date for the Final Approval Hearing, without material variation from the Parties' agreed-upon proposed preliminary approval order attached hereto as Exhibit B. Entry of the Preliminary Approval Order shall constitute preliminary approval of the Settlement Agreement.
- 22. "Releases" mean the releases and waivers set forth in this Settlement Agreement and in the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment. The Releases are a material part of the Settlement for Niantic. The Releases shall be construed as broadly as possible to effect complete finality over this Action, including claims that were or could have been alleged resulting from, arising out of, or based on the facts and practices alleged in the Action.
- 23. "Released Claims" include Settlement Class Representative' Released Claims and Settlement Class Members' Released Claims.
- 24. "Released Parties" means (i) Niantic and its past, present, and future parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, joint ventures, licensees, franchisees, and any other legal entities,

- whether foreign or domestic, that are owned or controlled by Niantic; and (ii) the past, present, and future shareholders, officers, directors, members, agents, employees, independent contractors, consultants, administrators, representative, fiduciaries, insurers, attorneys, legal representative, advisors, creditors, predecessors, successors, and assigns of the entities in Part (i) of this Paragraph.
- 25. "Releasing Parties" means Settlement Class Members, and each of their heirs, estates, trustees, principals, beneficiaries, guardians, executors, administrators, representative, agents, attorneys, partners, successors, predecessors-in-interest, and assigns and/or anyone claiming through them or acting or purporting to act for them or on their behalf.
- 26. "Service Award" means the amount approved by the Court to be paid to the Settlement Class Representative as described further in Paragraph VII.51.
- 27. "Settlement" means the settlement of the Action between and among the Settlement Class Representative, the Settlement Class Members, and Niantic, as set forth in this Settlement Agreement, including all attached Exhibits (which are an integral part of this Settlement Agreement and are incorporated in their entirety by reference).
  - 28. "Settlement Class" has the meaning set forth in Paragraph III.34.
- 29. "Settlement Class Member(s)" means any and all persons who fall within the definition of the Settlement Class.
- 30. "Settlement Class Representative" means D.D., through his mother and legal guardian, Dominique Davis.
- 31. "Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties" means each Settlement Class Representative, and each of his heirs, estates, trustees, principals, beneficiaries, guardians, executors, administrators, Representative, agents, attorneys, insurers, subrogees, partners, successors, predecessors-in-interest, and assigns and/or anyone other than Class Members claiming through them or acting or purporting to act for them or on their behalf.

#### III. SETTLEMENT CLASS CERTIFICATION

32. For purposes of settlement only, the Parties agree to seek provisional certification of the Settlement Class, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure § 382 and Civil Code § 1781.

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any court (including any appellate court), and/or not consummated for any reason, or the Effective

Date for any reason does not occur, the order certifying the Settlement Class for purposes of

effectuating the Settlement, and all preliminary and/or final findings regarding that class certification order, shall be automatically vacated upon notice of the same to the Court, the Action shall proceed as though the Settlement Class had never been certified pursuant to this Settlement Agreement and such findings had never been made, and the Action shall return to the procedural posture as it existed on November 10, 2022, in accordance with this Paragraph. No Party nor counsel shall refer to or invoke the vacated findings and/or order relating to class settlement if this Settlement Agreement is not consummated and the Action is later litigated and contested by Niantic.

#### IV. SETTLEMENT CONSIDERATION AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

- 39. In consideration for the releases provided in this Settlement Agreement, and as a result of the Action and Settlement, Niantic agrees that within 60 days of the Effective Date, it shall implement the following for three years following the Effective Date:
- a) Niantic will agree to include language in substantially the following form in its Terms of Service applicable to U.S. players (currently at https://nianticlabs.com/terms/):
  - i) "You agree that all sales by us to you of Virtual Money and Virtual Goods are final and that we will not permit exchanges or refunds for any unused Virtual Money or Virtual Goods once the transaction has been made, unless otherwise required by law."
  - b) Niantic will, in processing any direct requests for refunds of PokéCoins:
    - i) For Apple and Samsung purchases, in its standard response redirecting users to Apple or Samsung, add language in substantially the following form: "Please note that app store refund policies may vary based on the location of user and the age of user, including legal minority, at the time of purchase, as may be required by applicable law."
    - ii) For Google Play Store purchases for which Niantic is permitted and does process limited numbers of direct refunds, in its standard response for U.S. users seeking additional information about the purchase, add language to prompt users to indicate whether the purchase of

PokéCoins was made when the user was a minor without parental consent, 1 2 except as prohibited by local law. 3 c) Niantic will, in its public-facing Pokémon GO Help Center, for help pages currently referencing assistance with refunds for PokéCoin purchases: 4 5 Add specific links to Apple, Google, and Samsung In-App i) Purchase refund policies for reference; 6 7 ii) Add language in substantially the following form: "Please note that 8 app store refund policies may vary based on the location of user and the 9 age of user, including legal minority, at the time of purchase, as may be required by applicable law." 10 d) Niantic will also add these Pokémon GO Help Center changes into the in-11 12 app Help sections on the same topics. 13 e) For all refund requests processed by Niantic, which currently includes 14 purchases from the Google Play Store, Niantic will implement a dedicated process to address refund requests, subject to confirmation of minority. The personnel staffing this dedicated process 15 16 will receive further training regarding how to analyze and process such refund requests in 17 accordance with applicable law. 18 f) Niantic will agree that its refund policies and practices with respect to U.S. 19 minors will comply with the California Family Code. 20 V. SUBMISSION OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TO THE COURT FOR 21 REVIEW AND APPROVAL 22 40. Solely for purposes of implementing this Agreement and effectuating the proposed 23 Settlement, the Parties agree and stipulate that Class Counsel shall submit to the Court a motion 24 for preliminary approval of the settlement together with the [Proposed] Preliminary Approval 25 Order (Exhibit B) and [Proposed] Final Approval Order and Final Judgment (Exhibit A). 41. 26 Among other things, the Preliminary Approval Order shall: 27 find that the requirements for provisional certification of the Settlement a) 28 Class have been satisfied, appointing Settlement Class Representative as the Representative of the

1 provisional Settlement Class and Class Counsel as counsel for the provisional Settlement Class; 2 b) preliminarily enjoin all Settlement Class Members and their Legally 3 Authorized Representative(s) from filing or otherwise participating in any other suit based on the Released Claims; 4 5 c) establish dates by which the Parties shall file and serve all papers in support of the application for final approval of the Settlement; 6 7 d) schedule the Fairness Hearing on a date ordered by the Court, provided in 8 the Preliminary Approval Order, and in compliance with applicable law, to determine whether the 9 Settlement should be approved as fair, reasonable, adequate, and to determine whether a Final 10 Approval Order and Final Judgment should be entered; e) provide that all Settlement Class Members will be bound by the Final 11 12 Approval Order and Final Judgment; and 13 f) pending the Fairness Hearing, stay all proceedings in the Action, other than 14 the proceedings necessary to carry out or enforce the terms and conditions of this Settlement Agreement and Preliminary Approval Order. 15 42. 16 In advance of the Fairness Hearing, Class Counsel shall request entry of a Final 17 Approval Order and Final Judgment, without material variation from Exhibit A, the entry of which 18 is a material condition of this Settlement Agreement, and that shall, among other things: 19 a) find that the Court has personal jurisdiction over all Settlement Class Members, that the Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the claims asserted in the Action, and 20 21 that the venue is proper; 22 b) finally approve this Settlement Agreement and the Settlement pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure; 23 24 c) certify the Settlement Class under applicable California Code of Civil Procedure for purposes of settlement only; 25 26 d) find that direct notice to the class is not necessary, and that notice on Class 27 Counsel's public website, as provided in this Settlement Agreement, is sufficiently within the 28 range of reasonableness;

- e) incorporate the Releases set forth in this Settlement Agreement and make the Releases effective as of the Effective Date;
  - f) issue the injunctive relief described in this Settlement Agreement;
  - g) authorize the Parties to implement the terms of the Settlement;
- h) enter a separate judgment pursuant to applicable California Code of Civil Procedure; and
- i) determine that the Agreement and the Settlement provided for herein, and any proceedings taken pursuant thereto, are not, and should not in any event be offered, received, or construed as evidence of, a presumption, concession, or an admission by any Party of liability or non-liability or of the certifiability or non-certifiability of a litigation class, or of any misrepresentation or omission in any statement or written document approved or made by any Party; provided, however, that reference may be made to this Agreement and the Settlement provided for herein in such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Agreement, as further set forth in this Agreement.

#### VI. RELEASES

days of the Effective Date, Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties will be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment will have fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged any and all past, present, and future claims, actions, demands, causes of action, suits, debts, obligations, damages, rights or liabilities, of any nature and description whatsoever, that were alleged or could have been alleged in the Action, known or unknown, recognized now or hereafter, existing or preexisting, expected or unexpected, pursuant to any theory of recovery (including, but not limited to, those based in contract or tort, common law or equity, federal, state, or local law, statute, ordinance, or regulation), against the Released Parties, up until and including the Effective Date, that result from, arise out of, or are based on the facts and practices that were alleged in the Action, for any type of relief that can be released as a matter of law, including, without limitation, claims for monetary relief, damages (whether compensatory, consequential, punitive, exemplary, liquidated, and/or statutory), costs,

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penalties, interest, attorneys' fees, litigation costs, restitution, or equitable relief under Cal. Family Code §§ 6701 and 6710 ("Settlement Class Representative' Released Claims"). Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties are forever enjoined from taking any action seeking any relief against the Released Parties based on any of Settlement Class Representative' Released Claims.

- 44. Upon the implementation of the injunctive relief in ¶ 39, which shall be within 60 days of the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties will be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment will have fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged any and all past, present, and future claims, actions, demands, causes of action, suits, debts, obligations, and rights or liabilities for injunctive and/or declaratory relief, of any nature and description whatsoever, that were alleged or could have been alleged in the Action, known or unknown, existing or preexisting, recognized now or hereafter, expected or unexpected, pursuant to any theory of recovery (including, but not limited to, those based in contract or tort, common law or equity, federal, state, or local law, statute, ordinance, or regulation) against the Released Parties, up until and including the Effective Date, that result from, arise out of, or are based on the facts and practices that were alleged in the Action ("Settlement Class Members' Released Claims"), except that, notwithstanding the foregoing, the Releasing Parties do not release claims for monetary relief or damages. The Releasing Parties are forever enjoined from taking any action seeking injunctive and/or declaratory relief against the Released Parties based on any Settlement Class Members' Released Claims.
- 45. After entering into this Settlement Agreement, the Parties may discover facts other than, different from, or in addition to, those that they know or believe to be true with respect to the claims released by this Settlement Agreement, but they intend to release fully, finally and forever the Released Claims, and in furtherance of such intention, the Releases will remain in effect notwithstanding the discovery or existence of any such additional or different facts. With respect to the Released Claims, Settlement Class Representative (on behalf of themselves and the Settlement Class Members), through their counsel, expressly, knowingly, and voluntarily waive any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by California Civil Code Section 1542 and

1 2 Section 1542, which reads as follows: 3 4 5 DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY. 6 7 8 9 practices alleged in the Action. 46. 10 11 12 13 14 47. finally adjudicated. 15 16 48. 17 18

any statute, rule, and legal doctrine similar, comparable, or equivalent to California Civil Code

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For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 1542 waiver applies only to claims which were or could have been alleged in the Action resulting from, arising out of, or based on the facts and

- The Parties acknowledge, and by operation of law shall be deemed to have acknowledged, that the waiver of the provisions of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code (and any similar State laws) with respect to the claims released by this Settlement Agreement was separately bargained for and was a key element of the Settlement.
- By operation of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment, the Action will be
- Upon the Effective Date: (a) this Settlement Agreement shall be the exclusive remedy for any and all Released Claims of Class Representative and Settlement Class Members; and (b) Class Representative and Settlement Class Members stipulate to be and shall be permanently barred and enjoined by Court order from initiating, asserting, or prosecuting against Released Parties in any federal or state court or tribunal any and all Released Claims.

#### ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND SERVICE AWARD VII.

49. Class Counsel may apply to the Court for an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs not to exceed \$875,000. Class Counsel approximates that it will seek \$25,000 in costs and \$850,000 in fees, but may apply in different amounts not to exceed \$875,000. Niantic will take no position on Class Counsel's application and agrees to pay the amount of fees and costs determined by the Court, up to \$875,000. These terms regarding fees and costs were negotiated and agreed to by the Parties only after full agreement was reached as to all other material terms.

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- 50. Any Attorneys' Fees and Costs Award, as awarded by the Court up to \$875,000, shall be payable by Niantic, as ordered, within the later of (a) twenty-one (21) days after the Court's order awarding fees and expenses, or (b) final approval of the settlement and the expiration of all deadlines in which a class member or any person may challenge final approval. In no event shall Niantic be required to make a payment of attorneys' fees if the Settlement Agreement is not finally approved.
- 51. The Parties agree that the Class Representative may apply to the Court for a Service Award, which shall not exceed \$1,500, for his services as Class Representative. The Parties agree that the decision whether or not to award any such payment, and the amount of that payment, rests in the exclusive discretion of the Court. Niantic agrees to pay the amount determined by the Court, up to \$1,500. Class Representative understands and acknowledges that he may receive no monetary payment, and his agreement to the Settlement is not conditioned on the possibility of receiving monetary payment. Any Service Award, as awarded by the Court, shall be payable by Niantic as ordered, within the later of (a) twenty-one (21) days after the Court's order awarding fees and expenses, or (b) final approval of the settlement and the expiration of all deadlines in which a class member or any person may challenge final approval. In no event shall Niantic be required to make a payment of an incentive award if the Settlement Agreement is not finally approved.

## VIII. MODIFICATION OR TERMINATION OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND NIANTIC'S RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

52. This Settlement Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by or on behalf of all Parties or their respective successors-in-interest and approval of the Court; provided, however that, after entry of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment, the Parties may by written agreement effect such amendments, modifications, or expansions of this Settlement Agreement and its implementing documents (including all Exhibits hereto) without further approval by the Court if such changes are consistent with the Court's Final Approval Order and Final Judgment and do not materially alter, reduce, or limit the rights of Settlement Class Members under this Settlement Agreement.

- 53. This Settlement Agreement and any Exhibits attached hereto constitute the entire agreement among the Parties, and no representations, warranties, or inducements have been made to any Party concerning this Settlement Agreement or its Exhibits other than the representations, warranties, and covenants covered and memorialized in such documents.
- 54. In the event the terms or conditions of this Settlement Agreement are materially modified by any court, any Party in its sole discretion to be exercised within thirty (30) days after such modification may declare this Settlement Agreement null and void. For purposes of this Paragraph, material modifications include any modifications to the definitions of the Settlement Class, Settlement Class Members, Released Parties, or Released Claims, any modifications to the terms of the Settlement consideration described in Paragraph IV.39 and/or any requirement of notice to the Settlement Class. In the event of any material modification by any court, and before exercising their unilateral option to withdraw from this Settlement Agreement pursuant to this Paragraph, the Parties shall meet and confer within seven (7) days of such ruling to attempt to reach an agreement as to how best to effectuate the court-ordered modification.
- 55. In the event that a Party exercises his/her/its option to withdraw from and terminate this Settlement Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 54, then the Settlement proposed herein shall become null and void and shall have no force or effect, the Parties shall not be bound by this Settlement Agreement, and the Parties will be returned to their respective positions existing on November 10, 2022.
- 56. If this Settlement Agreement is not approved by the Court or the Settlement Agreement is terminated or fails to become effective in accordance with the terms of this Settlement Agreement, the Parties will be restored to their respective positions in the Action existing on November 10, 2022. In such event, the terms and provisions of this Settlement Agreement and the memorandum of understanding will have no further force and effect with respect to the Parties and will not be used in this Action or in any other proceeding for any purpose, and any Judgment or order entered by the Court in accordance with the terms of this Settlement Agreement will be treated as vacated.

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57. The procedure for and the allowance or disallowance by the Court of any application for attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, and/or reimbursement to be paid to Class Counsel, and the procedure for any payment to Class Representative, are not part of the settlement of the Released Claims as set forth in this Settlement Agreement, and are to be considered by the Court separately from the Court's consideration of the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the settlement of the Released Claims as set forth in this Settlement Agreement. Any such separate order, finding, ruling, holding, or proceeding relating to any such applications for Attorneys' Fees and Costs and/or payment to Class Representative, or any separate appeal from any separate order, finding, ruling, holding, or proceeding relating to them or reversal or modification of them, shall not operate to terminate or cancel this Settlement Agreement or otherwise affect or delay the finality of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment approving the Settlement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Niantic may terminate the Settlement Agreement in the event the Court awards more than \$875,000 in combined costs and fees. The terms of this Agreement relating to the Attorneys' Fees and Costs Award and Service Awards were negotiated and agreed to by the Parties only after full agreement was reached as to all other material terms of the proposed Settlement, including, but not limited to, any terms relating to the relief to the Settlement Class.

58. Niantic denies the material factual allegations and legal claims asserted in the Action, including any and all charges of wrongdoing or liability arising out of any of the conduct, statements, acts or omissions alleged in the Action. Similarly, this Settlement Agreement provides for no admission of wrongdoing or liability by any of the Released Parties. This Settlement is entered into solely to eliminate the uncertainties, burdens, and expenses of protracted litigation. For the avoidance of doubt, Niantic does not acknowledge the propriety of certifying the Settlement Class for any purpose other than to effectuate the Settlement of the Action. If this Settlement Agreement is terminated pursuant to its terms, or the Effective Date for any reason does not occur, Niantic does not waive, but rather expressly retains and reserves, all rights it had prior to the execution of this Settlement Agreement to challenge all claims and allegations in the Action upon all procedural and factual grounds, including, without limitation, the right to challenge the certifiability of any class claims certified in the Action, and to assert any and all other potential

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defenses or privileges that were available to it at that time, including but not limited to challenging the Court's subject matter jurisdiction over any claims asserted in the Action. Niantic's agreement to this Settlement does not constitute an admission that certification is appropriate outside of the context of this Settlement. The Settlement Class Representative and Class Counsel agree that Niantic retains and reserves these rights, and agree not to take a position to the contrary. Class Counsel shall not refer to or invoke Niantic's decision to accept the certified class for purposes of settlement if the Effective Date does not occur and the Action is later litigated and certification is contested by Niantic.

IX. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

59. The Parties intend the Settlement Agreement to be a final and complete resolution of all disputes between them with respect to the Action. The Settlement Agreement compromises claims that are contested and will not be deemed an admission by Niantic or Class Representative as to the merits of any claim or defense.

60. Unless otherwise specifically provided herein, all notices, demands, or other communications given hereunder shall be sent by email and First Class mail to the following:

#### To Class Representative and the Settlement Class:

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61. All of the Exhibits to this Agreement are an integral part of the Settlement and are incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein.

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62. The Parties agree that the recitals are contractual in nature and form a material part 63. No extrinsic evidence or parol evidence shall be used to interpret, explain, construe,

- contradict, or clarify this Agreement, its terms, the intent of the Parties or their counsel, or the circumstances under which this Settlement Agreement was made or executed. This Settlement Agreement supersedes all prior negotiations and agreements. The Parties expressly agree that the terms and conditions of this Settlement Agreement will control over any other written or oral agreements.
- 64. Unless otherwise noted, all references to "days" in this Agreement shall be to calendar days. In the event any date or deadline set forth in this Agreement falls on a weekend or federal legal holiday, such date or deadline shall be on the first Business Day thereafter.
- 65. The Settlement Agreement, the Settlement, all documents, orders, and other evidence relating to the Settlement, the fact of their existence, any of their terms, any press release or other statement or report by the Parties or by others concerning the Settlement Agreement, the Settlement, their existence, or their terms, any negotiations, proceedings, acts performed, or documents drafted or executed pursuant to or in furtherance of the Settlement Agreement or the Settlement shall not be offered, received, deemed to be, used as, construed as, and do not constitute a presumption, concession, admission, or evidence of (i) the validity of any Released Claims or of any liability, culpability, negligence, or wrongdoing on the part of the Released Parties; (ii) the Court's subject matter jurisdiction over any Released Claims; (iii) any fact alleged, defense asserted, or any fault, misrepresentation, or omission by the Released Parties; (iv) the propriety of certifying a litigation class or any decision by any court regarding the certification of a class, and/or

(v) whether the consideration to be given in this Settlement Agreement represents the relief that could or would have been obtained through trial in the Action, in any trial, civil, criminal, administrative, or other proceeding of the Action or any other action or proceeding in any court, administrative agency, or other tribunal.

- 66. The Parties to this Action or any other Released Parties shall have the right to file the Settlement Agreement and/or the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment in any action that may be brought against them in order to support a defense or counterclaim based on principles of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, good-faith settlement, judgment bar, reduction, or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue preclusion or similar defense or counterclaim.
- 67. The Parties agree that the consideration provided to the Settlement Class and the other terms of the Settlement Agreement were negotiated at arm's length, in good faith by the Parties, and reflect a settlement that was reached voluntarily, after consultation with competent legal counsel, and with the assistance of an independent, neutral mediator.
- 68. The Class Representative and Class Counsel have concluded that the Settlement set forth herein constitutes a fair, reasonable, and adequate resolution of the claims that the Class Representative asserted against Niantic, including the claims on behalf of the Settlement Class, and that it promotes the best interests of the Settlement Class.
- 69. To the extent permitted by law, all agreements made and orders entered during the course of the Action relating to the confidentiality of information shall survive this Settlement Agreement.
- 70. The waiver by one Party of any breach of this Settlement Agreement by any other Party shall not be deemed a waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach of this Settlement Agreement.
- 71. This Settlement Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same instrument. Signatures submitted by email or facsimile shall also be considered originals. The date of execution shall be the latest date on which any Party signs this Settlement Agreement.

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- 72. The Parties hereto and their respective counsel agree that they will use their best efforts to obtain all necessary approvals of the Court required by this Settlement Agreement, including to obtain a Final Approval Order and Final Judgment approving the Settlement.
- 73. This Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto, including any and all Released Parties and any corporation, partnership, or other entity into or with which any Party hereto may merge, consolidate, or reorganize, each of which is entitled to enforce this Settlement Agreement.
- 74. This Settlement Agreement was jointly drafted by the Parties. Class Representative, Settlement Class Members, and/or Niantic shall not be deemed to be the drafters of this Settlement Agreement or of any particular provision, nor shall they argue that any particular provision should be construed against its drafter or otherwise resort to the *contra proferentem* canon of construction. Accordingly, this Settlement Agreement should not be construed in favor of or against one Party as to the drafter, and the Parties agree that the provisions of California Civil Code § 1654 and common law principles of construing ambiguities against the drafter shall have no application.
- 75. Any and all Exhibits to this Settlement Agreement, which are identified in the Settlement Agreement and attached hereto, are material and integral parts hereof and are fully incorporated herein by this reference.
- 76. This Settlement Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, without regard to choice of law principles. Any action to enforce the terms of this Settlement Agreement shall be filed in the Superior Court of the State of California.
- 77. The headings used in this Settlement Agreement are inserted merely for the convenience of the reader, and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Settlement Agreement.
- 78. In construing this Settlement Agreement, the use of the singular includes the plural (and vice-versa) and the use of the masculine includes the feminine (and vice-versa).

- 79. Class Representative and Class Counsel will not issue any press release or communicate with the media regarding the Settlement or the Action without prior approval of Niantic. However, if Class Representative or Class Counsel receive an inquiry from any third party (excluding Settlement Class Members who identify themselves as such), they may only make affirmative statements relating to the Settlement as follows: "The parties have reached a mutually agreeable resolution to a disputed set of class claims that is fair, adequate, and reasonable." Class Counsel reserves all rights to communicate with individual members of the Settlement Class to assist them in understanding the Settlement and nothing herein shall be construed as restricting those rights and responsibilities. Similarly, nothing in this Agreement will affect Niantic's right to communicate with individual members of the Settlement Class relating to matters other than the Action or the proposed Settlement.
- 80. The provision of the confidentiality agreement entered into with respect to the mediation process concerning this matter is waived for the limited purpose of permitting the Parties to confirm the details of the mediation process that are included in this Agreement.
- 81. The Class Representative further acknowledges, agrees, and understands that: (i) he has read and understands the terms of this Agreement; (ii) he has been advised in writing to consult with an attorney before executing this Agreement; and (iii) he has obtained and considered such legal counsel as he deems necessary. The Class Representative enters into this Settlement Agreement with the full ratification and authorization of his guardian, Dominique Davis.
- 82. All of the Parties warrant and represent that they are agreeing to the terms of this Settlement Agreement based upon the legal advice of their respective attorneys, that they have been afforded the opportunity to discuss the contents of this Settlement Agreement with their attorneys, and that the terms and conditions of this document are fully understood and voluntarily accepted.
- 83. Each Party to this Settlement Agreement warrants that he or it is acting upon his or its independent judgment and upon the advice of his or its counsel, and not in reliance upon any warranty or representation, express or implied, of any nature or any kind by any other Party, other than the warranties and representations expressly made in this Settlement Agreement.

1	84. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over the parties to enforce the terms of the Final
2	Judgment.
3	85. Each Counsel or other person executing this Settlement Agreement or any of its
4	Exhibits on behalf of any Party hereby warrants that such person has the full authority to do so.
5	Class Counsel, on behalf of the Settlement Class, is expressly authorized by the Class
6	Representative to take all appropriate action required or permitted to be taken by the Settlement
7	Class pursuant to this Settlement Agreement to effectuate its terms, and is expressly authorized to
8	enter into any modifications or amendments to this Settlement Agreement on behalf of the
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### SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES D.D., a minor, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, Case No. [PROPOSED] FINAL ORDER AND JUDGMENT Plaintiff, v. NIANTIC, INC., Defendant.

The Court has considered the Class Action Settlement Agreement and Release between Plaintiff D.D. ("Plaintiff") and Defendant Niantic, Inc., ("Defendant" or "Niantic"), dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023 ("Settlement Agreement"), the motion for an order finally approving the Settlement Agreement, the record in this Action, the arguments and recommendations made by counsel, and the requirements of the law. The Court finds and orders as follows:

#### I. FINAL APPROVAL OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

1. The Settlement Agreement is approved under California Rules of Court Rule 3.769 and Code of Civil Procedure § 382. The Court finds that the Settlement Agreement and the Settlement it incorporates appear fair, reasonable, and adequate, and its terms are within the range of reasonableness. The Settlement Agreement was entered into at arm's-length by experienced counsel after extensive negotiations spanning months, including with the assistance of a third-party mediator. The Court finds that the Settlement Agreement is not the result of collusion.

#### II. DEFINED TERMS

2. For the purposes of this Final Approval Order and Final Judgment ("Order"), the Court adopts all defined terms as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.

### III. NO ADMISSIONS AND NO EVIDENCE

3. This Order, the Settlement Agreement, the Settlement provided for therein, and any proceedings taken pursuant thereto, are not, and should not in any event be offered, received, or construed as evidence of, a presumption, concession, or an admission by any Party or any of the Released Parties of wrongdoing, to establish a violation of any law or duty, an admission that any of the practices at issue violate any laws or require any disclosures, any liability or non-liability, the certifiability or non-certifiability of a litigation class in this case, or any misrepresentation or omission in any statement or written document approved or made by any Party.

### IV. JURISDICTION

4. For the purposes of the Settlement of the Action, the Court finds it has subject matter and personal jurisdiction over the Parties, including all Settlement Class Members, and venue is proper.

## V. <u>CLASS CERTIFICATION OF RULE 23(B)(2) CLASS FOR SETTLEMENT</u> PURPOSES ONLY

- 5. The Court finds and concludes that, for the purposes of approving this Settlement Agreement only, the proposed Settlement Class meets the requirements for certification under California Code of Civil Procedure § 382: (a) the Settlement Class is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable; (b) there are questions of law or fact common to the Settlement Class; (c) the claims or defenses of the Settlement Class Representative are typical of the claims or defenses of the Settlement Class; (d) Settlement Class Representative and Class Counsel will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Settlement Class because Settlement Class Representative have no interests antagonistic to the Settlement Class, and have retained counsel who are experienced and competent to prosecute this matter on behalf of the Settlement Class; and (e) the Defendant has acted on grounds that apply generally to the Settlement Class, so that final injunctive relief is appropriate respecting the Settlement Class as a whole.
  - 6. The Settlement Agreement was the result of negotiations conducted by the Parties, over the course of multiple months, including with the assistance of a neutral mediator. Settlement Class Representative and Class Counsel maintain that the Action and the claims asserted therein are meritorious and that Settlement Class Representative and the Class would have prevailed at trial. Defendant denies the material factual allegations and legal claims asserted by Settlement Class Representative in this Action, maintains that, other than for settlement purposes, a class would not be certifiable under any Rule, and that the Settlement Class Representative and Class Members would not prevail at trial. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties have agreed to settle the Action pursuant to the provisions of

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the Settlement Agreement, after considering, among other things: (a) the benefits to the Settlement Class Representative and the Settlement Class under the terms of the Settlement Agreement; (b) the uncertainty of being able to prevail at trial; (c) the uncertainty relating to Defendant's defenses and the expense of additional motion practice in connection therewith; (d) obstacles to establishing entitlement to class-wide relief; (e) the attendant risks of litigation, especially in complex actions such as this, as well as the difficulties and delays inherent in such litigation and appeals; and (f) the desirability of consummating the Settlement promptly in order to provide effective relief to the Settlement Class Representative and the Settlement Class.

7. The Court accordingly certifies, for settlement purposes only, a class consisting of all persons in the United States who made a purchase in Pokémon Go while under the age of 18. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (i) all Persons who are directors, officers, and agents of Niantic or its subsidiaries and affiliated companies or are designated by Niantic as employees of Niantic or its subsidiaries and affiliated companies; and (ii) the Court, the Court's immediate family, and Court staff, as well as any appellate court to which this matter is ever assigned, and its immediate family and staff.

### VI. NOTICE

8. <u>Direct</u> notice of the settlement is not required here because the Settlement Agreement only releases claims for injunctive and/or declaratory relief and does not release the monetary or damages claims of the Class, and thus the settlement expressly preserves the individual rights of class members to pursue monetary claims against the defendant. Nonetheless, pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, documents pertaining to the Settlement, preliminary approval, and final approval (including Plaintiffs' motion for attorneys' fees and incentive awards and any opposition or reply papers thereto), were posted on Class Counsel's public website.

#### VII. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASES

9. This Order constitutes a full, final and binding resolution between the Class

Representative's Releasing Parties, on behalf of themselves and the Settlement Class Members, and the Released Parties. This Release shall be applied to the maximum extent permitted by law.

- 10. Upon the Effective Date and by operation of this Order, the Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties will fully, finally, and forever release, relinquish, and discharge any and all Settlement Class Representative's Released Claims, including claims for monetary relief and damages, known and unknown, as well as provide a waiver under California Civil Code Section 1542. Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties are forever enjoined from taking any action seeking any relief against the Released Parties based on any Settlement Class Representative's Released Claims.
- 11. Upon the Effective Date and by operation of this Order, the Releasing Parties will fully, finally, and forever release, relinquish, and discharge the Settlement Class Members' Released Claims, as well as provide a waiver under California Civil Code Section 1542) including any and all claims for injunctive and/or declaratory relief of any kind or character, at law or equity, known or unknown, preliminary or final, under any other federal or state law or rule of procedure, up until and including the Effective Date, that result from, arise out of, are based on, or relate in any way to the practices and claims that were alleged in the Action, except that, notwithstanding the foregoing, the Releasing Parties do not release claims for monetary relief or damages. The Releasing Parties are forever enjoined from taking any action seeking injunctive and/or declaratory relief against the Released Parties based on any Settlement Class Members' Released Claims.
- 12. The Settlement Agreement and this Order shall be the exclusive remedy for any and all Released Claims of the Settlement Class Representatives, Settlement Class Members, and Niantic.

#### VIII. <u>INJUNCTIVE RELIEF</u>

13. Niantic will agree to include language in substantially the following form in its

Terms of Service applicable to U.S. players (currently at https://nianticlabs.com/terms/)for three

(3) years following the Effective Date:

- (a) "You agree that all sales by us to you of Virtual Money and Virtual Goods are final and that we will not permit exchanges or refunds for any unused Virtual Money or Virtual Goods once the transaction has been made, unless otherwise required by law."
- 14. Niantic will, in processing any direct requests for refunds of PokéCoins:
  - (b) For Apple and Samsung purchases, in its standard response redirecting users to Apple or Samsung, add language in substantially the following form: "Please note that app store refund policies may vary based on the location of user and the age of user, including legal minority, at the time of purchase, as may be required by applicable law."
  - (c) For Google Play Store purchases for which Niantic is permitted and does process limited numbers of direct refunds, in its standard response for U.S. users seeking additional information about the purchase, add language to prompt users to indicate whether the purchase of PokéCoins was made when the user was a minor without parental consent, except as prohibited by local law.
- 15. Niantic will, in its public-facing Pokémon GO Help Center, for help pages currently referencing assistance with refunds for PokéCoin purchases:
  - (d) Add specific links to Apple, Google, and Samsung In-App Purchase refund policies for reference;
  - (e) Add language in substantially the following form: "Please note that app store refund policies may vary based on the location of user and the age of user, including legal minority, at the time of purchase, as may be required by applicable law."
- 16. Niantic will also add these Pokémon GO Help Center changes into the in-app Help sections on the same topics.

- 17. For all refund requests processed by Niantic, which currently includes purchases from the Google Play Store, Niantic will implement a dedicated process to address refund requests, subject to confirmation of minority. The personnel staffing this dedicated process will receive further training regarding how to analyze and process such refund requests in accordance with applicable law.
- 18. Niantic will agree that its refund policies and practices with respect to U.S. minors will comply with the California Family Code.

#### IX. ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES AND INCENTIVE AWARDS

- 19. The Court has also considered Plaintiff's Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, Expenses, and Incentive Award, as well as the supporting declarations, and adjudges that the payment of attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses in the amount of \$875,000 is reasonable under California law. *In re Consumer Privacy Cases*, 175 Cal.App.4th 545, 551 (2009); *Wershba v. Apple Computer*, 91 Cal.App.4th 224, 254-255 (2001); *Lealao v. Benefit Cal.*, 82 Cal.App.4th 19, 26-34 (2000); *Serrano v. Priest*, 20 Cal.3d 25, 34-48 (1977). This award includes Class Counsel's unreimbursed litigation expenses. Such payment shall be made pursuant to and in the manner provided by the terms of the Settlement Agreement.
- 20. The Court has also considered Plaintiff's Motion and supporting declarations for an incentive award to the Class Representative, D.D. The Court adjudges that the payment of an incentive award in the amount of \$1,500 to D.D. to compensate him for his efforts and commitment on behalf of the Settlement Class, is fair, reasonable, and justified under the circumstances of this case. Such payment shall be made pursuant to and in the manner provided by the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

# X. <u>AUTHORIZATION TO PARTIES TO IMPLEMENT AGREEMENT AND</u> <u>MODIFICATIONS OF AGREEMENT</u>

21. By this Order, the Parties are hereby authorized to implement the terms of the Settlement Agreement. After the date of entry of this Order, the Parties may by written agreement effect such amendments, modifications, or expansions of the Settlement Agreement

and its implementing documents (including all exhibits thereto) without further approval by the Court if such changes are consistent with terms of this Order and do not materially alter, reduce, or limit the rights of Settlement Class Members under the Settlement Agreement.

### XI. <u>TERMINATION</u>

22. In the event that the Settlement Agreement is terminated pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement, (a) the Settlement Agreement and this Order shall become void, shall have no further force or effect, and shall not be used in any action or other proceedings for any purpose other than as may be necessary to enforce the terms of the Settlement Agreement that survive termination; (b) this matter will revert to the status that existed before execution of the Settlement Agreement; and (c) no term or draft of the Settlement Agreement or any part of the Parties' settlement discussions, negotiations, or documentation (including any briefs filed in support of preliminary or final approval of the Settlement) shall (i) be admissible into evidence for any purpose in any action or other proceeding other than as may be necessary to enforce the terms of the Settlement Agreement that survive termination, (ii) be deemed an admission or concession by any Party regarding the validity of any Released Claim or the propriety of certifying any class against Niantic, or (iii) be deemed an admission or concession by any Party regarding the truth or falsity of any facts alleged in the Action or the availability or lack of availability of any defense to the Released Claims.

#### XII. <u>RETENTION OF JURISDICTION</u>

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[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Rules of Court 3.769, the parties seek entry of an order preliminarily approving the Settlement of this Action pursuant to the settlement agreement fully executed on or about \_\_\_\_\_\_ (the "Agreement"), which, together with its attached exhibits, sets forth the terms and conditions for a proposed Settlement of the Action; and WHEREAS, the Court has read and considered the Settlement Agreement and its exhibits, and Plaintiff's Unopposed Motion for Preliminary Approval; IT IS HEREBY **ORDERED** as follows:

- 1. The motion is GRANTED.
- 2. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Settlement Agreement.
- 3. All proceedings in the Action, other than proceedings necessary to carry out or enforce the terms and conditions of the Agreement and this Order, are hereby stayed.
- 4. The Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the Action, and personal jurisdiction over the Parties before it. Additionally, venue is proper pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code § 395.
- 5. The Action is preliminarily certified as a class action, for settlement purposes only, pursuant to California Rules of Court Rule 3.769 and Code of Civil Procedure § 382. The Court preliminarily finds for settlement purposes that: (a) the Class certified herein is sufficiently numerous that joinder of all such persons would be impracticable; (b) there are questions of law and fact that are common to the Class, and those questions of law and fact common to the Class predominate over any questions affecting any individual Class Member; (c) the claims of the Plaintiff are typical of the claims of the Class they seek to represent for purposes of settlement; (d) a class action on behalf of the Class is superior to other available means of adjudicating this dispute; and (e) as set forth below, Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Counsel are adequate representatives of the Class. Defendant retains all rights to assert that the Action may not be certified as a class action, other than for settlement purposes. The Court also concludes that, because the Action is being settled rather than litigated, the Court "need not

inquire whether the case, if tried, would present intractable management problems." *See Amchem Prods.*, *Inc. v. Windsor*, 521 U.S. 591, 620 (1997).

- 6. The Settlement Class shall consist of "All persons in the United States who made a purchase in Pokémon Go while under the age of 18."
- 7. Upon preliminary review, the Court finds that the Agreement, and the Settlement it incorporates is fair, reasonable, and adequate. *See Manual for Complex Litigation* (Fourth) § 21.632 (2004). Accordingly, the Agreement is preliminarily approved and is sufficient to warrant sending notice to the Class.
- 8. Certification of the Settlement Class shall be solely for settlement purposes, without prejudice to the Parties, and with no other effect upon the Action. In the event the Settlement Agreement is not finally approved by this Court, is terminated, or otherwise does not take effect, the Parties preserve all rights and defenses regarding class certification.
- 9. The Court hereby appoints Plaintiff D.D. as Class Representative to represent the Settlement Class.
- 10. The Court hereby appoints Philip L. Fraietta and Alec M. Leslie of Bursor & Fisher, P.A. as Class Counsel for the Settlement Class.
- Agreement only releases claims for injunctive and/or declaratory relief and does not release the monetary or damages claims of the Class, and thus the settlement expressly preserves the individual rights of class members to pursue monetary claims against the Defendant.

  Nonetheless, pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, documents pertaining to the Settlement, preliminary approval, and final approval (including Plaintiff's motion for attorneys' fees and incentive award and any opposition or reply papers thereto), shall be posted on Class Counsel's public website (http://www.https://www.bursor.com/).
- 12. Each Settlement Class Member shall be given a full opportunity to comment on or object to the Settlement Agreement, and to participate at a Final Approval Hearing.

  Comments or objections must be in writing, and must include (1) the name and case number of

the Action (*D.D. v. Niantic, Inc.*, Case No. 23STCV03241); (2) the Settlement Class Member's full legal name and mailing address; (3) the personal signature of the Settlement Class member; (4) the grounds for any objection; (5) the name and contact information of any and all attorneys representing, advising, or assisting with the comment or objection, or who may profit from pursuing any objection; and (6) a statement indicating whether the Settlement Class Member intends to appear at the Final Approval Hearing, either personally or through counsel. Written objections must be served on Class Counsel and Defense Counsel as follows:

D.D. v. Niantic, Inc. c/o Philip L. Fraietta – Bursor & Fisher, P.A. 1330 Avenue of the Americas, 32nd Floor New York, NY 10019

D.D. v. Niantic, Inc. c/o Jeffrey M. Gutkin – Cooley LLP 3 Embarcadero Center, 20th Floor San Francisco, California 94111-4004

Defense Counsel and Class Counsel shall promptly furnish each other copies of any and all objections that might come into their possession.

Class Members may also appear at the final approval hearing to state their objections, whether or not they have made a written objection or given a notice to appear.

- 13. To be considered, written comments or objections must be submitted within 60 days after the entry of this Order. No Class Member shall be entitled to be heard at the Final Approval Hearing, whether individually or through counsel, unless written notice of the Class Member's intention to appear at the Final Approval Hearing is timely filed, or postmarked for mail to the Court within 60 days after date of entry of this Order.
- 14. The date of the postmark on the envelope containing the written objection shall be the exclusive means used to determine whether an objection has been timely submitted.

  Class Members who fail to mail timely written objections in the manner specified above shall be deemed to have waived any objections and shall be forever barred from objecting to the Settlement Agreement and the proposed settlement by appearing at the Final Approval Hearing,

appeal, collateral attack, or otherwise.

- 15. The Court will hold a final approval hearing on April 4, 2023 at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m, in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, located at Spring Street Courthouse, 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012, in Department 001. The purposes of the final approval hearing will be to: (i) determine whether the proposed Settlement Agreement should be finally approved by the Court as fair, reasonable, adequate, and in the best interests of the Settlement Class; (ii) determine whether judgment should be entered pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, and releasing the Released Persons of all claims as stated in the Settlement Agreement; (iii) determine whether the Settlement Class should be finally certified; (iv) rule on Class Counsel's motion for attorneys' fees, costs and service awards; (v) consider any properly filed objections; and (vi) consider any other matters necessary in connection with the final approval of the Settlement Agreement.
- 16. Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees, costs and expenses shall be filed and served no later than thirty (30) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval. Any opposition, comment, or objection shall be filed no later than sixty (60) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval. Any reply shall be filed no later than seventy-four (74) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval.
- 17. The motion in support of final approval of the settlement shall be filed and served no later than thirty (30) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval. Any opposition or objection shall be filed no later than sixty (60) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval. Any reply shall be filed no later than seventy-four (74) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval.
- 18. The Court may, in its discretion, modify the date and/or time of the final approval hearing, and may order that this hearing be held remotely or telephonically. In the event the Court changes the date, time, and/or the format of the final approval hearing, the Parties shall ensure that the updated information is posted on the Class Counsel's public website.

- 19. If the Settlement Agreement, including any amendment made in accordance therewith, is not approved by the Court or shall not become effective for any reason whatsoever, the Settlement Agreement and any actions taken or to be taken in connection therewith (including this Preliminary Approval Order and any judgment entered herein), shall be terminated and shall become null and void and of no further force and effect except for (i) any obligations to pay for any expense incurred in connection with Notice and Other Administration Costs as set forth in the Settlement Agreement, and (ii) any other obligations or provisions that are expressly designated in the Settlement Agreement to survive the termination of the Settlement Agreement.
- 20. Pending final determination of whether the Settlement Agreement should be finally approved, Plaintiff and all Settlement Class Members are barred and enjoined from filing, commencing, prosecuting, or enforcing any action against the Released Parties insofar as such action asserts claims stated in Section VI of the Settlement Agreement, directly or indirectly, in any judicial, administrative, arbitral, or other forum. This bar and injunction is necessary to protect and effectuate the Settlement Agreement and this Preliminary Approval Order, and this Court's authority to effectuate the Settlement, and is ordered in aid of this Court's jurisdiction.
- 21. This Preliminary Approval Order, the Settlement Agreement, the fact that a settlement was reached and filed, and all negotiations, statements, agreements, and proceedings relating to the Settlement, and any matters arising in connection with settlement negotiations, proceedings, or agreements shall not constitute, be described as, construed as, used as, offered or received against Niantic as evidence or an admission or concession of: (a) the truth of any fact alleged by Plaintiff in the Action; (b) any liability, negligence, fault, or wrongdoing of Niantic or breach of any duty on the part of Niantic; or (c) that this Action or any other action may be properly certified as a class action for litigation, non-settlement purposes. This order is not a finding of the validity or invalidity of any of the claims asserted or defenses raised in the Action.

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### CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

2 This Class Action Settlement Agreement and Release, including Exhibits A-B hereto ("Settlement Agreement" or "Agreement"), is made and entered into by, between, and among Plaintiff D.D., a minor, through Dominique Davis, his mother and legal guardian ("Settlement 4 5 Class Representative"), on behalf of himself and the Settlement Class as defined below, and Defendant Niantic, Inc. ("Defendant" or "Niantic"). Settlement Class Representative, the 6 Settlement Class, and Niantic (collectively, the "Parties") enter into this Agreement to effectuate 8 a full and final settlement and dismissal of D.D. v. Niantic, Inc., pending in the Superior Court of 9 California, County of Los Angeles (the "Action").

#### I. **RECITALS**

- 1. WHEREAS, on August 18, 2022, Plaintiff's counsel informed Niantic of Settlement Class Representative's potential claims against Niantic, on behalf of himself and a class of similarly situated minors, including for declaratory, equitable and monetary relief under the Declaratory Judgment Act, California's contract laws, Consumers Legal Remedies Act Cal. Civ. Code § 1750, et seq., Breach of Good Faith and Fair Dealing, Negligent Misrepresentation, Business and Professions Code Sections 17200 et seq., and for Unjust Enrichment.
- 2. WHEREAS, the Parties agreed to mediate, prior to Settlement Class Representative filing his claims against Niantic.
- 3. WHEREAS, the Parties mediated their dispute with Gregory Lindstrom of Phillips ADR on September 8, 2022, which was unsuccessful, and thereafter engaged in continued arm's length negotiations through Mr. Lindstrom, culminating in a term sheet executed by the Parties on November 9, 2022;
- 4. WHEREAS, Settlement Class Representative believes that his claims are meritorious and that he would be successful at trial, but nevertheless agreed to resolve the Action on the terms set forth in this Settlement Agreement solely to eliminate the uncertainties and delay of further protracted litigation;
- 5. WHEREAS, Niantic, while continuing to deny all allegations of wrongdoing and disclaiming all liability with respect to all claims in the Action, considers it desirable to resolve

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### II. DEFINITIONS

- 8. In addition to the terms defined elsewhere in this Agreement, the following terms, used in this Settlement Agreement, shall have the meanings specified below:
- 9. "Attorneys' Fees and Costs Award" means such funds as may be awarded by the Court to Class Counsel to compensate Class Counsel for its fees, costs, and expenses in connection with the Action and the Settlement, as described in Paragraphs VII.49-VII.50.
- 10. "Business Days" means Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, excluding holidays observed by the federal government.

7. NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED, CONSENTED TO, AND AGREED, by the Settlement Class Representative, for himself and on behalf of the Settlement Class, and by Niantic that, subject to the approval of the Court, the Action shall be settled, compromised, and dismissedadjudged, on the merits and with prejudice, and the Released Claims shall be finally and fully compromised, settled, and dismissedadjudged as to the Released Parties, in the manner and upon the terms and conditions hereafter set forth in this Agreement.

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- "Class Counsel" means L. Timothy Fisher, Philip L. Fraietta, and Alec M. Leslie 11. of Bursor & Fisher, P.A..
  - 12. "Court" means the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.
- 13. "Defense Counsel" means the law firm of Cooley LLP and all of Niantic's attorneys of record in the Action.
- "Effective Date" means seven (7) days after which both of the following events 14. have occurred: (i) the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment have been entered and (ii) the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment have become Final.
- 15. "Niantic" means (i) Niantic, Inc. and its past, present, and future parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, joint ventures, licensees, franchisees, and any other legal entities, whether foreign or domestic, that are owned or controlled by Niantic, and (ii) the past, present, and future shareholders, officers, directors, members, agents, employees, independent contractors, consultants, representative, fiduciaries, insurers, attorneys, legal representative, predecessors, successors, and assigns of the entities in Part (i) of this definition.
- 16. "Fairness Hearing" means the hearing that is to take place after the entry of the Preliminary Approval Order for purposes of: (i) entering the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment and dismissingadjudicating the Action with prejudice; (ii) determining whether the Settlement should be approved as fair, reasonable, and adequate pursuant to applicable California Code of Civil Procedure; (iii) ruling upon an application for Service Awards by the Settlement Class Representative; (iv) ruling upon an application by Class Counsel for an Attorneys' Fees and Costs Award; and (v) entering any final order awarding Attorneys' Fees and Costs and Service Awards.
- 17. "Final" means, with respect to any judicial ruling or order, that: (1) if no appeal, motion for reconsideration, reargument and/or rehearing, or petition for writ of certiorari has been filed, the time has expired to file such an appeal, motion, and/or petition; or (2) if an appeal, motion for reconsideration, reargument and/or rehearing, or petition for a writ of certiorari has been filed, the judicial ruling or order has been affirmed with no further right of review, or such appeal, motion, and/or petition has been denied or dismissed with no further right of review. Any

proceeding or order, or any appeal or petition for a writ of certiorari pertaining solely to any application for attorneys' fees or expenses will not in any way delay or preclude the Judgment from becoming Final.

- 18. "Final Approval Order and Final Judgment" means the order finally approving the terms of this Settlement Agreement and a separate judgment to be entered by the Court after the Fairness Hearing, dismissing adjudicating the Action against Niantie with prejudice, without material variation from the Parties' agreed-upon final approval order and judgment attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- 19. "Legally Authorized Representative" means an administrator/administratrix, personal representative, or executor/executrix of a deceased Settlement Class Member's estate; guardian, conservator, or next friend of an incapacitated Settlement Class Member; or any other legally appointed Person responsible for handling the business affairs of a Settlement Class Member.
- 20. "Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, association, affiliate, joint stock company, estate, trust, unincorporated association, entity, government and any political subdivision thereof, or any other type of business or legal entity.
- 21. "Preliminary Approval Order" means the order that preliminarily approves the Settlement and sets a date for the Final Approval Hearing, without material variation from the Parties' agreed-upon proposed preliminary approval order attached hereto as Exhibit B. Entry of the Preliminary Approval Order shall constitute preliminary approval of the Settlement Agreement.
- 22. "Releases" mean the releases and waivers set forth in this Settlement Agreement and in the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment. The Releases are a material part of the Settlement for Niantic. The Releases shall be construed as broadly as possible to effect complete finality over this Action-involving, including claims that resultwere or could have been alleged resulting from, arisearising out of, areor based on, or relate in any way to the facts and practices and claims that were alleged in the Action.

- 23. "Released Claims" include Settlement Class Representative' Released Claims and Settlement Class Members' Released Claims.
- 24. "Released Parties" means (i) Niantic and its past, present, and future parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, divisions, joint ventures, licensees, franchisees, and any other legal entities, whether foreign or domestic, that are owned or controlled by Niantic; and (ii) the past, present, and future shareholders, officers, directors, members, agents, employees, independent contractors, consultants, administrators, representative, fiduciaries, insurers, attorneys, legal representative, advisors, creditors, predecessors, successors, and assigns of the entities in Part (i) of this Paragraph.
- 25. "Releasing Parties" means Settlement Class Members, and each of their heirs, estates, trustees, principals, beneficiaries, guardians, executors, administrators, representative, agents, attorneys, partners, successors, predecessors-in-interest, and assigns and/or anyone claiming through them or acting or purporting to act for them or on their behalf.
- 26. "Service Award" means the amount approved by the Court to be paid to the Settlement Class Representative as described further in Paragraph VII.51.
- 27. "Settlement" means the settlement of the Action between and among the Settlement Class Representative, the Settlement Class Members, and Niantic, as set forth in this Settlement Agreement, including all attached Exhibits (which are an integral part of this Settlement Agreement and are incorporated in their entirety by reference).
  - 28. "Settlement Class" has the meaning set forth in Paragraph III.34.
- 29. "Settlement Class Member(s)" means any and all persons who fall within the definition of the Settlement Class.
- 30. "Settlement Class Representative" means D.D., through his mother and legal guardian, Dominique Davis.
- 31. "Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties" means each Settlement Class Representative, and each of his heirs, estates, trustees, principals, beneficiaries, guardians, executors, administrators, Representative, agents, attorneys, insurers, subrogees, partners, successors, predecessors-in-interest, and assigns and/or anyone other than Class Members claiming through them or acting or purporting to act for them or on their behalf.

### III. SETTLEMENT CLASS CERTIFICATION

- 32. For purposes of settlement only, the Parties agree to seek provisional certification of the Settlement Class, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure § 382 and Civil Code § 1781.
- 33. The Parties further agree that the Court should make preliminary findings and enter the Preliminary Approval Order granting provisional certification of the Settlement Class subject to the final findings and approval in the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment, and appointing Settlement Class Representative as the Representative of the Settlement Class and Class Counsel as counsel for the Settlement Class.
- 34. For purposes of the provisional certification, the Settlement Class shall be defined as follows:
  - All persons in the United States who made a purchase in Pokémon Go while under the age of 18 from July, 1 2016 to and through the date of preliminary approval.
- 35. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (i) all Persons who are directors, officers, and agents of Niantic or its subsidiaries and affiliated companies or are designated by Niantic as employees of Niantic or its subsidiaries and affiliated companies; and (ii) the Court, the Court's immediate family, and Court staff, as well as any appellate court to which this matter is ever assigned, and its immediate family and staff.
- 36. Niantic does not consent to certification of the Settlement Class (or to the propriety of class treatment) for any purpose other than to effectuate the settlement of this Action. Niantic's agreement to provisional certification does not constitute an admission of wrongdoing, fault, liability, or damage of any kind to Settlement Class Representative or any of the provisional Settlement Class Members.
- 37. Class Notice will be provided via the following information posted on Class Counsel's website: the Settlement Agreement, Plaintiff's motion for preliminary approval, and plaintiff's motion for attorneys' fees and incentive awards (including any opposition and reply papers). Additionally, after making the revisions referenced in ¶ 39(a), Niantic will give Pokémon GO users notice that it has revised its Terms of Service through its standard processes for updating its Terms in the ordinary course of its business (i.e., via an in-app notification).

38. If this Settlement Agreement is terminated pursuant to its terms, disapproved by any court (including any appellate court), and/or not consummated for any reason, or the Effective Date for any reason does not occur, the order certifying the Settlement Class for purposes of effectuating the Settlement, and all preliminary and/or final findings regarding that class certification order, shall be automatically vacated upon notice of the same to the Court, the Action shall proceed as though the Settlement Class had never been certified pursuant to this Settlement Agreement and such findings had never been made, and the Action shall return to the procedural posture as it existed on November 10, 2022, in accordance with this Paragraph. No Party nor counsel shall refer to or invoke the vacated findings and/or order relating to class settlement if this Settlement Agreement is not consummated and the Action is later litigated and contested by Niantic.

### IV. SETTLEMENT CONSIDERATION AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

- 39. In consideration for the dismissal of the Action with prejudice and the releases provided in this Settlement Agreement, and as a result of the Action and Settlement, Niantic agrees to that within 60 days of the Effective Date, it shall implement the following for three years following the Effective Date:
- a) Niantic will agree to include language in substantially the following form in its Terms of Service applicable to U.S. players (currently at https://nianticlabs.com/terms/):
  - i) "You agree that all sales by us to you of Virtual Money and Virtual Goods are final and that we will not permit exchanges or refunds for any unused Virtual Money or Virtual Goods once the transaction has been made, unless otherwise required by law."
  - b) Niantic will, in processing any direct requests for refunds of PokéCoins:
    - i) For Apple and Samsung purchases, in its standard response redirecting users to Apple or Samsung, add language in substantially the following form: "Please note that app store refund policies may vary based on the location of user and the age of user, including legal minority, at the time of purchase, as may be required by applicable law."

California Code of Civil Procedure;

- c) certify the Settlement Class under applicable California Code of Civil Procedure for purposes of settlement only;
- d) find that direct notice to the class is not necessary, and that notice on Class
   Counsel's public website, as provided in this Settlement Agreement, is sufficiently within the range of reasonableness;
- e) incorporate the Releases set forth in this Settlement Agreement and make the Releases effective as of the Effective Date;
  - f) issue the injunctive relief described in this Settlement Agreement;
  - g) authorize the Parties to implement the terms of the Settlement;
- h) dismiss the Action with prejudice and enter a separate judgment pursuant to applicable California Code of Civil Procedure; and
- i) determine that the Agreement and the Settlement provided for herein, and any proceedings taken pursuant thereto, are not, and should not in any event be offered, received, or construed as evidence of, a presumption, concession, or an admission by any Party of liability or non-liability or of the certifiability or non-certifiability of a litigation class, or of any misrepresentation or omission in any statement or written document approved or made by any Party; provided, however, that reference may be made to this Agreement and the Settlement provided for herein in such proceedings as may be necessary to effectuate the provisions of this Agreement, as further set forth in this Agreement.

### VI. RELEASES AND DISMISSAL OF ACTION

43. UponUpon the implementation of the injunctive relief in ¶ 39, which shall be within 60 days of the Effective Date, Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties will be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment will have fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged any and all past, present, and future claims, actions, demands, causes of action, suits, debts, obligations, damages, rights or liabilities, of any nature and description whatsoever, that were alleged or could have been alleged in the Action, known or unknown, recognized now or hereafter, existing or preexisting, expected or unexpected, pursuant to any theory of recovery (including, but not limited to, those based in

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contract or tort, common law or equity, federal, state, or local law, statute, ordinance, or regulation), against the Released Parties, up until and including the Effective Date, that result from, arise out of, or are based on, or relate in any way to the facts and practices and claims that were alleged in the Action, for any type of relief that can be released as a matter of law, including, without limitation, claims for monetary relief, damages (whether compensatory, consequential, punitive, exemplary, liquidated, and/or statutory), costs, penalties, interest, attorneys' fees, litigation costs, restitution, or equitable relief under Cal. Family Code §§ 6701 and 6710 ("Settlement Class Representative' Released Claims"). Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties are forever enjoined from taking any action seeking any relief against the Released Parties based on any of Settlement Class Representative' Released Claims.

- 44. Upon Upon the implementation of the injunctive relief in ¶ 39, which shall be within 60 days of the Effective Date, the Releasing Parties will be deemed to have, and by operation of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment will have fully, finally, and forever released, relinquished, and discharged any and all past, present, and future claims, actions, demands, causes of action, suits, debts, obligations, and rights or liabilities for injunctive and/or declaratory relief, of any nature and description whatsoever, that were alleged or could have been alleged in the Action, known or unknown, existing or preexisting, recognized now or hereafter, expected or unexpected, pursuant to any theory of recovery (including, but not limited to, those based in contract or tort, common law or equity, federal, state, or local law, statute, ordinance, or regulation) against the Released Parties, up until and including the Effective Date, that result from, arise out of, or are based on, or relate in any way to the facts and practices and claims that were alleged in the Action ("Settlement Class Members' Released Claims"), except that, notwithstanding the foregoing, the Releasing Parties do not release claims for monetary relief or damages. The Releasing Parties are forever enjoined from taking any action seeking injunctive and/or declaratory relief against the Released Parties based on any Settlement Class Members' Released Claims.
- 45. After entering into this Settlement Agreement, the Parties may discover facts other than, different from, or in addition to, those that they know or believe to be true with respect to the

claims released by this Settlement Agreement, but they intend to release fully, finally and forever the Released Claims, and in furtherance of such intention, the Releases will remain in effect notwithstanding the discovery or existence of any such additional or different facts. With respect to the Released Claims, Settlement Class Representative (on behalf of themselves and the Settlement Class Members), through their counsel, expressly, knowingly, and voluntarily waive any and all provisions, rights, and benefits conferred by California Civil Code Section 1542 and any statute, rule, and legal doctrine similar, comparable, or equivalent to California Civil Code Section 1542, which reads as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

For the avoidance of doubt, this Section 1542 waiver applies only to claims which were or could have been alleged in the Action resulting from, arising out of, or based on the facts and practices alleged in the Action.

- 46. The Parties acknowledge, and by operation of law shall be deemed to have acknowledged, that the waiver of the provisions of Section 1542 of the California Civil Code (and any similar State laws) with respect to the claims released by this Settlement Agreement was separately bargained for and was a key element of the Settlement.
- 47. By operation of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment, the Action will be dismissed with prejudicefinally adjudicated.
- 48. Upon the Effective Date: (a) this Settlement Agreement shall be the exclusive remedy for any and all Released Claims of Class Representative and Settlement Class Members; and (b) Class Representative and Settlement Class Members stipulate to be and shall be permanently barred and enjoined by Court order from initiating, asserting, or prosecuting against Released Parties in any federal or state court or tribunal any and all Released Claims.

### VII. ATTORNEYS' FEES, COSTS, AND SERVICE AWARD

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- 49. Class Counsel may apply to the Court for an award of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs not to exceed \$875,000. Class Counsel approximates that it will seek \$25,000 in costs and \$850,000 in fees, but may apply in different amounts not to exceed \$875,000. Niantic will take no position on Class Counsel's application and agrees to pay the amount of fees and costs determined by the Court, up to \$875,000. These terms regarding fees and costs were negotiated and agreed to by the Parties only after full agreement was reached as to all other material terms.
- 50. Any Attorneys' Fees and Costs Award, as awarded by the Court up to \$875,000, shall be payable by Niantic, as ordered, within the later of (a) twenty-one (21) days after the Court's order awarding fees and expenses, or (b) final approval of the settlement and the expiration of all deadlines in which a class member or any person may challenge final approval. In no event shall Niantic be required to make a payment of attorneys' fees if the Settlement Agreement is not finally approved.
- Award, which shall not exceed \$1,500, for his services as Class Representative. The Parties agree that the decision whether or not to award any such payment, and the amount of that payment, rests in the exclusive discretion of the Court. Niantic agrees to pay the amount determined by the Court, up to \$1,500. Class Representative understands and acknowledges that he may receive no monetary payment, and his agreement to the Settlement is not conditioned on the possibility of receiving monetary payment. Any Service Award, as awarded by the Court, shall be payable by Niantic as ordered, within the later of (a) twenty-one (21) days after the Court's order awarding fees and expenses, or (b) final approval of the settlement and the expiration of all deadlines in which a class member or any person may challenge final approval. In no event shall Niantic be required to make a payment of an incentive award if the Settlement Agreement is not finally approved.

## VIII. MODIFICATION OR TERMINATION OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND NIANTIC'S RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

52. This Settlement Agreement may be amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by or on behalf of all Parties or their respective successors-in-interest and

 approval of the Court; provided, however that, after entry of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment, the Parties may by written agreement effect such amendments, modifications, or expansions of this Settlement Agreement and its implementing documents (including all Exhibits hereto) without further approval by the Court if such changes are consistent with the Court's Final Approval Order and Final Judgment and do not materially alter, reduce, or limit the rights of Settlement Class Members under this Settlement Agreement.

- 53. This Settlement Agreement and any Exhibits attached hereto constitute the entire agreement among the Parties, and no representations, warranties, or inducements have been made to any Party concerning this Settlement Agreement or its Exhibits other than the representations, warranties, and covenants covered and memorialized in such documents.
- 54. In the event the terms or conditions of this Settlement Agreement are materially modified by any court, any Party in its sole discretion to be exercised within thirty (30) days after such modification may declare this Settlement Agreement null and void. For purposes of this Paragraph, material modifications include any modifications to the definitions of the Settlement Class, Settlement Class Members, Released Parties, or Released Claims, any modifications to the terms of the Settlement consideration described in Paragraph IV.39 and/or any requirement of notice to the Settlement Class. In the event of any material modification by any court, and before exercising their unilateral option to withdraw from this Settlement Agreement pursuant to this Paragraph, the Parties shall meet and confer within seven (7) days of such ruling to attempt to reach an agreement as to how best to effectuate the court-ordered modification.
- 55. In the event that a Party exercises his/her/its option to withdraw from and terminate this Settlement Agreement pursuant to Paragraph 54, then the Settlement proposed herein shall become null and void and shall have no force or effect, the Parties shall not be bound by this Settlement Agreement, and the Parties will be returned to their respective positions existing on November 10, 2022.
- 56. If this Settlement Agreement is not approved by the Court or the Settlement Agreement is terminated or fails to become effective in accordance with the terms of this Settlement Agreement, the Parties will be restored to their respective positions in the Action

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existing on November 10, 2022. In such event, the terms and provisions of this Settlement Agreement and the memorandum of understanding will have no further force and effect with respect to the Parties and will not be used in this Action or in any other proceeding for any purpose, and any Judgment or order entered by the Court in accordance with the terms of this Settlement Agreement will be treated as vacated.

- 57. The procedure for and the allowance or disallowance by the Court of any application for attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, and/or reimbursement to be paid to Class Counsel, and the procedure for any payment to Class Representative, are not part of the settlement of the Released Claims as set forth in this Settlement Agreement, and are to be considered by the Court separately from the Court's consideration of the fairness, reasonableness, and adequacy of the settlement of the Released Claims as set forth in this Settlement Agreement. Any such separate order, finding, ruling, holding, or proceeding relating to any such applications for Attorneys' Fees and Costs and/or payment to Class Representative, or any separate appeal from any separate order, finding, ruling, holding, or proceeding relating to them or reversal or modification of them, shall not operate to terminate or cancel this Settlement Agreement or otherwise affect or delay the finality of the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment approving the Settlement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Niantic may terminate the Settlement Agreement in the event the Court awards more than \$875,000 in combined costs and fees. The terms of this Agreement relating to the Attorneys' Fees and Costs Award and Service Awards were negotiated and agreed to by the Parties only after full agreement was reached as to all other material terms of the proposed Settlement, including, but not limited to, any terms relating to the relief to the Settlement Class.
- 58. Niantic denies the material factual allegations and legal claims asserted in the Action, including any and all charges of wrongdoing or liability arising out of any of the conduct, statements, acts or omissions alleged in the Action. Similarly, this Settlement Agreement provides for no admission of wrongdoing or liability by any of the Released Parties. This Settlement is entered into solely to eliminate the uncertainties, burdens, and expenses of protracted litigation. For the avoidance of doubt, Niantic does not acknowledge the propriety of certifying the Settlement Class for any purpose other than to effectuate the Settlement of the Action. If this

### IX. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

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- 59. The Parties intend the Settlement Agreement to be a final and complete resolution of all disputes between them with respect to the Action. The Settlement Agreement compromises claims that are contested and will not be deemed an admission by Niantic or Class Representative as to the merits of any claim or defense.
- 60. Unless otherwise specifically provided herein, all notices, demands, or other communications given hereunder shall be sent by email and First Class mail to the following:

### <u>To Class Representative and the Settlement Class:</u>

L. Timothy Fisher
ltfisher@bursor.com
Bursor & Fisher, P.A.
1990 N. California Blvd.
Walnut Creek, CA 94596

Philip L. Fraietta pfraietta@bursor.com Alec M. Leslie aleslie@bursor.com 888 7th Ave.

- 66. The Parties to this Action or any other Released Parties shall have the right to file the Settlement Agreement and/or the Final Approval Order and Final Judgment in any action that may be brought against them in order to support a defense or counterclaim based on principles of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, good-faith settlement, judgment bar, reduction, or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue preclusion or similar defense or counterclaim.
- 67. The Parties agree that the consideration provided to the Settlement Class and the other terms of the Settlement Agreement were negotiated at arm's length, in good faith by the Parties, and reflect a settlement that was reached voluntarily, after consultation with competent legal counsel, and with the assistance of an independent, neutral mediator.
- 68. The Class Representative and Class Counsel have concluded that the Settlement set forth herein constitutes a fair, reasonable, and adequate resolution of the claims that the Class Representative asserted against Niantic, including the claims on behalf of the Settlement Class, and that it promotes the best interests of the Settlement Class.
- 69. To the extent permitted by law, all agreements made and orders entered during the course of the Action relating to the confidentiality of information shall survive this Settlement Agreement.
- 70. The waiver by one Party of any breach of this Settlement Agreement by any other Party shall not be deemed a waiver of any other prior or subsequent breach of this Settlement Agreement.

- 71. This Settlement Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which, when taken together, shall constitute one and the same instrument. Signatures submitted by email or facsimile shall also be considered originals. The date of execution shall be the latest date on which any Party signs this Settlement Agreement.
- 72. The Parties hereto and their respective counsel agree that they will use their best efforts to obtain all necessary approvals of the Court required by this Settlement Agreement, including to obtain a Final Approval Order and Final Judgment approving the Settlement.
- 73. This Settlement Agreement shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and assigns of the Parties hereto, including any and all Released Parties and any corporation, partnership, or other entity into or with which any Party hereto may merge, consolidate, or reorganize, each of which is entitled to enforce this Settlement Agreement.
- 74. This Settlement Agreement was jointly drafted by the Parties. Class Representative, Settlement Class Members, and/or Niantic shall not be deemed to be the drafters of this Settlement Agreement or of any particular provision, nor shall they argue that any particular provision should be construed against its drafter or otherwise resort to the *contra proferentem* canon of construction. Accordingly, this Settlement Agreement should not be construed in favor of or against one Party as to the drafter, and the Parties agree that the provisions of California Civil Code § 1654 and common law principles of construing ambiguities against the drafter shall have no application.
- 75. Any and all Exhibits to this Settlement Agreement, which are identified in the Settlement Agreement and attached hereto, are material and integral parts hereof and are fully incorporated herein by this reference.
- 76. This Settlement Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California, without regard to choice of law principles. Any action to enforce the terms of this Settlement Agreement shall be filed in the Superior Court of the State of California.

- 77. The headings used in this Settlement Agreement are inserted merely for the convenience of the reader, and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this Settlement Agreement.
- 78. In construing this Settlement Agreement, the use of the singular includes the plural (and vice-versa) and the use of the masculine includes the feminine (and vice-versa).
- 79. Class Representative and Class Counsel will not issue any press release or communicate with the media regarding the Settlement or the Action without prior approval of Niantic. However, if Class Representative or Class Counsel receive an inquiry from any third party (excluding Settlement Class Members who identify themselves as such), they may only make affirmative statements relating to the Settlement as follows: "The parties have reached a mutually agreeable resolution to a disputed set of class claims that is fair, adequate, and reasonable." Class Counsel reserves all rights to communicate with individual members of the Settlement Class to assist them in understanding the Settlement and nothing herein shall be construed as restricting those rights and responsibilities. Similarly, nothing in this Agreement will affect Niantic's right to communicate with individual members of the Settlement Class relating to matters other than the Action or the proposed Settlement.
- 80. The provision of the confidentiality agreement entered into with respect to the mediation process concerning this matter is waived for the limited purpose of permitting the Parties to confirm the details of the mediation process that are included in this Agreement.
- 81. The Class Representative further acknowledges, agrees, and understands that: (i) he has read and understands the terms of this Agreement; (ii) he has been advised in writing to consult with an attorney before executing this Agreement; and (iii) he has obtained and considered such legal counsel as he deems necessary. The Class Representative enters into this Settlement Agreement with the full ratification and authorization of his guardian, Dominique Davis.
- 82. All of the Parties warrant and represent that they are agreeing to the terms of this Settlement Agreement based upon the legal advice of their respective attorneys, that they have been afforded the opportunity to discuss the contents of this Settlement Agreement with their

1	IN WITNESS	WHEREOF, the P	arties hereto, intending to be legally bound hereby, have
2	duly executed this Settlement Agreement as of the date set forth below.		
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6	Dated:	, 2023	NIANTIC, INC.
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10	Dated.	, 2023	FLAINTIFT D.D.
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12	Dated:	2023	BURSOR & FISHER, P.A.
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## SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES D.D., a minor, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, Case No. [PROPOSED] FINAL ORDER AND JUDGMENT Plaintiff, v. NIANTIC, INC., Defendant.

The Court has considered the Class Action Settlement Agreement and Release between Plaintiff D.D. ("Plaintiff") and Defendant Niantic, Inc., ("Defendant" or "Niantic"), dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023 ("Settlement Agreement"), the motion for an order finally approving the Settlement Agreement, the record in this Action, the arguments and recommendations made by counsel, and the requirements of the law. The Court finds and orders as follows:

### I. FINAL APPROVAL OF THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

1. The Settlement Agreement is approved under California Rules of Court Rule 3.769 and Code of Civil Procedure § 382. The Court finds that the Settlement Agreement and the Settlement it incorporates appear fair, reasonable, and adequate, and its terms are within the range of reasonableness. The Settlement Agreement was entered into at arm's-length by experienced counsel after extensive negotiations spanning months, including with the assistance of a third-party mediator. The Court finds that the Settlement Agreement is not the result of collusion.

### II. DEFINED TERMS

2. For the purposes of this Final Approval Order and Final Judgment ("Order"), the Court adopts all defined terms as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.

### III. NO ADMISSIONS AND NO EVIDENCE

3. This Order, the Settlement Agreement, the Settlement provided for therein, and any proceedings taken pursuant thereto, are not, and should not in any event be offered, received, or construed as evidence of, a presumption, concession, or an admission by any Party or any of the Released Parties of wrongdoing, to establish a violation of any law or duty, an admission that any of the practices at issue violate any laws or require any disclosures, any liability or non-liability, the certifiability or non-certifiability of a litigation class in this case, or any misrepresentation or omission in any statement or written document approved or made by any Party.

### IV. JURISDICTION

4. For the purposes of the Settlement of the Action, the Court finds it has subject matter and personal jurisdiction over the Parties, including all Settlement Class Members, and venue is proper.

# V. <u>CLASS CERTIFICATION OF RULE 23(B)(2) CLASS FOR SETTLEMENT</u> PURPOSES ONLY

- 5. The Court finds and concludes that, for the purposes of approving this Settlement Agreement only, the proposed Settlement Class meets the requirements for certification under California Code of Civil Procedure § 382: (a) the Settlement Class is so numerous that joinder of all members is impracticable; (b) there are questions of law or fact common to the Settlement Class; (c) the claims or defenses of the Settlement Class Representative are typical of the claims or defenses of the Settlement Class; (d) Settlement Class Representative and Class Counsel will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the Settlement Class because Settlement Class Representative have no interests antagonistic to the Settlement Class, and have retained counsel who are experienced and competent to prosecute this matter on behalf of the Settlement Class; and (e) the Defendant has acted on grounds that apply generally to the Settlement Class, so that final injunctive relief is appropriate respecting the Settlement Class as a whole.
  - 6. The Settlement Agreement was the result of negotiations conducted by the Parties, over the course of multiple months, including with the assistance of a neutral mediator. Settlement Class Representative and Class Counsel maintain that the Action and the claims asserted therein are meritorious and that Settlement Class Representative and the Class would have prevailed at trial. Defendant denies the material factual allegations and legal claims asserted by Settlement Class Representative in this Action, maintains that, other than for settlement purposes, a class would not be certifiable under any Rule, and that the Settlement Class Representative and Class Members would not prevail at trial. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties have agreed to settle the Action pursuant to the provisions of

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the Settlement Agreement, after considering, among other things: (a) the benefits to the Settlement Class Representative and the Settlement Class under the terms of the Settlement Agreement; (b) the uncertainty of being able to prevail at trial; (c) the uncertainty relating to Defendant's defenses and the expense of additional motion practice in connection therewith; (d) obstacles to establishing entitlement to class-wide relief; (e) the attendant risks of litigation, especially in complex actions such as this, as well as the difficulties and delays inherent in such litigation and appeals; and (f) the desirability of consummating the Settlement promptly in order to provide effective relief to the Settlement Class Representative and the Settlement Class.

7. The Court accordingly certifies, for settlement purposes only, a class consisting of all persons in the United States who made a purchase in Pokémon Go while under the age of 18. Excluded from the Settlement Class are (i) all Persons who are directors, officers, and agents of Niantic or its subsidiaries and affiliated companies or are designated by Niantic as employees of Niantic or its subsidiaries and affiliated companies; and (ii) the Court, the Court's immediate family, and Court staff, as well as any appellate court to which this matter is ever assigned, and its immediate family and staff.

### VI. NOTICE

8. <u>Direct</u> notice of the settlement is not required here because the Settlement Agreement only releases claims for injunctive and/or declaratory relief and does not release the monetary or damages claims of the Class, and thus the settlement expressly preserves the individual

9.8. rights of class members to pursue monetary claims against the defendant. Nonetheless, pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, documents pertaining to the Settlement, preliminary approval, and final approval (including Plaintiffs' motion for attorneys' fees and incentive awards and any opposition or reply papers thereto), were posted on Class Counsel's public website.

### VII. CLAIMS COVERED AND RELEASES

10.9. This Order constitutes a full, final and binding resolution between the Class Representative's Releasing Parties, on behalf of themselves and the Settlement Class Members, and the Released Parties. This Release shall be applied to the maximum extent permitted by law.

H-10. Upon the Effective Date and by operation of this Order, the Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties will fully, finally, and forever release, relinquish, and discharge any and all Settlement Class Representative's Released Claims, including claims for monetary relief and damages, known and unknown, as well as provide a waiver under California Civil Code Section 1542. Settlement Class Representative's Releasing Parties are forever enjoined from taking any action seeking any relief against the Released Parties based on any Settlement Class Representative's Released Claims.

12:11. Upon the Effective Date and by operation of this Order, the Releasing Parties will fully, finally, and forever release, relinquish, and discharge the Settlement Class Members' Released Claims, as well as provide a waiver under California Civil Code Section 1542) including any and all claims for injunctive and/or declaratory relief of any kind or character, at law or equity, known or unknown, preliminary or final, under any other federal or state law or rule of procedure, up until and including the Effective Date, that result from, arise out of, are based on, or relate in any way to the practices and claims that were alleged in the Action, except that, notwithstanding the foregoing, the Releasing Parties do not release claims for monetary relief or damages. The Releasing Parties are forever enjoined from taking any action seeking injunctive and/or declaratory relief against the Released Parties based on any Settlement Class Members' Released Claims.

13.12. The Settlement Agreement and this Order shall be the exclusive remedy for any and all Released Claims of the Settlement Class Representatives, Settlement Class Members, and Niantic.

### VIII. <u>INJUNCTIVE RELIEF</u>

- 14.13. Niantic will agree to include language in substantially the following form in its

  Terms of Service applicable to U.S. players (currently at https://nianticlabs.com/terms/)for three

  (3) years following the Effective Date:
  - (a) "You agree that all sales by us to you of Virtual Money and Virtual Goods are final and that we will not permit exchanges or refunds for any unused Virtual Money or Virtual Goods once the transaction has been made, unless otherwise required by law."
  - 15.14. Niantic will, in processing any direct requests for refunds of PokéCoins:
    - (b) For Apple and Samsung purchases, in its standard response redirecting users to Apple or Samsung, add language in substantially the following form: "Please note that app store refund policies may vary based on the location of user and the age of user, including legal minority, at the time of purchase, as may be required by applicable law."
    - (c) For Google Play Store purchases for which Niantic is permitted and does process limited numbers of direct refunds, in its standard response for U.S. users seeking additional information about the purchase, add language to prompt users to indicate whether the purchase of PokéCoins was made when the user was a minor without parental consent, except as prohibited by local law.
- 16.15. Niantic will, in its public-facing Pokémon GO Help Center, for help pages currently referencing assistance with refunds for PokéCoin purchases:
  - (d) Add specific links to Apple, Google, and Samsung In-App Purchase refund policies for reference;
  - (e) Add language in substantially the following form: "Please note that app store refund policies may vary based on the location of user and the age of user, including legal minority, at the time of purchase, as may be required by applicable law."

<u>17.16.</u> Niantic will also add these Pokémon GO Help Center changes into the in-app Help sections on the same topics.

18.17. For all refund requests processed by Niantic, which currently includes purchases from the Google Play Store, Niantic will implement a dedicated process to address refund requests, subject to confirmation of minority. The personnel staffing this dedicated process will receive further training regarding how to analyze and process such refund requests in accordance with applicable law.

19.18. Niantic will agree that its refund policies and practices with respect to U.S. minors will comply with the California Family Code.

## IX. <u>ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES AND INCENTIVE AWARDS</u>

20.19. The Court has also considered Plaintiff's Motion for Attorneys' Fees, Costs, Expenses, and Incentive Award, as well as the supporting declarations, and adjudges that the payment of attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses in the amount of \$875,000 is reasonable under California law. *In re Consumer Privacy Cases*, 175 Cal.App.4th 545, 551 (2009); *Wershba v. Apple Computer*, 91 Cal.App.4th 224, 254-255 (2001); *Lealao v. Benefit Cal.*, 82 Cal.App.4th 19, 26-34 (2000); *Serrano v. Priest*, 20 Cal.3d 25, 34-48 (1977). This award includes Class Counsel's unreimbursed litigation expenses. Such payment shall be made pursuant to and in the manner provided by the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

21.20. The Court has also considered Plaintiff's Motion and supporting declarations for an incentive award to the Class Representative, D.D. The Court adjudges that the payment of an incentive award in the amount of \$1,500 to D.D. to compensate him for his efforts and commitment on behalf of the Settlement Class, is fair, reasonable, and justified under the circumstances of this case. Such payment shall be made pursuant to and in the manner provided by the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

## X. <u>AUTHORIZATION TO PARTIES TO IMPLEMENT AGREEMENT AND</u> MODIFICATIONS OF AGREEMENT

22.21. By this Order, the Parties are hereby authorized to implement the terms of the Settlement Agreement. After the date of entry of this Order, the Parties may by written agreement effect such amendments, modifications, or expansions of the Settlement Agreement and its implementing documents (including all exhibits thereto) without further approval by the Court if such changes are consistent with terms of this Order and do not materially alter, reduce, or limit the rights of Settlement Class Members under the Settlement Agreement.

## XI. <u>TERMINATION</u>

23-22. In the event that the Settlement Agreement is terminated pursuant to the terms of the Settlement Agreement, (a) the Settlement Agreement and this Order shall become void, shall have no further force or effect, and shall not be used in any action or other proceedings for any purpose other than as may be necessary to enforce the terms of the Settlement Agreement that survive termination; (b) this matter will revert to the status that existed before execution of the Settlement Agreement; and (c) no term or draft of the Settlement Agreement or any part of the Parties' settlement discussions, negotiations, or documentation (including any briefs filed in support of preliminary or final approval of the Settlement) shall (i) be admissible into evidence for any purpose in any action or other proceeding other than as may be necessary to enforce the terms of the Settlement Agreement that survive termination, (ii) be deemed an admission or concession by any Party regarding the validity of any Released Claim or the propriety of certifying any class against Niantic, or (iii) be deemed an admission or concession by any Party regarding the truth or falsity of any facts alleged in the Action or the availability or lack of availability of any defense to the Released Claims.

## XII. <u>RETENTION OF JURISDICTION</u>

24.23. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over any claim relating to the Settlement Agreement (including all claims for enforcement of the Settlement Agreement and/or all claims

arising out of a breach of the Settlement Agreement) as well as any future claims by any Settlement Class Member relating in any way to the Released Claims.  XHI. FINAL JUDGMENT AND DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE  25. By operation of this Order, this Action is hereby dismissed with prejudice.  DATED:  DATED:  2000000072-41  10  11  12  2000000072-41				
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14	Plaintiff,	[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS	
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[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING PRELIMINARY APPROVAL OF CLASS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, pursuant to California Rules of Court 3.769, the parties seek entry of an order preliminarily approving the Settlement of this Action pursuant to the settlement agreement fully executed on or about \_\_\_\_\_\_ (the "Agreement"), which, together with its attached exhibits, sets forth the terms and conditions for a proposed Settlement of the Action; and WHEREAS, the Court has read and considered the Settlement Agreement and its exhibits, and Plaintiff's Unopposed Motion for Preliminary Approval; IT IS HEREBY **ORDERED** as follows:

- 1. The motion is GRANTED.
- 2. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein have the meanings set forth in the Settlement Agreement.
- 3. All proceedings in the Action, other than proceedings necessary to carry out or enforce the terms and conditions of the Agreement and this Order, are hereby stayed.
- 4. The Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the Action, and personal jurisdiction over the Parties before it. Additionally, venue is proper pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code § 395.
- 5. The Action is preliminarily certified as a class action, for settlement purposes only, pursuant to California Rules of Court Rule 3.769 and Code of Civil Procedure § 382. The Court preliminarily finds for settlement purposes that: (a) the Class certified herein is sufficiently numerous that joinder of all such persons would be impracticable; (b) there are questions of law and fact that are common to the Class, and those questions of law and fact common to the Class predominate over any questions affecting any individual Class Member; (c) the claims of the Plaintiff are typical of the claims of the Class they seek to represent for purposes of settlement; (d) a class action on behalf of the Class is superior to other available means of adjudicating this dispute; and (e) as set forth below, Plaintiff and Plaintiff's Counsel are adequate representatives of the Class. Defendant retains all rights to assert that the Action may not be certified as a class action, other than for settlement purposes. The Court also concludes that, because the Action is being settled rather than litigated, the Court "need not

inquire whether the case, if tried, would present intractable management problems." *See Amchem Prods.*, *Inc. v. Windsor*, 521 U.S. 591, 620 (1997).

- 6. The Settlement Class shall consist of "All persons in the United States who made a purchase in Pokémon Go while under the age of 18."
- 7. Upon preliminary review, the Court finds that the Agreement, and the Settlement it incorporates is fair, reasonable, and adequate. *See Manual for Complex Litigation* (Fourth) § 21.632 (2004). Accordingly, the Agreement is preliminarily approved and is sufficient to warrant sending notice to the Class.
- 8. Certification of the Settlement Class shall be solely for settlement purposes, without prejudice to the Parties, and with no other effect upon the Action. In the event the Settlement Agreement is not finally approved by this Court, is terminated, or otherwise does not take effect, the Parties preserve all rights and defenses regarding class certification.
- 9. The Court hereby appoints Plaintiff D.D. as Class Representative to represent the Settlement Class.
- 10. The Court hereby appoints Philip L. Fraietta and Alec M. Leslie of Bursor & Fisher, P.A. as Class Counsel for the Settlement Class.
- Agreement only releases claims for injunctive and/or declaratory relief and does not release the monetary or damages claims of the Class, and thus the settlement expressly preserves the individual rights of class members to pursue monetary claims against the Defendant.

  Nonetheless, pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, documents pertaining to the Settlement, preliminary approval, and final approval (including Plaintiff's motion for attorneys' fees and incentive award and any opposition or reply papers thereto), shall be posted on Class Counsel's public website (http://www.https://www.bursor.com/).
- 12. Each Settlement Class Member shall be given a full opportunity to comment on or object to the Settlement Agreement, and to participate at a Final Approval Hearing.

  Comments or objections must be in writing, and must include (1) the name and case number of

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c/o [Settlement Administrator]

[Insert Settlement Administrator address]Philip L. Fraietta

– Bursor & Fisher, P.A.

The Settlement Administrator, 1330 Avenue of the

New York, NY 10019

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Defense Counsel, and Class Counsel shall promptly furnish each other copies of any and all objections that might come into their possession.

Class Members may also appear at the final approval hearing to state their objections, whether or not they have made a written objection or given a notice to appear.

- 13. To be considered, written comments or objections must be submitted within 60 days after the entry of this Order. No Class Member shall be entitled to be heard at the Final Approval Hearing, whether individually or through counsel, unless written notice of the Class Member's intention to appear at the Final Approval Hearing is timely filed, or postmarked for mail to the Court within 60 days after date of entry of this Order.
- 14. The date of the postmark on the envelope containing the written objection shall be the exclusive means used to determine whether an objection has been timely submitted.

  Class Members who fail to mail timely written objections in the manner specified above shall

be deemed to have waived any objections and shall be forever barred from objecting to the Settlement Agreement and the proposed settlement by appearing at the Final Approval Hearing, appeal, collateral attack, or otherwise.

- 16. Class Counsel's application for attorneys' fees, costs and expenses shall be filed and served no later than thirty (30) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval. Any opposition, comment, or objection shall be filed no later than sixty (60) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval. Any reply shall be filed no later than seventy-four (74) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval.
- 17. The motion in support of final approval of the settlement shall be filed and served no later than thirty (30) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval. Any opposition or objection shall be filed no later than sixty (60) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval. Any reply shall be filed no later than seventy-four (74) days after the Court's order of preliminary approval.
- 18. The Court may, in its discretion, modify the date and/or time of the final approval hearing, and may order that this hearing be held remotely or telephonically. In the

event the Court changes the date, time, and/or the format of the final approval hearing, the Parties shall ensure that the updated information is posted on the Class Counsel's public website.

- 19. If the Settlement Agreement, including any amendment made in accordance therewith, is not approved by the Court or shall not become effective for any reason whatsoever, the Settlement Agreement and any actions taken or to be taken in connection therewith (including this Preliminary Approval Order and any judgment entered herein), shall be terminated and shall become null and void and of no further force and effect except for (i) any obligations to pay for any expense incurred in connection with Notice and Other Administration Costs as set forth in the Settlement Agreement, and (ii) any other obligations or provisions that are expressly designated in the Settlement Agreement to survive the termination of the Settlement Agreement.
- 20. Pending final determination of whether the Settlement Agreement should be finally approved, Plaintiff and all Settlement Class Members are barred and enjoined from filing, commencing, prosecuting, or enforcing any action against the Released Parties insofar as such action asserts claims stated in Section VI of the Settlement Agreement, directly or indirectly, in any judicial, administrative, arbitral, or other forum. This bar and injunction is necessary to protect and effectuate the Settlement Agreement and this Preliminary Approval Order, and this Court's authority to effectuate the Settlement, and is ordered in aid of this Court's jurisdiction.
- 21. This Preliminary Approval Order, the Settlement Agreement, the fact that a settlement was reached and filed, and all negotiations, statements, agreements, and proceedings relating to the Settlement, and any matters arising in connection with settlement negotiations, proceedings, or agreements shall not constitute, be described as, construed as, used as, offered or received against Niantic as evidence or an admission or concession of: (a) the truth of any fact alleged by Plaintiff in the Action; (b) any liability, negligence, fault, or wrongdoing of Niantic or breach of any duty on the part of Niantic; or (c) that this Action or any other action

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