IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

	Ref: Docket Nos. 14 & 80
Debtors.	(Jointly Administered)
F21 OPCO, LLC, et al., 1	Case No. 25-10469 (MFW)
In re:	Chapter 11

CERTIFICATION OF COUNSEL REGARDING REVISED PROPOSED FINAL ORDER AUTHORIZING (I) THE DEBTORS TO ASSUME THE AGENCY AGREEMENT, (II) THE CONDUCT OF THE STORE CLOSING SALES, WITH SUCH SALES TO BE FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL LIENS, CLAIMS, AND ENCUMBRANCES, AND (III GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

On March 17, 2025, the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") filed the Debtors' Motion for Entry of (I) Interim Order Authorizing (A) the Conduct of the Store Closing Sales, with Such Sales to be Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances and (B) Granting Related Relief, and (II) Final Order Authorizing (A) the Debtors to Assume the Agency Agreement, (B) the Conduct of the Store Closing Sales, with Such Sales to be Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances, and (C) Granting Related Relief [D.I. 14] (the "Motion"). A proposed form of order approving the Motion on a final basis was attached to the Motion as Exhibit B (the "Proposed Final Order").

On March 18, 2025, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") entered an order approving the Motion on an interim basis [D.I. 80] (the "Interim Order"). The Interim Order included certain provisions that the Debtors included at the request

The Debtors in these cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: F21 OpCo, LLC (8773); F21 Puerto Rico, LLC (5906); and F21 GiftCo Management, LLC (6412). The Debtors' address for purposes of service in these Chapter 11 Cases is 110 East 9th Street, Suite A500, Los Angeles, CA 90079.



of certain landlords (the "<u>Responding Landlords</u>"). Pursuant to the Interim Order, any objections or responses to entry of the Proposed Final Order were to be filed and served by April 8, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. (ET) (the "<u>Objection Deadline</u>"), as may have been extended for certain parties.

Prior to the Objection Deadline, the Debtors received informal comments to the Proposed Final Order from Broward County Tax Collector ("Broward County") and the Texas Taxing Authorities. The Debtors did not receive any other informal responses or objections to the Motion. To resolve the comments that the Debtors received from Broward County and the Texas Taxing Authorities, and to conform the Proposed Final Order to the changes made to the Interim Order at the request of the Responding Landlords, the Debtors revised the Proposed Final Order, as reflected in the revised Proposed Final Order attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Revised Proposed Final Order"). For the convenience of the Court and other interested parties, a blackline comparing the Revised Proposed Final Order against the Proposed Final Order is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

As the Debtors did not receive any objections or responses other than those described herein, and as the Responding Landlords, Broward County, and the Texas Taxing Authorities do not object to entry of the Revised Proposed Final Order, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter the Revised Proposed Final Order without further notice or hearing at the Court's earliest convenience.

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Dated: April 10, 2025 YOUNG CONAWAY STARGATT & TAYLOR, LLP

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EXHIBIT A

Revised Proposed Final Order

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FINAL ORDER AUTHORIZING (I) THE DEBTORS TO ASSUME THE AGENCY AGREEMENT, (II) THE CONDUCT OF THE STORE CLOSING SALES, WITH SUCH SALES TO BE FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL LIENS, CLAIMS, AND ENCUMBRANCES, AND (III) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

Upon the motion (the "Motion")² of the Debtors for entry of a final order (this "Final Order") (a) authorizing the Debtors, upon entry of the Final Order, to assume the Agency Agreement, (b) authorizing the Debtors to conduct store closing or similar themed sales in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines, with such sales to be free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances, and (c) granting certain related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and the First Day Declaration; and this Court having previously entered that certain *Interim Order Authorizing* (I) the Conduct of the Store Closing Sales, with Such Sales to be Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances and (II) Granting Related Relief [D.I. 80] (the "Interim Order"); and this Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Amended Standing Order of Reference from

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² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Motion.

the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2) and that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given and that no other or further notice is necessary; and upon the record herein; and after due deliberation thereon; and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest, it is hereby

FOUND, CONCLUDED AND DETERMINED THAT:3

- A. The Debtors' decision to (i) enter into the Agency Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**, and (ii) perform under and make payments required by the Agency Agreement, is a reasonable exercise of the Debtors' sound business judgment consistent with their fiduciary duties and is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and all other parties in interest.
- B. The Agency Agreement was negotiated, proposed, and entered into by the Agent and the Debtors without collusion, in good faith, and from arm's length bargaining positions.
- C. Time is of the essence in effectuating the Agency Agreement and continuing with the Store Closing Sales contemplated therein without interruption. The conduct of the Store Closing Sales will provide an efficient means for the Debtors to dispose of the Store Closing

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The findings and conclusions set forth herein constitute this Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7052, made applicable to this proceeding pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9014. To the extent any of the following findings of fact constitute conclusions of law, they are adopted as such. To the extent any of the following conclusions of law constitute findings of fact, they are adopted as such.

Assets. The Store Closing Sales under the Agency Agreement must be permitted to continue to maximize the value that the Agent may realize from the Store Closing Sales and the value that the Debtors may realize from assuming the Agency Agreement.

- D. The Agent is not an "insider" as that term is defined in section 101(31) of the Bankruptcy Code. No common identity of directors or controlling stockholders exists between the Agent and the Debtors.
- E. The Sale Guidelines, as described in the Motion and attached as **Exhibit 2** hereto, are reasonable and appropriate and will maximize the returns on the Store Closing Assets for the benefit of the Debtors' estates and creditors.
- F. The Store Closing Sales, in accordance with the Sale Guidelines and with the assistance of the Agent, will provide an efficient means for the Debtors to liquidate and dispose of the Store Closing Assets as quickly and effectively as possible, and are in the best interests of the Debtors' estates.
- G. The Resolution Procedures are fair and reasonable, and comply with applicable law.
- H. The Debtors have represented that, pursuant to the Motion, they are not seeking to either sell or lease personally identifiable information during the course of the Store Closing Sales at the Closing Stores; *provided*, *however*, that the Agent will be authorized to distribute emails and promotional materials to the Debtors' customers consistent with the Debtors' existing policies on the use of consumer information.
- I. No sale, transfer or other disposition of the Store Closing Assets pursuant to the Agency Agreement or entry into the Agency Agreement will subject the Agent to any liability for claims, obligations or Encumbrances asserted against the Debtors or the Debtors' interests in

such Store Closing Assets by reason of such transfer under any laws, including, without limitation, any bulk-transfer laws or any theory of successor or transferee liability, antitrust, environmental, product line, de facto merger or substantial continuity or similar theories. The Agent is not a successor to the Debtors or their respective estates.

- J. The relief set forth herein is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm to the Debtors and their estates, and the Debtors have demonstrated good, sufficient, and sound business purposes and justifications for the relief approved herein.
- K. The entry of this Final Order is in the best interest of the Debtors, their estates and creditors, and all other parties in interest herein.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED on a final basis, as set forth herein.
- 2. All objections to the entry of this Final Order, to the extent not withdrawn or settled, are overruled.

I. ASSUMPTION OF THE AGENCY AGREEMENT

3. The Agency Agreement is hereby assumed pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are authorized to act and perform in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement, including, but not limited to, making payments required by the Agency Agreement to the Agent without the need for any application of the Agent or a further order of this Court. Notwithstanding this or any other provision of this Final Order, nothing shall prevent or be construed to prevent any of the Agent (individually, as part of a joint venture, or otherwise) or any of their affiliates from bidding on the Debtors' other assets pursuant to an agency agreement or otherwise, and Agent is hereby authorized to bid on and guarantee or otherwise acquire such assets notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Bankruptcy Code

or other applicable law, provided that such guarantee, transaction or acquisition is approved by separate order of this Court.

4. Subject to the restrictions set forth in this Final Order and the Sale Guidelines, the Debtors and the Agent are authorized to take any and all actions as may be necessary or desirable to implement the Agency Agreement and the Store Closing Sales; and each of the transactions contemplated by the Agency Agreement.

II. AUTHORITY TO ENGAGE IN THE STORE CLOSING SALES

- 5. The Debtors are authorized, pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code, to immediately continue and conduct the Store Closing Sales in accordance with this Final Order, the Sale Guidelines, the Agency Agreement, and any Side Letter (defined below).
 - 6. The Sale Guidelines are approved in their entirety.
- 7. All entities that are presently in possession of some or all of the Store Closing Assets in which the Debtors hold an interest that are or may be subject to the Agency Agreement or this Final Order hereby are directed to surrender possession of such Store Closing Assets to the Debtors or the Agent.
- 8. Except as provided herein, neither the Debtors nor the Agent nor any of their officers, employees, or agents shall be required to obtain the approval of any third party, including (without limitation) any Governmental Unit or any Landlord, to conduct the Store Closing Sales and any related activities in accordance with the Sale Guidelines.

III. ORDER BINDING

9. This Final Order shall be binding upon and shall govern the acts of all entities, including, without limitation, all filing agents, filing officers, title agents, title companies,

recorders of mortgages, recorders of deeds, registrars of deeds, administrative agencies, governmental departments, secretaries of state, federal, state and local officials, and all other persons and entities who may be required by operation of law, the duties of their office, or contract, to accept, file, register or otherwise record or release any documents or instruments, or who may be required to report or insure any title or state of title in or to the Store Closing Assets.

10. This Final Order and the terms and provisions of the Agency Agreement shall be binding on all of the Debtors' creditors (whether known or unknown), the Debtors, the Agent, and their respective affiliates, successors and assigns, and any affected third parties including, but not limited to, all persons asserting an interest in the Store Closing Assets, notwithstanding any subsequent appointment of any trustee, party, entity or other fiduciary under any section of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the forgoing parties, and as to such trustee, party, entity or other fiduciary, such terms and provisions likewise shall be binding. The provisions of this Final Order and the terms and provisions of the Agency Agreement, and any actions taken pursuant hereto or thereto shall survive the entry of any order which may be entered confirming or consummating any plan(s) of the Debtors or converting the Debtors' cases from chapter 11 to chapter 7, and the terms and provisions of the Agency Agreement, as well as the rights and interests granted pursuant to this Final Order and the Agency Agreement, shall continue in these or any superseding cases and shall be binding upon the Debtors, the Agent and their respective successors and permitted assigns, including any trustee or other fiduciary hereafter appointed as a legal representative of the Debtors under chapter 7 or chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. Any trustee appointed in this case shall be and hereby is authorized to operate the Debtors' business to the fullest extent necessary to permit compliance with the terms of this Final Order and the Agency Agreement, and Agent and the trustee shall be and hereby are authorized to perform

under the Agency Agreement upon the appointment of the trustee without the need for further order of this Court.

IV. CONDUCTING THE STORE CLOSING SALES

- 11. Except as otherwise provided in the Agency Agreement, pursuant to section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Agent is authorized to sell all the Store Closing Assets to be sold pursuant to the Agency Agreement free and clear of any and all liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests ("Encumbrances"), including, without limitation, the liens and security interests, as the same may have been amended from time to time, of Wells Fargo and the Prepetition Term Loan Agent whether arising by agreement, any statute or otherwise and whether arising before, on or after the date on which these Chapter 11 Cases were commenced; provided, however, that any such Encumbrances shall attach to the proceeds of the sale of the Store Closing Assets with the same validity, in the amount, with the same priority as, and to the same extent that any such liens, claims, and encumbrances have with respect to the Store Closing Assets, subject to (i) the ABL-Term Loan Intercreditor Agreement and (ii) any claims and defenses that the Debtors may possess with respect thereto.
- 12. Other than filings made by Wells Fargo and the Prepetition Term Loan Agent with respect to their liens and security interests in the Store Closing Assets, if any person or entity that has filed financing statements, mortgages, construction or mechanic's liens, lis pendens or other documents or agreement evidencing liens on or interests in the Store Closing Assets shall not have delivered to the Debtors, in proper form for filing and executed by the appropriate parties, termination statements, instruments of satisfaction, or releases of any Encumbrances which the person or entity has with respect to the Store Closing Assets, each such person or entity is hereby directed to deliver all such statements, instruments and releases and the

Debtors and the Agent are hereby authorized to execute and file such statements, instruments, releases and other documents on behalf of the person or entity asserting the same and the Agent is authorized to file a copy of this Final Order which, upon filing, shall be conclusive evidence of the release and termination of such interest. Each and every federal, state and local governmental unit is hereby directed to accept any and all documents and instruments necessary or appropriate to give effect to the Store Closing Sales and related transactions.

- 13. All newspapers and other advertising media in which the Store Closing Sales may be advertised and all Landlords or licensors, as applicable, of the Closing Stores are directed to accept this Final Order as binding authority so as to authorize the Debtors and the Agent to conduct the Store Closing Sales and the sale of Store Closing Assets pursuant to the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines, including, without limitation, to conduct and advertise the sale of the Store Closing Assets and the Additional Agent Goods in the manner contemplated by and in accordance with this Final Order, the Sale Guidelines, and the Agency Agreement.
- 14. Nothing nullifies or enjoins the enforcement of any liability to a Governmental Unit under environmental laws or regulations (or any associated liabilities for penalties, damages, cost recovery, or injunctive relief) that any entity would be subject to as the owner, lessor, lessee, or operator of the property after the date of entry of this Final Order. Nothing contained in this Final Order or in the Agency Agreement shall in any way (a) diminish the obligation of any entity to comply with environmental laws, or (b) diminish the obligations of the Debtors to comply with environmental laws consistent with their rights and obligations as debtors in possession under the Bankruptcy Code. Nothing herein shall be construed to be a determination that the Agent is an operator with respect to any environmental law or regulation. Moreover, the sale of the Store Closing Assets shall not be exempt from, and the Debtors and the

Agent shall be required to comply with laws and regulations of general applicability, including, without limitation, public health and safety, criminal, tax, labor, employment, environmental, antitrust, fair competition, traffic and consumer protection laws, including consumer laws regulating deceptive practices and false advertising (collectively, "General Laws"). Nothing in this Final Order shall alter or affect the Debtors' and Agent's obligations to comply with all applicable federal safety laws and regulations. Nothing in this Final Order shall be deemed to bar any Governmental Unit from enforcing General Laws in the applicable non-bankruptcy forum, subject to the Debtors' or the Agent's right to assert in that forum or before this Court that any such laws are not in fact General Laws or that such enforcement is impermissible under the Bankruptcy Code, this Final Order, or otherwise, pursuant to the relief granted hereunder. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Final Order, no party waives any rights to argue any position with respect to whether the conduct was in compliance with this Final Order and/or any applicable law, or that enforcement of such applicable law is preempted by the Bankruptcy Code. Nothing in this Final Order shall be deemed to have made any rulings on any such issues.

- 15. In accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the Agency Agreement, the Agent shall have the right to use the Closing Stores and all related store services, furniture, fixtures, equipment, and other assets of the Debtors for the purpose of conducting the Store Closing Sales, free and clear of any interference from any entity or person, subject to compliance with the Sale Guidelines (as modified by any Side Letters) and this Final Order.
- 16. Subject to the Resolution Procedures provided herein, the Debtors and the Agent are hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate to implement the Agency Agreement and to conduct the Store Closing Sales without the need for a further order of this Court, including, but not limited to, advertising the sale as a "store closing," "sale on

everything," "everything must go," "liquidation sale," and "going out of business" or similar themed sale through the posting of signs (including the use of exterior banners at non-enclosed mall Closing Stores, and at enclosed mall Closing Stores to the extent the applicable Store entrance does not require entry into the enclosed mall common area), use of sign-walkers, A-frames, and other street signage, in accordance with the Final Order, Agency Agreement, and Sale Guidelines.

- 17. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and in view of the importance of the use of sign-walkers, banners, and other advertising to the sale of the Store Closing Assets, to the extent that disputes arise during the course of such sale regarding laws regulating the use of sign-walkers, banners or other advertising and the Debtors and the Agent are unable to resolve the matter consensually with a Governmental Unit, any party may request an immediate telephonic hearing with this Court pursuant to these provisions. Such hearing will, to the extent practicable, be scheduled initially no later than within five (5) business days of such request. This scheduling shall not be deemed to preclude additional hearings for the presentation of evidence or arguments as necessary.
- 18. Except as expressly provided in the Agency Agreement and Sale Guidelines, the sale of the Store Closing Assets shall be conducted by the Debtors and the Agent notwithstanding any restrictive provision of any lease, sublease, license, reciprocal easement agreement, restrictive covenant, or other agreement relative to occupancy affecting or purporting to restrict the conduct of the Store Closing Sales, the necessity of obtaining any third party consents, abandonment of assets, or "going dark" provisions, and such provisions shall not be enforceable in conjunction with the Store Closing Sales. Breach of any such provisions in these chapter 11 cases in conjunction with the Store Closings shall not constitute a default under a

lease or provide a basis to terminate the lease. The Agent, along with landlords and licensors, as applicable, of the Closing Stores are authorized to enter into agreements ("Side Letters") between themselves modifying the Sale Guidelines without further order of this Court, and such Side Letters shall be binding as among the Agent and any such landlords or licensors, as applicable, of the Closing Stores, provided that nothing in such Side Letters affects the provisions of paragraphs 14, 16 (solely as it relates to the Resolution Procedures), 17, and 29 of this Final Order. In the event of any conflict between the Sale Guidelines and any Side Letter, the terms of such Side Letter shall control.

19. Except as expressly provided for herein or in the Sale Guidelines, and except with respect to any Governmental Unit (as to which paragraphs 14 and 29 of this Final Order shall apply), no person or entity, including, but not limited to, any landlord, licensor, service providers, utilities, and creditor, shall take any action to directly or indirectly prevent, interfere with, or otherwise hinder the continuation of the Store Closing Sales or the sale of Sale Closing Assets, or the advertising and promotion (including the posting of signs and exterior banners or the use of sign-walkers) of such sales, and all such parties and persons of every nature and description, including, but not limited to, any landlord, licensor, service providers, utilities, and creditor and all those acting for or on behalf of such parties, are prohibited and enjoined from (a) interfering in any way with, obstructing, or otherwise impeding, the conduct of the Store Closing Sales and/or (b) instituting any action or proceeding in any court (other than in this Court) or administrative body seeking an order or judgment against, among others, the Debtors, the Agent, or the landlords or licensors, as applicable, at the Closing Stores that might in any way directly or indirectly obstruct or otherwise interfere with or adversely affect the conduct of the Store Closing Sales or sale of the Store Closing Assets or other liquidation sales at the Closing Stores

and/or seek to recover damages for breach(es) of covenants or provisions in any lease, sublease, license, or contract based upon any relief authorized herein.

- 20. The Agent shall honor gift cards and gift certificates, that were issued by or on behalf the Debtors prior to the Petition Date through and including April 15, 2025 (the "Gift Card Termination Date"). To the extent not already completed, as soon as reasonably practicable after entry of this Order, the Debtors shall post conspicuous signage at their stores and on their website advising customers that gift cards and gift certificates will not be honored after the Gift Card Termination Date.
- 21. All sales of all Store Closing Assets and the Additional Agent Goods, if any, shall be "as is" and final. Conspicuous signs stating that "all sales are final" and "as is" will be posted at the cash register areas at all Stores. However, all state and federal laws relating to implied warranties for latent defects shall be complied with and are not superseded by the sale of said goods or the use of the terms "as is" or "final sales."
- 22. Except as expressly provided for in the Agency Agreement, nothing in this Final Order or the Agency Agreement, and none of the Agent's actions taken in respect of the Store Closing Sales shall be deemed to constitute an assumption by Agent of any of the Debtors' obligations relating to any of the Debtors' employees. Moreover, the Agent shall not become liable under any collective bargaining or employment agreement or be deemed a joint or successor employer with respect to such employees.
- 23. The Agent shall not be liable for sales taxes except as expressly provided in the Agency Agreement, and the Debtors remain responsible for the payment of any and all sales taxes. The Debtors are directed to remit all taxes accruing from the Store Closing Sales to the applicable Governmental Units as and when due, provided that in the case of a bona fide dispute,

the Debtors are only directed to pay such taxes upon the resolution of the dispute, if and to the extent that the dispute is decided in favor of the applicable Governmental Unit. For the avoidance of doubt, sales taxes collected and held in trust by the Debtors shall not be used to pay any creditor or any other party, other than the applicable Governmental Unit for which the sales taxes are collected. This Final Order does not enjoin, suspend or restrain the assessment, levy or collection of any tax under state law, and does not constitute a declaratory judgment with respect to any party's liability for taxes under state law.

- 24. The Debtors shall not sell any personal and/or confidential information about the Debtors' employees and/or customers (the "<u>Confidential Information</u>"). To the extent that the Debtors propose to sell Store Closing Assets that may contain Confidential Information, the Debtors shall remove all such Confidential Information from such Store Closing Assets before they are sold or abandoned.
- 25. The Agent is authorized to sell, without incurring liability to any person or entity, the Store Closing Assets in accordance with the terms of this Final Order, the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines.
- 26. Nothing in this Final Order shall (a) alter or affect the Debtors' obligations to comply with section 365(d)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code or (b) alter or modify the rights of any lessor or other counterparty to a lease with the Debtors to file an appropriate motion or otherwise seek appropriate relief if the Debtors fail to comply with section 365(d)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code; provided that the conduct of the Store Closing Sales in accordance with the Sale Guidelines, as may have been modified by Side Letter, shall not be a violation of section 365(d)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code.

27. During the Store Closing Sales Term, the Agent shall be granted a limited license and right to use the trade names, logos, e-mail lists, mailing lists, customer lists, and e-commerce sites (including (without limitation) websites and social media), including a banner on such sites and a store locator to identify the Closing Stores, relating to and used in connection with the operation of the stores as identified in the Agency Agreement, solely for the purpose of advertising the Store Closing Sales in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement, this FinL aorder, and the Sale Guidelines; *provided, however*, that the Agent shall not receive personally identifiable information from the Debtors.

V. RESOLUTION PROCEDURES FOR DISPUTES REGARDING LIQUIDATION LAWS

- 28. To the extent that the Store Closing Sales at the Closing Stores are conducted in accordance with this Final Order and the Sale Guidelines, and are therefore conducted under the supervision of this Court, such Store Closing Sales are authorized notwithstanding any federal, state, or local statute, ordinance, rule, or licensing requirement directed at regulating "going out of business," "store closing," similar inventory liquidation sales, bulk sale laws, or fast pay laws, including laws restricting safe, professional and non-deceptive, customary advertising such as signs, banners, posting of signage, and use of sign-walkers in connection with the sale and including ordinances establishing license or permit requirements, waiting periods, time limits or bulk sale restrictions, (collectively, the "Liquidation Laws").
- 29. Provided that the Store Closing Sales are conducted in accordance with the terms of this Final Order, the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines, and in light of the provisions in the laws of many Governmental Units that exempt court-ordered sales from their provisions, the Debtors shall be presumed to be in compliance with any Liquidation Laws and, subject to

paragraphs 14 and 17 herein, are authorized to conduct the Store Closing Sales in accordance with the terms of this Final Order and the Sale Guidelines without the necessity of further showing compliance with any such Liquidation Laws. To the extent that between the Petition Date and the date of the Final Hearing there is a dispute arising from or relating to the Store Closing Sales, this Final Order, the Agency Agreement, or the Sale Guidelines, which dispute relates to any Liquidation Sales Laws (a "Liquidation Dispute"), the following procedures shall apply (the "Resolution Procedures"):

- The Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to resolve the Liquidation a. Dispute which such Liquidation Dispute will be heard within fourteen (14) days of service of the Dispute Resolution Motion, absent a party obtaining expedited relief. Nothing in this Final Order shall constitute a ruling with respect to any issues to be raised with respect to a Liquidation Dispute. Any Governmental Unit may assert a Liquidation Dispute and shall send a notice (the "Dispute Notice") explaining the nature of the dispute to: (i) the Debtors' proposed counsel, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Rodney Square, 1000 North King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801, Attn: Andrew L. Magaziner, Esq. (amagaziner@ycst.com) and S. Alexander Faris, Esq. (afaris@ycst.com); (iii) counsel to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. in its capacity as Prepetition ABL Administrative Agent, Otterbourg P.C., 230 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10169, Attn: Chad Simon, Esq. (csimon@otterbourg.com) and Daniel Fiorillo. Esa. (dfiorillo@otterbourg.com); (iv) counsel to Pathlight Capital LP in its capacity as Prepetition Term Loan Agent, Riemer & Braunstein LLP, Times Square Tower, Suite 2506, Seven Times Square, New York, NY 10036, Attn: Steven E. Fox, Esq. (sfox@riemerlaw.com) and Paul D. Bekker, Esq. (pbekker@riemerlaw.com); (v) counsel to Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC, Ropes & Gray LLP, 191 North Wacker Drive, 32nd Floor, Chicago, IL60606, Attn: Stephen Iacovo (stephen.iacovo@ropesgray.com); (vi) counsel to any statutory committee, and (vii) any affected landlord or its counsel, if known, no later than fourteen (14) days following the service of this Final Order.
 - a) If the Debtors, the Agent and the Governmental Unit are unable to resolve the Liquidation Dispute within fourteen (14) days of service of the notice, the aggrieved party may file a motion with this Court requesting that this Court resolve the Liquidation Dispute (a "<u>Dispute Resolution Motion</u>").
 - b) In the event that a Dispute Resolution Motion is filed, nothing in the Interim Order or this Final Order, as applicable, shall preclude the

Debtors, a landlord, or any other interested party from asserting (i) that the provisions of any Liquidation Sale Laws are preempted by the Bankruptcy Code, or (ii) that neither the terms of the Interim Order or this Final Order nor the conduct of the Debtors pursuant to the Interim Order or this Final Order, violates such Liquidation Laws. Filing a Dispute Resolution Motion as set forth herein shall not be deemed to affect the finality of the Interim Order or this Final Order or to limit or interfere with the Debtors' or the Agent's ability to conduct or to continue to conduct the Store Closing Sales pursuant to the Interim Order or this Final Order, as applicable, absent further order of the Court. Upon the entry of the Interim Order or this Final Order, the Court grants authority for the Debtors and the Agent to conduct the Store Closing Sales pursuant to the terms of the Interim Order or this Final Order, the Agency Agreement, and the Sale Guidelines (as may be modified by Side Letters, as defined in the Proposed Orders) and to take all actions reasonably related thereto or arising in connection therewith. The Governmental Unit will be entitled to assert any jurisdictional, procedural, or substantive arguments it wishes with respect to the requirements of its Liquidation Laws or the lack of any preemption of such Liquidation Laws by the Bankruptcy Code. Nothing in the Interim Order or this Final Order will constitute a ruling with respect to any issues to be raised in any Dispute Resolution Motion.

30. Within two (2) business days of the entry of this Final Order, the Debtors shall serve copies of this Final Order, which includes the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines, by email, facsimile, or regular mail on the Applicable Governmental Units and the Landlords.

VI. SECTIONS 363(m) AND 364(e) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE

31. Entry into the Agency Agreement is undertaken by the parties thereto in good faith, as that term is used in sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code, and Agent shall be protected by sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code in the event that this Final Order is modified, amended or vacated by subsequent order of the Court or any other court. The modification, amendment or vacatur of the authorization provided herein to enter into the Agency Agreement and consummate the transactions contemplated thereby shall not affect the validity of such transactions (including the enforceability of the Store Closing Sales or the liens or priority authorized or created under the Agency Agreement or this Final Order solely in

respect of Additional Agent Goods and proceeds therefrom), unless such authorization is duly stayed pending such appeal. The Agent is entitled to all of the benefits and protections afforded by sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code. The transactions contemplated by the Agency Agreement are not subject to avoidance pursuant to section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code.

VII. ADDITIONAL AGENT GOODS

32. The Agent is authorized to supplement the Merchandise in the Store Closing Sales with Additional Agent Goods; provided, that the Debtors may reasonably object to the inclusion of Additional Agent Goods that are not of like kind and are of lesser quality to the Merchandise in the Store Closing Sales at the Closing Stores, in which case the Debtors and the Agent shall work in good faith to resolve such objection, which resolution may require the exclusion of such Additional Agent Goods subject to the objection; provided, further, that the cost of Additional Agent Goods shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of the aggregate Cost Value (as defined in the Agency Agreement) of the Merchandise in the Store Closing Sale. The Additional Agent Goods shall be purchased by the Agent as part of the Store Closing Sales and delivered to the Closing Stores at the Agent's sole expense (including as to labor, freight, and insurance relative to shipping such Additional Agent Goods to the Closing Stores). Sales of Additional Agent Goods shall be run through the Debtors' cash register systems; provided, however, that the Agent shall mark the Additional Agent Goods using either a "dummy" SKU or department number, or in such other manner so as to distinguish the sale of Additional Agent Goods from the sale of Merchandise. The Agent and Debtors shall cooperate to ensure that the Additional Agent Goods are marked in such a way that a reasonable consumer could identify the Additional Agent Goods from the Merchandise. The Agent shall provide signage in the Closing Stores notifying customers that the Additional Agent Goods have been included in the Store Closing Sale.

- 33. All transactions relating to the Additional Agent Goods are, shall be construed as, and are acknowledged by the Debtors to be, a true consignment from the Agent to the Debtors under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code (the "UCC") and not a consignment for security purposes. Subject solely to Agent's obligations to pay to the Debtors the Additional Agent Goods Fee (as defined in the Agency Agreement), at all times and for all purposes the Additional Agent Goods and their proceeds shall be the exclusive property of the Agent, and no other person or entity (including, without limitation, the Debtors, or any third person claiming a security interest in the Debtors' property, including any of the Debtors' secured lenders) shall have any claim against any of the Additional Agent Goods or the proceeds thereof. The Additional Agent Goods shall at all times remain subject to the exclusive control of the Agent. The Debtors shall, at Agent's sole cost and expense, insure the Additional Agent Goods and, if required, promptly file any proofs of loss with regard thereto. The Agent shall be responsible for payment of any deductible under any such insurance in the event of any casualty affecting the Additional Agent Goods.
- 34. The Agent is hereby granted a first priority security interest in and lien upon (a) the Additional Agent Goods and (b) the Additional Agent Goods proceeds, less the Additional Agent Goods Fee, and which security interest shall be deemed perfected without the requirement of filing UCC financing statements or providing notifications to any prior secured parties (provided that the Agent is hereby authorized to deliver all required notices and file all necessary financing statements and amendments thereof under the applicable UCC identifying the Agent's interest in the Additional Agent Goods as consigned goods thereunder and the Debtors as the

consignee therefor, and the Agent's security interest in and lien upon such Additional Agent Goods and the Additional Agent Goods proceeds).

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

- 35. Any transfers by the Debtors to the Agent prior to the Petition Date (including, without limitation, any proceeds under the Agency Agreement and the valid, binding, and enforceable security interests granted to the Agent solely in respect of the Additional Agent Goods and the proceeds therefrom (subject to the Agent's payment of the Additional Agent Goods Fee)) are not subject to avoidance.
- Agreement and related documents by the parties may be made in accordance with the terms thereof without further order of this Court; *provided that* any such modifications, amendment or supplements are not adverse to the Debtors or their estates, the interest of the landlords under the applicable Leases are not adversely affected, or as otherwise ordered by this Court; *provided further that* the Debtors shall provide counsel to Wells Fargo and counsel to the Prepetition Term Loan Agent copies of any such modifications, amendments, or supplements at least two (2) business days prior to the effectiveness thereof, which such modification(s), amendment(s), or supplement(s) shall be effective unless Wells Fargo or the Prepetition Term Loan Agent delivers a written objection to the Debtors' counsel, with a copy to any statutory committee (email being sufficient) prior to the expiration of such two (2) business day period.
- 37. Neither the Agent nor any of its respective affiliates (whether individually, as part of a joint venture, or otherwise), shall be precluded from providing additional services to the Debtors or bidding on the Debtors' assets in connection with any other future process that may or

may not be undertaken by the Debtors to close stores; *provided that* any such services and/or sales are approved by separate order of this Court.

- 38. The Debtors are authorized and permitted to transfer to the Agent personal information in the Debtors' custody and control solely for the purposes of assisting with and conducting the Store Closing Sales and only to the extent necessary for such purposes, provided that Agent removes such personal information from the FF&E prior to the abandonment of the same.
- 39. Nothing contained in any plan confirmed in these Chapter 11 Cases or any order of this Court confirming such plan or in any other order in these Chapter 11 Cases (including any order entered after any conversion of this case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code) shall alter, conflict with, or derogate from, the provisions of the Agency Agreement or the terms of this Final Order.
- 40. The Agent shall not be liable for any claims against the Debtors, and the Debtors shall not be liable for any claims against Agent, in each case, other than as expressly provided for in the Agency Agreement. The Agent shall have no successor liability whatsoever with respect to any Encumbrances or claims of any nature that may exist against the Debtors, including, without limitation, the Agent shall not be, or to be deemed to be: (a) a successor in interest or within the meaning of any law, including any revenue, successor liability, pension, labor, ERISA, bulk- transfer, products liability, tax or environmental law, rule or regulation, or any theory of successor or transferee liability, antitrust, environmental, product line, de facto merger or substantial continuity or similar theories; or (b) a joint employer, co-employer or successor employer with the Debtors, and the Agent shall have no obligation to pay the Debtors' wages, bonuses, severance pay, vacation pay, WARN act claims (if any), benefits or any other

payments to employees of the Debtors, including pursuant to any collective bargaining agreement, employee pension plan, or otherwise, except as expressly set forth in the Agency Agreement.

- 41. Notwithstanding the relief granted herein and any actions taken hereunder, except with respect to the Agent, nothing contained herein shall create, nor is intended to create, any rights in favor of, or enhance the status of any claim held by, any person.
- 42. Nothing in this Final Order is intended to affect any rights of any Applicable Governmental Unit to enforce any law affecting the Debtors' conduct of the Store Closing Sales prior to the Petition Date.
- 43. Nothing in this Order shall amend, alter, or otherwise modify the terms of the Cash Collateral Order as it relates to any tax reserve established as adequate protection for the claims of the Texas Taxing Authorities (as that term is defined in the Cash Collateral Order) or the Broward County Tax Collector.
- 44. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), to the extent applicable, this Final Order shall be effective and enforceable immediately upon entry hereof.
- 45. The Debtors are authorized and empowered to take all actions necessary or appropriate to implement the relief granted in this Final Order. The failure to specifically include any particular provision of the Agency Agreement in this Final Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of such provisions, it being the intent of this Court that the Agency Agreement and all of its provisions, payments, and transactions, be and hereby are authorized and approved as and to the extent provided for in this Final Order.

- 46. To the extent there is any conflict between this Final Order, the Sale Guidelines, and the Agency Agreement, the terms of this Final Order shall control over all other documents, and the Sale Guidelines shall control over the Agency Agreement.
- 47. This Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation or enforcement of this Final Order or the Agency Agreement.

EXHIBIT 1

Agency Agreement



November 5, 2024

VIA EMAIL

Forever 21 OpCo, LLC 110 East 9th Street, Suite A500 Los Angeles, CA 90079

Attn: Brad Sell

Email: <u>brad.s@forever21.com</u>

Re: Letter Agreement Governing Inventory Disposition

Dear Brad:

By executing below, this letter shall serve as an agreement ("<u>Agreement</u>") between Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC, on the one hand ("<u>Agent</u>" or a "<u>Party</u>"), and Forever 21 OpCo, LLC, on the other hand ("<u>Merchant</u>" or a "<u>Party</u>" and together with the Agent, the "<u>Parties</u>"), under which Agent shall act as the exclusive agent for the purpose of conducting a sale of certain Merchandise (as defined below) at (i) the Merchant's eleven (11) stores as set forth on <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto, and (ii) any other stores or facilities designated for disposition by Merchant from the date of this Agreement (each a "<u>Store</u>" and collectively, the "<u>Stores</u>") through a "Store Closing", "Everything Must Go", "Everything on Sale" or similar themed sale (the "<u>Sale</u>").

A. Merchandise

For purposes hereof, "Merchandise" shall mean all goods, saleable in the ordinary course, located in the Stores on the Sale Commencement Date (defined below) or goods that, upon mutual agreement between the Parties, Merchant ships to the Stores subsequent to the Sale Commencement Date for inclusion in the Sale. "Merchandise" does not mean and shall not include: (1) goods that belong to sublessees, licensees or concessionaires of Merchant; (2) owned furnishings, trade fixtures, equipment and improvements to real property that are located in the Stores (collectively, "FF&E"); or (3) damaged or defective merchandise that cannot be sold.

B. Sale Term

For each Store, the Sale shall commence on November 7, 2024 or such later date as agreed by the Parties (the "Sale Commencement Date") and conclude no later than February 28, 2025 (the "Sale Termination Date"); provided, however, that the Parties may mutually agree in writing to extend or terminate the Sale at any Store prior to the Sale Termination Date. The Parties also intend to conduct sales at additional stores to be identified, and may agree to extended or separate sale termination dates for such stores. The period between the Sale Commencement Date and the Sale Termination Date shall be referred to as the "Sale Term." At the conclusion of the Sale, Agent shall surrender the premises for each Store to Merchant in broom clean condition and in accordance with the lease requirements for such premises; provided, however, Merchant shall bear all costs and expenses associated with surrendering the premises in accordance with the lease requirements for such

premises according to a budget mutually agreed to between the Agent and Merchant. At the conclusion of the Sale at each Store, Agent shall photographically document the condition of each such Store.

C. Project Management

(i) Agent's Undertakings

During the Sale Term, Agent shall, in collaboration with Merchant, (a) provide qualified supervisors (the "Supervisors") engaged by Agent to oversee the management of the Stores; (b) determine appropriate point-of-sale and external advertising for the Stores, approved in advance by Merchant; (c) determine appropriate discounts of Merchandise, staffing levels for the Stores, approved in advance by Merchant, and appropriate bonus and incentive programs, if any, for the Stores' employees, approved in advance by Merchant; (d) oversee display of Merchandise for the Stores; (e) to the extent that information is available, evaluate sales of Merchandise by category and sales reporting and monitor expenses; (f) maintain the confidentiality of all proprietary or non-public information regarding Merchant in accordance with the provisions of the confidentiality agreement signed by the Parties; (g) assist Merchant in connection with managing and controlling loss prevention and employee relations matters; (h) determine the necessity for obtaining any applicable permits and governmental approvals to conduct the Sale, including working with Merchant to obtain each in a timely and orderly fashion and preparing or causing to be prepared all forms necessary to assist in Merchant's securing any applicable permits and governmental approvals necessary to conduct the Sale, the costs and expenses of which shall be paid by Merchant and shall be in addition to the costs and expenses set forth on the Expense Budget; (i) implement Agent's affiliate CareerFlex program for Merchant's Store level and other employees; and (j) provide such other related services deemed necessary or appropriate by Merchant and Agent.

The Parties expressly acknowledge and agree that Merchant shall have no liability to the Supervisors for wages, benefits, severance pay, termination pay, vacation pay, pay in lieu of notice of termination or any other liability arising from Agent's hiring or engagement of the Supervisors, and the Supervisors shall not be considered employees of Merchant.

(ii) Merchant's Undertakings

During the Sale Term, Merchant shall (a) be the employer of the Stores' employees, other than the Supervisors; (b) pay all taxes, costs, expenses, accounts payable, and other liabilities relating to the Stores, the Stores' employees and other representatives of Merchant; (c) prepare and process all tax forms and other documentation; (d) collect all sales taxes and pay them to the appropriate taxing authorities for the Stores; (e) use reasonable efforts to cause Merchant's employees to cooperate with Agent and the Supervisors; (f) execute all agreements determined by the Merchant and Agent to be necessary or desirable for the operation of the Stores during the Sale; (g) arrange for the ordinary maintenance of all point-of-sale equipment required for the Stores; (h) apply for and obtain, with Agent's assistance and support, all applicable permits and authorizations (including landlord approvals and consents) for the Sale; (i) assist Agent with implementing the CareerFlex program for Merchant's Store level and other employees; and (j) ensure that Agent has quiet use and enjoyment of the Stores for the Sale Term in order to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

Merchant shall provide throughout the Sale Term central administrative services necessary for the Sale, including (without limitation) customary POS administration, sales audit, cash reconciliation, accounting, and payroll processing, all at no cost to Agent.

The Parties expressly acknowledge and agree that Agent shall have no liability to Merchant's employees for wages, benefits, severance pay, termination pay, vacation pay, pay in lieu of notice of termination or any other liability arising from Merchant's employment, hiring or retention of its employees, and such employees shall not be considered employees of Agent.

D. The Sale

All sales of Merchandise shall be made on behalf of Merchant. Agent does not have, nor shall it have, any right, title or interest in the Merchandise. All sales of Merchandise shall be by cash, gift card, gift certificate, merchandise credit, debit card, or credit card and, at Merchant's discretion, by check or otherwise in accordance with Merchant's policies, and shall be "final" with no returns accepted or allowed, unless otherwise directed by Merchant.

E. Agent Fee and Expenses in Connection with the Sale

In consideration of its services hereunder, Agent shall earn a fee equal to 2% of the Gross Proceeds of Merchandise sold at the Stores. For purposes of this Agreement, "Gross Proceeds" means gross receipts calculated using the "gross rings" method, net of applicable sales taxes.

Merchant shall be responsible for all expenses of the Sale, including (without limitation) all Store level operating expenses, all costs and expenses related to Merchant's other retail store operations, and Agent's other reasonable, documented out of pocket expenses. To control expenses of the Sale, Merchant and Agent have established an initial budget (the "Expense Budget") of certain delineated expenses, including (without limitation) payment of the costs of supervision (including (without limitation) Supervisors' wages, fees, travel, and deferred compensation) and advertising costs (including signage and the shipping, freight, and sales tax related thereto where applicable). The Expense Budget for the Sale is attached hereto as Exhibit B. The Expense Budget may only be modified by mutual agreement of Agent and Merchant. The costs of supervision set forth on Exhibits B include, among other things, industry standard deferred compensation. Should Merchant decide to add additional stores to the scope of this Agreement, the Parties shall agree on an incremental expense budget and sale term for such additional stores through an amendment to this Agreement.

All accounting matters (including, without limitation, all fees, expenses, or other amounts reimbursable or payable to Agent) shall be reconciled on every Wednesday for the prior week and shall be paid within seven (7) days after each such weekly reconciliation. The Parties shall complete a final reconciliation and settlement of all amounts payable to Agent and contemplated by this Agreement (including, without limitation, Expense Budget items, and fees earned hereunder) no later than forty five (45) days following the Sale Termination Date for the last Store.

Upon execution of this Agreement, the Merchant shall pay by wire transfer to the Agent an advance payment of costs and expenses delineated in the Expense Budget of \$85,000.00 (the "Expense Advance"). The Expense Advance shall be held by Agent and applied towards Expense Budget items as incurred. Any portion of the Expense Advance not so used shall be returned to Merchant within three days following the final reconciliation.

F. <u>Indemnification</u>

(i) Merchant's Indemnification

Merchant shall indemnify, defend, and hold Agent and its consultants, members, managers, partners, officers, directors, employees, attorneys, advisors, representatives, lenders, potential coinvestors, principals, affiliates, and Supervisors (collectively, "Agent Indemnified Parties") harmless from and against all liabilities, claims, demands, damages, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) arising from or related to: (a) the willful or negligent acts or omissions of Merchant or the Merchant Indemnified Parties (as defined below); (b) the material breach of any provision of this Agreement by Merchant; (c) any liability or other claims, including, without limitation, product liability claims, asserted by customers, any Store employees (under a collective bargaining agreement or otherwise), or any other person (excluding Agent Indemnified Parties) against Agent or an Agent Indemnified Party, except claims arising from Agent's negligence, willful misconduct or unlawful behavior; (d) any harassment, discrimination or violation of any laws or regulations or any other unlawful, tortuous or otherwise actionable treatment of Agent's Indemnified Parties or Merchant's customers by Merchant or Merchant's Indemnified Parties; and (e) Merchant's failure to pay over to the appropriate taxing authority any taxes required to be paid by Merchant during the Sale Term in accordance with applicable law.

(ii) Agent's Indemnification

Agent shall indemnify, defend and hold Merchant and its consultants, members, managers, partners, officers, directors, employees, attorneys, advisors, representatives, lenders, potential coinvestors, principals, and affiliates (other than the Agent or the Agent Indemnified Parties) (collectively, "Merchant Indemnified Parties") harmless from and against all liabilities, claims, demands, damages, costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) arising from or related to (a) the willful or negligent acts or omissions of Agent or the Agent Indemnified Parties; (b) the breach of any provision of, or the failure to perform any obligation under, this Agreement by Agent; (c) any liability or other claims made by Agent's Indemnified Parties or any other person (excluding Merchant Indemnified Parties) against a Merchant Indemnified Party arising out of or related to Agent's conduct of the Sale, except claims arising from Merchant's negligence, willful misconduct, or unlawful behavior; (d) any harassment, discrimination or violation of any laws or regulations or any other unlawful, tortuous or otherwise actionable treatment of Merchant Indemnified Parties, or Merchant's customers by Agent or any of the Agent Indemnified Parties and (e) any claims made by any party engaged by Agent as an employee, agent, representative or independent contractor arising out of such engagement.

G. Insurance

(i) Merchant's Insurance Obligations

Merchant shall maintain throughout the Sale Term, liability insurance policies (including, without limitation, products liability (to the extent currently provided), comprehensive public liability insurance and auto liability insurance) covering injuries to persons and property in or in connection

with the Stores, and shall cause Agent to be named an additional insured with respect to all such policies. At Agent's request, Merchant shall provide Agent with a certificate or certificates evidencing the insurance coverage required hereunder and that Agent is an additional insured thereunder. In addition, Merchant shall maintain throughout the Sale Term, in such amounts as it currently has in effect, workers compensation insurance in compliance with all statutory requirements.

(ii) Agent's Insurance Obligations

As an expense of the Sale, Agent shall maintain throughout the Sale Term, liability insurance policies (including, without limitation, products liability/completed operations, contractual liability, comprehensive public liability and auto liability insurance) on an occurrence basis in an amount of at least Two Million dollars (\$2,000,000) and an aggregate basis of at least five million dollars (\$5,000,000) covering injuries to persons and property in or in connection with Agent's provision of services at the Stores. Agent shall name Merchant as an additional insured and loss payee under such policy, and upon execution of this Agreement provide Merchant with a certificate or certificates evidencing the insurance coverage required hereunder. In addition, Agent shall maintain throughout the Sale Term, workers compensation insurance compliance with all statutory requirements. Further, should Agent employ or engage third parties to perform any of Agent's undertakings with regard to this Agreement, Agent will ensure that such third parties are covered by Agent's insurance or maintain all of the same insurance as Agent is required to maintain pursuant to this paragraph and name Merchant as an additional insured and loss payee under the policy for each such insurance.

H. Representations, Warranties, Covenants and Agreements

- (i) Merchant warrants, represents, covenants and agrees that (a) Merchant is a company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of organization, with full power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder, and maintains its principal executive office at the address set forth herein, (b) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement has been duly authorized by all necessary actions of Merchant and this Agreement constitutes a valid and binding obligation of Merchant enforceable against Merchant in accordance with its terms and conditions, and the consent of no other entity or person is required for Merchant to fully perform all of its obligations herein, (c) all ticketing of Merchandise at the Stores has been and will be done in accordance with Merchant's customary ticketing practices; (d) all normal course hard markdowns on the Merchandise have been, and will be, taken consistent with customary Merchant's practices, and (e) the Stores will be operated in the ordinary course of business in all respects, other than those expressly agreed to by Merchant and Agent.
- (ii) Agent warrants, represents, covenants and agrees that (a) Agent is a company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its state of organization, with full power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform the Agent's obligations hereunder, and maintains its principal executive office at the addresses set forth herein, (b) the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement has been duly authorized by all necessary actions of Agent and this Agreement constitutes a valid and binding obligation of Agent enforceable against Agent in accordance with its terms and conditions, and the consent of no other entity or person is required for Agent to fully perform all of its obligations herein, (c) Agent shall comply with and act in accordance with any and all applicable state and local laws, rules, and regulations, and other

legal obligations of all governmental authorities, (d) no non-emergency repairs or maintenance in the Stores will be conducted without Merchant's prior written consent, and (e) Agent will not take any disciplinary action against any employee of Merchant.

I. <u>Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment</u>

Agent shall sell the FF&E in the Stores from the Stores themselves. Merchant shall be responsible for all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Agent in connection with the sale of FF&E, which costs and expenses shall be incurred pursuant to a budget or budgets to be established from time to time by mutual agreement of the Parties. Agent shall have the right to abandon at the Stores any unsold FF&E.

In consideration for providing the services set forth in this section I, Agent shall be entitled to a commission from the sale of the FF&E equal to 17.5% of the Gross Proceeds of the sale of the FF&E.

Agent shall remit to Merchant all Gross Proceeds from the sale of FF&E. During each weekly reconciliation described in section E above, Agent's FF&E fee shall be calculated, and Agent's calculated FF&E fee and all FF&E costs and expenses then incurred shall paid within seven (7) days after each such weekly reconciliation.

J. Termination

The following shall constitute "Termination Events" hereunder:

- (a) Merchant's or Agent's failure to perform any of their respective material obligations hereunder, which failure shall continue uncured seven (7) days after receipt of written notice thereof to the defaulting Party;
- (b) Any representation or warranty made by Merchant or Agent is untrue in any material respect as of the date made or at any time and throughout the Sale Term; or
- (c) the Sale is terminated or materially interrupted or impaired for any reason other than an event of default by Agent or Merchant.

If a Termination Event occurs, the non-defaulting Party (in the case of an event of default) or either Party (if the Sale is otherwise terminated or materially interrupted or impaired) may, in its discretion, elect to terminate this Agreement by providing seven (7) business days' written notice thereof to the other Party and, in the case of an event of default, in addition to terminating this Agreement, pursue any and all rights and remedies and damages resulting from such default. If this Agreement is terminated, Merchant shall be obligated to pay Agent all amounts due under this Agreement through and including the termination date.

K. Notices

All notices, certificates, approvals, and payments provided for herein shall be sent by fax or by recognized overnight delivery service as follows: (a) To Merchant: at the address listed above with a copy to scott.hampton@forever21.com; (b) To Agent: c/o Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC,

One Northbrook Place, 5 Revere Drive, Suite 206, Northbrook, IL 60062, Fax: 847-313-4799, Attn: T. Kellan Grant; or (c) such other address as may be designated in writing by Merchant or Agent.

L. <u>Independent Consultant</u>

Agent's relationship to Merchant is that of an independent contractor without the capacity to bind Merchant in any respect. No employer/employee, principal/agent, joint venture or other such relationship is created by this Agreement. Merchant shall have no control over the hours that Agent or its employees or assistants or the Supervisors work or the means or manner in which the services that will be provided are performed and Agent is not authorized to enter into any contracts or agreements on behalf of Merchant or to otherwise create any obligations of Merchant to third parties, unless authorized in writing to do so by Merchant.

M. Non-Assignment

Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights hereunder may be transferred or assigned by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party. No modification, amendment or waiver of any of the provisions contained in this Agreement, or any future representation, promise or condition in connection with the subject matter of this Agreement, shall be binding upon any Party to this Agreement unless made in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative or agent of such Party. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Agent shall have the right to syndicate the transaction contemplated by this Agreement by providing Merchant with written notice of such syndication. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns.

N. Severability

If any term or provision of this Agreement, as applied to either Party or any circumstance, for any reason shall be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, illegal, unenforceable, inoperative or otherwise ineffective, that provision shall be limited or eliminated to the minimum extent necessary so that this Agreement shall otherwise remain in full force and effect and enforceable. If the surviving portions of the Agreement fail to retain the essential understanding of the Parties, the Agreement may be terminated by mutual consent of the Parties.

O. Governing Law, Venue, Jurisdiction and Jury Waiver

This Agreement, and its validity, construction and effect, shall be governed by and enforced in accordance with the internal laws of the State of Delaware (without reference to the conflicts of laws provisions therein). Merchant and Agent waive their respective rights to trial by jury of any cause of action, claim, counterclaim or cross-complaint in any action, proceeding and/or hearing brought by either Agent against Merchant or Merchant against Agent on any matter whatsoever arising out of, or in any way connected with, this Agreement, the relationship between Merchant and Agent, any claim of injury or damage or the enforcement of any remedy under any law, statute or regulation, emergency or otherwise, now or hereafter in effect.

P. Entire Agreement

This Agreement, together with all additional schedules and exhibits attached hereto, constitutes a single, integrated written contract expressing the entire agreement of the Parties concerning the subject matter hereof. No covenants, agreements, representations or warranties of any kind whatsoever have been made by any Party except as specifically set forth in this Agreement. All prior agreements, discussions and negotiations are entirely superseded by this Agreement.

Q. Execution

This Agreement may be executed simultaneously in counterparts (including by means of electronic mail, facsimile or portable document format (pdf) signature pages), any one of which need not contain the signatures of more than one party, but all such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement, and any amendments hereto, to the extent signed and delivered by means of electronic mail, a facsimile machine or electronic transmission in portable document format (pdf), shall be treated in all manner and respects as an original thereof and shall be considered to have the same binding legal effects as if it were the original signed version thereof delivered in person.

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If this Agreement is acceptable to you, kindly execute a copy in the space provided, and return a countersigned version to the undersigned. Thank you again for this opportunity -- we look forward to working with you.

Very truly yours,

HILCO MERCHANT RESOURCES, LLC

By: T. Kellan Grant

Its: EVP Commercial Counsel

AGREED AND ACCEPTED as of the 5th day of November, 2024:

F21 OPCO, LLC

By:

—DocuSigned by: Brad Sell

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Its: Chief Financial Officer

EXHIBIT A

Store List

Exhibit B

Expense Budget



December 10, 2024

VIA EMAIL

Forever 21 OpCo, LLC 110 East 9th Street, Suite A500 Los Angeles, CA 90079

Attn: Brad Sell

Email: brad.s@forever21.com

Re: First Amendment to Letter Agreement

Dear Brad:

Reference is made to that certain Letter Agreement Governing Inventory Disposition (the "<u>Agreement</u>") by and between Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC ("<u>Agent</u>") and Forever 21 OpCo, LLC ("<u>Merchant</u>" and together with Agent, the "<u>Parties</u>")), dated as of November 5, 2024. Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Agreement.

The Parties hereby amend the Agreement as follows (the "Amendment"):

As set forth in the Agreement, Agent was engaged to act as the exclusive agent for the purpose of providing certain services in connection with the disposition of the Merchandise and FF&E located at certain of Merchant's retail locations. Agent and Merchant have agreed to amend the Agreement to add the seven (7) additional stores reflected on Exhibit A to this Amendment (the "Additional Stores").

Merchant and Agent hereby further agree that, with respect to the Additional Stores, Agent will assist Merchant in disposing of the Merchandise and FF&E at the Additional Store through the conduct of "Store Closing", "Everything Must Go," "Everything on Sale" or similar themed sales (such sale, the "Supplemental Sale"). The Supplemental Sale will commence on December 12, 2024 (the "Supplemental Sale Commencement Date") and will terminate no later than February 23, 2025 (the "Supplemental Sale Termination Date"); provided, however, that the Parties may mutually agree in writing to extend or terminate the Supplemental Sale at any Additional Store prior to the Supplemental Sale Termination Date. The period from the Supplemental Sale Commencement Date to the Supplemental Sale Termination Date shall be referred to as the "Supplemental Sale Term."

To control expenses of the Supplemental Sale, Merchant and Agent have established an appropriate budget (the "Supplemental Budget," a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B, of certain delineated expenses, including costs of supervision, deferred compensation, advertising (including signage and the shipping, freight, and sales tax related thereto where applicable)).

Both the Agreement and this Amendment shall govern the Supplemental Sale at the Additional Stores. For purposes of interpreting the Agreement and the Amendment with respect to the Supplement Sale, the following defined terms and exhibits shall be replaced in the Agreement with the corresponding defined terms and exhibits in or attached to this Amendment:

Agreement	Amendment
Budget	Supplemental Budget
Sale	Supplemental Sale
Store or Stores	Additional Store or Additional Stores
Sale Commencement Date	Supplemental Sale Commencement Date
Sale Termination Date	Supplemental Sale Termination Date
Sale Term	Supplemental Sale Term

With respect to this Amendment, (i) Merchant hereby reaffirms the representations, warranties, and agreements set forth in section H of the Agreement, and (ii) Agent hereby reaffirms the representations, warranties, and agreements set forth in section H of the Agreement.

This Amendment, together the Agreement, all prior amendments or supplements, and all schedules and exhibits attached hereto and thereto, constitutes a single, integrated written contract expressing the entire agreement of the parties concerning the subject matter hereof. No covenants, agreements, representations or warranties of any kind whatsoever have been made by any party to this Amendment except as specifically set forth in this Amendment or the Agreement.

If this Amendment is acceptable to you, kindly execute a copy in the space provided, and return a countersigned version to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

HILCO MERCHANT RESOURCES, LLC

By: T. Kellan Grant

Its: EVP Commercial Counsel

AGREED AND ACCEPTED as of the 12th day of December, 2024:

FORFVER 21OpCo, LLC

Brad Sell

Its: Chief Financial Officer 20,268 7,500 16,638 34,002

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			Gross Sq. Ft.	17,384	6,494	53,430	20,268	7,500
			Closure Date	2/16/2025	2/16/2025	2/23/2025	1/25/2025	2/16/2025
			Start Date	12/18/24	12/18/24	12/18/24	12/12/24	12/18/24
			Landlord	Simon Property Group, Inc.	SIMON	SIMON	Kimco Realty	SIMON
			Zip	92821	77433	37214	33183	33559
it A	1.2024.4	List	State	CA	¥	N	占	긥
Exhibit A	Forever 21.2024.4	Store List	City	Brea	Cypress	Nashville	Kendall	Lutz
			Address	1025 Brea Mall	29300 Hempstead Road, Suite 882	504 Opry Mills Dr. #352	8268 Mills Dr. #114	2224 Grand Cypress Dr. Suite 730
			Name	Brea Mall	Houston Premium Outlets	Opry Mills Mall	Palms at Town & Country	Tampa Premium Outlets
			F21 Loc Number	20	387	414	628	638

Forever 21

Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC

12/10/2024

Forever 21 Exhibit B

Expense Budget (1)

	1st Week	Subsequent Weeks
Advertising		
Digital & Media	2,422	2,422
Signs (2)	33,404	-
Sign Walkers		-
Subtotal Advertising	35,825	2,422
Supervision		
Fees / Wages / Expenses (3)	19,407	15,807
Subtotal Supervision	19,407	15,807
<u>Miscellaneous</u>		
Miscellaneous /Legal (4)		-
Subtotal Miscellaneous	-	-
Total Expenses	55,232	18,229

Notes:

- 1. This Expense Budget contemplates a sale term of December, 12, 2024 through February 23, 2025. The Expense Budget remains subject to modification in the event that this term is extended, or as otherwise agreed to by the parties.
- 2. Includes Sales Tax.
- 3. Includes Deferred Compensation and Insurance.
- 4. Any legal expenses associated with issues raised by or disputes with landlords, including (without limitation) negotiations in respect of landlord side letters, shall be in addition to and not part of the budgeted legal expenses.



February 12, 2025

VIA EMAIL

F21 OpCo, LLC 110 East 9th Street, Suite A500 Los Angeles, CA 90079

Attn: Brad Sell

Email: brad.s@forever21.com

Re: Second Amendment to Letter Agreement

Dear Brad:

Reference is made to that certain Letter Agreement Governing Inventory Disposition by and between Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC ("<u>Hilco</u>") and F21 OpCo, LLC ("<u>Merchant</u>" and together with Agent (as defined below), the "<u>Parties</u>"), dated as of November 5, 2024 (as amended and revised, the "<u>Agreement</u>"). Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Agreement.

The Parties hereby further amend the Agreement as follows (this "Amendment"):

As set forth in the Agreement, Hilco was engaged to act as the exclusive agent for the purpose of providing certain services in connection with the disposition of the Merchandise and FF&E located at certain of the Merchant's retail locations. Hilco and Merchant have agreed to amend the Agreement to add (i) the 355 additional stores reflected on Exhibit A to this Amendment (in waves as may be reflected on Exhibit A), (ii) any other stores or facilities designated for disposition by Merchant subsequent to execution of this Amendment (collectively, the "Additional Stores"), and (iii) Gordon Brothers Retail Partners, LLC ("Gordon Brothers") and SB360 Capital Partners, LLC ("SB360" and, together with Gordon Brothers and Hilco, "Agent"), to which Hilco has syndicated certain responsibilities, as Parties to the Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, following the effective date of this Amendment, Gordon Brothers and SB360 shall be bound by the terms of the Agreement (including this Amendment) and Merchant shall have the right to enforce the Agreement against them in the event of any breach.

Merchant and Agent hereby further agree that, with respect to the Additional Stores, Agent will assist Merchant in disposing of the Merchandise and FF&E at the Additional Stores through the conduct of "Store Closing", "Everything Must Go," "Everything on Sale" or similar themed sales (such sale, the "Supplemental Sale"). The Supplemental Sale will commence on February 12, 2025 (the "Supplemental Sale Commencement Date") and will terminate no later than April 30, 2025 (the "Supplemental Sale Termination Date"); provided, however, that the Parties may mutually agree in writing to extend or terminate the Supplemental Sale at any Additional Store prior to the Supplemental Sale Termination Date, and that different Additional Stores may have different Supplemental Sale Commencement Dates or Supplemental Sale Termination Dates as set forth in Exhibit A. The period from the Supplemental Sale Commencement Date to the Supplemental Sale Termination Date shall be referred to as the "Supplemental Sale Term."

To control expenses of the Supplemental Sale, Merchant and Agent have established an appropriate budget (the "Supplemental Budget," a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B, of certain delineated expenses, including costs of supervision, deferred compensation, advertising (including signage and the shipping, freight, and sales tax related thereto where applicable)).

Both the Agreement and this Amendment shall govern the Supplemental Sale at the Additional Stores. For purposes of interpreting the Agreement and this Amendment with respect to the Supplement Sale, the following defined terms and exhibits shall be replaced in the Agreement with the corresponding defined terms and exhibits in or attached to this Amendment:

Agreement	Amendment
Budget	Supplemental Budget
Sale	Supplemental Sale
Store or Stores	Additional Store or Additional Stores
Sale Commencement Date	Supplemental Sale Commencement Date
Sale Termination Date	Supplemental Sale Termination Date
Sale Term	Supplemental Sale Term

Moreover, the first paragraph of section E of the Agreement is hereby replaced and reinstated as follows:

In consideration of its services hereunder, the Agent shall earn a base fee equal to two (2.0%) of the Gross Proceeds (as defined below) of Merchandise sold at the Stores during the Sale Term (the "Merchandise Fee"). Agent shall earn a base wholesale fee of seven and one half percent (7.5%) of the Gross Proceeds of Merchandise sold through Agent's wholesale channels (the "Wholesale Fee"). For purposes of this Agreement, "Gross Proceeds" means gross receipts (including, without limitation, as a result of the redemption of any gift card, or gift certificates issued by the Merchant), calculated using the "gross rings", from sales of Merchandise during the Sale Term, net of applicable sales taxes. For the purposes of calculating Gross Proceeds, the Merchant and the Agent shall keep (a) a strict count of gross register receipts less applicable sales taxes; and (b) cash reports of sales within each Store.

In addition to the Merchandise Fee, and not in lieu thereof, the Merchant shall pay to the Agent from Gross Proceeds of such Merchandise (but not Gross Proceeds of Merchandise sold through wholesale channels) an additional fee based upon the Gross Recovery Percentages achieved as set forth in the following table (the "Additional Incentive Compensation"). The Additional Incentive Compensation shall be equal to the aggregate sum of the percentages set forth in the "Additional Incentive Compensation" column of the table (e.g., calculated back to first dollar) for the corresponding Gross Recovery Percentage achieved; provided, however, no Additional Incentive Compensation shall be earned or payable where the Gross Recovery Percentage is less than 138.9%:

Gross Recovery Percentage	Additional Incentive Compensation
Between 138.9% and 140.9%	An additional 0.25% of Gross
	Proceeds (total fee equal to 2.25% of
	Gross Proceeds)
Above 140.9%	An additional 0.25% of Gross
	Proceeds (total fee equal to 2.5% of Gross
	Proceeds)

For purposes of the Additional Incentive Compensation:

"Cost Value" with respect to each item of Merchandise sold shall mean the lower of (i) the lowest per unit vendor cost in the File or in the Merchant's books and records, maintained in the ordinary course consistent with historic practices; or (ii) the Retail Price.

"File" shall mean shall mean Merchant's "01.Inventory listing as of Week 49 by Store (Category Level)" files and all subsequent files received by Agent.

"Gross Recovery Percentage" shall mean the Gross Proceeds divided by the sum of the aggregate Cost Value of all of the Merchandise sold during the Sale Term at the Stores.

"Retail Price" shall mean with respect to each item of Merchandise sold, the retail price reflected at the register for such item, excluding the discount granted in connection with such sale.

In addition to the foregoing, Merchant shall (a) pay \$242,545 on account of accrued and unpaid invoice amounts owing to Agent by Merchant and (b) provide an additional Expense Advance (as defined in the Agreement) of \$1,477,093 promptly upon execution of this Amendment. The Expense Advance shall be adjusted to ensure that Agent's outstanding fees and expenses owed under the Agreement shall be paid current prior to Merchant commencing a proceeding under the Bankruptcy Code. The Expense Advance shall be held by Agent and applied towards Expense Budget items as incurred. Any portion of the Expense Advance not so used shall be returned to Merchant within three days following the final reconciliation. [In addition, Merchant shall fund to Agent \$75,000 as a legal deposit to be held by Agent and applied to Agent's legal fees as they are incurred. All amounts due to the Agent under the Agreement shall be payable upon receipt of invoice by Merchant. The remainder of section E shall continue in full force and effect. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Agreement or this Amendment, Merchant's obligations to pay any fees, expenses, or other amounts due to Agent shall only be owed to Hilco.

Moreover, section I of the Agreement is hereby replaced and reinstated as follows:

"Agent shall sell the FF&E in the Stores from the Stores themselves, and shall sell FF&E from Merchant's corporate offices and, as applicable and only upon express direction from Merchant, its distribution center(s). Merchant shall be responsible for all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by Agent in connection with the sale of

FF&E, which costs and expenses shall be incurred pursuant to the Budget, as may be modified from time to time by mutual agreement of the Parties. Agent shall have the right to abandon any unsold FF&E. For the avoidance of doubt, Agent shall be the exclusive agent for FF&E sales from any facilities designated for disposition by Merchant during the term of this Agreement.

In consideration for providing the services set forth in this section I, Agent shall be entitled to a commission from the sale of the FF&E equal to 17.5% of the Gross Proceeds of the sale of the FF&E.

Agent shall remit to Merchant all Gross Proceeds from the sale of FF&E. During each weekly reconciliation described in section E above, Agent's FF&E fee shall be calculated, and Agent's calculated FF&E fee and all FF&E costs and expenses then incurred shall paid within seven (7) days after each such weekly reconciliation."

Moreover, section N of the Agreement is hereby replaced and reinstated as follows:

"Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights hereunder may be transferred or assigned by either Party without the prior written consent of the other Party. No modification, amendment or waiver of any of the provisions contained in this Agreement, or any future representation, promise or condition in connection with the subject matter of this Agreement, shall be binding upon any Party to this Agreement unless made in writing and signed by a duly authorized representative or agent of such Party. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Agent shall have the right to syndicate the transaction contemplated by this Agreement with additional entities so long as such relationships do not impose any additional cost or liability to Merchant, Agent provides Merchant with written notice of such syndication, and such partner(s) are reputable firms with experience and resources similar to those of Agent. Merchant acknowledges that as of February 12, 2025, Hilco has syndicated certain responsibilities under this Agreement to Gordon Brothers and SB360, who collectively serve as "Agent" hereunder. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Parties and their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors and permitted assigns."

Additionally, new paragraph R is added to the Agreement as follows:

R. Bankruptcy

"If the Merchant commences a case under Chapter 11 of title 11, United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), with a bankruptcy court (the "Bankruptcy Court"), the Merchant shall promptly file a motion to assume sections of this Agreement under section 365 and/or 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, and utilize its reasonable best efforts to ensure that such motion is approved by an order that approves, among other things, as follows (the "Approval Order"): (i) the payment of all fees and reimbursement of expenses under this Agreement is approved without further order of the court; (ii) all such payments of fees and reimbursement of expenses related to such Approval Order

shall be made on a weekly basis without further order of the Bankruptcy Court and otherwise in accordance with this Agreement; (iii) the payment of all fees and reimbursement of expenses to Agent related to such Approval Orders shall be included in any approved debtor-in-possession, cash collateral, or other post-petition financing budget as a condition to the assumption of this Agreement; (iv) the conduct of the Sale without the necessity of complying with state and local rules, laws, ordinances and regulations, including, without limitation, permitting and licensing requirements, that could otherwise govern the Sale; (v) the conduct of the Sale notwithstanding restrictions in leases, reciprocal easement agreements or other contracts that purport to restrict the Sale or the necessity of obtaining any third party consents; (vi) the Sale through the conduct of "Going out of Business" or similar themed sales, in addition to the Sale themes set forth in the Agreement; (vii) the sale of Additional Agent Goods in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof; and (viii) Merchant in taking all further actions as are necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The Bankruptcy Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction to resolve any issues arising under this Agreement. In such event, any legal action, suit or proceeding arising in connection with this Agreement shall be submitted to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court having jurisdiction over the Merchant, and each Party waives any defenses or objections based on lack of jurisdiction, improper venue, and/or forum non conveniens. From and after entry of the Approval Order, Agent shall conduct the Sale in accordance with the terms of the Approval Order in all material respects. If any objections are received prior to entry of the Approval Order, Agent will use commercially reasonable efforts to assist Merchant in negotiating a consensual resolution of such objection with the objecting party."

Additionally, new paragraph S is added to the Agreement as follows:

T. Additional Agent Goods

"Agent shall have the right, at Agent's sole cost and expense, to supplement the Merchandise in the Sale at the Stores with additional goods procured by Agent which are of like kind, and no lesser quality to the Merchandise in the Sale at the Stores ("Additional Agent Goods"); provided, further, that the cost of Additional Agent Goods shall not exceed 20% of the aggregate Cost Value of Merchandise in the Sale. The Additional Agent Goods shall be purchased by Agent as part of the Sale, and delivered to the Stores at Agent's sole expense (including as to labor, freight and insurance relative to shipping such Additional Agent Goods to the Stores). Sales of Additional Agent Goods shall be run through Merchant's cash register systems; provided however, that Agent shall mark the Additional Agent Goods using either a "dummy" SKU or department number, or in such other manner so as to distinguish the sale of Additional Agent Goods from the sale of Merchandise. Agent and Merchant shall also cooperate so as to ensure that the Additional Agent Goods are marked in such a way that a reasonable consumer could identify the Additional Agent Goods as non-Merchant goods. Additionally, Agent shall provide signage in the Stores notifying customers that the Additional Agent Goods have been included in the Sale.

Agent shall pay to Merchant an amount equal to five percent (5%) percent of the gross proceeds (excluding Sale Taxes) from the sale of the Additional Agent Goods (the

"Additional Agent Goods Fee"), and Agent shall retain all remaining amounts from the sale of the Additional Agent Goods. Agent shall pay Merchant its Additional Agent Goods Fee in connection with each weekly sale reconciliation with respect to sales of Additional Agent Goods sold by Agent during each then prior week (or at such other mutually agreed upon time).

Agent and Merchant intend that the transactions relating to the Additional Agent Goods are, and shall be construed as, a true consignment from Agent to Merchant in all respects and not a consignment for security purposes. Subject solely to Agent's obligations to pay to Merchant the Additional Agent Goods Fee, at all times and for all purposes the Additional Agent Goods and their proceeds shall be the exclusive property of Agent, and no other person or entity shall have any claim against any of the Additional Agent Goods or their proceeds. The Additional Agent Goods shall at all times remain subject to the exclusive control of Agent.

Merchant shall, at Agent's sole cost and expense, insure the Additional Agent Goods and, if required, promptly file any proofs of loss with regard to same with Merchant's insurers. Agent shall be responsible for payment of any deductible under any such insurance in the event of any casualty affecting the Additional Agent Goods.

Merchant acknowledges, and the Approval Order shall provide, that the Additional Agent Goods shall be consigned to Merchant as a true consignment under Article 9 of the Code. Agent is hereby granted a first priority security interest in and lien upon (i) the Additional Agent Goods and (ii) the Additional Agent Goods proceeds *less* the Additional Agent Goods Fee, and which security interest shall be deemed perfected pursuant to the Approval Order without the requirement of filing UCC financing statements or providing notifications to any prior secured parties (provided that Agent is hereby authorized to deliver all required notices and file all necessary financing statements and amendments thereof under the applicable UCC identifying Agent's interest in the Additional Agent Goods as consigned goods thereunder and the Merchant as the consignee therefor, and Agent's security interest in and lien upon such Additional Agent Goods and Additional Agent Goods proceeds).

Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, "Merchandise" shall not include Additional Agent Goods."

With respect to this Amendment, (i) Merchant hereby reaffirms the representations, warranties, and agreements set forth in section H of the Agreement, and (ii) Agent hereby reaffirms the representations, warranties, and agreements set forth in section H of the Agreement.

This Amendment, together with the Agreement, all prior amendments or supplements, and all schedules and exhibits attached hereto and thereto, constitutes a single, integrated written contract expressing the entire agreement of the parties concerning the subject matter hereof. No covenants, agreements, representations or warranties of any kind whatsoever have been made by any party to this Amendment except as specifically set forth in this Amendment or the Agreement.

If this Amendment is acceptable to you, kindly execute a copy in the space provided, and return a countersigned version to the undersigned.

	Very truly yours,
	HILCO MERCHANT RESOURCES, LLC
	T. Kellan Grant
	By: T. Kellan Grant Its: EVP Commercial Counsel
AGREED AND ACCEPTED as of February, 2025, intending to be	f the 12th day bound to the terms of the Agreement:
	GORDON BROTHERS RETAIL PARTNERS, LLC
	By: Its:
	SB360 CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC
	By: Its:
AGREED AND ACCEPTED as of of February, 2025:	f the 12 th day
F21 OpCo, LLC Brad Sell	

Chief Financial Officer Its:

	Very truly yours,
	HILCO MERCHANT RESOURCES, LLC
	By: T. Kellan Grant Its: EVP Commercial Counsel
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	GORDON BROTHERS RETAIL PARTNERS, LLC
	By: Its:
	SB360 CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC By: Aaron S. Miller Its: President
AGREED AND ACCEPTED as of of February, 2025:	the 12 th day
F21 OpCo, LLC	

By: Brad Sell

Chief Financial Officer Its:

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		By: Richard P. Edwards Its: Head of NA Retail
		SB360 CAPITAL PARTNERS, LLC
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By:	Brad Sell Chief Financial Officer	

Forever 21 Exhibit A

Store List

Burbank
Ontario
Montclair
Moreno Valley
Northridge
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San lose
Staten Island
Trumbull
Bethesda
Auburn Hills
Jersey City
Tallahassee
Elizabeth
Valley Stream
Clearwater
Saint Louis
North Wales
Baltimore
Bay Shore
West Nyack
Annapolis
Wilmington
Dearborn
Ann Arbor
Farmington
Lawrence Township
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	Address	City	State	dI7	Landlord	Sq. Ft.	Sq. Ft.	Commencement Date
728	72840 Highway 111, Ste. T-393	Palm Desert	5	92260	Pacific Retail Capital Partners	21,944	17,020	2/12/2025
712	7121 N. West 86 Terrace #117	Kansas City	MO	64153	Trademark Property Company	17,224	11,183	2/12/2025
Plaza @ King of Prussia 160	160 N. Gulph Rd, Ste #1910	King of Prussia	PA	19406	Simon Property Group, Inc.	31,275	25,567	2/12/2025
Ì	4301 W. Wisconsin Ave. #902	Appleton	M	54913	Brookfield Properties	14,369	11,680	2/27/2025
Jordan Creek Town Center 101	101 Jordan Creek Parkway	West Des Moines	Δ	50266	Brookfield Properties	10,951	8,090	2/27/2025
124	12482 N. Main St.	Rancho Cucamonga	CA	91739	Brookfield Properties	6,985	4,556	2/27/2025
Willow Grove Park 250	2500 Moreland Rd, Ste 2001	Willow Grove	ΡΑ	19090	PREIT Services, LLC	17,165	13,060	2/27/2025
855	8557 Park Meadows Center Drive	Lone Tree	8	80124	Brookfield Properties	31,596	23,123	2/12/2025
343	343 Southland Mall Drive, Space #76	Hayward	CA	94545	Brookfield Properties	14,045	11,355	2/12/2025
Bridgewater Commons 400	400 Commons Way	Bridgewater	2	08807	Bridgewater Commons Mall II, LLC	4,339	2,645	2/27/2025
mperial Valley Mall 345	3451 dogwood Ave, #1117	El Centro	8	92243	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	13,346	9,926	2/27/2025
	3000 Grapevine Mills Parkway	Grapevine	ĭ	76051	Simon Property Group, Inc.	25,814	18,850	2/12/2025
Mall of New Hampshire 150	1500 S. Willow St, Space S117B	Manchester	¥	03103	Simon Property Group, Inc.	11,104	8,177	2/12/2025
Pembroke Lakes Mall 114	11401 Pines Blvd #576	Pembroke Pines	료	33026	Brookfield Properties	13,518	10,533	2/27/2025
666	999 S. Washington Street	North Attleborough	MA	02760	Summit Properties USA	11,102	9,092	2/27/2025
120	1201 Broadway W132	Saugus	MA	01906	Simon Property Group, Inc.	10,042	5,016	2/12/2025
Fown Center @ Cobb 400	400 Ernest Barrett Parkway, Space #252A	Kennesaw	GA	30144	Kohan Retail Investment Group	23,081	18,319	2/27/2025
086	9801 Northlake Mall Drive Space #201	Charlotte	NC	28216	Spinoso Real Estate Group, LLC	21,086	16,685	2/27/2025
The Shops @ La Cantera 159	15900 La Cantera Parkway, Ste 12050	San Antonio	X	78256	Brookfield Properties	23,130	16,815	2/27/2025
	1000 North Point Circle Ste 1170	Alpharetta	GA	30022	Trademark Property Company	13,399	9,928	2/12/2025
128	12801 W. Sunrise Blvd Ste 555	Sunrise	卍	33323	Simon Property Group, Inc.	59,397	48,335	2/27/2025
100	10000 Coors Blvd, #B21A	Albuquerque	Σ	87114	Spinoso Real Estate Group, LLC	13,909	10,565	2/27/2025
270	2700 Riverchase Galleria, Space 2701	Birmingham	AL	35244	Brookfield Properties	28,528	19,702	2/12/2025
451	451 E. Altamonte Drive Suite 2113	Altamonte Springs	교	32701	Brookfield Properties	26,285	18,304	2/27/2025
200	5001 Monroe Street Unit 1800	Toledo	НО	43623	Pacific Retail Capital Partners	21,932	14,370	2/12/2025
Ocean County Mall 120	1201 Hooper Ave #1087A	Toms River	≥	08753	Simon Property Group, Inc.	6,500	5,130	2/12/2025
282	2825 S. Glenstone, Suite #S03B	Springfield	MO	65804	Simon Property Group, Inc.	15,410	12,128	2/12/2025
299	560 Great Northern Mall	North Olmsted	НО	44070	Starwood Retail Partners LLC	20,488	16,099	2/27/2025
Valley River Center 293	293 Valley River Center	Eugene	OR	97401	Macerich	12,466	8,393	2/12/2025
202	2028 Florence Mall #2070	Florence	Κ	41042	Namdar Realty Group LLC	2,966	4,416	2/27/2025
134	134 St. Clair Square #112	Fairview Heights	1	62208	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	12,289	8,848	2/27/2025
165	16535 SW Freeway #550	Sugar Land	ĭ	77479	Brookfield Properties	10,022	7,626	2/27/2025
Patrick Henry Mall 123	12300 Jefferson Ave., Ste #100	Newport News	۸۸	23602	PREIT Services, LLC	21,017	17,263	2/12/2025
250	2500 North Mayfair Road, Space # 624	Wauwatosa	M	53226	Brookfield Properties	8,475	5,751	2/27/2025
200	5000 S. Arizona Mills Circle, Suite #590	Tempe	AZ	85282	Simon Property Group, Inc.	30,822	25,412	2/12/2025
290	5900 Sugarloaf Parkway, Space 531	Lawrenceville	ВA	30043	Simon Property Group, Inc.	20,152	15,446	2/27/2025
Fown Center at Boca Raton 600	6000 West Glades Road, Space #1166E	Boca Raton	긥	33431	Simon Property Group, Inc.	19,670	14,088	2/12/2025
Miami International 145	1455 NW 107 Ave, Suite 560A	Doral	긥	33172	Simon Property Group, Inc.	12,876	9,748	2/27/2025
333	3333 Buford Drive, Space #1058A	Buford	ВA	30519	Simon Property Group, Inc.	18,258	13,878	2/12/2025
288	288 Orland Square Dr.	Orland Park	=	60462	Simon Property Group, Inc.	9,716	6,650	2/12/2025
The Mall at Rockingham Park 99 F	99 Rockingham Park Boulevard, W-143B	Salem	I	03079	Simon Property Group, Inc.	11,414	9,082	2/27/2025
Sherman Oaks Fashion Square 140	14006 Riverside Drive, Space #244	Sherman Oaks	CA	91423	Westfield LLC	22,158	17,256	2/12/2025
Brandon Town Center 566	566 Brandon Town Center	Brandon	교	33511	Centercorp Management Services Limited	11,179	9,032	2/27/2025
Glenbrook Square 420	4201 Coldwater Rd., #D04	Fort Wayne	Z	46805	Spinoso Real Estate Group, LLC	11,900	8,410	2/12/2025
	3506 Capital City Mall Drive #0808	Camp Hill	PA	17011	PREIT Services, LLC	13,894	9,418	2/27/2025
414	4146-E North Harlem Ave.	Norridge	=	90209	The Harlem Irving Co.	14,187	10.270	2/27/2025

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Selling Sq. Ft.	22.572			11,591	8,124							(4				9,114					` '							6,/10			` '										31,442	4,724		18,175
Gross Sq. Ft.	28.195	19.805	15,558	14,994	10,000	8,553	006'6	12,018	8,673	9,281	12,986	28,879	11,910	16,307	20,539	12,617	14 910	16.240	16,814	8,616	16,107	13,735	9,726	9,328	30,796	11,323	9,188	9,304	8 887	12,500	18,012	11,866	12,145	13,717	18,552	15,837	10,276	10,229	13,793	12,000	37,644	7,350	17,005	23,170
Landlord	Brookfield Properties	Brookfield Properties	Brookfield Properties	Wilmorite Management Group, LLC	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Spinoso Real Estate Group, LLC	Pyramid Management Group	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Brookfield Properties	Simon Property Group, Inc.	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	Summit Properties USA	Spinoso Real Estate Group, LLC	Cakland Iviali, LLC	Es Realty MA Advisors, LLC	Spinoso Beal Estate Group 110	Spinoso Real Estate Group, LLC	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	The Feil Organization	Brookfield Properties	Brookfield Properties	Namdar Realty Group LLC	Brookfield Properties	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Brookfield Properties	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	Westfield II C	Simon Property Group, Inc.	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Brookfield Properties	Brookfield Properties	Namdar Realty Group LLC	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	Brookfield Properties	Washington Prime Group	Efonalledes (Plaza Las Americas S. E.)	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Pyramid Management Group	RED Development
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Address	6419 Newberry Bd Space #B16	1704 Tamiami Trail North. Ste A19	4800 S. Hulen Street, Space #1125	7979 Pittsford-Victor Rd., Suite #140	4201 Camino De La Plaza, Suite #138	230 Lehigh Valley Mall #2087A	1300 Sunset Road Space 1230	2001 South Rd. #181	6501 N. Grape Rd. #274	410 Four Seasons Town Centre, Space #111	2760 N. Germantown Pkwy, Ste 163	266 Monroeville Mall, Suite 226	6650 South Westnedge Ave #139	500 Southpark Center #HL54	450 W. 14 MIIE Road	5268 E. Williams Eigld Bd #101	17360 Hall Road #191	194 Buckland Hills Dr. Ste. 1038	3320 Silas Creek Pkwy #DL450	20 City Blvd. West #R11	7501 West Cermak Rd. STE F9			4201 N. Shiloh Dr. #1150	10000 California Street, Suite #2156	7021 S. Memorial Dr. #143B	7804 Abercorn Street, Space #81	11200 Broadway St. #340 6003 Slido Pd #GE	24201 W Valencia Blvd #139	4951 International Drive, Suite #1006	2801 Memorial Parkway SW #211	385 Southbridge St., #N500A	1500 Harvey Road, Space #7012	7700 East Kellogg Drive, Unit 857	828 Park Ciy Center (Space A-828)	350 N. Milwaukee, #2060	850 Hartford Turnpike #R219A	425 Cross Creek Mall #TA-04	14700 East Indiana Ave., Space #2144	650 Lee Blvd. #D118	525 Ave F.D. Roosevelt #326	769 Lyannough Road	1 Galleria Dr., Space #D207	1420 Scheels Dr.
Name	The Oaks	Coastland	Hulen Mall	Eastview	The Shops at Las Americas	Lehigh Valley Mall	Galleria at Sunset	Poughkeepsie Galleria	University Park Mall	Four Seasons Town Centre	Wolfchase Galleria	Monroeville Mall	The Crossroads Mall	Southpark Mall	Cakiand Mall	Solomon Pond Mail	Jan Ian Village Partridge Creek	Buckland Hills	Hanes Mall	The Block @ Orange	North Riverside Park Mall	Town East	Market Place Shopping Center	Northwest Arkansas Mall	Westroads Mall	Woodland Hills Mall	Oglethorpe Mall	Pearland Town Center	Valencia Town Center	Prime Outlets Int'l	Parkway Place	Auburn Mall	Post Oak Mall	Towne East Square	Park City Center	Boise Towne Center	Crystal Mall	Cross Creek Mall	Spokane Valley Mall	Jefferson Valley	Plaza Las America	Cape Cod Mall	Gallera at Crystal Run	Legends at Sparks
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Planned Store Commencement Date	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/27/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025	2/27/2025	2/27/2025	2/12/2025	2/27/2025
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Gross Sq. Ft.	16,957	26,373	20,921	55,257	30,480	11,071	22,229	22,606	31,472	22,802	28,775	27,300	17,852	32,001	14,912	25,950	22,996	7,975	33,873	12,000	8,240	21,201	11,303	24,226	10,569	15,000	9,712	19,383	11,820	9,860	15,496	42,595	13,337	12,474	8,510	11,278	12,974	11,756	12,040	8,173	17,660	14,950	17,689	12,960	10,800	10,500	12,397
Landlord	Brookfield Properties	Marx Realty and Development Co	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Macerich	Constance Kneule Madden	Brookfield Properties	Washington Prime Group	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Westfield LLC	Macerich	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Brookfield Properties	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	PREIT Services, LLC	The Taubman Company	Macerich	Pacific Retail Capital Partners	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Hines Global REIT	PREIT Services, LLC	Brookfield Properties	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	Macerich	CE Collierville, LLC	Macerich	Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	New England Development	Vornado Realty Trust	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Tanger Factory Outlet Centers, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Excel Property Mgmt Services, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	Simon Property Group, Inc.	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	IRCC-Rock Outlet Center, LLC
Zip	89107	10704	77494	80021	75240	60062	37601	01803	90230	11234	11530	19702	78746	22192	32809	08002	48377	91360	91790	78503	57106	30363	02747	92008	03060	30248	90401	38017	19107	11729	20009	10120	80023	75013	10917	16127	23502	98336	36536	10601	89106	92231	60502	33034	20176	30188	93203
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City	Las Vegas	Yonkers	Katy	Broomfield	Dallas	Northbrook	Johnson City	Burlington	Culver City	Brooklyn	Garden City	Newark	Austin	Woodbridge	Orlando	Cherry Hill	Novi	Thousand Oaks	West Covina	McAllen	Sioux Falls	Atlanta	Dartmouth	Carlsbad	Nashua	Locust Grove	Santa Monica	Collierville	Philadelphia	Deer Park	Altoona	New York	Thornton	Allen	Central Valley	Grove City	Norfolk	Kennewick	Foley	White Plains	Las Vegas	Calexico	Aurora	Florida City	Leesburg	Woodstock	Arvin
Address	4300 Meadows Lane, Space #2380	8040 Mall Walk	5000 Katy Mills Circle, Space #330C	51 West Flat Iron Crossing Dr., #ANC04	13350 Dallas Parkway #2840	2270 Northbrook Court	2011 North Roan St., Space #H5	75 Middlesex Turnpike, Space #1065A	6000 Sepulveda Blvd., Space #1331	5301 Kings Plaza #210	630 Old Country Rd	162 Christiana Mall, Space #1466	2901 S. Capital of Texas Highway, #M06A	2700 Potomac Mills, Space #601	8001 S. Orange Blossom Trail	2000 Route 38	27434 Novi Road	350 W. Hillcrest Drive	112 Plaza Drive, Suite #326	2200 S 10th Street, Ste# B48	4001 W 41st Street	231 18TH STREET, Suite 565	200 N Dartmouth Mall	2525 El Camino Real, Space #102	310 Daniel Webster Hwy	1000 Tanger Drive, Ste. #101	395 Santa Monica Place, Spae # 220	4674 Merchandts Park Circle. , Space 721	907-937A Market Street #2175	152 The Arches Circle, Ste. 924	801 Bass Pro Dr NW	435 Seventh Ave	13801 Grant Street, Space #550	820 W. Stacy Rd., Space #602	223 Red Apple Ct, Space #0223	1911 Leesburg Grove City Road	1600 Premium Outlets Blvd	1321 N Columbia Center Blvd	2601 S. McKenzie St #266		875 Grand Central Parkway South	888 West 2nd Street	1650 Premium Outlets Blvd	250 East Palm Dr	41 Fort Evans Road NE	915 Ridgewalk Parkway	5/01 Outlets at lejon Ranch Pkwy
Name	Meadows Mall	Cross Country	Katy Mills	Flatiron Crossing	Dallas Galleria	Northbrook Court	Johnson City	Burlington Mall	Culver City (Fox Hills)	Kings Plaza Mall	Roosevelt Field Mall	Christiana Mall	Barton Creek Square	Potomac Square	Florida Mall	Cherry Hill Mall	Twelve Oaks Mall	The Oaks	West Covina Shopping Center	La Plaza	Empire Mall	Atlantic Station	Dartmouth Mall	Shops at Carlsbad	Phesant Lane	Tanger Locust Grove	Santa Monica Place	Carriage Crossing	Philadelphia Fashion Outlets	Tanger Deerpark	Outlets Of Des Moines	435 Seventh Avenue - Penn St; 435 Seventh Ave	Denver Premium Outlets	Allen Premium Outlets	Woodbury Premium Outlets	Grove City Premium Outlets	Norfolk Premium Outlets	Columbia Center	Tanger Outlets Foley	The Westchester Mall	Las Vegas North Premium Out	Gran Plaza Outlets	Chicago Premium Outlets	FLORIDA KEYS OUTLET MARKE 250 East Palm Dr	LEESBURG PREMIUM OUTLET,	THE OUTLETS SHOPPES AT ATL 915 Ridgewalk Parkway	OUTLETS AT TEJON
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Foc #	Name	Address	City	State	Zip	Landlord	Gross Sq. Ft.	Selling Sq. Ft.	Planned Store Commencement Date
3002 Yorktown Center	າ Center	300 Yorktown Center	Lombard	1	60148	Pacific Retail Capital Partners	33,193	24,185	2/12/2025
33 Walden Galleria	Salleria	1 Walden Galleria #TH110	Buffalo	Ņ	14225	Pyramid Management Group	32,098	21,442	2/12/2025
3004 Water To	Water Tower Place	835 N. Michigan, Space #6035 & 7025	Chicago	=	60611	M&J Wilkow Property LLC	35,739	26,184	2/12/2025
3006 Times Square	uare	1540 Broadway	New York	×	10036	Vornado Realty Trust	91,257	40,195	2/12/2025
3505 Tucson Mall	Aall	4500 North Oracle Road	Tucson	AZ	85705	Brookfield Properties	14,677	10,893	2/27/2025
3506 Mall Del Norte	Norte	5300 San Dario Ave, Suite 2004	Laredo	¥	78041	CBL & Associates Properties, Inc.	19,398	14,693	2/27/2025
3509 Montebel	Montebello Town Center	1800 Montebello Town Center	Montebello	CA	90640	Spinoso Real Estate Group, LLC	81,619	33,473	2/12/2025
3510 Lakewood	akewood Center Mall	326 Lakewood Center Mall	Lakewood	CA	90712	Macerich	80,688	58,956	2/12/2025
3511 Cerritos		200 Los Cerritos Center	Cerritos	8	90703	Macerich	85,691	43,831	2/12/2025
3515 Inland Center	enter	200 Inland Dr.	San Bernardino	CA	92408	Macerich	51,420	32,063	2/12/2025
3524 Fresno Fa	Fresno Fashion Fair	755 East Shaw Ave.	Fresno	8	93710	Macerich	56,674	44,009	2/12/2025
3525 Valley Plaza	aza	2801 Ming Ave.	Bakersfield	CA	93304	Brookfield Properties	97,311	49,566	2/12/2025
3526 Fashion Show	Show	3200 Las Vegas Blvd	Las Vegas	2	89109	Brookfield Properties	111,220	81,159	2/12/2025
3527 The Woo	The Woodlands Mall	1201 Lake Woodland Dr., Ste #100	The Wooslands	¥	77380	Brookfield Properties	85,150	65,767	2/12/2025
3528 Baybrook Mall	k Mall	1408 Baybrook Mall	Friendswood	¥	77546	Brookfield Properties	81,772	63,319	2/12/2025
3529 North Star Mall	ar Mall	7400 San Pedro Avenue	San Antonio	¥	78216	Brookfield Properties	31,290	24,410	2/27/2025
3531 Mall St. N	Mall St. Matthews	5000 Shelbyville Road	Louisville	₹	40207	Brookfield Properties	27,470	22,089	2/27/2025
3534 Tacoma Mall	Mall	4502 S. Steele St., Ste #426B	Tacoma	WA	98409	Simon Property Group, Inc.	15,867	11,347	2/12/2025
3538 Galleria at Tyler	at Tyler	3700 Galleria at Tyler Mall	Riverside	CA	92503	Macy's West Stores, LLC	155,414	65,043	2/12/2025
3539 The Shop	The Shops At Mission Viejo	555 The Shops at Mission Viejo	Mission Viejo	CA	92691	Simon Property Group, Inc.	13,040	8,622	2/12/2025
3541 Deerbrook Mal	ok Mall	20131 Highway 59 North, Suite #2290	Humble	¥	77338	Brookfield Properties	41,937	29,953	2/12/2025
3542 Santa Anita	ita	400 South Baldwin Avenue	Arcadia	CA	91007	Avison Young Southern California Ltd	117,817	48,559	2/12/2025
6004 Freehold	reehold Raceway	3710 Route 9, Suite #1000	Freehold	2	07728	Macerich	19,586	14,503	2/12/2025
6006 Sun Valley	Æ	329 Sun Valley Mall, Suite #121	Concord	CA	94520	The Taubman Company	23,608	19,611	2/12/2025
6008 South Co	South Coast Plaza	3333 Bristol Ave.	Costa Mesa	S	92926	S-Tract Property	43,011	31,837	2/12/2025
6011 Natick Mall	lall	1245 Worcester St., Suite 3030	Natick	MA	01760	Brookfield Properties	33,288	22,970	2/12/2025
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Expense Budget (1)

Advertising	
Digital & Media	2,122,500
Signs (2)	300,000
Sign Walkers	586,875
Subtotal Advertising	3,009,375
Supervision	
Fees / Wages / Expenses (3)	3,287,229
Subtotal Supervision	3,287,229
Miscellaneous	
Miscellaneous /Legal (4)	75,000
Subtotal Miscellaneous	75,000
Total Expenses	6,371,604

Notes:

- 1. This Expense Budget contemplates a sale term of February, 12, 2025 through April 30, 2025. The Expense Budget remains subject to modification in the event that this term is extended, or as otherwise agreed to by the parties.
- 2. Includes Sales Tax.
- 3. Includes Deferred Compensation and Insurance.
- 4. Any legal expenses associated with issues raised by or disputes with landlords, including (without limitation) negotiations in respect of landlord side letters, shall be in addition to and not part of the budgeted legal expenses.

EXHIBIT 2

Sale Guidelines

SALE GUIDELINES¹

- A. The Store Closing Sales shall be conducted so that the Closing Stores in which sales are to occur will remain open no longer than during the normal hours of operation provided for in the respective leases for the Closing Stores.
- B. The Store Closing Sales shall be conducted in accordance with applicable state and local "Blue Laws", where applicable, so that no Store Closing Sales shall be conducted on Sunday unless the Merchant had been operating such Closing Store on a Sunday.
- C. On "shopping center" property, the Agent shall not distribute handbills, leaflets or other written materials to customers outside of any Closing Stores' premises, unless permitted by the lease or, if distribution is customary in the "shopping center" in which such Store is located; *provided* that Agent may solicit customers in the Closing Stores themselves. On "shopping center" property, the Agent shall not use any flashing lights or amplified sound to advertise the Store Closing Sales or solicit customers, except as permitted under the applicable lease or agreed to by the landlord.
- D. The Merchant and the Agent may advertise the Sale as a "store closing" "sale on everything", "everything must go", or similar themed sale, or "going out of business." The Agent may also have a "countdown to closing" sign prominently displayed in a manner consistent with these Sale Guidelines.
- E. Agent shall be permitted to utilize display, hanging signs, and interior banners in connection with the Store Closing Sales; provided, however, that such display, hanging signs, and interior banners shall be professionally produced and hung in a professional manner. The Merchant and the Agent shall not use neon or day-glo on its display, hanging signs, or interior banners. Furthermore, with respect to enclosed mall locations, no exterior signs or signs in common areas of a mall shall be used unless otherwise expressly permitted in these Sale Guidelines. In addition, the Merchant and the Agent shall be permitted to utilize exterior banners at (i) non-enclosed mall Closing Stores and (ii) enclosed mall Closing Stores to the extent the entrance to the applicable Closing Store does not require entry into the enclosed mall common area; provided, however, that such banners shall be located or hung so as to make clear that the Store Closing Sales is being conducted only at the affected Closing Store, shall not be wider than the storefront of the Closing Store. In addition, the Merchant and the Agent shall be permitted to utilize sign walkers and A-frames in a safe and professional manner and in accordance with the terms of the Final Order. Nothing contained in these Sale Guidelines shall be construed to create or impose upon the Agent any additional restrictions not contained in the applicable lease agreement.
- F. Conspicuous signs shall be posted in the cash register areas of each of the affected Closing Stores to effect that "all sales are final."
- G. Except with respect to the hanging of exterior banners, the Agent shall not make any alterations to the storefront or exterior walls of any Closing Stores, except as authorized by the applicable lease.
- H. The Agent shall not make any alterations to interior or exterior Closing Store lighting, except as authorized by the applicable lease. No property of the landlord of a Closing Store shall be removed or

Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Debtors' Motion for Entry of (I) Interim Order Authorizing (A) the Conduct of the Store Closing Sales, With Such Sales to be Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances and (B) Granting Related Relief, and (II) Final Order Authorizing (A) the Debtors to Assume the Agency Agreement, (B) the Conduct of the Store Closing Sales, With Such Sales to be Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances, and (C) Granting Related Relief or Agency Agreement, as applicable.

sold during the Store Closing Sales. The hanging of exterior banners or in-store signage and banners shall not constitute an alteration to a Closing Store.

- I. The Agent shall keep Closing Store premises and surrounding areas clear and orderly consistent with present practices.
- J. The Agent, at the direction of the Debtors, and the landlord of any Store are authorized to enter into Side Letters without further order of the Court, provided that such agreements do not have a material adverse effect on the Debtors or their estates.
- K. Subject to the provisions of the Agency Agreement, the Agent shall have the right to sell all furniture, fixtures, and equipment located at the Closing Stores and the corporate office (the "FF&E"). The Agent may advertise the sale of the FF&E in a manner consistent with these guidelines at the Closing Stores and or if the Merchant otherwise agrees, the corporate office. The purchasers of any FF&E sold during the sale shall be permitted to remove the FF&E either through the back shipping areas at any time, or through other areas after Store business hours; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not apply to de minimis FF&E sales made whereby the item(s) can be carried out of the Closing Store in a shopping bag or shopping cart. For the avoidance of doubt, as of the Sale Termination Date, the Agent may abandon, in place and without further responsibility, any FF&E.
- L. The Agent shall be entitled to include Additional Agent Goods in the Store Closing Sales in accordance with the terms of the Final Order and the Agency Agreement.
- M. At the conclusion of the Store Closing Sales at each Closing Store, pending assumption or rejection of applicable leases, the landlords of the Closing Stores shall have reasonable access to the Closing Stores' premises as set forth in the applicable leases. The Merchant, the Agent and their agents and representatives shall continue to have exclusive and unfettered access to the Closing Stores.
- N. The rights of landlords against Merchant for any damages to a Closing Store shall be reserved in accordance with the provisions of the applicable lease; provided that to the extent certain leases of Closing Stores require written confirmation of receipt of a key to effectuate surrender, this requirement is waived.
- O. If and to the extent that the landlord of any Closing Store affected hereby contends that the Agent or Merchant is in breach of or default under these Sale Guidelines, such landlord shall email or deliver written notice by overnight delivery on the Merchant's counsel and the Agent's counsel as follows:

If to the Merchant:

F21 OpCo, LLC 110 E. 9th Street, Suite A500 Los Angeles, California 90079 Attention: Michael Brown mbrown@thinkbrg.com

With copies to:

Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP 1000 North King Street Wilmington, Delaware 19801 Attention: Andrew Magaziner, Esq.(amagaziner@ycst.com) and S. Alexander Faris, Esq. (afaris@ycst.com)

If to the Agent:

HILCO MERCHANT RESOURCES, LLC c/o Ropes & Gray LLP 191 North Wacker Drive, 32nd Floor Chicago, IL 60606, Attn: Stephen Iacovo (stephen.iacovo@ropesgray.com)

EXHIBIT B

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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:	Chapter 11
F21 OPCO, LLC, et al.,1	Case No. 25(25-10469
Debtors.	(Jointly Administered)
	Ref: Docket Nos. — <u>14</u> & <u>—80</u>

FINAL ORDER AUTHORIZING (I) THE DEBTORS TO ASSUME THE AGENCY AGREEMENT, (II) THE CONDUCT OF THE STORE CLOSING SALES, WITH SUCH SALES TO BE FREE AND CLEAR OF ALL LIENS, CLAIMS, AND ENCUMBRANCES, AND (III) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

Upon the motion (the "Motion")² of the Debtors for entry of a final order (this "Final Order") (a) authorizing the Debtors, upon entry of the Final Order, to assume the Agency Agreement, (b) authorizing the Debtors to conduct store closing or similar themed sales in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines, with such sales to be free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances, and (c) granting certain related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and the First Day Declaration; and this Court having previously entered that certain *Interim Order Authorizing* (I) the Conduct of the Store Closing Sales, with Such Sales to be Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances and (II) Granting Related Relief [D.I.—80] (the "Interim Order"); and this Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein in

The Debtors in these cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: F21 OpCo, LLC (8773); F21 Puerto Rico, LLC (5906); and F21 GiftCo Management, LLC (6412). The Debtors' address for purposes of service in these Chapter 11 Cases is 110 East 9th Street, Suite A500, Los Angeles, CA 90079.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Motion.

accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2) and that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and it appearing that proper and adequate notice of the Motion has been given and that no other or further notice is necessary; and upon the record herein; and after due deliberation thereon; and this Court having determined that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest, it is hereby

FOUND, CONCLUDED AND DETERMINED THAT:3

- A. The Debtors' decision to (i) enter into the Agency Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**, and (ii) perform under and make payments required by the Agency Agreement, is a reasonable exercise of the Debtors' sound business judgment consistent with their fiduciary duties and is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and all other parties in interest.
- B. The Agency Agreement was negotiated, proposed, and entered into by the Agent and the Debtors without collusion, in good faith, and from arm's length bargaining positions.
- C. Time is of the essence in effectuating the Agency Agreement and continuing with the Store Closing Sales contemplated therein without interruption. The conduct of the Store

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The findings and conclusions set forth herein constitute this Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7052, made applicable to this proceeding pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9014. To the extent any of the following findings of fact constitute conclusions of law, they are adopted as such. To the extent any of the following conclusions of law constitute findings of fact, they are adopted as such.

Closing Sales will provide an efficient means for the Debtors to dispose of the Store Closing Assets. The Store Closing Sales under the Agency Agreement must be permitted to continue to maximize the value that the Agent may realize from the Store Closing Sales and the value that the Debtors may realize from assuming the Agency Agreement.

- D. The Agent is not an "insider" as that term is defined in section 101(31) of the Bankruptcy Code. No common identity of directors or controlling stockholders exists between the Agent and the Debtors.
- E. The Sale Guidelines, as described in the Motion and attached as **Exhibit 2** hereto, are reasonable and appropriate and will maximize the returns on the Store Closing Assets for the benefit of the Debtors' estates and creditors.
- F. The Store Closing Sales, in accordance with the Sale Guidelines and with the assistance of the Agent, will provide an efficient means for the Debtors to liquidate and dispose of the Store Closing Assets as quickly and effectively as possible, and are in the best interests of the Debtors' estates.
- G. The Resolution Procedures are fair and reasonable, and comply with applicable law.
- H. The Debtors have represented that, pursuant to the Motion, they are not seeking to either sell or lease personally identifiable information during the course of the Store Closing Sales at the Closing Stores; *provided*, *however*, that the Agent will be authorized to distribute emails and promotional materials to the Debtors' customers consistent with the Debtors' existing policies on the use of consumer information.
- I. No sale, transfer or other disposition of the Store Closing Assets pursuant to the Agency Agreement or entry into the Agency Agreement will subject the Agent to any liability for

claims, obligations or Encumbrances asserted against the Debtors or the Debtors' interests in such Store Closing Assets by reason of such transfer under any laws, including, without limitation, any bulk-transfer laws or any theory of successor or transferee liability, antitrust, environmental, product line, de facto merger or substantial continuity or similar theories. The Agent is not a successor to the Debtors or their respective estates.

- J. The relief set forth herein is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm to the Debtors and their estates, and the Debtors have demonstrated good, sufficient, and sound business purposes and justifications for the relief approved herein.
- K. The entry of this Final Order is in the best interest of the Debtors, their estates and creditors, and all other parties in interest herein.

ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED on a final basis, as set forth herein.
- 2. All objections to the entry of this Final Order, to the extent not withdrawn or settled, are overruled.

I. ASSUMPTION OF THE AGENCY AGREEMENT

3. The Agency Agreement is hereby assumed pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors are authorized to act and perform in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement, including, but not limited to, making payments required by the Agency Agreement to the Agent without the need for any application of the Agent or a further order of this Court. Notwithstanding this or any other provision of this Final Order, nothing shall prevent or be construed to prevent any of the Agent (individually, as part of a joint venture, or otherwise) or any of their affiliates from bidding on the Debtors' other assets pursuant to an agency agreement or otherwise, and Agent is hereby authorized to bid on and guarantee or

otherwise acquire such assets notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable law, provided that such guarantee, transaction or acquisition is approved by separate order of this Court.

4. Subject to the restrictions set forth in this Final Order and the Sale Guidelines, the Debtors and the Agent are authorized to take any and all actions as may be necessary or desirable to implement the Agency Agreement and the Store Closing Sales; and each of the transactions contemplated by the Agency Agreement.

II. AUTHORITY TO ENGAGE IN THE STORE CLOSING SALES

- 5. The Debtors are authorized, pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code, to immediately continue and conduct the Store Closing Sales in accordance with this Final Order, the Sale Guidelines, the Agency Agreement, and any Side Letter (defined below).
 - 6. The Sale Guidelines are approved in their entirety.
- 7. All entities that are presently in possession of some or all of the Store Closing Assets in which the Debtors hold an interest that are or may be subject to the Agency Agreement or this Final Order hereby are directed to surrender possession of such Store Closing Assets to the Debtors or the Agent.
- 8. Except as provided herein, neither the Debtors nor the Agent nor any of their officers, employees, or agents shall be required to obtain the approval of any third party, including (without limitation) any Governmental Unit or any Landlord, to conduct the Store Closing Sales and any related activities in accordance with the Sale Guidelines.

III. ORDER BINDING

- 9. This Final Order shall be binding upon and shall govern the acts of all entities, including, without limitation, all filing agents, filing officers, title agents, title companies, recorders of mortgages, recorders of deeds, registrars of deeds, administrative agencies, governmental departments, secretaries of state, federal, state and local officials, and all other persons and entities who may be required by operation of law, the duties of their office, or contract, to accept, file, register or otherwise record or release any documents or instruments, or who may be required to report or insure any title or state of title in or to the Store Closing Assets.
- 10. This Final Order and the terms and provisions of the Agency Agreement shall be binding on all of the Debtors' creditors (whether known or unknown), the Debtors, the Agent, and their respective affiliates, successors and assigns, and any affected third parties including, but not limited to, all persons asserting an interest in the Store Closing Assets, notwithstanding any subsequent appointment of any trustee, party, entity or other fiduciary under any section of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the forgoing parties, and as to such trustee, party, entity or other fiduciary, such terms and provisions likewise shall be binding. The provisions of this Final Order and the terms and provisions of the Agency Agreement, and any actions taken pursuant hereto or thereto shall survive the entry of any order which may be entered confirming or consummating any plan(s) of the Debtors or converting the Debtors' cases from chapter 11 to chapter 7, and the terms and provisions of the Agency Agreement, as well as the rights and interests granted pursuant to this Final Order and the Agency Agreement, shall continue in these or any superseding cases and shall be binding upon the Debtors, the Agent and their respective successors and permitted assigns, including any trustee or other fiduciary hereafter appointed as a legal representative of the Debtors under chapter 7 or chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. Any

trustee appointed in this case shall be and hereby is authorized to operate the Debtors' business to the fullest extent necessary to permit compliance with the terms of this Final Order and the Agency Agreement, and Agent and the trustee shall be and hereby are authorized to perform under the Agency Agreement upon the appointment of the trustee without the need for further order of this Court.

IV. CONDUCTING THE STORE CLOSING SALES

- 11. Except as otherwise provided in the Agency Agreement, pursuant to section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Agent is authorized to sell all the Store Closing Assets to be sold pursuant to the Agency Agreement free and clear of any and all liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests ("Encumbrances"), including, without limitation, the liens and security interests, as the same may have been amended from time to time, of Wells Fargo and the Prepetition Term Loan Agent whether arising by agreement, any statute or otherwise and whether arising before, on or after the date on which these Chapter 11 Cases were commenced; provided, however, that any such Encumbrances shall attach to the proceeds of the sale of the Store Closing Assets with the same validity, in the amount, with the same priority as, and to the same extent that any such liens, claims, and encumbrances have with respect to the Store Closing Assets, subject to (i) the ABL-Term Loan Intercreditor Agreement and (ii) any claims and defenses that the Debtors may possess with respect thereto.
- 12. Other than filings made by Wells Fargo and the Prepetition Term Loan Agent with respect to their liens and security interests in the Store Closing Assets, if any person or entity that has filed financing statements, mortgages, construction or mechanic's liens, lis pendens or other documents or agreement evidencing liens on or interests in the Store Closing Assets shall not have delivered to the Debtors, in proper form for filing and executed by the

appropriate parties, termination statements, instruments of satisfaction, or releases of any Encumbrances which the person or entity has with respect to the Store Closing Assets, each such person or entity is hereby directed to deliver all such statements, instruments and releases and the Debtors and the Agent are hereby authorized to execute and file such statements, instruments, releases and other documents on behalf of the person or entity asserting the same and the Agent is authorized to file a copy of this Final Order which, upon filing, shall be conclusive evidence of the release and termination of such interest. Each and every federal, state and local governmental unit is hereby directed to accept any and all documents and instruments necessary or appropriate to give effect to the Store Closing Sales and related transactions.

- 13. All newspapers and other advertising media in which the Store Closing Sales may be advertised and all Landlords or licensors, as applicable, of the Closing Stores are directed to accept this Final Order as binding authority so as to authorize the Debtors and the Agent to conduct the Store Closing Sales and the sale of Store Closing Assets pursuant to the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines, including, without limitation, to conduct and advertise the sale of the Store Closing Assets and the Additional Agent Goods in the manner contemplated by and in accordance with this Final Order, the Sale Guidelines, and the Agency Agreement.
- 14. Nothing nullifies or enjoins the enforcement of any liability to a Governmental Unit under environmental laws or regulations (or any associated liabilities for penalties, damages, cost recovery, or injunctive relief) that any entity would be subject to as the owner, lessor, lessee, or operator of the property after the date of entry of this Final Order. Nothing contained in this Final Order or in the Agency Agreement shall in any way (a) diminish the obligation of any entity to comply with environmental laws, or (b) diminish the obligations of the Debtors to comply with environmental laws consistent with their rights and obligations as

debtors in possession under the Bankruptcy Code. Nothing herein shall be construed to be a determination that the Agent is an operator with respect to any environmental law or regulation. Moreover, the sale of the Store Closing Assets shall not be exempt from, and the Debtors and the Agent shall be required to comply with laws and regulations of general applicability, including, without limitation, public health and safety, criminal, tax, labor, employment, environmental, antitrust, fair competition, traffic and consumer protection laws, including consumer laws regulating deceptive practices and false advertising (collectively, "General Laws"). Nothing in this Final Order shall alter or affect the Debtors' and Agent's obligations to comply with all applicable federal safety laws and regulations. Nothing in this Final Order shall be deemed to bar any Governmental Unit from enforcing General Laws in the applicable non-bankruptcy forum, subject to the Debtors' or the Agent's right to assert in that forum or before this Court that any such laws are not in fact General Laws or that such enforcement is impermissible under the Bankruptcy Code, this Final Order, or otherwise, pursuant to the relief granted hereunder. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Final Order, no party waives any rights to argue any position with respect to whether the conduct was in compliance with this Final Order and/or any applicable law, or that enforcement of such applicable law is preempted by the Bankruptcy Code. Nothing in this Final Order shall be deemed to have made any rulings on any such issues.

15. In accordance with and subject to the terms and conditions of the Agency Agreement, the Agent shall have the right to use the Closing Stores and all related store services, furniture, fixtures, equipment, and other assets of the Debtors for the purpose of conducting the Store Closing Sales, free and clear of any interference from any entity or person, subject to compliance with the Sale Guidelines (as modified by any Side Letters) and this Final Order.

- 16. Subject to the Resolution Procedures provided herein, the Debtors and the Agent are hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate to implement the Agency Agreement and to conduct the Store Closing Sales without the need for a further order of this Court, including, but not limited to, advertising the sale as a "store closing," "sale on everything," "everything must go," "liquidation sale," and "going out of business" or similar themed sale through the posting of signs (including the use of exterior banners at non-enclosed mall Closing Stores, and at enclosed mall Closing Stores to the extent the applicable Store entrance does not require entry into the enclosed mall common area), use of sign-walkers, A-frames, and other street signage, in accordance with the Final Order, Agency Agreement, and Sale Guidelines.
- 17. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, and in view of the importance of the use of sign-walkers, banners, and other advertising to the sale of the Store Closing Assets, to the extent that disputes arise during the course of such sale regarding laws regulating the use of sign-walkers, banners or other advertising and the Debtors and the Agent are unable to resolve the matter consensually with a Governmental Unit, any party may request an immediate telephonic hearing with this Court pursuant to these provisions. Such hearing will, to the extent practicable, be scheduled initially no later than within five (5) business days of such request. This scheduling shall not be deemed to preclude additional hearings for the presentation of evidence or arguments as necessary.
- 18. Except as expressly provided in the Agency Agreement and Sale Guidelines, the sale of the Store Closing Assets shall be conducted by the Debtors and the Agent notwithstanding any restrictive provision of any lease, sublease, license, reciprocal easement agreement, restrictive covenant, or other agreement relative to occupancy affecting or purporting

to restrict the conduct of the Store Closing Sales, the rejection of leases or licenses, the necessity of obtaining any third party consents, abandonment of assets, or "going dark" provisions, and such provisions shall not be enforceable in conjunction with the Store Closing Sales. Breach of any such provisions in these chapter 11 cases in conjunction with the Store Closings shall not constitute a default under a lease or provide a basis to terminate the lease. The Agent, along with landlords and licensors, as applicable, of the Closing Stores are authorized to enter into agreements ("Side Letters") between themselves modifying the Sale Guidelines without further order of this Court, and such Side Letters shall be binding as among the Agent and any such landlords or licensors, as applicable, of the Closing Stores, provided that nothing in such Side Letters affects the provisions of paragraphs 14, 16 (solely as it relates to the Resolution Procedures), 17, and 29 of this Final Order. In the event of any conflict between the Sale Guidelines and any Side Letter, the terms of such Side Letter shall control.

19. Except as expressly provided for herein or in the Sale Guidelines, and except with respect to any Governmental Unit (as to which paragraphs 14 and 29 of this Final Order shall apply), no person or entity, including, but not limited to, any landlord, licensor, service providers, utilities, and creditor, shall take any action to directly or indirectly prevent, interfere with, or otherwise hinder the continuation of the Store Closing Sales or the sale of Sale Closing Assets, or the advertising and promotion (including the posting of signs and exterior banners or the use of signwalkerssign-walkers) of such sales, and all such parties and persons of every nature and description, including, but not limited to, any landlord, licensor, service providers, utilities, and creditor and all those acting for or on behalf of such parties, are prohibited and enjoined from (a) interfering in any way with, obstructing, or otherwise impeding, the conduct of the Store Closing Sales and/or (b) instituting any action or proceeding in any court (other than in

this Court) or administrative body seeking an order or judgment against, among others, the Debtors, the Agent, or the landlords or licensors, as applicable, at the Closing Stores that might in any way directly or indirectly obstruct or otherwise interfere with or adversely affect the conduct of the Store Closing Sales or sale of the Store Closing Assets or other liquidation sales at the Closing Stores and/or seek to recover damages for breach(es) of covenants or provisions in any lease, sublease, license, or contract based upon any relief authorized herein.

- 20. The Agent shall honor gift cards and gift certificates, that were issued by or on behalf the Debtors prior to the Petition Date through and including April 15, 2025 (the "Gift Card Termination Date"). To the extent not already completed, as soon as reasonably practicable after entry of this Order, the Debtors shall post conspicuous signage at their stores and on their website advising customers that gift cards and gift certificates will not be honored after the Gift Card Termination Date.
- 21. All sales of all Store Closing Assets and the Additional Agent Goods, if any, shall be "as is" and final. Conspicuous signs stating that "all sales are final" and "as is" will be posted at the cash register areas at all Stores. However, all state and federal laws relating to implied warranties for latent defects shall be complied with and are not superseded by the sale of said goods or the use of the terms "as is" or "final sales."
- 22. Except as expressly provided for in the Agency Agreement, nothing in this Final Order or the Agency Agreement, and none of the Agent's actions taken in respect of the Store Closing Sales shall be deemed to constitute an assumption by Agent of any of the Debtors' obligations relating to any of the Debtors' employees. Moreover, the Agent shall not become liable under any collective bargaining or employment agreement or be deemed a joint or successor employer with respect to such employees.

- 23. The Agent shall not be liable for sales taxes except as expressly provided in the Agency Agreement, and the Debtors remain responsible for the payment of any and all sales taxes. The Debtors are directed to remit all taxes accruing from the Store Closing Sales to the applicable Governmental Units as and when due, provided that in the case of a bona fide dispute, the Debtors are only directed to pay such taxes upon the resolution of the dispute, if and to the extent that the dispute is decided in favor of the applicable Governmental Unit. For the avoidance of doubt, sales taxes collected and held in trust by the Debtors shall not be used to pay any creditor or any other party, other than the applicable Governmental Unit for which the sales taxes are collected. This Final Order does not enjoin, suspend or restrain the assessment, levy or collection of any tax under state law, and does not constitute a declaratory judgment with respect to any party's liability for taxes under state law.
- 24. The Debtors shall not sell any personal and/or confidential information about the Debtors' employees and/or customers (the "Confidential Information"). To the extent that the Debtors propose to sell Store Closing Assets that may contain Confidential Information, the Debtors shall remove all such Confidential Information from such Store Closing Assets before they are sold or abandoned.
- 25. The Agent is authorized to sell, without incurring liability to any person or entity, the Store Closing Assets in accordance with the terms of this Final Order, the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines.
- 26. Nothing in this Final Order shall (a) alter or affect the Debtors' obligations to comply with section 365(d)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code or (b) alter or modify the rights of any lessor or other counterparty to a lease with the Debtors to file an appropriate motion or otherwise seek appropriate relief if the Debtors fail to comply with section 365(d)(3) of the Bankruptcy

Code; provided that the conduct of the Store Closing Sales in accordance with the Sale Guidelines, as may have been modified by Side Letter, shall not be a violation of section 365(d)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code.

27. During the Store Closing Sales Term, the Agent shall be granted a limited license and right to use the trade names, logos, e-mail lists, mailing lists, customer lists, and e-commerce sites (including (without limitation) websites and social media), including a banner on such sites and a store locator to identify the Closing Stores, relating to and used in connection with the operation of the stores as identified in the Agency Agreement, solely for the purpose of advertising the Store Closing Sales in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement, this FinL aorder, and the Sale Guidelines; *provided, however*, that the Agent shall not receive personally identifiable information from the Debtors.

V. RESOLUTION PROCEDURES FOR DISPUTES REGARDING LIQUIDATION LAWS

- 28. To the extent that the Store Closing Sales at the Closing Stores are conducted in accordance with this Final Order and the Sale Guidelines, and are therefore conducted under the supervision of this Court, such Store Closing Sales are authorized notwithstanding any federal, state, or local statute, ordinance, rule, or licensing requirement directed at regulating "going out of business," "store closing," similar inventory liquidation sales, bulk sale laws, or fast pay laws, including laws restricting safe, professional and non-deceptive, customary advertising such as signs, banners, posting of signage, and use of sign-walkers in connection with the sale and including ordinances establishing license or permit requirements, waiting periods, time limits or bulk sale restrictions, (collectively, the "Liquidation Laws").
- 29. Provided that the Store Closing Sales are conducted in accordance with the terms of this Final Order, the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines, and in light of the provisions in the laws of many Governmental Units that exempt court-ordered sales from their provisions, the Debtors shall be presumed to be in compliance with any Liquidation Laws and, subject to paragraphs 14 and 17 herein, are authorized to conduct the Store Closing Sales in accordance with the terms of this Final Order and the Sale Guidelines without the necessity of further showing compliance with any such Liquidation Laws. To the extent that between the Petition Date and the date of the Final Hearing there is a dispute arising from or relating to the Store Closing Sales, this Final Order, the Agency Agreement, or the Sale Guidelines, which dispute relates to any Liquidation Sales Laws (a "Liquidation Dispute"), the following procedures shall apply (the "Resolution Procedures"):
 - a. The Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to resolve the Liquidation Dispute which such Liquidation Dispute will be heard within fourteen (14) days of service of the Dispute Resolution Motion, absent a party obtaining

expedited relief. Nothing in this Final Order shall constitute a ruling with respect to any issues to be raised with respect to a Liquidation Dispute. Any Governmental Unit may assert a Liquidation Dispute and shall send a notice (the "Dispute Notice") explaining the nature of the dispute to: (i) the Debtors' proposed counsel, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP, Rodney Square, 1000 North King Street, Wilmington, DE 19801, Attn: Andrew L. Magaziner, Esq. (amagaziner@ycst.com) and S. Alexander Faris, Esq. (afaris@ycst.com); (iii) counsel to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. in its capacity as Prepetition ABL Administrative Agent, Otterbourg P.C., 230 Park Avenue, New York, NY 10169, Attn: Chad Simon, Esq. (csimon@otterbourg.com) and Daniel Fiorillo. Esq. (dfiorillo@otterbourg.com); (iv) counsel to Pathlight Capital LP in its capacity as Prepetition Term Loan Agent, Riemer & Braunstein LLP, Times Square Tower, Suite 2506, Seven Times Square, New York, NY 10036, Attn: Steven E. Fox, Esq. (sfox@riemerlaw.com) and Paul D. Bekker, Esq. (pbekker@riemerlaw.com); (v) counsel to Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC, Ropes & Gray LLP, 191 North Wacker Drive, 32nd 60606, Chicago, ILAttn: Stephen (stephen.iacovo@ropesgray.com); and (vi) counsel to any statutory committee, and (vii) any affected landlord or its counsel, if known, no later than fourteen (14) days following the service of this Final Order.

- a) If the Debtors, the Agent and the Governmental Unit are unable to resolve the Liquidation Dispute within fourteen (14) days of service of the notice, the aggrieved party may file a motion with this Court requesting that this Court resolve the Liquidation Dispute (a "<u>Dispute Resolution</u> Motion").
- b) In the event that a Dispute Resolution Motion is filed, nothing in the Interim Order or this Final Order, as applicable, shall preclude the Debtors, a landlord, or any other interested party from asserting (i) that the provisions of any Liquidation Sale Laws are preempted by the Bankruptcy Code, or (ii) that neither the terms of the Interim Order or this Final Order nor the conduct of the Debtors pursuant to the Interim Order or this Final Order, violates such Liquidation Laws. Filing a Dispute Resolution Motion as set forth herein shall not be deemed to affect the finality of the Interim Order or this Final Order or to limit or interfere with the Debtors' or the Agent's ability to conduct or to continue to conduct the Store Closing Sales pursuant to the Interim Order or this Final Order, as applicable, absent further order of the Court. Upon the entry of the Interim Order or this Final Order, the Court grants authority for the Debtors and the Agent to conduct the Store Closing Sales pursuant to the terms of the Interim Order or this Final Order, the Agency Agreement, and the Sale Guidelines (as may be modified by Side Letters, as defined in the Proposed Orders) and to take all actions reasonably related thereto or arising in connection therewith. The Governmental Unit will be entitled to assert any jurisdictional, procedural, or substantive arguments it wishes

with respect to the requirements of its Liquidation Laws or the lack of any preemption of such Liquidation Laws by the Bankruptcy Code. Nothing in the Interim Order or this Final Order will constitute a ruling with respect to any issues to be raised in any Dispute Resolution Motion.

30. Within two (2) business days of the entry of this Final Order, the Debtors shall serve copies of this Final Order, which includes the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines, by email, facsimile, or regular mail on the Applicable Governmental Units and the Landlords.

VI. SECTIONS 363(m) AND 364(e) OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE

31. Entry into the Agency Agreement is undertaken by the parties thereto in good faith, as that term is used in sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code, and Agent shall be protected by sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code in the event that this Final Order is modified, amended or vacated by subsequent order of the Court or any other court. The modification, amendment or vacatur of the authorization provided herein to enter into the Agency Agreement and consummate the transactions contemplated thereby shall not affect the validity of such transactions (including the enforceability of the Store Closing Sales or the liens or priority authorized or created under the Agency Agreement or this Final Order solely in respect of Additional Agent Goods and proceeds therefrom), unless such authorization is duly stayed pending such appeal. The Agent is entitled to all of the benefits and protections afforded by sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code. The transactions contemplated by the Agency Agreement are not subject to avoidance pursuant to section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code.

VII. ADDITIONAL AGENT GOODS

32. The Agent is authorized to supplement the Merchandise in the Store Closing Sales with Additional Agent Goods; *provided*, that the Debtors may reasonably object to the inclusion of Additional Agent Goods that are not of like kind and are of lesser quality to the

Merchandise in the Store Closing Sales at the Closing Stores, in which case the Debtors and the Agent shall work in good faith to resolve such objection, which resolution may require the exclusion of such Additional Agent Goods subject to the objection; provided, further, that the cost of Additional Agent Goods shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of the aggregate Cost Value (as defined in the Agency Agreement) of the Merchandise in the Store Closing Sale. The Additional Agent Goods shall be purchased by the Agent as part of the Store Closing Sales and delivered to the Closing Stores at the Agent's sole expense (including as to labor, freight, and insurance relative to shipping such Additional Agent Goods to the Closing Stores). Sales of Additional Agent Goods shall be run through the Debtors' cash register systems; provided, however, that the Agent shall mark the Additional Agent Goods using either a "dummy" SKU or department number, or in such other manner so as to distinguish the sale of Additional Agent Goods from the sale of Merchandise. The Agent and Debtors shall cooperate to ensure that the Additional Agent Goods are marked in such a way that a reasonable consumer could identify the Additional Agent Goods from the Merchandise. The Agent shall provide signage in the Closing Stores notifying customers that the Additional Agent Goods have been included in the Store Closing Sale.

33. All transactions relating to the Additional Agent Goods are, shall be construed as, and are acknowledged by the Debtors to be, a true consignment from the Agent to the Debtors under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code (the "<u>UCC</u>") and not a consignment for security purposes. Subject solely to Agent's obligations to pay to the Debtors the Additional Agent Goods Fee (as defined in the Agency Agreement), at all times and for all purposes the Additional Agent Goods and their proceeds shall be the exclusive property of the Agent, and no other person or entity (including, without limitation, the Debtors, or any third person claiming a

security interest in the Debtors' property, including any of the Debtors' secured lenders) shall have any claim against any of the Additional Agent Goods or the proceeds thereof. The Additional Agent Goods shall at all times remain subject to the exclusive control of the Agent. The Debtors shall, at Agent's sole cost and expense, insure the Additional Agent Goods and, if required, promptly file any proofs of loss with regard thereto. The Agent shall be responsible for payment of any deductible under any such insurance in the event of any casualty affecting the Additional Agent Goods.

34. The Agent is hereby granted a first priority security interest in and lien upon (a) the Additional Agent Goods and (b) the Additional Agent Goods proceeds, less the Additional Agent Goods Fee, and which security interest shall be deemed perfected without the requirement of filing UCC financing statements or providing notifications to any prior secured parties (provided that the Agent is hereby authorized to deliver all required notices and file all necessary financing statements and amendments thereof under the applicable UCC identifying the Agent's interest in the Additional Agent Goods as consigned goods thereunder and the Debtors as the consignee therefor, and the Agent's security interest in and lien upon such Additional Agent Goods and the Additional Agent Goods proceeds).

VIII. MISCELLANEOUS

- 35. Any transfers by the Debtors to the Agent prior to the Petition Date (including, without limitation, any proceeds under the Agency Agreement and the valid, binding, and enforceable security interests granted to the Agent solely in respect of the Additional Agent Goods and the proceeds therefrom (subject to the Agent's payment of the Additional Agent Goods Fee)) are not subject to avoidance.
- Agreement and related documents by the parties may be made in accordance with the terms thereof without further order of this Court; *provided that* any such modifications, amendment or supplements are not adverse to the Debtors or their estates, the interest of the landlords under the applicable Leases are not adversely affected, or as otherwise ordered by this Court; *provided further that* the Debtors shall provide counsel to Wells Fargo and counsel to the Prepetition Term Loan Agent copies of any such modifications, amendments, or supplements at least two (2) business days prior to the effectiveness thereof, which such modification(s), amendment(s), or supplement(s) shall be effective unless Wells Fargo or the Prepetition Term Loan Agent delivers a written objection to the Debtors' counsel, with a copy to any statutory committee (email being sufficient) prior to the expiration of such two (2) business day period.
- 37. Neither the Agent nor any of its respective affiliates (whether individually, as part of a joint venture, or otherwise), shall be precluded from providing additional services to the Debtors or bidding on the Debtors' assets in connection with any other future process that may or may not be undertaken by the Debtors to close stores; *provided that* any such services and/or sales are approved by separate order of this Court.

- 38. The Debtors are authorized and permitted to transfer to the Agent personal information in the Debtors' custody and control solely for the purposes of assisting with and conducting the Store Closing Sales and only to the extent necessary for such purposes, provided that Agent removes such personal information from the FF&E prior to the abandonment of the same.
- 39. Nothing contained in any plan confirmed in these Chapter 11 Cases or any order of this Court confirming such plan or in any other order in these Chapter 11 Cases (including any order entered after any conversion of this case to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code) shall alter, conflict with, or derogate from, the provisions of the Agency Agreement or the terms of this Final Order.
- 40. The Agent shall not be liable for any claims against the Debtors, and the Debtors shall not be liable for any claims against Agent, in each case, other than as expressly provided for in the Agency Agreement. The Agent shall have no successor liability whatsoever with respect to any Encumbrances or claims of any nature that may exist against the Debtors, including, without limitation, the Agent shall not be, or to be deemed to be: (a) a successor in interest or within the meaning of any law, including any revenue, successor liability, pension, labor, ERISA, bulk- transfer, products liability, tax or environmental law, rule or regulation, or any theory of successor or transferee liability, antitrust, environmental, product line, de facto merger or substantial continuity or similar theories; or (b) a joint employer, co-employer or successor employer with the Debtors, and the Agent shall have no obligation to pay the Debtors' wages, bonuses, severance pay, vacation pay, WARN act claims (if any), benefits or any other payments to employees of the Debtors, including pursuant to any collective bargaining

agreement, employee pension plan, or otherwise, except as expressly set forth in the Agency Agreement.

- 41. Notwithstanding the relief granted herein and any actions taken hereunder, except with respect to the Agent, nothing contained herein shall create, nor is intended to create, any rights in favor of, or enhance the status of any claim held by, any person.
- 42. Nothing in this Final Order is intended to affect any rights of any Applicable Governmental Unit to enforce any law affecting the Debtors' conduct of the Store Closing Sales prior to the Petition Date.
- <u>A3.</u> <u>Nothing in this Order shall amend, alter, or otherwise modify the terms of the Cash Collateral Order as it relates to any tax reserve established as adequate protection for the claims of the Texas Taxing Authorities (as that term is defined in the Cash Collateral Order) or the Broward County Tax Collector.</u>
- 44. 43. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), to the extent applicable, this Final Order shall be effective and enforceable immediately upon entry hereof.
- 45. 44. The Debtors are authorized and empowered to take all actions necessary or appropriate to implement the relief granted in this Final Order. The failure to specifically include any particular provision of the Agency Agreement in this Final Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of such provisions, it being the intent of this Court that the Agency Agreement and all of its provisions, payments, and transactions, be and hereby are authorized and approved as and to the extent provided for in this Final Order.
- 46. 45. To the extent there is any conflict between this Final Order, the Sale Guidelines, and the Agency Agreement, the terms of this Final Order shall control over all other documents, and the Sale Guidelines shall control over the Agency Agreement.

47. 46. This Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation or enforcement of this Final Order or the Agency Agreement.

EXHIBIT 1

Agency Agreement

EXHIBIT 2

Sale Guidelines

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SALE GUIDELINES¹

- A. The Store Closing Sales shall be conducted so that the Closing Stores in which sales are to occur will remain open no longer than during the normal hours of operation provided for in the respective leases for the Closing Stores.
- B. The Store Closing Sales shall be conducted in accordance with applicable state and local "Blue Laws", where applicable, so that no Store Closing Sales shall be conducted on Sunday unless the Merchant had been operating such Closing Store on a Sunday.
- C. On "shopping center" property, the Agent shall not distribute handbills, leaflets or other written materials to customers outside of any Closing Stores' premises, unless permitted by the lease or, if distribution is customary in the "shopping center" in which such Store is located; *provided* that Agent may solicit customers in the Closing Stores themselves. On "shopping center" property, the Agent shall not use any flashing lights or amplified sound to advertise the Store Closing Sales or solicit customers, except as permitted under the applicable lease or agreed to by the landlord.
- D. The Merchant and the Agent may advertise the Sale as a "store closing" "sale on everything", "everything must go", or similar themed sale, or "going out of business." The Agent may also have a "countdown to closing" sign prominently displayed in a manner consistent with these Sale Guidelines.
- E. Agent shall be permitted to utilize display, hanging signs, and interior banners in connection with the Store Closing Sales; provided, however, that such display, hanging signs, and interior banners shall be professionally produced and hung in a professional manner. The Merchant and the Agent shall not use neon or day-glo on its display, hanging signs, or interior banners. Furthermore, with respect to enclosed mall locations, no exterior signs or signs in common areas of a mall shall be used unless otherwise expressly permitted in these Sale Guidelines. In addition, the Merchant and the Agent shall be permitted to utilize exterior banners at (i) non-enclosed mall Closing Stores and (ii) enclosed mall Closing Stores to the extent the entrance to the applicable Closing Store does not require entry into the enclosed mall common area; provided, however, that such banners shall be located or hung so as to make clear that the Store Closing Sales is being conducted only at the affected Closing Store, shall not be wider than the storefront of the Closing Store. In addition, the Merchant and the Agent shall be permitted to utilize sign walkers and A-frames in a safe and professional manner and in accordance with the terms of the Final Order. Nothing contained in these Sale Guidelines shall be construed to create or impose upon the Agent any additional restrictions not contained in the applicable lease agreement.
- F. Conspicuous signs shall be posted in the cash register areas of each of the affected Closing Stores to effect that "all sales are final."
- G. Except with respect to the hanging of exterior banners, the Agent shall not make any alterations to the storefront or exterior walls of any Closing Stores, except as authorized by the applicable lease.
- H. The Agent shall not make any alterations to interior or exterior Closing Store lighting, except as authorized by the applicable lease. No property of the landlord of a Closing Store shall be removed or

Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the Debtors' Motion for Entry of (I) Interim Order Authorizing (A) the Conduct of the Store Closing Sales, With Such Sales to be Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances and (B) Granting Related Relief, and (II) Final Order Authorizing (A) the Debtors to Assume the Agency Agreement, (B) the Conduct of the Store Closing Sales, With Such Sales to be Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances, and (C) Granting Related Relief or Agency Agreement, as applicable.

sold during the Store Closing Sales. The hanging of exterior banners or in-store signage and banners shall not constitute an alteration to a Closing Store.

- I. The Agent shall keep Closing Store premises and surrounding areas clear and orderly consistent with present practices.
- J. The Agent, at the direction of the Debtors, and the landlord of any Store are authorized to enter into Side Letters without further order of the Court, provided that such agreements do not have a material adverse effect on the Debtors or their estates.
- K. Subject to the provisions of the Agency Agreement, the Agent shall have the right to sell all furniture, fixtures, and equipment located at the Closing Stores and the corporate office (the "FF&E"). The Agent may advertise the sale of the FF&E in a manner consistent with these guidelines at the Closing Stores and or if the Merchant otherwise agrees, the corporate office. The purchasers of any FF&E sold during the sale shall be permitted to remove the FF&E either through the back shipping areas at any time, or through other areas after Store business hours; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not apply to de minimis FF&E sales made whereby the item(s) can be carried out of the Closing Store in a shopping bag or shopping cart. For the avoidance of doubt, as of the Sale Termination Date, the Agent may abandon, in place and without further responsibility, any FF&E.
- L. The Agent shall be entitled to include Additional Agent Goods in the Store Closing Sales in accordance with the terms of the Final Order and the Agency Agreement.
- M. At the conclusion of the Store Closing Sales at each Closing Store, pending assumption or rejection of applicable leases, the landlords of the Closing Stores shall have reasonable access to the Closing Stores' premises as set forth in the applicable leases. The Merchant, the Agent and their agents and representatives shall continue to have exclusive and unfettered access to the Closing Stores.
- N. The rights of landlords against Merchant for any damages to a Closing Store shall be reserved in accordance with the provisions of the applicable lease; provided that to the extent certain leases of Closing Stores require written confirmation of receipt of a key to effectuate surrender, this requirement is waived.
- O. If and to the extent that the landlord of any Closing Store affected hereby contends that the Agent or Merchant is in breach of or default under these Sale Guidelines, such landlord shall email or deliver written notice by overnight delivery on the Merchant's counsel and the Agent's counsel as follows:

If to the Merchant:

F21 OpCo, LLC 110 E. 9th Street, Suite A500 Los Angeles, California 90079 Attention: Michael Brown mbrown@thinkbrg.com

With copies to:

Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP 1000 North King Street Wilmington, Delaware 19801 Attention: Andrew Magaziner, Esq.(amagaziner@ycst.com) and S. Alexander Faris, Esq. (afaris@ycst.com)

If to the Agent:

HILCO MERCHANT RESOURCES, LLC c/o Ropes & Gray LLP 191 North Wacker Drive, 32nd Floor Chicago, IL 60606, Attn: Stephen Iacovo (stephen.iacovo@ropesgray.com)