STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AFFAIRS¹ MARIJUANA REGULATORY AGENCY

In the Matter of

UNLOC Gardens, LLC ERG No.: 000769 ENF No.: 21-00031

CMP No.: 21-000097

CONSENT ORDER AND STIPULATION

CONSENT ORDER

On March 17, 2021, the Marijuana Regulatory Agency (MRA) issued a Pre-Complaint Consent Order and Stipulation against UNLOC Gardens, LLC ("Respondent") who holds state operating license(s) under the Medical Marihuana Facilities Licensing Act (MMFLA).

Through the information provided and execution of this agreement, Respondent admits that it violated Section 701 of the MMFLA, MCL 333.27701.

The MRA is authorized under the MMFLA, MCL 333.27101 *et seq.*, and Executive Reorganization Order No.2019-2, MCL 333.27001, to investigate alleged violations of the MMFLA and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder, take disciplinary action to prevent such violations, and impose fines and other sanctions against applicants and licensees that violate the MMFLA or administrative rules.

Section 402(12) of the MMFLA provides that the expiration of a license does not terminate the MRA's authority to impose sanctions against the Respondent.

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¹ Executive Reorganization Order 2019-2 created the Marijuana Regulatory Agency (MRA) as a Type I agency within the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA). MCL 333.27001(1)(a)(d). The MRA exercises its statutory powers, duties, and functions independent of LARA's direction. MCL 16.103. MARIJUANA REGULATORY AGENCY

Section 206(c) of the MMFLA provides that the administrative rules must ensure the health, safety, and security of the public and integrity of the marihuana facility operations.

Mich Admin Code R 420.805 and Mich Admin Code R 420.806 authorizes the MRA to impose sanctions against the respondent if it has been determined that the respondent violated the MMFLA and/or administrative rules promulgated thereunder.

The parties have stipulated that the MRA may enter this consent order for the purpose of resolving this matter.

The MRA reviewed the stipulation contained in this document and agrees that the public interest is best served by resolution of this matter. Therefore, the MRA finds that the factual allegations and violations set forth in the stipulation are true and that Respondent violated Section 701 of the MMFLA, MCL 333.27701.

Accordingly, for these violations, IT IS ORDERED:

- Respondent must pay a fine in the amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$2,500.00). This fine shall be paid within 14 days of the effective date of this order by check or money order made payable to the State of Michigan with enforcement number "21-00031" clearly displayed on the check or money order. Respondent shall mail the fine to Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Marijuana Regulatory Agency, PO BOX 30205, Lansing, Michigan 48909 or submit the fine in person to Department of Licensing & Regulatory Affairs Marijuana Regulatory Agency 2407 North Grand River Lansing, Michigan 48906.
- 2. If Respondent fails to timely pay the fine, Respondent's state operating license(s) shall be suspended until payment is received.
- 3. Unless otherwise specified in this order, Respondent shall direct any communications to the MRA that are required by the terms of this order to <u>MRA-LegalHearings@michigan.gov</u>.

This order shall be effective on the date signed by the MRA's executive director or his designee, as set forth below.

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Signed on: 7/24/21

By:

Andrew Brisbo, Executive Director Marijuana Regulatory Agency

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STIPULATION

The parties stipulate to the following:

- 1. The facts alleged in the pre-complaint consent order are true and constitute a violation of the administrative rules promulgated under the MMFLA.
- 2. Respondent understands and intends that by signing this stipulation, Respondent is waiving the right under the MMFLA, administrative rules promulgated thereunder, and the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, MCL 24.201 et seq., to require the MRA to prove the charges set forth in this disciplinary action by presentation of evidence and legal authority, and to present a defense to the charges.
- 3. Respondent desires to resolve and settle all issues related to this matter, in lieu of disputing the disciplinary action in a contested case hearing.
- 4. The MRA shall report this resolution as a disciplinary proceeding as required by state or federal law. This consent order shall be subject to disclosure under the Michigan Freedom of Information Act, MCL 15.231, et seq.
- 5. The parties considered the following in reaching this agreement:
 - a. Respondent provided documentation that it acted upon notice that the AFS filing was due and processed it to the chosen service provider within 24 hours of notice.
 - b. Respondent provided documentation that it continually followed up with the chosen service provider to no avail, until October 20, 2020 when the service provider then began requesting information to complete the AFS services.
 - c. On the due date, Respondent's service provider advised her that it would not be completed and submitted that date.
 - d. Respondent provided documentation that it was responsive to all inquiries made by the service provider.
 - e. Respondent's service provider, after providing a draft, did not finalize and file the report for another month, as the business closed for a holiday.
 - f. Respondent did not file the required Annual Financial Statement(s) by the deadline of October 31, 2020.
 - g. Respondent filed the required Annual Financial Statement(s) on January 14, 2021, 75 days after the due date.
 - h. Respondent was cooperative and wishes to resolve the allegations without the need for and expense of an administrative hearing.
 - i. Respondent and the MRA engaged in negotiations of the proposed penalties listed in the Consent Order.
 - j. Respondent has not had any previous disciplinary action issued against it.
- 6. The MRA's enforcement division director or her designee must approve this proposed

agreement before it is forwarded to the MRA's executive director or his designee for review

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By signing this stipulation, the parties confirm that they have read, understand, and agree with the terms of the consent order.

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Julie Kluytman, Director Enforcement Division Marijuana Regulatory Agency Dated:

AGREED TO BY Hr-Regina Momgaudas, Authorized Officer On behalf of Respondent UNLOC Gardens, LLC Dated:

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