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Via CM/ECF eFile

Hon. Michael A. Shipp, U.S.D.J. Fisher Fed. Bldg. & U.S. Courthouse 402 East State Street Trenton, New Jersey 08608

Re: Kashinsky, et al. v. Murphy, et al. Civil Action No. 3:20-cv-03127-MAS-ZNQ

Dear Judge Shipp:

This office represents New Jersey Governor Philip D. Murphy and New Jersey State Police Superintendent Patrick J. Callahan in the above-referenced matter.

With the consent of all parties, Defendants write to advise the Court that, on March 30, 2020, Colonel Callahan, in his capacity as State Director of Emergency Management, issued Administrative Order No. 2020-6 ("A.O. 2020-6"), which supplements Governor Murphy's Executive Order No. 107. *See* Exhibit A. A.O. 2020-6 adds Federal Firearms Licensees ("FFLs") to the list of essential retail businesses that may remain open, subject to specified requirements, during the ongoing public health emergency presented by the spread of SARS-CoV-2 — the "coronavirus."

Because A.O. 2020-6 addresses issues raised in this matter, the parties have agreed to ask the Court to suspend all deadlines, including the current briefing schedule applicable to Plaintiffs' motion for a temporary restraining order and/or preliminary injunctive relief, until further notice. The parties are currently discussing



PHILIP D. MURPHY Governor

SHEILA Y. OLIVER Lt. Governor the resolution of this case. We will provide the Court with an update in the near future.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION OF NEW JERSEY STATE POLICE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

ESSENTIAL BUSINESSES

No. 2020-6

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, through Executive Order No. 103, the facts and circumstances of which are adopted by reference herein, the Governor declared both a Public Health Emergency and a State of Emergency throughout the State due to the public health hazard posed by Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, to further protect the health, safety, and welfare of New Jersey residents by, among other things, reducing the rate of community spread of COVID-19, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 107 (2020) on March 21, 2020, the facts and circumstances of which are also adopted by reference herein, which established enhanced social mitigation strategies for combatting COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to paragraph 5 of Executive Order No. 107, the Governor prohibited the gatherings of individuals; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to paragraph 6 of Executive Order No. 107, the Governor ordered closed to the public the brick-and-mortar premises of all non-essential retail businesses but also deemed a subset of retail businesses as "essential" and permitted them to remain open, provided these businesses abide by social distancing practices to the extent practicable; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to paragraph 9 of Executive Order No. 107, the Governor ordered closed to the public all recreational and entertainment businesses; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to paragraphs 5, 6, and 9 of Executive Order No. 107, the Governor granted the State Director of Emergency Management, who is the Superintendent of State Police, the discretion to make clarifications to any of these provisions, including to make additions, amendments, clarifications, exceptions, and exclusions to the list of essential retail businesses and to the list of recreational and entertainment businesses;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Patrick J. Callahan, State Director of Emergency Management, hereby ORDER as follows:

 Individual appointments to view real estate with realtors by individuals or families shall be considered essential retail business for the purposes of paragraph 6 of Executive Order No.
However, open houses will be considered impermissible gatherings in accordance with paragraph 5 of Executive Order No. 107.

- 2. Car dealers may continue to conduct online sales or remote sales that can be completed by phone, text, or email, and are consistent with current law. Such sales shall be deemed permissible in accordance with paragraph 6 of Executive Order No. 107. In the event of such a sale, the car may be delivered to the purchaser or the purchaser can pick up the car curbside or in the dealership service lane. Picking up a car from a dealership shall be considered essential retail business for the purposes of paragraph 6 of Executive Order No. 107.
- 3. Effective Tuesday, March 31, at 8:00am, Federal Firearms Licensees (FFLs) are added to the list of essential retail businesses in accordance with paragraph 6 of Executive Order No. 107, but must operate under the following provisions:
 - a. FFLs may remain open to the public only for the purpose of completing the portions of a sale or transfer that must be conducted in-person under state and/or federal law and for the purpose of product maintenance and repair services;
 - b. All in-person sales or transfers shall be conducted by appointment and during limited hours so as to minimize congregating of persons; and
 - c. FFLs must operate in accordance with paragraphs 6 and 7 of Executive Order No. 107 regarding social distancing and all other applicable provisions of that Order.
- 4. Golf courses are considered to be recreational and entertainment businesses that must close to the public and to members associated with private golf clubs, in accordance with paragraph 9 of Executive Order No. 107.
- 5. This ORDER shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect for as long as Executive Order No. 107 (2020) remains in effect or until I issue a subsequent amending Administrative Order.

March 30, 2020

Colonel Patrick J. Callahan State Director of Emergency Management