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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

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CHARITABLE DAF FUND, L.P., AND CLO HOLDCO LTD.

Plaintiff,

Case No. 3:21-cv-00842-B

VS.

HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P., HIGHLAND HCF ADVISOR, LTD., AND HIGHLAND CLO FUNDING, LTD.

Defendants.

DEFENDANT HIGHLAND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, L.P.'S MOTION FOR AN ORDER TO ENFORCE THE ORDER OF REFERENCE

Highland Capital Management, L.P., a defendant in the above-captioned case (the "<u>Debtor</u>" or "<u>Highland</u>"), by and through its undersigned counsel, files this motion (the "<u>Motion</u>") seeking entry of an order enforcing the *Order of Reference of Bankruptcy Cases and Proceedings Nunc*

Pro Tunc (the "Order of Reference") and referring this case to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas (the "Bankruptcy Court"). In support of its Motion, the Debtor states as follows:

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 1. This Court has jurisdiction over the Motion pursuant to section 1334(a) and (b) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").
 - 2. Venue is proper in this judicial district pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1409.
- 3. The predicates for the relief requested in the Motion are 28 U.S.C. § 157(a) and Rule 9019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the Bankruptcy Rules).

RELIEF REQUESTED

- 4. The Debtor requests that this Court issue the proposed form of order attached as **Exhibit A** (the "Proposed Order") pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(a).
- 5. For the reasons set forth more fully in *Defendant Highland Capital Management*, *L.P.'s Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion for an Order to Enforce the Order of Reference* (the "Memorandum of Law"), filed contemporaneously with this Motion, the Debtor requests that the Court: (a) enforce the Order of Reference and refer this case to the Bankruptcy Court, and (b) grant the Debtor such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper under the circumstances.
- 6. In accordance with Rule 7.1 of the Local Civil Rules of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas (the "Local Rules"), contemporaneously herewith and in support of this Motion, the Debtor is filing: (a) its Memorandum of Law, and (b) the Declaration of Gregory V. Demo Submitted in Support of the Debtor's Motion for an Order to Enforce the Order of Reference (the "Demo Declaration") together with the exhibits annexed thereto.

- 7. Based on the exhibits annexed to the Demo Declaration and the arguments contained in the Memorandum of Law, the Debtor is entitled to the relief requested herein as set forth in the Proposed Order.
- 8. Notice of this Motion has been provided to all parties. The Debtor submits that no other or further notice need be provided.

WHEREFORE, the Debtor respectfully requests that the Court (i) enter the Proposed Order substantially in the formed annexed hereto as **Exhibit A** granting the relief requested herein, and (ii) grant the Debtor such other and further relief as the Court may deem proper.

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Dated: May 19, 2021 PACHULSKI STANG ZIEHL & JONES LLP

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EXHIBIT A

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ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR AN ORDER TO ENFORCE THE ORDER OF REFERENCE

Before the Court is Defendant Highland Capital Management L.P.'s Motion for an Order to Enforce the Order of Reference [Docket No. __] (the "Motion"). Having considered: (a) the Motion; (b) Defendant Highland Capital Management, L.P.'s Memorandum of Law in Support of Motion for an Order to Enforce the Order of Reference (the "Memorandum of Law"); and (c) the Declaration of Gregory V. Demo Submitted in Support of the Debtor's Motion for an Order to Enforce the Order of Reference [Docket No. __] (the "Demo Declaration") and the exhibits annexed thereto; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; 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 this Court having found that: (a) this case arises under title 11 of the United States Code; (b) this case is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(b); (c) reference to the Bankruptcy Court of the Complaint is mandatory under the plain

¹ Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Memorandum of Law.

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language of the Order of Reference; (d) the Bankruptcy Court retains jurisdiction over all disputes

relating to this Complaint; (e) the Bankruptcy Court retains jurisdiction to interpret and enforce its

own orders; (f) there is no basis for a mandatory withdrawal of reference of this Complaint; and

(g) the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtor's estate, its creditors,

and other parties-in-interest; and this Court having found that the Debtor's notice of the Motion

and opportunity for a hearing on the Motion were appropriate under the circumstances and that no

other notice need be provided; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases

set forth in the Motion establish good cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the

proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing

therefor and for the reasons set forth in the record on this Motion, it is HEREBY ORDERED

THAT:

1. The Motion is **GRANTED** as set forth herein.

2. This proceeding is hereby referred to the Bankruptcy Court.

| It is so ordered this | day of | , 2021. |
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The Honorable Jane J. Boyle United States District Judge

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