EXHIBIT A

REVISED PROPOSED SALE ORDER

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

THE BON-TON STORES, INC., et al.,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 18-10248 (MFW)

(Jointly Administered)

Docket Ref. No. 18

ORDER, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 105, 363, AND 365 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE, APPROVING SALE OF CERTAIN OF THE DEBTORS' <u>ASSETS AND GRANTING RELATED RELIEF</u>

Upon the Debtors' Motion for Entry of (A) an Order (I) Scheduling a Hearing on the Approval of the Sale of All or Substantially All of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of All Encumbrances, and the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, (II) Approving Certain Bidding Procedures, Assumption and Assignment Procedures, and the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof, and (III) Granting Related Relief; and (B) an Order (I) Approving Asset Purchase Agreement, (II) Authorizing the Sale of All or Substantially All of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of All Encumbrances, (III) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, and (IV) Granting Related Relief [D.I. 18] (the "Motion");² and in connection with this Court's Order (I) Scheduling a Hearing on the Approval of the Sale of All or Substantially All of the Debtors' Assets, and the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, (II) Approving Certain Bidding Procedures, Assumption and Assignment Procedures,

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. (5229); The Bon-Ton Department Stores, Inc. (9309); The Bon-Ton Giftco, LLC (2805); Carson Pirie Scott II, Inc. (2140); Bon-Ton Distribution, LLC (5855); McRIL, LLC (5548); Bonstores Holdings One, LLC (8574); Bonstores Realty One, LLC (8931); Bonstores Holdings Two, LLC (8775); and Bonstores Realty Two, LLC (9075). The headquarters for the above-captioned Debtors is 2801 East Market Street, Bldg. E, York, Pennsylvania 17402.

² Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein are to be given the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion or the Agency Agreement, as applicable.

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and the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof, and (III) Granting Related Relief [D.I. 348] (the "Bidding Procedures Order"); and it appearing that the relief herein is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and it appearing that this Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334; and it appearing that consideration of the Motion and the relief requested therein is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157; and adequate notice of the Motion having been given and it appearing that no other notice need be given; and the Debtors and the Purchaser (as defined in the Agency Agreement (as defined below)) having agreed that a contractual joint venture consisting of GA Retail, Inc. and Tiger Capital Group, LLC (collectively, the "Agent") and the Indenture Trustee (as defined below) (collectively, the "Purchaser") shall act as the Debtors' exclusive agent to conduct sales (the "Sale") of the Assets³ on the terms and conditions set forth in that certain Agency Agreement, by and between the Purchaser and the Debtors, a substantially final form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Agency Agreement"); and the transaction represented by the Agency Agreement having been determined to be the highest or otherwise best offer for the Assets; and a sale hearing having been held on April 18, 2018 (the "Sale Hearing") to consider the relief requested in the Motion with respect to the Assets and approval of the Agency Agreement; and appearances of all interested parties having been noted on the record of the Sale Hearing; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court (including but not limited to the testimony and other evidence proffered or adduced at the Sale Hearing); and this Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Motion with respect to the Assets is in the best

³ To the extent any Consignment Merchandise (as defined in the Final DIP Order) is to be sold by the Agent pursuant to the Agency Agreement, then, unless the applicable Consignor (as defined in the Final DIP Order (as defined below)) otherwise agrees, the terms of this Order and the Agency Agreement and the sale by the Agent of any such Consignment Merchandise shall be subject in all respects to the terms and conditions of paragraph 54 of the Final DIP Order. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the sale or transfer of assets to the Purchaser pursuant to the Agency Agreement or otherwise shall not include the LXR Inventory. For the avoidance of doubt, LXR shall retrieve the LXR Inventory at its sole cost and expense.

interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, and all parties in interest and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is hereby

FOUND AND DETERMINED THAT:⁴

A. **Jurisdiction:** This Court has jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1134. Approval of the Debtors entry into the Agency Agreement, and the transactions contemplated thereby is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(b)(2)(A), (D), (N) and (O).

B. Venue: Venue of these cases in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C.§ 1409(a).

C. **Statutory Predicates:** The statutory predicates for the approval of the Agency Agreement and transactions contemplated therein are sections 105, 363, 364 and 554 of the Bankruptcy Code, and Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 4001, 6004 and 9014.

D. Notice: Proper, timely, adequate and sufficient notice of the Motion and the Sale Hearing has been provided in accordance with sections 102(1), 105(a), and 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 4001 and 6004, and in compliance with the Bidding Procedures Order. The notice provided by the Debtors was good, sufficient and appropriate under the circumstances, and no other or further notice of the Motion, the Sale Hearing or the Agency Agreement is required. The disclosures made by the Debtors concerning the Agency Agreement and the Sale Hearing were sufficient, complete and adequate.

⁴ The findings of fact and the conclusions of law stated herein shall 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 finding of fact shall be determined to be a conclusion of law, it shall be so deemed, and to the extent any conclusion of law shall be determined to be a finding of fact, it shall be so deemed.

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E. **Opportunity to be Heard:** A reasonable opportunity to object or be heard regarding the relief requested in the Motion and the transactions contemplated by the Agency Agreement has been afforded to all interested persons and entities including, without limitation, the following: (i) the Office of the United States Trustee, (ii) counsel to the DIP Administrative Agent, the DIP Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent, the Indenture Trustee under the Second Lien Indenture (as defined in the Final DIP Order) (the "<u>Indenture Trustee</u>"), and the ad hoc committee of Second Lien Noteholders, (iii) the Office of the United States Attorney for the District of Delaware, (iv) counsel to the Creditors' Committee, (v) all parties who are known by the Debtors to assert any lien, claim, interest or encumbrance in or upon any of the Assets, (vi) all lessors of leases for the Stores, (vii) all applicable federal, state, and local taxing authorities (collectively, the "<u>Taxing Authorities</u>"), (viii) all applicable state attorneys general and (ix) all entities on the general case service list as of the date of entry of the Bidding Procedures Order. Objections, if any, to the Motion have been withdrawn or resolved and, to the extent not withdrawn or resolved, are hereby overruled.

F. Marketing Process: As demonstrated by (i) the testimony and other evidence proffered or adduced at the hearing with respect to the approval of the Bidding Procedures held on March 12, 2018 (the "<u>Bidding Procedures Hearing</u>") and the Sale Hearing, and (ii) the representations of counsel made on the record at the Bidding Procedures Hearing and the Sale Hearing, the Debtors and their advisors have thoroughly marketed the Assets and have conducted the bidding solicitation fairly, in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order, and with adequate opportunity for parties that either expressed an interest in acquiring or liquidating the Assets, or who the Debtors believed may have an interest in acquiring or liquidating the Assets, to submit competing bids. The Debtors, the Purchaser and the Agent have respectively

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negotiated and undertaken their roles leading to the Sale and entry into the Agency Agreement in a diligent, noncollusive, fair and good faith manner.

G. **Highest or Otherwise Best Offer:** After the conclusion of the Auction held on April 16, 2018 and April 17, 2018, and in accordance with the Bidding Procedures, the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties (as defined in the Bidding Procedures), determined in a valid and sound exercise of their business judgment that the highest and best Qualifying Bid (as defined in the Bidding Procedures) for the Assets was that of the Purchaser. The Agency Agreement, the substantially final form of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>, including the form and total consideration to be realized by the Debtors pursuant to the Agency Agreement, (i) is the highest or otherwise best offer received by the Debtors for the Assets, (ii) is fair and reasonable, (iii) is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates, their creditors and all other parties in interest and (iv) will provide a greater recovery for Debtors' creditors than would have been provided by any other available alternative. There is no legal or equitable reason to delay entry into the Agency Agreement, and the transactions contemplated therein, including, without limitation, the Sale.

H. **Business Judgment:** The Debtors' decision to (i) enter into the Agency Agreement, and (ii) perform under and make payments required or permitted 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. Good and sufficient reasons for the approval of the Agency Agreement have been articulated by the Debtors. The Debtors have demonstrated compelling circumstances for the consummation of the transactions contemplated under the Agency Agreement outside: (i) the ordinary course of business, pursuant to section 363(b) of the

Bankruptcy Code and (ii) a plan of reorganization, in that, among other things, the immediate consummation of the transactions contemplated under the Agency Agreement is necessary and appropriate to preserve and maximize the value of the Debtors' estates. To maximize the value of the Assets, it is essential that the transactions contemplated under the Agency Agreement occur promptly.

I. **Personally Identifiable Information:** The transactions contemplated by the Agency Agreement do not include the sale or lease of personally identifiable information, as defined in section 101(41A) of the Bankruptcy Code ("<u>Personally Identifiable Information</u>") (or assets containing personally identifiable information).

J. Credit Bid. A portion of the Purchase Price under Section 3 of the Agency Agreement consists of the Credit Bid (as defined therein). By agreement with the Creditors' Committee (as defined below) and the Debtors, the Credit Bid: (i) constitutes a valid, effective and enforceable credit bid pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 363(b), 363(k) and 363(n), other applicable law, the Prepetition Second Lien Documents (as defined in the Final DIP Order⁵); (ii) is not subject to avoidance, equitable subordination, defense, offset (except for offsets exercised prior to the Petition Date), counterclaim, or recharacterization by any party in interest; (iii) is binding on the Debtors, the Debtors' estates, the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors appointed in these cases (the "<u>Creditors' Committee</u>"), any trustee or estate representative, and all creditors and parties-in-interest and any of their respective predecessors, successors or assigns; and (iv) is based on legal, valid, enforceable, perfected and nonavoidable liens against certain of the Debtors' assets.

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⁵ "<u>Final DIP Order</u>" means the Final Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to Obtain Postpetition Financing, (II) Authorizing the Debtors to Use Cash Collateral, (III) Granting Liens and Providing Superpriority Administrative Expense Status, (IV) Granting Adequate Protection, (V) Modifying Automatic Stay, and (VI) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 352].

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K. **Time of the Essence:** Time is of the essence in effectuating the Agency Agreement and proceeding with the Sale contemplated therein without interruption. Based on the record of the Sale Hearing, and for the reasons stated on the record at the Sale Hearing, and in accordance with the Case Milestones (as defined in the Final DIP Order), the Sale under the Agency Agreement must be commenced no later than April 19, 2018, to maximize the value that the Purchaser may realize from the Sale, and the value that the Debtors may realize from entering into the Agency Agreement. Accordingly, cause exists to lift the stay to the extent necessary, as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rules 4001(a) and 6004(h) and permit the immediate effectiveness of this Order.

L. **Sale Free and Clear:** The Debtors, Purchaser and Agent (as applicable) may sell the Assets free and clear of all liens, claims, and Encumbrances (as defined below) as provided for herein because, in each case, one or more of the standards set forth in section 363(f)(1) through (5) of the Bankruptcy Code has been satisfied. A sale of the Assets other than one free and clear of liens, claims, encumbrances, defenses (including, without limitation, rights of setoff, except for setoff exercised prior to the Petition Date) and interests, including, without limitation, security interests of whatever kind or nature, mortgages, conditional sale or other title retention agreements, pledges, deeds of trust, hypothecations, assignments, preferences, debts, easements, suits, licenses, options, rights-of-recovery, judgments, rights of first refusal, offset (except for offsets exercised prior to the Petition Date), and/or recovery, claims for reimbursement, contribution, indemnity, exoneration, products liability, alter-ego, environmental, tax (including foreign, state and local taxes), labor, Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("<u>ERISA</u>"), Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601 et seq. ("CERCLA") and/or other liabilities, causes of action,

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contract rights, orders and decrees of any court or foreign or domestic governmental entity, licenses, covenants, restrictions, indentures, loan agreements, instruments, collective bargaining agreements, leases, charges of any kind or nature, including any restriction on the use, voting, transfer, receipt of income or other exercise of any attributes of ownership, debts arising in any way in connection with any agreements, acts, or failures to act, including any pension liabilities, retiree medical benefit liabilities, liabilities related to the Internal Revenue Code, or any other liability relating to Debtors' current and former employees, including any withdrawal liabilities or liabilities under any collective bargaining agreement or labor practice agreement, of the Debtors or any of the Debtors' predecessors or affiliates, to the fullest extent of the law, in each case, of any kind or nature (including, without limitation, all "claims" as defined in section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code), whether known or unknown, pre-petition or postpetition, secured or unsecured, choate or inchoate, filed or unfiled, scheduled or unscheduled, noticed or unnoticed, recorded or unrecorded, perfected or unperfected, allowed or disallowed, contingent or non-contingent, statutory or non-statutory, liquidated or unliquidated, matured or unmatured, legal or equitable, material or non-material, disputed or undisputed, whether arising before, on or after the date on which these chapter 11 cases were commenced, and whether imposed by agreement, understanding, law, equity or otherwise, including claims otherwise arising under doctrines of successor liability (collectively, but excluding any liens, claims, encumbrances or assumed liabilities permitted in the Agency Agreement, the "Encumbrances"), and without the protections of this Order would hinder the Debtors' ability to obtain the consideration provided for in the Agency Agreement and, thus, would materially and adversely impact the value that the Debtors' estates would be able to obtain for the sale of such Assets. But for the protections afforded to the Purchaser and the Agent under the Bankruptcy Code and

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this Order, the Purchaser would not have offered to pay the consideration contemplated in the Agency Agreement. In addition, subject to [Paragraph 13] hereof, each entity with an Encumbrance upon the Assets (i) has consented to the Sale or is deemed to have consented to the Sale, (ii) could be compelled in a legal or equitable proceeding to accept money satisfaction of such interest, or (iii) otherwise falls within the provisions of section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, and therefore, in each case, one or more of the standards set forth in section 363(f)(1)through (5) of the Bankruptcy Code has been satisfied. Those holders of Encumbrances who did not object, or who withdrew their objections, to the Motion are deemed to have consented pursuant to section 363(f)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code. All other holders of Encumbrances are adequately protected—thus satisfying section 363(e) of the Bankruptcy Code—by having their Encumbrances, if any, attach to the payments owed by Purchaser to the Debtors under the Agency Agreement (but subject in all respects to the provisions of the Agency Agreement and this Order), in the same order of priority and with the same validity, force and effect that such Encumbrances had before the Sale, subject to any rights, claims and defenses of the Debtors or their estates, as applicable; provided, however, that any liens granted or otherwise provided for under the Final DIP Order or the liens granted in connection with the Second Lien Indenture shall not attach to the Wind-Down Payment. Therefore, approval of the Agency Agreement and the consummation of the Sale free and clear of Encumbrances (subject to the terms and conditions of the Agency Agreement and this Order) is appropriate pursuant to section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code and is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors and other parties in interest.

M. The recitation, in the immediately preceding paragraph of this Order, of specific agreements, plans or statutes is not intended, and shall not be construed, to limit the

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generality of the categories of liabilities, debts, commitments or obligations referred to as "Encumbrances" therein.

N. The Purchaser would not have entered into the Agency Agreement and would not have provided the Debtors with consideration thereunder, thus adversely affecting the Debtors, their estates, creditors, employees and other parties in interest, if the Debtors, Purchaser and Agent (as applicable) were not authorized to sell the Assets free and clear of all Encumbrances (subject to the terms of the Agency Agreement and this Order). A sale of the Assets, other than one free and clear of all Encumbrances, would yield substantially less value for the Debtors' estates, with less certainty than the Sale.

O. **Arms-length Sale:** The consideration to be paid by the Purchaser under the Agency Agreement was negotiated at arm's-length and constitutes reasonably equivalent value and fair and adequate consideration for the rights to sell and dispose of the Assets under the Bankruptcy Code, the Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act, the Uniform Fraudulent Conveyance Act, the Uniform Voidable Transfers Act, and the laws of the United States, any state, territory, possession thereof or the District of Columbia. The terms and conditions set forth in the Agency Agreement are fair and reasonable under the circumstances of these chapter 11 cases and were not entered into with the intent to nor for the purpose of, nor do they have the effect of, hindering, delaying or defrauding the Debtors or their creditors under any applicable laws. None of the Debtors, the Purchaser or the Agent is entering into the Agency Agreement or proposing to consummate the Sale fraudulently, for the purpose of statutory or common law fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer claims, whether under the Bankruptcy Code or under the laws of the United States, any state, territory, possession thereof or the District of Columbia or any other applicable jurisdiction.

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P. Good Faith: The Debtors, the Purchaser, the Agent, their management and their respective boards of directors or equivalent governing bodies, officers, directors, employees, agents, professionals and representatives, actively participated in the bidding process and acted in good faith. The Agency Agreement between the Purchaser and the Debtors was negotiated and entered into based upon arms' length bargaining, without collusion or fraud, and in good faith as that term is used in sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Purchaser is entering into the Agency Agreement in good faith and is a good faith purchaser within the meaning of section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code and the court decisions applying or interpreting such provision, and is therefore entitled to the full protection of sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to all aspects of the transactions contemplated by the Agency Agreement, including the Agent's acquisition of the rights to sell or cause to be sold or otherwise dispose of the Assets, and otherwise has proceeded in good faith in all respects in connection with this proceeding. The Debtors were free to deal with any other party interested in buying or selling on behalf of the Debtors' estate some or all of the Assets. Neither the Debtors, the Purchaser nor the Agent has engaged in any conduct that would cause or permit the Sale, the Agency Agreement, or any related action or the transactions contemplated thereby to be avoided or subject to monetary damages under section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code, or that would prevent the application of sections 363(m) or 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Purchaser and the Agent have not violated section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code by any action or inaction. Specifically, the Purchaser and the Agent have not acted in a collusive manner with any person and were not controlled by any agreement among bidders. The Purchaser's and Agent's prospective performance and payment of amounts owing under the Agency Agreement are in good faith and for valid business purposes and uses.

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Q. **Insider Status:** Neither the Agent nor the Purchaser is an "insider" of any Debtor, as that term is defined in section 101(31) of the Bankruptcy Code. No common identity of directors or controlling stockholders exists between, on the one hand, the Agent and the Purchaser and, on the other hand, the Debtors.

R. Security Interests and Administrative Claims: The liens provided for in the Agency Agreement and this Order to secure the obligations of the Debtors under the Agency Agreement to the Purchaser are necessary to induce the Purchaser to agree to terms for the Agency Agreement that maximize value for the Debtors' estates. The absence of such protections would impact materially and adversely the value available to the Debtors in the liquidation of the Assets in partnership with a liquidation agent. But for the protections afforded to the Purchaser under the Bankruptcy Code, this Order, and the Agency Agreement, the Purchaser would not have agreed to pay the Debtors the compensation provided for under the Agency Agreement. In addition, the DIP Administrative Agent, which holds a security interest in the property to which the Purchaser's security interest attaches, has consented to the security interests provided for in the Agency Agreement and on the terms set forth herein subject to the receipt by the DIP Administrative Agent of the portion of the Cash Purchase Price to be paid under a payoff letter acceptable to the DIP Administrative Agent and Tranche A-1 documentation agent (including general releases and discharge of claims as contemplated by paragraph 36 of the Final DIP Order) (the "Payoff Letter"), in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement and this Order.

S. Section 506(c). In light of the consideration provided by the Purchaser under the Agency Agreement, the Second Lien Noteholders and Notes Trustee are entitled to a waiver of the provisions of section 506(c) of the Bankruptcy Code as set forth herein, subject to the

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receipt by the DIP Administrative Agent of the Cash Purchase Price and the Payoff Letter (each as defined in the Agency Agreement) in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement and this Order.

T. **Corporate Authority:** The Debtors (i) have full corporate or other power to execute, deliver and perform their obligations under the Agency Agreement and all other transactions contemplated thereby (including without limitation, reaching an agreement and resolution regarding the Final Reconciliation contemplated by the Agency Agreement), and entry into the Agency Agreement has been duly and validly authorized by all necessary corporate or similar action, (ii) have all of the corporate or other power and authority necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Agency Agreement, and (iii) have taken all actions necessary to authorize and approve the Agency Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby. No consents or approvals, other than those expressly provided for herein or in the Agency Agreement, are required for the Debtors to consummate such transactions.

U. The consummation of the Transaction is legal, valid and properly authorized under all applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, including sections 105(a), 363(b), 363(f), 363(m), 363(n) and 364 of the Bankruptcy Code.

V. **No Successor Liability:** No sale, transfer or other disposition of the Assets pursuant to the Agency Agreement (including the GOB Sale) or entry into the Agency Agreement will subject the Purchaser or the Agent to any liability for claims, obligations or Encumbrances asserted against the Debtors or the Debtors' interests in such Assets by reason of such transfer under any laws, including 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. By virtue of the consummation of the Sale contemplated by the

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Agency Agreement, (i) neither the Purchaser nor the Agent is a continuation of the Debtors and their respective estates, there is no continuity or continuity of enterprise between, on the one hand, the Purchaser and/or the Agent and, on the other hand, the Debtors, and there is no common identity between, on the one hand, the Purchaser and/or the Agent and, on the other hand, the Debtors; (ii) neither the Purchaser nor the Agent is holding itself out to the public as a continuation of the Debtors or their respective estates; and (iii) the Sale does not amount to a consolidation, merger or de facto merger of, on the one hand, the Purchaser and/or the Agent and, on the other hand, the Debtors and/or the Debtors' estates. Accordingly, neither the Purchaser nor the Agent is or shall be deemed a successor to the Debtors or their respective estates as a result of the consummation of the Sale contemplated by the Agency Agreement.

W. **No** *Sub Rosa* **Plan:** Entry into the Agency Agreement and the transactions contemplated thereby neither impermissibly restructure the rights of the Debtors' creditors, nor impermissibly dictates the terms of a chapter 11 plan of reorganization for the Debtors. Entry into the Agency Agreement does not constitute a *sub rosa* chapter 11 plan.

X. **Third Party Rights**: Nothing in the Agency Agreement creates any third party beneficiary rights in any entity not a party to the Agency Agreement.

Y. **Sale Guidelines**: The sale guidelines (the "<u>Sale Guidelines</u>") attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>, are reasonable and will maximize the returns on the Assets for the benefit of the Debtors' estates and creditors.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

A. Motion Granted, Objections Overruled

1. The relief requested in the Motion as it relates to Assets is granted as set forth herein. Any remaining objections to the Motion or the relief requested therein, in either case, as they relate to the Assets, that have not been withdrawn, waived, or settled, and all reservations of rights included in such objections are overruled on the merits with prejudice in all respects and denied. All parties and entities given notice of the Motion that failed to timely object thereto are deemed to consent to the relief sought therein.

This Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law in the Bidding
Procedures Order and the record of the Bidding Procedures Hearing are incorporated herein by reference.

B. Agency Agreement Approved and Authorized

3. The Agency Agreement is approved pursuant to sections 105, 363, 364 and 554 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 4001, 60004 and 9014. The Debtors are hereby authorized and empowered to enter into and perform under the Agency Agreement, and the Agency Agreement (and each of the transactions contemplated therein (including, without limitation, conducting the Sale and reaching an agreement and resolution regarding the Final Reconciliation contemplated by the Agency Agreement, which agreement and resolution shall be binding on all parties (including, without limitation, the Debtors, the Creditors' Committee, the DIP Administrative Agent, the DIP Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent, the Indenture Trustee, any successor chapter 7 or chapter 11 trustee, and all other parties in interest) without further order of this Court)) is hereby approved in its entirety and is

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incorporated herein by reference. Following Closing, the Agent (a) shall be deemed to be the Debtors' exclusive agent for the limited purpose of conducting the Sale and (b) subject to payment of the Cash Purchase Price and Purchaser's compliance with its other obligations under the Agency Agreement, including its payment obligations thereunder, shall have the exclusive right to market and sell, and/or otherwise designate the purchasers, licensees, and/or assignees of, any or all of the Assets free and clear of all liens, claims, and Encumbrances thereon. The failure to include specifically any particular provision of the Agency Agreement in this 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 authorized and approved in their entirety. Likewise, all of the provisions of this Order are nonseverable and mutually dependent.

4. All amounts payable to the Purchaser and/or the Agent under the Agency Agreement shall be payable to the Purchaser and/or the Agent without the need for any application of the Purchaser and/or the Agent therefor or any further order of this Court. At the Closing, the Purchaser is authorized and empowered to pay, without offset or adjustment, the Cash Purchase Price in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement and the Payoff Letter. The DIP Administrative Agent is authorized to apply the Cash Purchase Price in accordance with the Agency Agreement and the Final DIP Order without the need for any application of the DIP Administrative Agent or any further order of this Court. Professionals for the DIP Administrative Agent and the DIP Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent are authorized to immediately receive and apply any amounts received pursuant to the Payoff Letter without the need to comply with the provisions of paragraph 35 of the Final DIP Order. Any and all amounts paid to professionals for the DIP Administrative Agent and the DIP Tranche A-1

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Documentation Agent pursuant to the Payoff Letter are hereby approved in full and shall not be subject to avoidance, disgorgement or any similar form of recovery by the Debtors or any other person.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Order, the Debtors, the Purchaser and the Agent are hereby authorized, pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code, to conduct the Sale in accordance with the Agency Agreement and Sale Guidelines, which Sale Guidelines are hereby approved in their entirety.

6. Pursuant to section 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors, the Purchaser and the Agent and each of their respective officers, employees and agents are hereby authorized and directed to execute such documents and to do such acts as are necessary or desirable to carry out the Sale in accordance with the Agency Agreement and effectuate the Agency Agreement and each of the transactions and related actions contemplated or set forth therein. Without limiting the foregoing, the Agent is specifically authorized to (a) exercise the Asset Designation Rights and the Lease/Contract Designation Rights and (b) subject to Agent's compliance with its payment obligations under the Agency Agreement and this Order, execute, in the name of and as agent for the Debtors, any and all deeds, bills of sale, and other instruments or documents necessary to effectuate the Sale or other transfer or conveyance of any of the Assets. Any officer of the Debtor is authorized to act on behalf of the Debtors in connection with the Sale and no other consents or approvals are necessary or required for the Debtors to carry out the Sale, effectuate the Agency Agreement and each of the transactions and related actions contemplated or set forth therein.

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Any payment obligation of Purchaser and Agent under the Agency
Agreement is binding upon both the Agent and Purchaser and they shall be jointly and severally responsible therefor.

C. Order Binding

8. This 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 Assets.

9. This 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 Purchaser, the Agent, and their respective affiliates, successors and assigns, and any affected third parties including, but not limited to, all persons asserting an interest or Encumbrance in the 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 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 Order and the Agency Agreement, shall

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continue in these or any superseding cases and shall be binding upon the Debtors, the Purchaser, 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, and subject to Purchaser's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, any such successor shall continue to hold all Assets and Proceeds strictly in trust for the benefit of Purchaser. Any trustee appointed in these cases shall be and hereby is authorized to operate the business of the Debtors to the fullest extent necessary to permit compliance with the terms of this Order and the Agency Agreement, and the Purchaser, the Agent and such 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.

D. Good Faith.

10. Neither the Debtors, the Purchaser nor the Agent has engaged in any action or inaction that would cause or permit the Sale to be avoided or costs or damages to be imposed under section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code. Entry into the Agency Agreement is undertaken by the parties thereto without collusion and in good faith, as that term is used in sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Purchaser and the Agent shall be protected by sections 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code in the event that this Order is reversed or modified on appeal. The reversal or modification on appeal 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, unless such authorization is duly stayed pending such appeal. The Purchaser and the Agent are 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

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section 363(n) or chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Purchaser and the Agent are entitled to all of the protections and immunities thereunder.

E. Conduct of the Sale

11. Except as otherwise provided in the Agency Agreement and subject to [**Paragraph 14**] hereof, including pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors, Purchaser and Agent (as applicable) shall be authorized to sell or cause to be sold or otherwise dispose of all Merchandise, the Owned FF&E and other Assets to be sold pursuant to the Agency Agreement free and clear of any and all Encumbrances (subject to receipt by the DIP Administrative Agent of the Cash Purchase Price and the Payoff Letter), subject in all respects to the Agency Agreement and this Order. For the sake of clarity, however, nothing in this paragraph is intended to diminish the liens in favor of the Purchaser and/or Agent, as reflected in the Agency Agreement and this Order, that attach to, among other things, the Proceeds of the Sale.

12. The consent of the DIP Administrative Agent, the DIP Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent, the DIP Lenders, and the Prepetition ABL Parties to the Sale on the terms set forth herein and in the Agency Agreement is subject to the receipt by the DIP Administrative Agent of the Cash Purchase Price and the Payoff Letter.

13. If any person or entity that has filed financing statements, mortgages, construction or mechanic's liens, lis pendens or other documents or agreements evidencing Encumbrances against or liens on or interests in the 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 Assets: (a) each such person or entity is hereby directed to deliver

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all such statements, instruments and releases; (b) the Debtors, the Purchaser and the Agent are hereby authorized to execute and file such statements, instruments, releases and other documents on behalf of such person or entity asserting the same; and (c) the Purchaser and the Agent are hereby authorized to file a copy of this Order, which, upon filing, shall be conclusive evidence of the release and termination of such Encumbrances. 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 Sale and related transactions contemplated by the Agency Agreement and this Order. This Order is deemed to be in recordable form sufficient to be placed in the filing or recording system of each and every federal, state, or local government agency, department or office.

14. All entities that are presently in possession of some or all of the Assets or other property in which the Debtors hold an interest that are or may be subject to the Agency Agreement hereby are directed to surrender possession of such Assets or other property to the Agent.

15. The Debtors, the Purchaser and the Agent shall not extend the Sale Termination Date beyond August 31, 2018, unless extended by mutual written agreement of the Debtors, the Purchaser and the Agent. The Agent may, in its discretion, earlier terminate the GOB Sale on a Store-by-Store basis upon not less than seven (7) days' prior written notice to the Debtors, subject to the terms and conditions of the Agency Agreement.

16. Unless otherwise ordered by this Court, all newspapers and other advertising media in which the Sale may be advertised and all landlords are directed to accept this Order as binding authority so as to authorize the Debtors, the Purchaser and the Agent to consummate the Agency Agreement and to consummate the transactions contemplated therein,

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including, without limitation, to conduct and advertise the Sale in the manner contemplated by the Agency Agreement, including, without limitation, conducting and advertising of the Sale in accordance with the Agency Agreement, the Sale Guidelines, and this Order.

17. Nothing in this Order or the Agency Agreement releases, 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 Order. Nothing contained in this Order or the Agency Agreement authorizes the transfer or assignment of any governmental (a) license, (b) permit, (c) registration, (d) authorization or (e) approval, or the discontinuation of any obligation thereunder, without compliance with all applicable legal requirements under police or regulatory law. Nothing in this Order divests any tribunal of any jurisdiction it may have under police or regulatory law to interpret this Order or to adjudicate any defense asserted under this Order. Nothing contained in this Order or in the Agency Agreement shall in any way (i) diminish the obligation of any entity to comply with environmental laws, or (ii) 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 Purchaser or the Agent is an operator with respect to any environmental law or regulation. Moreover, the Sale shall not be exempt from, and the Agent shall be required to comply with, all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and ordinances, including, without limitation, all laws and regulations relating to advertising, privacy, consumer protection, occupational health and safety and the environment, together with all applicable statutes, rules, regulations and orders of, and applicable restrictions imposed by, governmental authorities

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(collectively, the "<u>Applicable General Laws</u>"). Nothing in this Order shall alter or affect the Debtors' and Agent's obligations to comply with all applicable federal safety laws and regulations. Nothing in this Order shall be deemed to bar any Governmental Unit (as defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(27)) from enforcing Applicable 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 Applicable General Laws or that such enforcement is impermissible under the Bankruptcy Code, this Order, or otherwise. Notwithstanding anything else in this Order, so long as the GOB Sale is conducted in accordance with the Sale Guidelines and this Order and in a safe and professional manner, the Agent and the Purchaser shall be deemed to be in compliance with any and all Applicable General Laws. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Order, no party waives any rights to argue any position with respect to whether the conduct was in compliance with this Order and/or any applicable law, or that enforcement of such applicable law is preempted by the Bankruptcy Code. Nothing in this Order shall be deemed to have made any rulings on any such issues.

18. To the extent that the Sale is subject to any applicable laws, rules and regulations in respect of "going out of business", "store closing" or similar-themed sales and permitting, including laws restricting safe, professional and non-deceptive, customary advertising such as signs, banners, posting of signage, and use of sign-walkers solely in connection with the Sale and including ordinances establishing license or permit requirements, waiting periods, time limits or bulk sale restrictions that would otherwise apply solely to Sale (each a "Liquidation Sale Law" and, together, the "Liquidation Sale Laws"), the following provisions shall apply:

a. Provided that the Sale is conducted in accordance with the terms of this Order, the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines, and in light of the

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provisions in the laws of many Governmental Units that exempt courtordered sales from their provisions, the Debtors shall be presumed to be in compliance with any Liquidation Sale Laws and, subject to the limitations set forth herein, are authorized to conduct the Sale in accordance with the terms of this Order and the Sale Guidelines without the necessity of further showing compliance with any Liquidation Sale Laws.

- b. Within three (3) days of entry of this Order, the Debtors shall serve copies of this Order, the Agency Agreement and the Sale Guidelines via e-mail, facsimile, and/or regular U.S. mail, on: (i) the Attorney General's office for each state where the Sale is being held, (ii) the county consumer protection agency or similar agency for each county where the Sale will be held, (iii) the division of consumer protection for each state where the Sale will be held; and (iv) the chief legal counsel for each local jurisdiction where the Sale will be held.
- c. To the extent there is a dispute arising from or relating to the Sale, this Order, the Agency Agreement, or the Sale Guidelines, which dispute relates to any Liquidation Sale Laws (a "<u>Reserved Dispute</u>"), this Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction to resolve the Reserved Dispute. Any time within fifteen (15) days following service of this Order, any Governmental Unit may assert that a Reserved Dispute exists by serving written notice of such Reserved Dispute to counsel for the Debtors and counsel for the Purchaser and the Agent at the addresses set forth in the Agency Agreement so as to ensure delivery thereof within one (1) business day thereafter. If the Debtors, the Purchaser, the Agent and the Governmental Unit are unable to resolve the Reserved Dispute within fifteen (15) days of service of the notice, the aggrieved party may file a motion with this Court requesting that this Court resolve the Reserved Dispute (a "<u>Dispute Resolution Motion</u>").
- d. In the event a Dispute Resolution Motion is filed, nothing in this Order shall preclude the Debtors, a landlord, the Purchaser, the Agent or 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 this Order, nor the Debtors', the Purchaser's or the Agent's conduct pursuant to this Order, violates such Liquidation Sale Laws. Filing a Dispute Resolution Motion as set forth herein shall not be deemed to affect the finality of this Order or to limit or interfere with the Debtors' or the Agent's ability to conduct or to continue to conduct the Sale pursuant to this Order and the Agency Agreement, absent further order of this Court. This Court grants authority for the Debtors and the Agent to conduct the Sale pursuant to the terms of this Order, the Agency Agreement, and/or the Sale Guidelines attached hereto and to take all actions reasonably related thereto or arising in connection therewith. The Governmental Unit shall be entitled to assert any jurisdictional, procedural, or substantive arguments it wishes with respect to the

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

- e. If, at any time, a dispute arises between the Debtors, the Purchaser and/or the Agent and a Governmental Unit as to whether a particular law is a Liquidation Sale Law, and subject to any provisions contained in this Order related to Liquidation Sale Laws, then any party to that dispute may utilize the provisions of Subparagraphs (b) and (c) hereunder by serving a notice to the other party and proceeding thereunder in accordance with those Paragraphs. Any determination with respect to whether a particular law is a Liquidation Sale Law shall be made de novo.
- 19. 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, to the extent that disputes arise during the course of the Sale regarding laws regulating the use of sign-walkers and banner advertising and the Debtors and the Agent are unable to resolve the matter consensually with the 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 within two (2) business days of such request. This scheduling shall not be deemed to preclude additional hearings for the presentation of evidence or arguments as necessary.

20. Except to the extent of the reserved rights of Governmental Units

expressly granted elsewhere in this Order, the Debtors and Agent are hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate to implement the Agency Agreement and to conduct the Sale without necessity of further order of this Court as provided in the Agency Agreement or the Sale Guidelines, including, but not limited to, advertising the Sale as a "going out of business," "total liquidation," "store-closing" or similar-themed sales through the posting of signs (including the use of exterior banners at non-enclosed mall Stores, and at enclosed mall

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Stores to the extent the applicable Store entrance does not require entry into the enclosed mall common area), use of signwalkers and street signage.

21. Except as expressly provided in this Order, the Agency Agreement, and any Side Letter (as defined below), the Sale shall be conducted by the Debtors and the Agent notwithstanding any restrictive provision in any lease, sublease, license or other agreement relative to occupancy, abandonment of assets or "going dark" provisions or other provisions that purport to prohibit, restrict or otherwise interfere with the conduct of the Sale. The Agent and landlords of the Stores and the Distribution Centers are authorized to enter into agreements ("<u>Side Letters</u>") 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, provided that nothing in such Side Letters affects the provisions of [**Paragraphs 16 through 18**]. In the event of any conflict between the Sale Guidelines and any Side Letter, or between this Order and any Side Letter, the terms of such Side Letter shall control.

22. Except as expressly provided for herein or in the Sale Guidelines (as such Sale Guidelines may be modified by a Side Letter with an applicable landlord), and except with respect to any Governmental Unit (as to which [**Paragraphs 16 through 18**] shall apply), no person or entity, including but not limited to any landlord, licensor or creditor shall take any action to directly or indirectly prevent, interfere with, or otherwise hinder consummation of the Sale, or the advertising and promotion (including the posting of signs and exterior banners or the use of signwalkers) of such Sale, and all such parties and persons of every nature and description, including landlords, licensors, creditors and utility companies and all those acting for or on behalf of such parties, are prohibited and enjoined from (i) interfering in any way with, or otherwise impeding, the conduct of the Sale and/or (ii) instituting any action or proceeding in

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any court or administrative body seeking an order or judgment against, among others, the Debtors, the Purchaser, the Agent, or the landlords at the Debtors' closing Stores that might in any way directly or indirectly obstruct or otherwise interfere with or adversely affect the conduct of the Sale or other liquidation sales at the Stores and/or seek to recover damages for breach(es) of covenants or provisions in any lease, sublease or license based upon any relief authorized herein.

23. The Agent shall have the exclusive right to use the Stores and all related store services, furniture, fixtures, equipment and other assets of the Debtors, as set forth in the Agency Agreement, for the purpose of conducting the Sale, free of any interference from any entity or person, subject to compliance with the Sale Guidelines (as such Sale Guidelines may be modified by a Side Letter with an applicable landlord) and this Order and subject to

[Paragraphs 16 through 18] of this Order.

24. Except as otherwise provided in this Order or in the Sale Guidelines (as such Sale Guidelines may be modified by a Side Letter), nothing in the Agency Agreement shall in any way alter or affect any rights of landlords to enforce the provisions of their leases against the Debtors as the tenant, or diminish the obligations of the Debtors to comply with the terms of the leases or section 365(d)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code, including, but not limited to, any landlord's right to seek to enforce the Debtors' obligations under the leases in accordance with the terms of the leases; *provided* that the conduct of the Sale in accordance with the Sale Guidelines shall not be a violation of section 365(d)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code.

25. Pursuant to section 554(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors, the Purchaser and the Agent are permitted to abandon property of the Debtors' estates in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Agency Agreement, without incurring liability to any person

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or entity; *provided*, *however*, unless the Agent otherwise consents, the Debtors may only abandon property located in any Store (and, if applicable, a Distribution Center) on or after the applicable Sale Termination Date. In the event of any such abandonment, all applicable landlords shall be authorized to dispose of such property without any liability to any individual or entity that may claim an interest in such abandoned property, and such abandonment shall be without prejudice to any landlord's right to assert any claim based on such abandonment and without prejudice to the Debtors or any other party in interest to object thereto.

26. Before any sale, abandonment or other disposition of the Debtors' computers (including software) and/or cash registers and any other point of sale FF&E located at the Stores (collectively, "<u>POS Equipment</u>") that may contain customer lists, identifiable personal and/or confidential information about the Debtors' employees and/or customers, or credit card numbers, ("<u>Confidential Information</u>") takes effect, the Debtors shall use commercially reasonable efforts to remove or cause to be removed the Confidential Information from the POS Equipment.

27. Agent shall accept the Debtors' gift certificates, gift cards, store credits, return credits, or similar merchandise credits issued by the Debtors (collectively, "<u>Gift</u> <u>Certificates</u>") for a period of ten days from and including the Sale Commencement Date; *provided, however*, the Agent shall not be required to accept any mall and/or landlord-issued gift cards, gift certificates, merchandise credits or other similar items unless satisfactory arrangements are made between and among the Agent, the Debtors, and the issuer of such items for reimbursement to the Agent and the Debtors for all such amounts honored during the Sale Term. Thereafter, Agent shall have no obligation to accept Gift Certificates. The Agent shall not sell any certificates or gift cards and the Agent shall not accept coupons or honor any other

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employee or other discounts. Agent's acceptance of returns shall not impact the Wind-Down Budget or the Wind-Down Cap

28. The Agent shall accept returns of goods sold by the Debtors prior to the Closing for a period of ten days from and including the Sale Commencement Date, *provided* that such return is otherwise in compliance with the Debtors' return policies in effect as of the date such item was purchased and the customer is not repurchasing the same item so as to take advantage of the sale price being offered by the Agent. Thereafter, Agent shall have no obligation to accept returns of goods sold by the Debtors prior to the Closing.

29. All sales of Merchandise pursuant to the Agency Agreement will be "final sales" and "as is," and appropriate signage and sales receipts will reflect the same. All sales by Agent pursuant to the Agency Agreement will be made only for cash or nationally recognized bank credit cards. Notwithstanding the foregoing, 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." The Debtors and/or the Agent shall accept return of any goods purchased during the Sale that contain a defect which the lay consumer could not reasonably determine was defective by visual inspection prior to purchase for a full refund, *provided* that (i) the consumer must provide a receipt, and (iii) the asserted defect must in fact be a "latent" defect. Subject to the terms of the Agency Agreement, the Debtors shall promptly reimburse Agent in cash for any refunds Agent is required to issue to customers in respect of any goods purchased during the Sale that contain such a latent defect. Agent's acceptance of Gift Certificates shall not impact the Wind-Down Budget or the Wind-Down Cap.

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30. During the Sale Term, the Agent shall be granted a limited license and right to use all Intellectual Property for purposes of conducting the Sale; *provided*, *however*, that the Agent shall comply with reasonable restrictions requested by the Debtors in order for the Debtors to comply with its privacy policy and applicable laws governing the use and dissemination of confidential consumer personal data. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the disposition of any Intellectual Property that would result in the sale or lease of personally identifiable information (as such term is defined in section 101(41A) of the Bankruptcy Code) shall be subject to a determination made by a consumer privacy ombudsman appointed in these chapter 11 cases.

31. The Agent shall be permitted to include in the Sale Additional Agent Merchandise in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Agency Agreement. Any transactions relating to the Additional Agent Merchandise are, and shall be construed as, a true consignment from Agent to Debtors. Debtors acknowledge that the Additional Agent Merchandise shall be consigned to Debtors as a true consignment under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code in effect in the State of Delaware (the "<u>UCC</u>"). Subject to the terms set forth in the Agency Agreement, Agent is hereby granted a first priority security interest (the "<u>Agent</u> <u>Lien</u>") in (i) the Additional Agent Merchandise and (ii) the proceeds realized upon the sale or disposition of the Additional Agent Merchandise in the Sale, which security interest shall be deemed perfected pursuant to this 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 any notices and file any financing statements and amendments thereof under the applicable UCC identifying Agent's interest in the Additional Agent Goods (and any proceeds from the sale thereof) as consigned goods thereunder and the Debtors as the consignee

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therefor, and Agent's security interest in such Additional Agent Merchandise and Additional Agent Merchandise proceeds).

32. Except as expressly provided for in the Agency Agreement, nothing in this Order or the Agency Agreement, and none of the Purchaser's or Agent's actions taken in respect of the Sale shall be deemed to constitute an assumption by Purchaser or Agent of any of the Debtors' obligations relating to any of the Debtors' employees. Moreover, neither the Purchaser nor the Agent shall become liable under any collective bargaining or employment agreement or be deemed a joint or successor employer with respect to such employees. Neither Purchaser, Agent nor any entity comprising Purchaser or Agent is or shall be a mere continuation of the Debtors or otherwise subject to successor liability in connection with any of the Assets.

33. During the Sale Term, all sales, excise, gross receipts and other taxes attributable to sales of Merchandise and Additional Agent Merchandise, as indicated on the Debtors' point of sale equipment (other than taxes on income) payable to any taxing authority having jurisdiction (collectively, "<u>Sales Taxes</u>") shall be added to the sales price of Merchandise and Additional Agent Merchandise and collected by Agent, on Debtors' behalf, at the time of sale. Such Sales Taxes shall be paid to the Taxing Authorities as set forth in the Agency Agreement. All Sales Taxes shall be deposited into a segregated account designated by Debtors and Agent solely for the deposit of such Sales Taxes. The Debtors and/or Agent, as applicable, are directed to remit all Sales Taxes arising from the Sale to the applicable taxing authorities as and when due, *provided* that in the case of a bona fide dispute the Debtors and/or the Agent 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 taxing authority. For the avoidance of doubt, Sales Taxes collected and held in trust by the Debtors and/or the Agent shall not be used to pay any creditor

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or any other party, other than the taxing authority for which the Sales Taxes are collected. The Agent shall collect, remit to the Debtors and account for Sales Taxes as and to the extent provided in the Agency Agreement. This 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.

34. Subject to the terms set forth in the Agency Agreement, the Debtors and/or the Agent (as the case may be) are authorized and empowered to transfer Assets among the Stores and the Distribution Centers. The Agent is authorized to sell or cause to be sold or otherwise dispose of the Debtors' FF&E and abandon the same, in each case, as provided for and in accordance with the terms of the Agency Agreement.

F. Liens and Superpriority Claims Granted To Agent

35. Upon the payment of the Cash Purchase Price, and solely to the extent that any Assets or Proceeds are, notwithstanding the provisions of this Order, subsequently determined to constitute property of the Debtors' estates, but subject to Purchaser's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment (which shall not be subject to any liens or claims in favor of the Purchaser or any other party), Purchaser shall have, pursuant to section 364(d) of the Bankruptcy Code, a senior lien on such Assets and all Proceeds. In addition, Purchaser shall have, subject to Purchaser's obligations under the Agency Agreement to fund the Wind-Down Payment (which shall not be subject to such liens or claims in favor of the Purchaser or any other party) and Expenses, a first priority senior security interest in each Designated Deposit Account and all funds on deposit in such accounts from and after the Closing. The liens granted pursuant to this paragraph shall be automatically perfected pursuant

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to this Order and the Purchaser is expressly authorized to take any action Purchaser deems appropriate to perfect and enforce such liens.

36. Upon the payment of the Cash Purchase Price and subject to Purchaser's obligation to Pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, until all Assets have been sold or otherwise disposed of, and solely to the extent that any Assets or Proceeds are, notwithstanding the provisions of this Order, subsequently determined to constitute property of the Debtors' estates, Purchaser shall have a superpriority administrative expense claim against the Debtors to the extent of any amounts owing from the Debtors to Purchaser in connection with the Agency Agreement but subject in all respects to the terms of the Agency Agreement and this Order.

G. Designation Rights

37. **Lease/Contract Designation Rights**. Procedures with respect to the Lease/Contract Designation Rights shall be the subject to a further order if this Court, upon submission of a motion seeking approval of such procedures.

38. The Debtors shall have no responsibility for any cure amounts with respect to any Lease or Contract assumption and assignment.

39. Notwithstanding anything in this Order or the Agency Agreement, all landlord rights under the Leases and section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code are preserved.

40. In addition to the Lease/Contract Designation Rights, Purchaser shall have the right, upon written notice to the Debtors and as reflected in notices filed in the Bankruptcy Cases from time to time, direct the Debtors to reject any Lease or Contract as specified by Purchaser.

41. Asset Designation Rights; Asset Designation Notice. The Asset Designation Rights, as set forth in the Agency Agreement, are approved in their entirety. The

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Asset Designation Notice, substantially in the form attached to the Agency Agreement as <u>Exhibit 2(b)(iv)</u>, is approved in its entirety. The sale, license, transfer, or other conveyance of any Assets (other than the Assets being sold pursuant to the GOB Sale, as to which no further notice shall be required) reflected in the Asset Designation Notices to filed in the Bankruptcy Cases from time to time by the Agent, shall be automatically effective on the date reflected in the applicable Asset Designation Notice and subject to the satisfaction of any closing conditions reflected therein, and the sale or other conveyance of such Assets shall be free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances to the extent permitted by the Bankruptcy Code without further order of this Court, *provided*, *however*, that nothing in this Sale Order shall inhibit the ability of Agent to seek other or further orders of the Court in connection with the sale or other disposition of any Assets.

42. **Designation Rights Termination Date**. Subject to section 3.1(c) of the Agency Agreement, to the extent Purchaser has not designated the purchaser or other assignee of any Assets (the "<u>Residual Assets</u>") as of December 31, 2018 (as may be extended by written agreement of the Parties, the "<u>Designation Rights Termination Date</u>"), subject to the payment of all Expenses, the Cash Purchase Price and payment of the Wind-Down Payment (1) ownership of all cash (other than the Wind-Down Payment) (on hand, in the bank, in transit, or otherwise), credit card processing float, accounts receivable, notes receivable, credit card receivables, other receivables, deposits, security deposits, proceeds of retail sales in all of the Debtors' retail store locations, rights to refunds, other rights to payment, and Intellectual Property comprising Residual Assets shall vest in Purchaser or its nominee and (2) ownership of all other Residual Assets shall revert to the Debtors' estates, each on the Designation Rights Termination Date.

H. Certain Assumed Obligations

43. On the Closing, and consistent with the Wind-Down Budget, the Agent shall assume the obligation to pay (a) 503(b)(9) Claims up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$2,000,000 (the "<u>503(b)(9) Cap</u>"), and (b) Stub Rent Claims up to a maximum aggregate amount of \$8,000,000 (the "<u>Stub Rent Cap</u>"). An amount equal to the sum of the 503(b)(9) Cap and the Stub Rent Cap shall be placed into a segregated account to be held in trust for the benefit of holders of 503(b)(9) Claims and Stub Rent Claims. To the extent the sum of all allowed Stub Rent Claims or 503(b)(9) Claims, exceeds the applicable Stub Rent Cap or the 503(b)(9) Cap, such claims shall be paid pro rata up to the Stub Rent Cap or the 503(b)(9) Cap, as applicable, or as otherwise agreed to with the Creditors' Committee and subject to further Court approval, if required. All payments on account of Stub Rent Claims and 503(b)(9) Claims shall be paid directly to the applicable claimants. All payments made pursuant to this paragraph, subject to the Stub Rent Cap and the 503(b)(9) Cap, shall be credited against the Wind-Down Payment.

44. At the Agent's expense, within 10 days after the entry of this Order, the Debtors shall file a notice ("<u>Creditor Notice</u>") and serve such notice on all known trade creditors and landlords identifying the 503(b)(9) Claim and Stub Rent Claim for each trade creditor and landlord, as applicable. The Debtors shall give each trade creditor and landlord no less than twenty (20) days to file a response. If no response is filed, the amount set forth on the Creditor Notice shall be deemed allowed and the applicable creditor shall be barred from objecting. If a response is filed, the claimant and the Debtors, but at Agent's expense, within ten (10) days shall use good faith and best efforts to resolve any dispute amicably, but if they are unable to do so, then the Court shall resolve the dispute at the next Omnibus Hearing. Within (60) days of the entry of this Order, at the Agent's expense, the Debtors shall provide the Agent with an amended

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Creditor Notice setting forth all of the allowed 503(b)(9) Claims and allowed Stub Rent Claims. The Agent shall have no obligation to investigate, assess, object to, or contest the merits of any 503(b)(9) Claims or Stub Rent Claims and is entitled to rely on the amounts included on the amended Creditor Notice.

I. Other Provisions

45. **Certain Assets Held in Trust**. Following the occurrence of the Closing, subject to Purchaser's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, the Debtors and any trustee appointed in these chapter 11 cases or any successor cases thereto shall hold the Assets (other than the Assets being sold through the GOB Sale and the Wind-Down / Expense Advance) strictly in trust for the benefit of Purchaser and, as such, the Assets shall not constitute property of Debtors' bankruptcy estates pursuant to and consistent with 11 U.S.C. §541(b)(1) at any time following the Closing.

46. **Release of Funds by Wilmington Trust**. At the Closing, all funds held in escrow by Wilmington Trust, National Association ("<u>WT</u>") pursuant to that certain Escrow Agreement dated as of March 5, 2018, by and among the members of Agent, the Second Lien Noteholders, and WT shall be released at the Closing for application to the Cash Purchase Price.

47. **The Cash Purchase Price**. Upon receipt by the DIP Administrative Agent (as defined in the Final DIP Order) and certain other persons as directed in the Payoff Letter of the Cash Purchase Price pursuant to Section 3.1(a) of the Agency Agreement, all ongoing commitments under the DIP Credit Agreement (as defined in the Final DIP Order) shall be canceled and terminated.

48. **Wind-Down Payment; Wind-Down Budget**. The Debtors shall use amounts comprising the Wind-Down Payment strictly in accordance with the Wind-Down

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Budget, attached to the Agency Agreement as <u>Exhibit 3.1(c)</u>. Purchaser shall neither have nor incur any obligation to advance or fund any amounts to or for the Debtors except as set forth in the Agency Agreement and the Wind-Down Budget. Any amendment to or other modification of the Wind-Down Budget shall only be effective upon approval by Purchaser in its sole discretion. The Debtors are directed to provide weekly reporting to Agent of all amounts expended for Expenses and pursuant to the Wind-Down Budget. The Debtors shall make their books and records available to Purchaser at all times.

49. Wind-Down / Expense Advance. Subject to paragraphs [45 and 46] of this Order and the terms of the Agency Agreement, the Wind-Down / Expense Advance and the Wind-Down Payments shall be deemed held in escrow for the exclusive purpose of paying (1) Expenses and (2) administrative expenses and other amounts pursuant to and solely as reflected in the Wind-Down Budget (provided that such payments may be made from the Wind-Down / Expense Advance as and when due without further order of the Court or action by any Party), and shall not be used for any other purpose without the express written consent of Purchaser in its sole discretion. As set forth in the Agency Agreement, any payment by the Debtors of expenses reflected in the Wind-Down Budget from the Wind-Down / Expense Advance shall be credited against the Wind-Down Payment. The Wind-Down / Expense Advance shall not be used for payment of any amounts other than as set forth in [Section 3.1(d)] of the Agency Agreement.

50. **Remaining Merchandise**. To the extent that there is Merchandise remaining at the Sale Termination Date (the "<u>Remaining Merchandise</u>"), such Remaining Merchandise shall be deemed automatically transferred to Agent free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances. Agent and its affiliates shall be authorized to sell or cause to be sold

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or otherwise dispose of the Remaining Merchandise with all logos, brand names, and other Intellectual Property intact, and shall be authorized to advertise the sale of the Remaining Merchandise using the Intellectual Property.

51. Proceeds of Sale Pursuant to Agency Agreement. Following the payment of the Cash Purchase Price but subject to Purchaser's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment in accordance with the Wind-Down Budget, except as otherwise set forth in the Agency Agreement or in paragraph 52 of this Order, all Proceeds, including but not limited to all Proceeds arising from the sale, lease, licensing, assignment, or other disposition of any of the Assets, shall be the sole property of Purchaser, and Purchaser shall be entitled to retain all Proceeds for its own account, subject to further distribution among the entities comprising Purchaser pursuant to any agreements between the entities comprising Purchaser and the Second Lien Noteholders. Following the payment of the Cash Purchase Price, but subject to Purchaser's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, any Proceeds received by, or otherwise in the possession of, the Debtors at any time shall be segregated and held strictly in trust for the benefit of Purchaser, shall not be commingled with the Debtors' own assets, and, as such, shall not become property of the Debtors' bankruptcy estates pursuant to and consistent with 11 U.S.C. §541(b)(1), and shall be paid over to Purchaser immediately. If at any time, the Debtors hold any amounts due to Purchaser under the Agency Agreement, the Debtors may, in their discretion, offset such amounts being held by the Debtors against any undisputed amounts due and owing by, or required to be paid by, Purchaser hereunder.

52. **Initial Store Closing Order Is Binding.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the *Final Order (A) Authorizing the Debtors to Assume Store Closing Agreement; (B) Authorizing and Approving Closing Sales Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims*

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and Encumbrances; (C) Approving Dispute Resolution Procedures; (D) Authorizing Customary Bonuses to Employees of Closing Stores and (E) Approving the Debtors' Store Closing Plan [Docket No. 318] (including the Store Closing Agreement (as defined therein) attached thereto, the "Initial Store Closing Order") shall continue to apply to all stores being closed thereunder (the "Initial Closing Stores"), and, except as set forth herein, any side letters executed pursuant to such order shall continue to govern the sales as such Initial Closing Stores. The Debtors shall pay all fees, costs, and expenses ("Amounts Due") that are payable to or that become payable to the contractual joint venture composed of Hilco Merchant Services, LLC and Gordon Brothers Retail Partners, LLC (the "JV Agent") under and in accordance with the Initial Store Closing Order and the Store Closing Agreement, and (i) no liens or superpriority claims arising under this Order shall be senior to any liens or claims granted to the JV Agent pursuant to the Initial Store Closing Order, and (ii) no such liens, claims, or rights to the Initial Store Closing Assets shall be effective, in each case until the JV Agent is indefeasibly paid all Amounts Due. The term "Assets" as used in this Sale Order shall not include any "Additional Agent Goods" (as defined in the Store Closing Agreement) or proceeds of Additional Agent Goods, and such Additional Agent Goods and proceeds of Additional Agent Goods shall continue to be the exclusive property of and subject to the exclusive control of the JV Agent. The JV Agent's first priority security interests in and liens upon the Additional Agent Goods and the proceeds of the Additional Agent Goods, each as set forth in the Store Closing Agreement and Initial Store Closing Order, shall be unaffected by this Sale Order, and the Debtors shall continue to turnover to the JV Agent the proceeds of the Additional Agent Goods in accordance with the Initial Store Closing Order and the Store Closing Agreement.

G. Purchaser Releases

53. Each of GA, Tiger, the Notes Trustee (on its own behalf and on behalf of the other Prepetition Second Lien Noteholders (as defined in the Final DIP Order)) stipulates and agrees that (a) it has no defense, counterclaim, offset, cross-complaint, claim or demand of any kind or nature whatsoever that can be asserted to reduce or eliminate all or any part of the obligation of the Purchaser to pay the Cash Purchase Price to the DIP Administrative Agent, (b) on its own behalf, and on behalf of its employees, agents, officers, directors, successors, assigns, and estate, it does hereby fully, unconditionally, and irrevocably forever relieve, relinquish, release, waive, discharge, and hold harmless the DIP Administrative Agent, the DIP Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent, each Issuing Bank (as defined in the DIP Credit Agreement), each DIP Lender and each Prepetition ABL Party (as defined in the Final DIP Order), all of the affiliates of the foregoing and all of their current and former shareholders, directors, officers, employees, agents, attorneys, representatives, successors, assigns (collectively, the "Released Parties") of and from any and all claims, debts, actions, causes of action, liabilities, demands, obligations, promises, acts, agreements, costs, expenses (including attorneys' fees) and damages of whatsoever kind and nature, whether now known or unknown, based upon, resulting from, arising out of, or in connection with (i) the DIP Credit Agreement and the DIP Administrative Agent, the DIP Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent, and each DIP Lender's administration of the DIP Loans or other credit extensions or financial accommodations made by the DIP Lenders, the Issuing Banks or any of their Affiliates (as defined in the DIP Credit Agreement) from time to time to or for the account of the Debtors pursuant to the DIP Documents and the documents governing or evidencing any Bank Product Debt (as defined in the DIP Credit Agreement), including, without limitation, any DIP Loans made or continued under the DIP Credit

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Agreement, or in any way connected with or relating to any other instrument or document executed or delivered in connection therewith and/or the administration or collection thereof and/or collateral therefor or guaranties thereof; and (ii) the Prepetition ABL Agreement (as defined in the DIP Credit Agreement) and the Prepetition ABL Administrative Agent and each other Prepetition ABL Party's administration of the loans provided pursuant to the Prepetition ABL Documents (as defined in the DIP Credit Agreement) or other credit extensions or financial accommodations made by the Prepetition ABL Lenders, the Issuing Banks (as defined in the Prepetition ABL Agreement) or any of their Affiliates from time to time to or for the account of the Debtors thereof pursuant to the Prepetition ABL Documents and the documents governing or evidencing any other liabilities thereunder, including, without limitation, any Prepetition ABL Obligations incurred under the Prepetition ABL Agreement, or in any way connected with or relating to any other instrument or document executed or delivered in connection therewith and/or the administration or collection thereof and/or collateral therefor or guaranties thereof.

Termination of DIP Facility

54. Upon payment by the Purchaser of the Cash Purchase Price and receipt by the DIP Administrative Agent of the Pay-Off Amount and Pay-Off Letter, all indebtedness and obligations of the Borrowers and the other Obligors to the DIP Agent and the DIP Lenders arising under the DIP Loan Agreement and the other Loan Documents (and to the Pre-Petition Agent and the Pre-Petition Lenders arising under the Pre-Petition Loan Agreement and the Pre-Petition Loan Documents) (other than (1) all obligations with respect to Outstanding Letters of Credit, including, without limitation, the Letter of Credit Reimbursement Obligations (as defined in the Pay-Off Letter), (2) obligations under the Loan Documents (including contingent reimbursement obligations and indemnity obligations) which, by their terms, survive the

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repayment of the Loans, the termination of the Commitments or the termination of the Loan Agreement and the other Loan Documents (or the Pre-Petition Loan Agreement and the Pre-Petition Loan Documents, as applicable) and (3) obligations under the Pay-Off Letter and the Cash Collateral Agreement (as defined in the Pay-Off Letter)) shall be paid in full and satisfied in full and discharged without any further action; *provided, however*, that in no event shall any Bank Product Debt (including, without limitation, in respect of existing (x) Cash Management Services and (y) other Bank Products) be deemed to be paid or discharged but rather shall be governed solely by the provisions of the applicable documents, agreements and instruments evidencing and/or otherwise governing any such Bank Product Debt, including without limitation the Cash Management Order. The Debtors are hereby authorized and empowered to execute and deliver the Pay-Off Letter and, upon execution and delivery, all the terms thereof (including the releases contained therein, as contemplated by paragraph 36 of the Final DIP Order) shall become effective.

55. The Purchaser shall fund at Sale Commencement Date in an account designated by the Debtors (the "<u>Carve Out Account</u>") an amount equal to \$15,800,000 which represents the aggregate of: (a) the Professional Fee Carve Out Cap (as defined in the Final DIP Order), *plus* (b) the Wind-Down Carve Out Amount (as defined in the Final DIP Order), *plus* (c) the amounts contemplated under paragraph 39(a)(iii) of the Final DIP Order, in each case calculated as of the date of the Closing (as defined in the Agency Agreement). Upon the funding of the Carve Out Account as set forth in this paragraph [40(a)] the DIP Administrative Agent's, the DIP Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent's, the DIP Lenders', and the Prepetition ABL Parties' obligations under paragraph 39 of the Final DIP Order shall be satisfied and (b) none of the DIP Administrative Agent, the DIP Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent, the DIP Lenders, or

the Prepetition ABL Parties shall have any further liability whatsoever for any fees or amounts constituting the Carve Out (as defined in the Final DIP Order), regardless of when arising or incurred.

56. **Dismissal of Committee Adversary Proceeding**. Following the occurrence of the Closing, the adversary proceeding captioned *The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of the Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. v. Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, et al.*, Adv. Pro. Case No. 18-50381 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del.) is deemed dismissed with prejudice and the Committee shall file an appropriate notice of dismissal dismissing such adversary proceeding.

57. Section 506(c). Neither the Debtors nor any other entity acting on their behalf or as their successor (including but not limited to the Committee and any chapter 7 or 11 trustee) may recover from the Notes Trustee, any holders of Second-Lien Notes or the Purchaser or the Agent, any costs or expenses of preserving, or disposing of, any of the collateral securing the Debtors' obligations under the Indenture and the Second-Lien Notes pursuant to section 506(c) of the Bankruptcy Code.

58. **Standing to Pursue Certain Causes of Action**. Agent and its designees are granted derivative standing to pursue the Avoidance Actions (subject to Section 11.2(f) of the Agency Agreement) and Other Causes of Action in the name of and/or on behalf of the Debtors; provided however that pursuant to the terms of the Agency Agreement, the Avoidance Actions referenced in Section 11.2 of the Agency Agreement shall be released as of the Closing without further action or order of the Court.

59. **No Liability for Claims**. Neither the Purchaser nor the Agent shall be liable for any claims against the Debtors, the assets of the Debtors or a trustee appointed in these

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chapter 11 cases, and the Debtors shall not be liable for any claims against Purchaser or Agent, in each case, other than as expressly provided for in the Agency Agreement. The Purchaser and the Agent shall have no successor or other liability whatsoever with respect to any Encumbrances or claims of any nature that may exist against the Debtors, including, without limitation, the Purchaser and the Agent shall not be, or be deemed to be: (i) a successor in interest or within the meaning of any law, including any revenue, successor liability, pension, labor, COBRA, 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 (ii) a joint employer, coemployer or successor employer with the Debtors, and neither the Purchaser nor the Agent shall have any obligation to pay the Debtors' wages, bonuses, severance pay, vacation pay, WARN act claims (if any), COBRA claims, 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.

60. **Standing**. The Purchaser and the Agent are parties in interest and shall have the ability to appear and be heard on all issues that would affect the rights of the Purchaser or Agent under this Order, the various procedures contemplated herein, any issues related to or otherwise connected to the Sale, and the Agency Agreement. The Purchaser and the Agent have standing to seek to enforce, among other things, the terms of this Order.

61. **Subsequent Plan Provisions**. Nothing contained in any plan confirmed in the Debtors' 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 these cases to cases under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code) shall alter, conflict with, or derogate from, the

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provisions of the Agency Agreement or the terms of this Order. In the event there is a conflict between the terms of this Order and the terms of any subsequent chapter 11 plan or any order to be entered in these cases (including any order entered after any conversion of these cases to cases under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code), the terms of this Order shall control.

62. **Modifications**. The Agency Agreement and any related agreements, documents or other instruments may be modified, amended or supplemented by the parties thereto in accordance with the terms thereof without further order of this Court, *provided* that any such modification, amendment or supplement does not have a material adverse effect on the Debtors' estates; *provided further*, that any amendment or modification to Sections 3.1(f) or 11.2(f) of the Agency Agreement shall require the consent of the Committee; *provided further* that, prior to the receipt by the DIP Administrative Agent of (a) the Cash Purchase Price and (b) the DIP Payoff Letter, any changes to the Agency Agreement shall require the written consent of the DIP Administrative Agent and the DIP Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent.

63. Automatic Stay. The automatic stay pursuant to section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code is hereby modified with respect to the Debtors to the extent necessary, without further order of this Court, to allow the Purchaser and the Agent to deliver any notice provided for in the Agency Agreement and allow the Agent and the Purchaser to take any and all actions permitted or required under the Agency Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof or order of the Court. Neither the Purchaser nor the Agent shall be required to seek or obtain any further relief from the automatic stay under section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code to enforce any of their remedies under the Agency Agreement or any other document related to the Agency Agreement.

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64. Approval of Backup Bidder. The Backup Bidder is hereby approved and the bid submitted by the Backup Bidder is hereby approved and authorized. In accordance with the Bidding Procedures, the bid submitted by the Backup Bidder for the applicable assets of the Debtors shall remain binding on the Backup Bidder until two days after the sale of the applicable assets of the Debtors has closed (whether to the Purchaser or the Backup Bidder). In the event the Agency Agreement is terminated pursuant to its terms and the sale of the Assets to the Purchaser is not consummated, the Backup Bidder will be deemed the Successful Bidder in accordance with the Bidding Procedures on the date of termination of the Agency Agreement (the "Backup Bidder Date") without need for further action. In such case, the Debtors shall, within one (1) business day of the Backup Bidder Date, file with the Court for entry by the Court upon certification of counsel (with a copy concurrently provided by email to respective counsel to the following parties: (i) the Purchaser; (ii) the Committee; (iii) the DIP Lenders; (iv) the ABL Lender; and (v) the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware): (a) the proposed sale order with respect to a sale of the applicable assets of the Debtors to the Backup Bidder and (b) a notice (w) advising that the Agency Agreement with the Purchaser has not been consummated, (x) advising that the Backup Bid has become the Successful Bid pursuant to this Sale Order, (y) advising of the Closing Date of the transaction under the Backup Bid and (z) seeking entry of the proposed sale order approving the sale of the applicable assets of the Debtors to the Backup Bidder.

Additional Objections and Resolution Thereof.

65. **G-III**. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Agent shall not be entitled to sell any furniture, fixtures, decorations, displays, lighting or cabinets that are owned by G-III Apparel Group, Ltd. (the "<u>G-III Owned Fixtures</u>") but used by

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the Debtors in connection with the sale and display of Calvin Klein sportswear, suits or performance wear, and the G-III Owned Fixtures shall not be considered Assets; *provided*, that such G-III Owned Fixtures shall not be removed from any of the Debtors' stores while any such stores remain in operation by the Debtors or the Agent, without prior written consent of the Debtors and the Agent.

Comenity Bank. Absent agreement between Comenity Bank and Agent 66. or Merchant, as applicable, Comenity Bank's ("Comenity") Limited Objection and Reservation of Rights with Respect to the Sale, Including Any Assumption and Assignment of the Program Agreement [D.I. 521] is resolved as follows: notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Order or the Agency Agreement, (i) the Debtors, the Agent, and their respective agents, successors, and assigns shall not accept or process any purchases or returns with private label credit cards issued in accordance with the Private Label Credit Card Program Agreement dated as of December 6, 2011, and related documents (collectively, the "Private Label Agreement") in any of the Debtors' locations, including the 42 stores already in liquidation pursuant to the Final Order (A) Authorizing the Debtors to Assume Store Closing Agreement; (B) Authorizing and Approving Closing Sales Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and Encumbrances; (C) Approving Dispute Resolution Procedures; (D) Authorizing Customary Bonuses to Employees of Closing Stores; and (E) Approving the Debtors' Store Closing Plan [D.I. 318], provided further that notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of a return that is otherwise eligible for return pursuant to the terms of this Order and the Agency Agreement, the Agent may reimburse such customer for that return in cash; (ii) the Private Label Agreement shall be deemed rejected effective as of the commencement of the Sale; (iii) the Debtors and Comenity each agree that the non-acceptance of the credit cards during the Sale as provided herein is not a breach of the

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Private Label Agreement by the other party; (iv) Comenity's property and/or rights to assert and exercise setoff, recoupment, and/or chargebacks are preserved and are not subject to the automatic stay or any security interest, lien and/or super-priority claim granted to the Agent or the DIP Lender, and the Debtors' rights to challenge any asserted setoff, recoupment, and/or chargebacks are preserved, and it is further agreed that such parties' rights are not affected by this Order; (v) Comenity's right to assert any prepetition claims and postpetition claims are preserved, and the rights of all parties in interest to challenge such claims are preserved; (vi) the Debtors shall continue to preserve and provide Comenity with access to the Debtors' records related to credit transactions as provided in the Private Label Agreement; (vii) the Agent acknowledges that it is not purchasing and does not intend to purchase and/or use any information owned by Comenity; (viii) the Agent shall maintain the confidentiality of the Private Label Agreement and shall not disclose the terms of same to any third party without Comenity's written consent (except to the extent required by applicable law, rule or regulation, mandatory court process or request of regulatory agency; provided that, to the extent reasonably practicable and permitted by applicable law, rule or regulation, Agent shall provide reasonable advance written notice of any such disclosure to Comenity); (ix) nothing herein shall affect Comenity's purchase of recoverable sales taxes and other assets in accordance with the Order Authorizing the Sale of Certain Recoverable Sales Taxes Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, Interests, and Encumbrances [D.I. 532]; and (x) Comenity reserves all right to object to any motion for the sale of the Debtors' property that is not included in the Agency Agreement, including, but not limited to, the sale of the Debtors' marks.

67. **Infor, Inc.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Order, this Order does not approve the sale or transfer of the software (the "<u>Infor Software</u>") of

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Infor (US), Inc. ("<u>Infor</u>"), or grant any rights to possess or use the Infor Software, to any purchaser of any of the Debtors' assets. For the avoidance of doubt, no purchaser of assets shall receive any rights to possess, use, or otherwise benefit from the Infor Software as a result of entry of this Order; provided, however, a purchaser and Infor may agree to enter into a license (or licenses) for such purchaser's possession and use of the Infor Software (the "<u>Purchaser-Infor Agreement</u>"). Unless and until a purchaser and Infor have entered into a Purchaser-Infor Agreement, no purchaser shall be entitled to possess, use, or otherwise benefit from the Infor Software and expression and use of the Debtors shall (i) remove all copies of the Infor Software and any portions thereof from all computers and other storage media and devices on which the Infor Software is located (with no copies retained by the Debtors) prior to the transfer of any such assets to a purchaser, (ii) return the Infor Software to Infor, with such return to include all related documentation, manuals and copies, and (iii) certify to Infor in writing within 15 days of the Sale Closing that it has complied with these obligations.

68. **SAP America, Inc.** No provision of this Order, the Sale Motion, or the Asset Purchase Agreement shall authorize the Debtors to: (i) assume, assume and assign, or transfer any agreement between any Debtor and SAP America, Inc., SAP Industries, Inc., Ariba, Inc., or their affiliates (collectively, the "<u>SAP Entities</u>"); (ii) sell, transfer, or assign any software, proprietary information, or cloud services owned, licensed, or provided by the SAP Entities (the "<u>Software</u>") to the Purchaser; or (iii) use, or allow the shared use of, the Software or any Software-related services provided by the SAP Entities by or for the benefit of the [Purchaser] or any other third party. Any computers, equipment, hardware, or other property of the Debtors (collectively, "<u>Computer Equipment</u>") on which the Software is loaded or embedded may be sold, otherwise transferred, or disposed of by the Debtors only if the Debtors permanently delete

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all Software from Computer Equipment prior to its sale, transfer, or disposal. If the Debtors wish to have any contract to which any of the SAP Entities is a party assumed or assumed and assigned as part of the Sale, any assumption, assignment, and cure issues related to any such contract shall be resolved by agreement between the SAP Entities, the Debtors, and the Purchaser or, if no agreement can be reached, by further order of the Court upon adequate notice to the SAP Entities.

69. **VORH Associates, LLC**. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Order, the sale shall not be free and clear of, and shall not extinguish any party's rights pursuant to: (i) that certain Construction, Operating and Reciprocal Easement Agreement, dated as of January 8, 2002 by and between Meadowbrook Associates LLC and Parisian, Inc. which was recorded on January 17, 2002, in the Register of Deeds Office for Oakland County, Michigan, in Liber 24540, Page 506; and (ii) that certain Supplemental Agreement, dated January 8, 2002 by and between Meadowbrook Associates LLC and Parisian, Inc., with respect to which a Notice of Supplemental Agreement, dated January 8, 2002, in the Register of Deeds Office for Oakland county 17, 2002, in the Register of Deeds Office and Parisian, Inc., with respect to which a Notice of Supplemental Agreement, dated January 8, 2002, was recorded on January 17, 2002, in the Register of Deeds Office for Oakland County, Michigan in Liber 24540, Page 499.

70. **Retention of Jurisdiction**. Except with respect to any Governmental Unit (as to which the provisions of [**Paragraphs 16 through 18**] shall apply), this Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction with regard to all issues or disputes relating to this Order or the Agency Agreement, including, but not limited to, (i) any claim or issue relating to any efforts by any party or person to prohibit, restrict or in any way limit advertising, including with respect to any allegations that such advertising is not being conducted in a safe, professional and non-deceptive manner; (ii) any claim of the Debtors, the landlords, the DIP Administrative Agent, the DIP

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Tranche A-1 Documentation Agent, the Purchaser and/or the Agent for protection from interference with the Sale; (iii) any other disputes related to the Sale; and (iv) to protect the Debtors, the Purchaser and/or the Agent against any assertions of Encumbrances. No such parties or person shall take any action against the Debtors, the Purchaser, the Agent, the landlords or the Sale until this Court has resolved such dispute. This Court shall hear the request of such parties or persons with respect to any such disputes on an expedited basis, as may be appropriate under the circumstances.

71. **No Stay of Order**. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rules 4001 and 6004, or any other law that would serve to stay or limit the immediate effect of this Order, this Order shall be effective and enforceable immediately upon entry and its provisions shall be self-executing. Neither the Debtors, the Purchaser nor the Agent shall be required to execute or file releases, termination statements, assignments, consents, or other instruments in order to effectuate, consummate and implement the provisions of this Order. Any party objecting to this Order must exercise due diligence in filing an appeal and obtaining a stay prior to the Closing Date or risk its appeal being foreclosed as moot. In the absence of any person or entity obtaining a stay pending appeal, the Debtors, the Purchaser and the Agent are free to perform under the Agency Agreement at any time, subject to the terms of the Agency Agreement.

72. **Further Assurances**. From time to time, as and when requested, all parties to the Agency Agreement shall execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, all such documents and instruments and shall take, or cause to be taken, all such further or other actions as the requesting party may reasonably deem necessary or desirable to consummate the Sale.

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73. **Governing Terms**. To the extent this Order is inconsistent with any prior order or pleading in these chapter 11 cases, the terms of this Order shall govern. To the extent that anything contained in this Order explicitly conflicts with a provision in the Agency Agreement (including all ancillary documents executed in connection therewith) or the Sale Guidelines, this Order shall govern and control.

74. Final Order. This Order constitutes a final order within the meaning of28 U.S.C. § 158(a).

75. **Notice of Sale Closing Date**. Within one (1) business day of the occurrence of the Closing Date of the Transaction, the Debtors shall file and serve a notice of same, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u>.

76. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this Sale Order.

77. The requirements set forth in Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) are satisfied

78. All time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).

EXHIBIT A

Agency Agreement

AGENCY AGREEMENT

This Agency Agreement ("<u>Agreement</u>") is made as of April 18, 2018, by and between The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. and its associated chapter 11 debtors in possession (collectively, "<u>Merchant</u>"),¹ on the one hand, and (a) a contractual joint venture comprised of GA Retail, Inc. ("<u>GA</u>") and Tiger Capital Group, LLC ("<u>Tiger</u>" and collectively with GA, the "<u>Agent</u>") and (b) Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, as the indenture agent and collateral trustee for the 8.00% second-lien senior secured notes due 2021 (the "<u>Second-Lien Notes</u>") issued by BTDS, on the other hand (in such capacities, the "<u>Notes Trustee</u>" and collectively with Agent, "<u>Purchaser</u>"). Purchaser and Merchant are collectively the "<u>Parties</u>."

Section 1. Recitals

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2018, the entities comprising Merchant commenced ten voluntary chapter 11 bankruptcy cases (the "<u>Bankruptcy Cases</u>") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "<u>Bankruptcy Court</u>").

WHEREAS, pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court entered on February 6, 2018 [D.I. 105], the Bankruptcy Cases are being jointly administered under the caption *In re The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc., et al.*, Lead Case No. 18-10248-MFW (Bankr. D. Del.).

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2018, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order (the "<u>Bidding</u> <u>Procedures Order</u>") [D.I. 348] that, among other relief, approved bidding procedures (the "<u>Bidding</u> <u>Procedures</u>") for and scheduled a hearing (the "<u>Sale Approval Hearing</u>") on the approval of the sale of all or substantially of Merchant's assets.

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2018, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order (the "<u>Final DIP</u> <u>Order</u>") [D.I. 352] authorizing Merchant to obtain postpetition secured debtor-in-possession financing on a final basis.

WHEREAS, an ad hoc group of holders of \$251,325,000 in principal amount of the Second-Lien Notes (the "<u>Second Lien Noteholders</u>") has issued a direction to the Notes Trustee to credit bid (the "<u>Credit Bid</u>") \$125,000,000 of its claims under the indenture governing the Second-Lien Notes (the "<u>Notes Claims</u>") as consideration under this Agreement and the Notes Trustee has made the Credit Bid.

WHEREAS, Merchant operates retail stores and desires that the Agent act as Merchant's exclusive agent for the purposes of:

(a) selling all of the Merchandise (as hereinafter defined) from Merchant's retail store locations identified on Exhibit 1(a)(1) attached hereto (each a "Store" and collectively the "Stores") and distribution centers (including e-commerce

¹ Merchant consists of The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc.; The Bon-Ton Department Stores, Inc. ("<u>BTDS</u>"); The Bon-Ton Giftco, LLC; Carson Pirie Scott II, Inc.; Bon-Ton Distribution, LLC; McRIL, LLC; Bonstores Holdings One, LLC; Bonstores Realty One, LLC; Bonstores Holdings Two, LLC; and Bonstores Realty Two, LLC.

facilities) identified on Exhibit 1(a)(2) attached hereto (each a "Distribution <u>Center</u>" and collectively, the "Distribution Centers") by means of a "going out of business," "store closing," "sale on everything," "everything must go," or similar sale as described further below (the "<u>GOB Sale</u>"), with the nature and manner of advertising the GOB Sale being in Agent's sole discretion, subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the Sale Guidelines and Approval Order (each as defined below);

- (b) marketing and selling, or otherwise designating the purchasers of, the furniture, furnishings, trade fixtures, machinery, equipment, office supplies, Supplies (as defined below), conveyor systems, racking, rolling stock, and other tangible personal property (collectively, "<u>FF&E</u>") owned by Merchant, wherever located ("<u>Owned FF&E</u>");
- (c) designating the assignees of any or all of Merchant's unexpired leases of nonresidential real property (together with all amendments, extensions, modifications, and other material documents related thereto, each a "<u>Lease</u>" and all such Leases collectively, the "<u>Leases</u>") and executory contracts (together with all amendments, extensions, modifications, and other material documents related thereto, each a "<u>Contract</u>" and all such Contracts collectively, the "<u>Contracts</u>"), in each case excluding any Leases or Contracts that may be rejected as permitted and in accordance with the procedures under the Approval Order (defined below) and subject to the assumption and assignment procedures to be incorporated into the Approval Order;
- (d) marketing and selling, and/or otherwise designating the purchasers and/or assignees of any or all real property owned by Merchant (the "<u>Owned Real</u> <u>Estate</u>"), including but not limited to the real property identified on <u>Exhibit 1(d)</u> annexed hereto;
- (e) marketing and selling, and/or otherwise designating the purchasers, assignees, and/or licensees of any or all intellectual property owned by Merchant (the "<u>Intellectual Property</u>"), including but not limited to the intellectual property identified on <u>Exhibit 1(e)</u> annexed hereto, provided that, the disposition of any Intellectual Property that would result in the sale or lease of personally identifiable information (as such term is defined in section 101(41A) of the Bankruptcy Code) shall be subject to a determination made by a consumer privacy ombudsman appointed in Merchant's chapter 11 cases; and
- (f) marketing and selling, and/or otherwise designating the purchasers, licensees, and/or assignees of any or all of Merchant's other real and tangible and intangible personal property (the "<u>Other Assets</u>" and, collectively with the Merchandise, the Owned FF&E, all Leases, all Contracts, the Owned Real Estate, and the Intellectual Property, the "<u>Assets</u>"). For the avoidance of doubt, the Other Assets include but are not limited to all cash on hand and in the Debtors' retail store locations, cash in transit, cash in bank accounts, Merchant's interest in and rights with respect to cash posted as collateral for letters of credit, receivables (including

credit card receivables), deposits, security deposits, credit card processing float, proceeds of retail sales in all of the Debtors' retail store locations from and after the date of this Agreement to the extent not used to pay down the DIP Obligations (as defined in the Final DIP Order), claims and causes of action arising under chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code and similar state law ("Avoidance Actions"), and all other claims and causes of action, including but not limited to commercial tort claims, based on facts and circumstances existing as of the Closing, whether or not theretofore discovered or asserted ("Other Causes of Action"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Assets shall not include (a) the Consulting Agreement by and between Merchant and a joint venture comprised of Hilco Merchant Resources, LLC and Gordon Brothers Retail Partners, LLC (the "Phase 1 Consultant"), dated January 29, 2018 (the "Phase 1 Liquidation Agreement"), which shall not be subject to the Lease/Contract Designation Rights (as defined below) or otherwise assumed by Purchaser or (b) the proceeds from the sale of Additional Agent Goods (as defined in the Phase 1 Liquidation Agreement) pursuant to the Phase 1 Liquidation Agreement, other than the "Additional Agent Goods Fee" due to Merchant under the Phase 1 Liquidation Agreement. Merchant shall not reject or amend the Phase 1 Liquidation Agreement without the express written consent of Purchaser. For the avoidance of doubt, all Net Proceeds, less the Consulting Fee, plus the Additional Agent Goods Fee (each as defined in the Phase 1 Liquidation Agreement) shall constitute Assets under this Agreement and shall be remitted to Purchaser pursuant to the terms hereof.

WHEREAS, the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors appointed in the Bankruptcy Cases (the "<u>Committee</u>") filed an adversary proceeding (the "<u>Adversary Proceeding</u>") on March 29, 2018 seeking, among other relief, to avoid certain liens securing the Notes Claims.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the Purchase Price (defined below) and the mutual covenants and agreements set forth in this Agreement, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

Section 2. <u>Appointment of Agent/Approval Order</u>. Consistent with the Bidding Procedures and as soon as practicable after full execution of this Agreement, Merchant shall file in the Bankruptcy Cases a proposed form of order (the "<u>Approval Order</u>") in a form reasonably satisfactory to Merchant and Purchaser. At the Sale Approval Hearing, Merchant shall seek entry of the Approval Order as the "Sale Order," as that term is used in the Bidding Procedures Order. The Approval Order shall, among other things:

- (a) find that:
 - (i) this Agreement is in the best interest of Merchant, its estate and creditors, and other parties in interest
 - (ii) the Parties entered into this Agreement in good faith pursuant to Section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code and without collusion as described in Section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code;

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- (iii) time is of the essence in effectuating this Agreement and proceeding with the GOB Sale at the Stores uninterrupted;
- (iv) Merchant's decisions to (a) enter into this Agreement and (b) perform its obligations under this Agreement are a reasonable exercise of Merchant's sound business judgment consistent with its fiduciary duties and is in the best interests of Merchant, its estate, its creditors, and other parties in interest; and
- (v) this Agreement was negotiated in good faith and at arms' length and Purchaser is entitled to the protection of section 363(m) and 364(e) of the Bankruptcy Code; and
- (b) order, adjudge, and decree that:
 - (i) this Agreement and all of the transactions contemplated hereby are approved in their entirety;
 - (ii) the Parties are authorized to continue to take any and all actions as may be necessary or desirable to implement this Agreement and each of the transactions contemplated hereby;
 - (iii) following the occurrence of the closing under this Agreement, which shall occur no later than April 19, 2018 (the "<u>Closing</u>"), subject to payment of the Cash Purchase Price (as defined below) and Purchaser's compliance with its other obligations hereunder, Agent shall have the exclusive right to market and sell, and/or otherwise designate the purchasers, licensees, and/or assignees of, any or all of the Assets free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances thereon without further order of the Bankruptcy Court;
 - (iv) the sale, license, transfer, or other conveyance of any Assets (other than the Assets being sold pursuant to the GOB Sale, as to which no further notice shall be required) reflected in notices filed in the Bankruptcy Cases from time to time by the Agent, substantially in the form annexed hereto as Exhibit 2(b)(iv) (each an "Asset Designation Notice"), shall be automatically effective on the date reflected in the applicable Asset Designation Notice and subject to the satisfaction of any closing conditions reflected therein, and the sale or other conveyance of such Assets shall be free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances without further order of the Bankruptcy Court, provided, however, that nothing in the Approval Order shall inhibit the ability of Agent to seek other or further orders of the Court in connection with the sale or other disposition of any Assets;
 - (v) the form of Asset Designation Notice is approved;

- (vi) subject to Agent's compliance with its payment obligations under this Agreement and the Approval Order, Agent is authorized to execute, in the name of and as agent for Merchant, any and all deeds, bills of sale, and other instruments or documents necessary to effectuate the sale, transfer, or other conveyance of any of the Assets;
- (vii) following the payment of the Cash Purchase Price but subject to Agent's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment pursuant to the Wind-Down Budget (as defined below), all proceeds (cash or otherwise) of any of the Assets except as otherwise set forth in this Agreement ("Proceeds"), including but not limited to all Proceeds arising from the sale, lease, licensing, assignment, or other disposition of any of the Assets, shall be the sole property of Purchaser, and Purchaser shall be entitled to retain all Proceeds for its own account, subject to further distribution among the entities comprising Purchaser and the Second Lien Noteholders;
- (viii) the Wind-Down / Expense Advance shall be deemed held in escrow for the exclusive purpose of paying (1) Expenses (as defined below) and (2) administrative expenses and other amounts pursuant to and solely as reflected in the Wind-Down Budget (provided that such payments may be made from the Wind-Down / Expense Advance as and when due without further order of the Court or action by any Party), and shall not be used for any other purpose without the express written consent of Agent in its sole discretion;
- (ix) following the occurrence of the Closing, subject to Agent's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, Merchant and any trustee appointed in the Bankruptcy Cases or any successor cases thereto shall hold the Assets (other than the Assets being sold through the GOB Sale and the Wind-Down / Expense Advance) strictly in trust for the benefit of Purchaser and, as such, the Assets shall not constitute property of Merchant's bankruptcy estate pursuant to and consistent with 11 U.S.C. § 541(b)(1) at any time following the Closing;
- (x) following the payment of the Cash Purchase Price but subject to Agent's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, any Proceeds received by, or otherwise in the possession of, Merchant at any time shall be segregated and held strictly in trust for the benefit of Purchaser, shall not be commingled with Merchant's own assets, and, as such, shall not become property of Merchant's bankruptcy estate pursuant to and consistent with 11 U.S.C. §541(b)(1), and shall be paid over to Purchaser immediately;
- (xi) upon the payment of the Cash Purchase Price, and solely to the extent that any Assets or Proceeds are, notwithstanding the Approval Order,

subsequently determined to constitute property of Merchant's estate, but subject to Agent's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, Purchaser shall have a senior lien on such Assets and all Proceeds thereof, which lien is deemed automatically perfected, <u>provided</u> that nothing in the Approval Order shall inhibit Purchaser's ability, and the Approval Order shall expressly authorize Purchaser, to take any action Purchaser deems appropriate to perfect and enforce such lien;

- (xii) upon the payment of the Cash Purchase Price and subject to Agent's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, until all Assets have been sold or otherwise disposed of, and solely to the extent that any Assets or Proceeds are, notwithstanding the Approval Order, subsequently determined to constitute property of Merchant's estate, Purchaser shall have a superpriority administrative expense claim against Merchant to the extent of any amounts owing from Merchant to Purchaser in connection with this Agreement, including as a result of any breach of this Agreement and/or as a result of any Proceeds being in Merchant's possession;
- (xiii) the Lease/Contract Designation Rights are approved, and Purchaser is authorized to designate the assignees of any or all of the Contracts and Leases pursuant thereto;
- (xiv) at any time (i) with respect to any unexpired real estate Lease under which Merchant is lessee, prior to the earlier to occur of (1) September 2, 2018 and (2) expiration of such Lease by its terms or the rejection thereof, and (ii) with respect to all other Contracts and Leases, prior to the earlier to occur of (1) December 31, 2018, and (2) rejection thereof (the shortest of the foregoing periods applicable to a particular Contract or Lease is the "Designation Rights Period" applicable to that Contract or Lease), Purchaser shall have the exclusive right, which right may be exercised at any time and from time to time, to file a notice in the Bankruptcy Cases (each such notice, a "Lease/Contract Assumption Notice") substantially in the form annexed hereto as Exhibit 2(b)(xiii) designating the assignee of any one or more Leases and/or Contracts and setting forth the proposed cure amount due pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code (each a "Cure Amount");
- (xv) the counterparties to the Leases or Contracts identified in any Lease/Contract Assumption Notice shall have twenty-one days to object to the proposed assumption and assignment;
- (xvi) if no objection to the proposed assumption and assignment of a Lease or Contract is timely received, such Lease or Contract shall, upon payment of the applicable cure payment, if any, to the applicable

counterparty, automatically be deemed assigned to and assumed by the assignee identified in the Lease/Contract Assumption Notice pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, without further order of the Bankruptcy Court or further action by any person or entity;

- (xvii) if an objection to the proposed assumption and assignment of a Lease or Contract is timely received, such Lease or Contract shall not be assumed or assigned until such objection is resolved by agreement of the applicable counterparty or order of the Bankruptcy Court;
- (xviii) the designee under any Lease/Contract Assumption Notice shall be required, if requested by the applicable counterparty, to provide adequate assurance of future performance with respect to such Lease or Contract if the applicable counterparty so requests;
- (xix) pursuant to section 365(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, neither Merchant nor any other Party shall have any further obligation under any Lease or Contract after assumption and assignment thereof pursuant to the Lease/Contract Designation Rights;
- (xx) in addition to the Lease/Contract Designation Rights, Purchaser shall have the right, upon written notice to Merchant and as reflected in notices filed in the Bankruptcy Cases from time to time, direct Merchant to reject any Lease or Contract as specified by Purchaser;
- (xxi) at the Closing, all funds held in escrow by Wilmington Trust, National Association ("<u>WT</u>") pursuant to that certain Escrow Agreement dated as of March 5, 2018 by and among the members of Agent, the Second Lien Noteholders, and WT shall be released at the Closing for application to the Cash Purchase Price;
- (xxii) Agent shall have the exclusive right to use the Stores and all other Assets for the purpose of conducting the GOB Sale, free of any interference from any entity or person, subject to compliance with the Sale Guidelines (as defined below) and Approval Order;
- (xxiii) Agent, as the exclusive agent for Merchant, is authorized to conduct, advertise, post signs, utilize sign-walkers, and otherwise promote the GOB Sale as a "going out of business", "store closing", "sale on everything", "everything must go", or similar themed sale, in accordance with the Sale Guidelines (as the same may be modified and approved by the Bankruptcy Court), subject to compliance with the Sale Guidelines, the Approval Order, and all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations and ordinances, including, without limitation, all laws and regulations relating to advertising, privacy, consumer protection, occupational health and safety and the environment, together with all applicable statutes, rules, regulations and

orders of, and applicable restrictions imposed by, governmental authorities (collectively, the "<u>Applicable General Laws</u>"), <u>other than</u> all applicable laws, rules and regulations in respect of "going out of business", "store closing" or similar-themed sales and permitting (collectively, the "<u>Liquidation Sale Laws</u>");

- (xxiv) Agent is authorized to conduct the GOB Sale notwithstanding any Liquidation Sale Laws;
- (xxv) so long as the GOB Sale is conducted in accordance with the Sale Guidelines and the Approval Order and in a safe and professional manner, Purchaser shall be deemed to be in compliance with any Applicable General Laws;
- (xxvi) Agent is granted a limited license and right to use all Intellectual Property for purposes of conducting the GOB Sale and otherwise marketing any or all of the Assets;
- (xxvii) unless otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, all newspapers and other advertising media in which the GOB Sale is advertised shall be directed to accept the Approval Order as binding and to allow the Parties to consummate the transactions provided for in this Agreement, including, without limitation, conducting and advertising the GOB Sale in the manner contemplated by this Agreement;
- (xxviii) unless otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, all utilities, landlords, creditors, and other interested parties and all persons acting for or on their behalf shall not interfere with or otherwise impede the conduct of the GOB Sale, or institute any action in any forum other than the Bankruptcy Court that in any way directly or indirectly interferes with or obstructs or impedes the conduct of the GOB Sale;
- (xxix) the Bankruptcy Court retains exclusive jurisdiction over the enforcement and interpretation of, and over and all matters arising from, this Agreement;
- (xxx) Merchant is directed to provide weekly reporting to Agent of all amounts expended for Expenses and pursuant to the Wind-Down Budget;
- (xxxi) Merchant shall make its books and records available to Purchaser at all times;
- (xxxii) Purchaser shall not be liable for any claims against Merchant except as expressly provided for in this Agreement;

- (xxxiii) all payments made by Merchant from the Wind-Down Payment shall be made pursuant to, and solely in accordance with, the Wind-Down Budget;
- (xxxiv) Purchaser shall neither have nor incur any obligation to advance or fund any amounts to or for Merchant except as set forth in this Agreement and the Wind-Down Budget;
- (xxxv) any amendment to or other modification of the Wind-Down Budget shall only be effective upon approval by Purchaser in its sole discretion;
- (xxxvi) Agent is authorized to sell the Additional Agent Merchandise on the terms set forth herein, subject to the Sale Guidelines;
- (xxxvii) following the occurrence of the Closing, the Adversary Proceeding is deemed dismissed with prejudice;
- (xxxviii) following the occurrence of the Closing, neither the Debtor nor any other entity acting on its behalf or as its successor (including but not limited to the Committee and any chapter 7 or 11 trustee) may recover from the Notes Trustee or any holders of Second-Lien Notes any costs or expenses of preserving, or disposing of, any of the collateral securing Merchant's obligations under the Indenture and the Second-Lien Notes pursuant to section 506(c) of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (xxxix) Purchaser and its designees are granted derivative standing to pursue the Avoidance Actions (subject to section 11.2(f) below) and Other Causes of Action in the name of and/or on behalf of Merchant;
- (xl) in the event any of the provisions of the Approval Order are modified, amended or vacated by a subsequent order of the Bankruptcy Court or any other court, Purchaser shall be entitled to the protections provided in Bankruptcy Code sections 363(m) and 364(e) and, no such appeal, modification, amendment or vacatur shall affect the validity and enforceability of the GOB Sale or the liens or priority authorized or created under this Agreement or the Approval Order;
- (xli) neither Purchaser nor any entity comprising Purchaser is or shall be a mere continuation of Merchant or otherwise subject to successor liability in connection with any of the Assets;
- (xlii) upon receipt by the DIP Administrative Agent (as defined in the Final DIP Order) and certain other persons as directed in the Payoff Letter (as defined below) of the DIP Payoff (as defined below) pursuant to Section 3.1(a) of this Agreement, all ongoing commitments under the DIP Credit Agreement (as defined in the Final DIP Order) shall be canceled and terminated;

- (xliii) to the extent Purchaser has not designated the purchaser or other assignee of any Assets (the "<u>Residual Assets</u>") as of December 31, 2018 (as may be extended by written agreement of the Parties, the "<u>Designation Rights Termination Date</u>"), (1) ownership of all cash (on hand, in the bank, in transit, or otherwise), credit card processing float, accounts receivable, notes receivable, credit card receivables, other receivables, deposits, security deposits, proceeds of retail sales in all of the Debtors' retail store locations, rights to refunds, other rights to payment, and Intellectual Property comprising Residual Assets shall vest in Purchaser or its nominee and (2) ownership of all other Residual Assets shall revert to the Debtors' estates, each on the Designation Rights Termination Date; and
- (xliv) this Agreement, the Approval Order, and all provisions hereof and thereof are binding on any successor to Merchant, including but not limited to any chapter 7 or chapter 11 trustee, and subject to Agent's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, any such successor shall continue to hold all Assets and Proceeds strictly in trust for the benefit of Purchaser.

Section 3. Consideration to Merchant and Agent.

3.1 <u>Purchase Price</u>. The aggregate consideration being provided to Merchant in exchange for Purchaser's rights and Merchant's obligations under this Agreement is as follows (collectively, the "<u>Purchase Price</u>), which shall be allocated among the Assets in accordance with Purchaser's bid letter dated April 4, 2018:

(a) Cash Purchase Price. At the Closing and subject to the receipt of a payoff letter (the "Payoff Letter") in form and substance satisfactory to the DIP Administrative Agent, Agent shall (i) pay to the DIP Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the DIP Lenders, and certain other persons as directed in the Payoff Letter, the amount in cash (the "DIP Payoff") necessary to (1) indefeasibly pay the Pay-Off Amount (plus any Per Diem Interest) (as each such term is defined in the Payoff Letter), which amount shall include all DIP Obligations, including, without limitation, all outstanding principal, accrued interest, fees (including, without limitation, the outstanding Pre-Petition Tranche A Prepayment Premium and the Pre-Petition Specified Tranche A-1 Prepayment Premium (as each such term is defined in the DIP Credit Agreement)), costs and expenses (including, without limitation, all attorneys' fees, costs and expenses), (2) cash collateralize outstanding letters of credit in accordance with the DIP Credit Agreement, and (3) fund the DIP Indemnity Account in accordance with Paragraph 36 of the Final DIP Order, (ii) fund the Carve Out Account in the amount of \$15,800,000 in accordance with the last two sentences of Paragraph 39(c) of the Final DIP Order to be held in escrow in the trust account of [Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor LLP], all as set forth in the Payoff Letter, and (iii) pay \$3,000,000 to Merchant to provide liquidity for outstanding checks. Together, items (i), (ii), and (iii) are the "Cash Purchase Price." The Payoff Letter shall contain a release from each of the Merchant, the Agent and the Prepetition Second Lien Parties in favor of the DIP Lenders. Each capitalized term used but not defined in this Section 3.1(a) shall have the meaning set forth in the Final DIP Order.

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(b) <u>Credit Bid</u>. At the Closing, pursuant to the Credit Bid and as provided in the Approval Order, \$125,000,000 of Notes Claims shall be deemed offset and exchanged for Purchaser's rights and Merchant's obligations under this Agreement.

Wind-Down Funding. Subject to the occurrence of the Closing, in addition to (c) the Cash Purchase Price and the Credit Bid, Agent shall pay cash from the Proceeds of the Assets (or, solely to the extent the Proceeds are not available, funds provided by Agent) to Merchant from time to time after the Closing (the "Wind-Down Payment"), in the amount of \$93,800,000 (the "Wind-Down Cap") for the purpose of paying certain administrative expenses of Merchant's bankruptcy estate as set forth in the Wind-Down Budget (as defined below). Payments from the Wind-Down Payment for Wind-Down Services are subject to and to be used solely as set forth in the budget and schedule attached as Exhibit 3.1(c) hereto (as may be amended from time to time by agreement of the Parties, subject to approval by Purchaser in its sole discretion and, solely with respect to [compensation of the Committee's professionals], 503(b)(9) Claims, and Stub Rent Claims (each as defined below), subject to approval by the Committee, the "Wind-Down Budget"). Merchant shall provide Purchaser with a register of all checks and ACH/wire transfers Merchant intends to issue pursuant to the Wind-Down Budget at least one business day before issuance, which register shall identify the payees, amounts, and expense categories of such payments. If so requested by Purchaser, Merchant shall, to the extent commercially feasible, (i) establish separate bank accounts for specific categories of expenses identified in the Wind-Down Budget (the "Wind-Down Accounts"), (ii) deposit the portions of the Wind-Down Payment allocable to categories for which Wind-Down Accounts have been established into such accounts, and (iii) not pay from any Wind-Down Account any amounts other than the administrative expenses reflected in the Wind-Down Budget for the applicable category. Any portion of the Wind-Down Payment that has not been expended by Merchant as of the Designation Rights Termination Date shall revert and be returned to Purchaser upon the dismissal or conversion of Merchant's chapter 11 bankruptcy cases or the effective date of a plan of liquidation of Merchant. Any costs incurred by Merchant in connection with providing the Wind-Down Services (as defined below) shall be subject to the Wind-Down Budget and subject to the Wind-Down Cap and Merchant shall have no obligation to provide such Wind-Down Services unless the cost to do so is included in the Wind-Down Budget or provided for as an Expense.

(d) <u>Wind-Down / Expense Advance</u>. As necessary from time to time on or before April 28, 2018, Agent shall advance (including through retention of Proceeds by Merchant) to Merchant the aggregate sum of \$50,000,000 (the "<u>Wind-Down / Expense Advance</u>") solely for payment of (i) Expenses (as defined below) and (ii) administrative expenses reflected in the Wind-Down Budget, as and when due. Any payment from the Wind-Down / Expense Advance (a) of expenses reflected in the Wind-Down Budget shall be credited against the Wind-Down Payment and (b) of Expenses shall constitute a payment of Expenses by Agent. The Wind-Down / Expense Advance shall, to the extent commercially feasible, be held in a segregated account and shall not be used for payment of any amounts other than as set forth in this paragraph 3.1(d).

(e) <u>Expenses</u>. After the Closing, Agent shall be responsible for the payment of all Expenses pursuant to Section 4.1 below.

(f) <u>Assumption of Certain Claims</u>.

(i) Upon the occurrence of the Closing, Agent shall assume the obligation to pay (a) 2,000,000 (the "503(b)(9) Cap") on account of claims against Merchant under section 503(b)(9) of the Bankruptcy Code ("503(b)(9) Claims") and (b) 8,000,000 (the "Stub Rent Cap") on account of claims against Merchant on account of stub rent ("Stub Rent"). An amount equal to the sum of the 503(b)(9) Cap and the Stub Rent Cap shall be placed into a segregated account established by Agent to be held in trust for the benefit of holders of 503(b)(9) Claims and Stub Rent Claims. To the extent the sum of all allowed Stub Rent Claims or 503(b)(9) Claims, as the case may be, exceeds the Stub Rent Cap or the 503(b)(9) Cap, as applicable, such claims shall be paid pro rata up to, and subject to, the Stub Rent Claims and 503(b)(9) Claims shall be paid directly to the applicable claimants and shall be credited against the Wind-Down Payment.

(ii) Within ten days after entry of the Approval Order, Merchant shall file and serve upon each known trade creditor and landlord identified in Merchant's books and records as holding a 503(b)(9) Claim and/or a Stub Rent Claim a notice identifying such entity's respective 503(b)(9) Claim or Stub Rent Claim (the "Creditor Notice"). Each recipient of a Creditor Notice shall have twenty days to file with the Bankruptcy Court and serve upon Merchant, Purchaser, and the Committee a response to such Creditor Notice identifying with specificity any dispute regarding such entity's 503(b)(9) Claim and/or Stub Rent Claim. If no response is timely filed by a recipient of a Creditor Notice, the amount and priority of the 503(b)(9) Claim and/or Stub Rent Claim identified on such Creditor Notice shall be binding and conclusive upon the holder thereof, and such holder shall thereafter be barred from objecting to such amount and priority. If a recipient of a Creditor Notice timely files a response thereto, Merchant and Agent, in consultation with the Committee, shall use best efforts to resolve the dispute asserted therein, provided that disputes that cannot be resolved within ten days shall be resolved by the Bankruptcy Court at the next scheduled omnibus hearing thereafter. The actual out-of-pocket costs of preparing, filing, and serving the Creditor Notice shall be paid by Agent as an Expense. Within sixty days after the entry of the Approval Order, Merchant shall provide Agent with a reconciliation of all of the allowed 503(b)(9) Claims and allowed Stub Rent Claims. Purchaser shall have no obligation to investigate, assess, object to, or contest the merits of any 503(b)(9) Claims or Stub Rent Claims and is entitled to rely on the amounts included on such reconciliation.

(iii) This paragraph 3.1(f) shall survive termination of this Agreement

for any reason.

3.2 <u>Consideration to Purchaser</u>.

(a) <u>Proceeds</u>. Upon the payment of the Cash Purchase Price but subject to Agent's obligations to pay the Expenses and the Wind-Down Payment, all Proceeds shall be the exclusive property of Purchaser, subject to further distribution among the entities comprising Purchaser pursuant to any agreements between the entities comprising Purchaser and the Second Lien Noteholders.

(b) <u>Assets and Proceeds Held in Trust</u>. Subject to Section 3.2(a), Merchant shall hold all of the Assets in trust for the benefit of Purchaser. Subject to Section 3.2(a), any

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Proceeds received by, or otherwise in the possession of, Merchant at any time shall be segregated and held strictly in trust for the benefit of Purchaser, shall not be commingled with Merchant's own assets, shall not become property of Merchant's bankruptcy estate, and shall be paid over to Purchaser immediately. For the avoidance of doubt, the costs associated with maintaining the Assets available for sale pursuant to this Agreement shall be borne by Purchaser either as Expenses (as defined below) or through the Wind-Down Payment.

(c) Merchant and Purchaser further agree that if at any time, Merchant holds any amounts due to Purchaser under this Agreement, Merchant may, in its discretion, offset such amounts being held by Merchant against any undisputed amounts due and owing by, or required to be paid by, Purchaser or Agent hereunder.

(d) <u>Remaining Merchandise</u>. To the extent that there is Merchandise remaining at the Sale Termination Date (the "<u>Remaining Merchandise</u>"), such Remaining Merchandise shall be deemed automatically transferred to Agent free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances. Agent and its affiliates shall be authorized to sell or otherwise dispose of the Remaining Merchandise with all logos, brand names, and other Intellectual Property intact, and shall be authorized to advertise the sale of the Remaining Merchandise using the Intellectual Property.

3.3 <u>Proceeds of GOB Sales</u>.

Following the payment of the Cash Purchase Price but subject to Agent's (a) obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment, Agent may (but shall not be required to) establish its own accounts (including without limitation credit card accounts and systems), dedicated solely for the deposit of the Proceeds of the GOB Sales (the "GOB Sale Proceeds") and the disbursement of amounts payable to Agent in connection with the GOB Sales (the "Agency Accounts"), and Merchant shall promptly, upon Agent's reasonable request, execute and deliver all necessary documents to open and maintain the Agency Accounts; provided, however, Agent shall have the right, in its sole and absolute discretion, to continue to use Merchant's Designated Deposit Accounts (as defined below) as the Agency Accounts in which case Merchant's Designated Deposit Accounts shall be deemed to be Agency Accounts. Agent shall exercise sole signatory authority and control with respect to the Agency Accounts. The Agency Accounts shall be dedicated solely to the deposit of GOB Sale Proceeds and other amounts contemplated by this Agreement in connection with the GOB Sale and the distribution of amounts payable hereunder in connection with the GOB Sale. Merchant shall not be responsible for, and Agent shall pay as an Expense hereunder, all bank fees and charges, including wire transfer charges, related to the GOB Sale and the Agency Accounts. Upon Agent's notice to Merchant of Agent's designation of the Agency Accounts (other than Merchant's Designated Deposit Accounts), all GOB Sale Proceeds (including credit card GOB Sale Proceeds) shall be deposited into the Agency Accounts.

(b) Agent shall have the right to use Merchant's credit card facilities, including Merchant's credit card terminals and processor(s), credit card processor coding, Merchant's identification number(s) and existing bank accounts for credit card transactions relating solely to the GOB Sale. In the event that Agent elects to use Merchant's credit card facilities, Merchant shall process credit card transactions on behalf of Agent and for Agent's account, applying

customary practices and procedures. Without limiting the foregoing, Merchant shall cooperate with Agent to download data from all credit card terminals each day during the Sale Term to effect settlement with Merchant's credit card processor(s), and shall take such other actions necessary to process credit card transactions on behalf of Agent under Merchant's identification number(s). At Agent's request, Merchant shall cooperate with Agent to establish Merchant's identification numbers under Agent's name to enable Agent to process all such credit card GOB Sale Proceeds for Agent's account. Merchant shall not be responsible for, and Agent shall pay as an Expense hereunder, all credit card fees, charges, and chargebacks related to the GOB Sale, whether received during or after the Sale Term. Agent shall not be responsible for, as an Expense or otherwise, any credit card fees, charges, or chargebacks relating to periods prior to the Closing.

Unless and until Agent establishes its own Agency Accounts (other than (c) Merchant's Designated Deposit Accounts), all GOB Sale Proceeds and other amounts contemplated by this Agreement (including credit card GOB Sale Proceeds), shall be collected by Merchant and deposited on a daily basis into depository accounts designated by, and owned and in the name of, Merchant for the Stores, which accounts shall be designated solely for the deposit of GOB Sale Proceeds and other amounts contemplated by this Agreement (including credit card GOB Sale Proceeds), and the disbursement of amounts payable to or by Agent hereunder (the "Designated Deposit Accounts"). All funds in the Designated Deposit Accounts shall at all times be held in trust for the benefit of Purchaser, subject to Agent's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment. The Designated Deposit Accounts shall be cash collateral accounts, with all cash, credit card payments, checks and similar items of payment, deposits and any other amounts in such accounts being GOB Sale Proceeds or other amounts contemplated hereunder, and Merchant hereby grants to Purchaser, subject to Agent's obligation hereunder to fund the Wind-Down Payment and Expenses, a first priority senior security interest in each Designated Deposit Account and all funds on deposit in such accounts from and after the Closing.

(d) Merchant shall take all actions necessary to designate Agent as an authorized signer on all Designated Deposit Accounts and to grant Agent the ability to initiate wire transfers from such Designated Deposit Accounts, <u>provided</u> that Purchaser's interest in the Designated Deposit Accounts shall be subject to Agent's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment.

(e) On each business day to the extent practicable, Merchant shall promptly pay to Agent by wire funds transfer all funds in the Designated Deposit Accounts (including, without limitation, GOB Sale Proceeds, GOB Sale Proceeds from credit card sales, and all other amounts) deposited into the Designated Deposit Accounts for the prior day(s), subject to Section 3.2(c) above.

Section 4. Expenses.

4.1 Subject to and only upon entry of the Approval Order, in addition to and not subject to the Wind-Down Payment or Wind-Down Cap, Agent shall be unconditionally responsible for all "Expenses," which shall be paid by Agent in accordance with Section 4.2

below. As used herein, "Expenses" shall mean the Store-level operating expenses that arise during the Sale Term, limited to the following:

(a) actual payroll with respect to all Retained Employees used in connection with conducting the GOB Sale for actual days/hours worked at a Store during the Sale Term as well as payroll for any temporary labor engaged for the GOB Sale during the Sale Term;

(b) any amounts payable by Merchant for benefits for Retained Employees (including FICA, unemployment taxes, workers' compensation and healthcare insurance, but excluding Excluded Payroll Benefits) for Retained Employees used in the GOB Sale, in an amount not to exceed 23% of the base payroll for all Retained Employees (the "<u>Payroll Benefits</u> <u>Cap</u>");

(c) subject to Section 6.1, the actual Occupancy Expenses categorized on <u>Exhibit 4.1(c)</u> in all cases limited on a per Store, per diem basis not to exceed the respective aggregate monthly amounts shown on <u>Exhibit 4.1(c)</u>;

(d) Retention Bonuses for Retained Employees, as provided for in Section 9.4 below;

(e) advertising and direct mailings relating to the GOB Sale, Store interior and exterior signage and banners, and sign-walkers, in each case relating to the GOB Sale, including the amounts set forth in section 15.1;

(f) credit card fees, bank card fees, and chargebacks and credit/bank card discounts with respect to Merchandise sold in the GOB Sale;

(g) bank service charges (for Store, corporate accounts, and Agency Accounts), check guarantee fees, and bad check expenses to the extent attributable to the GOB Sale;

(h) costs for additional Supplies at the Stores necessary to conduct the GOB Sale as and to the extent requested by Agent;

(i) all fees and charges required to comply with applicable laws in connection with the GOB Sale as and to the extent agreed to by Agent;

(j) Store cash theft and other store cash shortfalls in the registers;

(k) all actual costs and expenses associated with Agent's on-site supervision of the Stores and Distribution Centers, including (but not limited to) any and all fees, wages, taxes, third party payroll costs and expenses, and deferred compensation of Agent's field personnel, travel to, from or between the Stores and Distribution Centers, and out-of-pocket and commercially reasonable expenses relating thereto (including reasonable and documented corporate travel to monitor and manage the GOB Sale);

(1) postage, courier and overnight mail charges requested by Agent to the extent relating to the GOB Sale;

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(m) third party payroll processing expenses associated with the GOB Sale;

(n) costs of transfers initiated by Agent of Merchandise and Additional Agent Merchandise between and among the Stores and Distribution Centers during the Sale Term, including delivery and freight costs, it being understood that Agent shall be responsible for coordinating such transfer of Merchandise;

(o) retention payments for Merchant's corporate employees in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 in the aggregate, subject to agreement of Merchant and Purchaser in their respective discretion;

(p) to the extent Agent elects to use Merchant's e-commerce site and related sales platform ("<u>E-Commerce Platform</u>"), costs of operating the E-Commerce Platform equal to (i) actual expenses to operate the E-Commerce Platform in an amount equal to \$300,000 per week (prorated for partial weeks), *plus* (ii) the actual costs of shipping Online Merchandise to customers who purchase such Online Merchandise through the E-Commerce Platform from the Sale Commencement Date through and including the date that is seven (7) days after Agent provides Merchant with notice of Agent's intention to discontinue using the E-Commerce Platform as a sales platform to fulfill customer orders, *plus* (iii) actual marketing expenses related to the E-Commerce Platform specifically requested by Agent in writing (including by email) such as, but not limited to, paid search and external advertising; and

(q) compensation of a consumer privacy ombudsman, if one is appointed by the United States Trustee, subject to approval of such compensation by the Bankruptcy Court.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, to the extent that any Expense category listed in section 4.1 is also included on Exhibit 4.1(c), Exhibit 4.1(c) shall control and such Expenses shall not be double counted. There will be no double counting or payment of Expenses to the extent that Expenses appear or are contained in more than one Expense category.

As used herein, the following terms have the following respective meanings:

(i) "<u>Central Service Expenses</u>" means costs and expenses for Merchant's central administrative services necessary for the GOB Sale, including, but not limited to, internal payroll processing, MIS services, cash and inventory reconciliation, data processing and reporting, information technology updates, functionality, and maintenance, and accounting (collectively, "<u>Central Services</u>").

(ii) "<u>Excluded Payroll Benefits</u>" means (i) the following benefits arising, accruing or attributable to the period prior to, during, or after the Sale Term: (w) vacation days or vacation pay, (x) sick days or sick leave or any other form of paid time off, (y) maternity leave or other leaves of absence and (z) ERISA coverage and similar contributions and/or (ii) any other benefits in excess of the Payroll Benefits Cap, including, without limitation, any payments due under the WARN Act.

(iii) "<u>Occupancy Expenses</u>" means, with respect to the Stores, base rent, percentage rent, HVAC, utilities, CAM, storage costs, real estate and use taxes, Merchant's association dues and expenses, utilities expenses, cash register maintenance, routine repairs, building maintenance, trash and snow removal, housekeeping and cleaning expenses, local and long-distance telephone and internet/wifi expenses, security (including, without limitation, security systems, courier and guard service, building alarm service and alarm service maintenance), and rental for furniture, fixtures and equipment.

(iv) "<u>Third Party</u>" means, with reference to any Expenses to be paid to a Third Party, a party which is not affiliated with or related to Merchant.

(v) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement to the contrary, "<u>Expenses</u>" shall not include: (i) Excluded Payroll Benefits; (ii) Central Service Expenses, (iii) Occupancy Expenses or any occupancy-related expenses of any kind or nature in excess of the respective per Store occupancy-related amounts expressly provided for as an Expense under Section 4.1(c) above; (iv) any expenses of any kind relating to or arising from Merchant's home office, and/or (v) any other costs, expenses or liabilities payable by Merchant not provided for herein, all of which shall be paid solely by Merchant (including from the Wind-Down Payment, to the extent provided in the Wind-Down Budget).

4.2 <u>Payment of Expenses</u>.

Subject to and only upon entry of the Approval Order, Agent shall be responsible for the payment of all Expenses out of Proceeds (or from Agent's own accounts if and to the extent there are insufficient Proceeds). All Expenses incurred during each week of the GOB Sale (*i.e.* Sunday through Saturday) shall be paid by Agent to or on behalf of Merchant, or paid by Merchant and thereafter reimbursed by Agent as provided for herein; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, in the event that the actual amount of an Expense is unavailable on the date of the reconciliation (such as payroll), Merchant and Agent shall agree to an estimate of such amounts, which amounts will be reconciled once the actual amount of such Expense becomes available. Agent and/or Merchant may review or audit the Expenses at any time.

4.3 <u>Distribution Center Expenses</u>

Agent shall be responsible for allocating and designating the shipment of Merchandise from Merchant's Distribution Centers to the Stores. All costs and expenses of operating the Distribution Centers, including, but not limited to, use and occupancy expenses, Distribution Center employee payroll and other obligations, and/or processing, transferring, consolidating, shipping, and/or delivering goods within or from the Distribution Centers (the "Distribution Center Expenses"), shall be borne by Agent as an Expense except to the extent provided for in the Wind-Down Budget.

Section 5. Merchandise.

5.1 <u>Merchandise Subject to This Agreement.</u>

(a) "<u>Excluded Goods</u>" means all (1) goods that are not owned by Merchant, including but not limited to goods that belong to sublessees, licensees, department lessees, or concessionaires of Merchant and (2) goods held by Merchant on memo, on consignment (except to the extent otherwise agreed by the applicable consignor), or as bailee. Merchant shall be

solely responsible for the disposition and/or abandonment of all Excluded Goods and all costs, expenses, and obligations associated therewith. Purchaser shall incur no cost, expense, or obligation in connection with any Excluded Goods.

(b) "<u>Merchandise</u>" means all goods owned by Merchant for resale as of the occurrence of the Closing, other than Excluded Goods.

(c) "<u>On-line Merchandise</u>" means all inventory that is both (i) designated for sale through the E-Commerce Platform as of the Sale Commencement Date and (ii) located in Merchant's West Jefferson Distribution Center as of the Sale Commencement Date.

5.2 <u>Distribution Center Allocation</u>. Allocation and designation of Merchandise located in the Distribution Centers to the Stores shall be in Agent's sole discretion, subject to the Wind-Down Budget.

Section 6. Sale Term.

6.1 <u>Term</u>. Subject to satisfaction of the conditions precedent set forth in Section 10 hereof, the GOB Sale shall commence at each Store on a date determined by Agent in its sole discretion after the occurrence of the Closing (the "<u>Sale Commencement Date</u>") and shall end at each Store no later than August 31, 2018 (the "<u>Sale Termination Date</u>", and the period from the Sale Commencement Date to the Sale Termination Date as to each Store being the "<u>Sale Term</u>"), provided that the Sale Commencement Date the GOB Sale on a Store-by-Store basis upon not less than seven (7) days' prior written notice (a "<u>Vacate Notice</u>") to Merchant (the "<u>Vacate Date</u>"), provided, that it being understood that Agent's obligations to pay all Expenses, including Occupancy Expenses, for each Store subject to a Vacate Notice shall continue until the applicable Vacate Date, provided, however, that, with respect to Occupancy Expenses, Agent's obligations to pay all Occupancy Expenses for each Store shall continue until the last day of the calendar month in which the Vacate Date occurs for such Store.

6.2 <u>Vacating the Stores</u>. At the conclusion of the GOB Sale, Agent agrees to leave each Store in "broom clean" condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted, except for unsold items of Owned FF&E which may be abandoned by Agent in place in a neat and orderly manner pursuant to Section 7 below. Agent shall vacate each Store on or before the Sale Termination Date as provided for herein, at which time Agent shall surrender and deliver the Store premises, and Store keys, to Merchant unless the applicable Lease is being conveyed pursuant to the Lease/Contract Designation Rights. Agent's obligations to pay all Expenses for the Stores shall continue as provided for in Section 6.1.

Section 7. FF&E.

7.1 <u>Abandonment of FF&E.</u> Agent shall be authorized to abandon any and all FF&E, whether owned or not by Merchant, in place without any cost or liability to Agent. For the avoidance of doubt, Agent shall have no responsibility whatsoever with respect to FF&E that is not owned by Merchant, provided that nothing in this Section 7 shall limit Agent's rights with
respect to Owned FF&E under the Asset Designation Rights or with respect to leased FF&E under the Lease/Contract Designation Rights.

Section 8. Conduct of the GOB Sale.

8.1 <u>Rights of Agent</u>. Subject to entry of the Approval Order, in addition to any other rights granted to Agent elsewhere in this Agreement, Agent shall be permitted to conduct the GOB Sale as a "going out of business", "store closing", "sale on everything", "everything must go", or similar themed sale throughout the Sale Term without compliance with any Liquidation Sale Laws. The Agent shall conduct the GOB Sale in the name of and on behalf of Merchant in a commercially reasonable manner and in compliance with the terms of this Agreement and subject to the Approval Order. Agent shall conduct the GOB Sale in accordance with the sale guidelines attached hereto as Exhibit 8.1(the "<u>Sale Guidelines</u>"). In addition to any other rights granted to Agent hereunder in conducting the GOB Sale the Agent, in the exercise of its reasonable discretion shall have the right:

(a) to establish Sale prices and discounts and Store hours;

(b) except as otherwise expressly included as an Expense, to use without charge during the Sale Term all FF&E, computer hardware and software, existing Supplies, intangible assets (including Merchant's name, logo and tax identification numbers), Store keys, case keys, security codes and safe and lock combinations required to gain access to and operate the Stores, and any other assets of Merchant located at the Stores (whether owned, leased, or licensed);

(c) (i) consistent with the Wind-Down Budget, to be provided by Merchant with central office facilities, central administrative services and personnel to process and perform Central Services and provide other central office services reasonably necessary for the GOB Sale; (ii) to use reasonably sized offices located at Merchant's central office facility to effect the GOB Sale; and (iii) to use all customer lists, mailing lists, email lists, and web and social networking sites utilized by Merchant in connection with its business (to the extent such items can be segregated to the Stores and solely in connection with the GOB Sale and pursuant to such reasonable restrictions requested by Merchant in order for Merchant to comply with its privacy policy and applicable laws governing the use and dissemination of confidential consumer personal data);

(d) to establish and implement advertising, signage and promotion programs consistent with the "going out of business", "store closing", "sale on everything", "everything must go", or similar themed sale, including without limitation by means of media advertising, and similar interior and exterior signs and banners, and the use of sign walkers, each at Agent's expense; and

(e) to transfer Merchandise between and among the Stores and Distribution Centers at Agent's expense.

8.2 <u>Terms of Sales to Customers; Final/As Is Sales</u>. All sales of Merchandise will be "final sales" and "as is," and appropriate signage and sales receipts will reflect the same. Agent

shall not warrant the Merchandise in any manner, but will, to the extent legally permissible, pass on all manufacturers' warranties to customers. All sales will be made only for cash or nationally recognized bank credit cards. Upon entry of the Approval Order, Agent shall not accept or honor coupons during the Sale Term. The Agent shall clearly mark all receipts for the Merchandise sold at the Stores during the Sale Term so as to distinguish such Merchandise from the goods sold prior to the Sale Commencement Date. Unless otherwise agreed between Agent and the issuer of Merchant's private-label credit cards ("<u>PLCCs</u>"), Agent shall not accept PLCCs as a form of payment during the Sale.

8.3 <u>Sales Taxes.</u>

During the Sale Term, all sales, excise, gross receipts and other taxes (a) attributable to sales of Merchandise and Additional Agent Merchandise, as indicated on Merchant's point of sale equipment (other than taxes on income) payable to any taxing authority having jurisdiction (collectively, "Sales Taxes") shall be added to the sales price of Merchandise and Additional Agent Merchandise and collected by Agent, on Merchant's behalf, at the time of sale. All Sales Taxes shall be deposited into a segregated account designated by Merchant and Agent solely for the deposit of such Sales Taxes (the "Sales Taxes Account"). Merchant shall prepare and file all applicable reports and documents required by the applicable taxing authorities, and Merchant shall promptly pay all Sales Taxes from the Sales Taxes Account. Merchant will be given access to the computation of gross receipts for verification of all such tax collections. Provided that Agent performs its responsibilities in accordance with this Section 8.3, Agent shall have no further obligation to Merchant, any taxing authority, or any other party, and Merchant shall indemnify and hold harmless Agent from and against any and all costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees, assessments, fines or penalties which Agent sustains or incurs as a result or consequence of the failure by Merchant to promptly pay such taxes to the proper taxing authorities and/or the failure by Merchant to promptly file with such taxing authorities all reports and other documents required by applicable law to be filed with or delivered to such taxing authorities. If Agent fails to perform its responsibilities in accordance with this Section 8.3, and provided Merchant complies with its obligations hereunder, Agent shall indemnify and hold harmless Merchant from and against any and all costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees, assessments, fines or penalties which Merchant sustains or incurs as a result or consequence of the failure by Agent to collect Sales Taxes and/or the failure by Agent to promptly deliver any and all reports and other documents required to enable Merchant to file any requisite returns with such taxing authorities.

(b) Without limiting the generality of Section 8.3(a) hereof, it is hereby agreed that, as Agent is conducting the GOB Sale solely as agent for Merchant, various payments that this Agreement contemplates that one party may make to the other party (including the payment by Agent of the Guaranteed Amount) do not represent the sale of tangible personal property and, accordingly, are not subject to Sales Taxes.

8.4 <u>Supplies</u>. Agent shall have the right to use, without charge, all existing supplies located at the Stores, Distribution Centers and corporate office(s), including, without limitation, boxes, bags, paper, twine and similar sales materials (collectively, "<u>Supplies</u>"). In the event that additional Supplies are required in any of the Stores during the GOB Sale, Merchant agrees to

promptly provide the same to Agent, if available, for which Agent shall reimburse Merchant at Merchant's cost therefor.

8.5 <u>Returns of Merchandise</u>. Agent shall accept returns of goods sold by Merchant prior to the Closing for a period of ten days from and including the Sale Commencement Date. Thereafter, Agent shall have no obligation to accept returns of goods sold by Merchant prior to the Closing. Agent's acceptance of returns shall not impact the Wind-Down Budget or the Wind-Down Cap.

8.6 <u>Gift Certificates & Credits</u>. Agent shall accept Merchant's gift certificates, gift cards, store credits, return credits, or similar merchandise credits issued by Merchant (collectively, "<u>Gift Certificates</u>") for a period of ten days from and including the Sale Commencement Date. Thereafter, Agent shall have no obligation to accept Gift Certificates. Agent's acceptance of Gift Certificates shall not impact the Wind-Down Budget or the Wind-Down Cap.

8.7 <u>Right to Monitor</u>. Merchant shall have the right to monitor the GOB Sale and activities attendant thereto and to be present in the Stores during the hours when the Stores are open for business; provided that Merchant's presence does not unreasonably disrupt the conduct of the Sale. Merchant shall also have a right of access to the Stores at any time in the event of an emergency situation and shall promptly notify Agent of such emergency.

Sale Reconciliation. On each Wednesday during the Sale Term, Agent and 8.8 Merchant shall cooperate to reconcile Expenses, make payments/setoffs on account of the GOB Sale Proceeds and reconcile such other GOB Sale-related items as either party shall reasonably request, in each case for the prior week or partial week (i.e. Sunday through Saturday), all pursuant to procedures agreed upon by Merchant and Agent (the "Weekly Sale Reconciliation"). Within thirty (30) days after the end of the Sale Term, or as soon as practicable thereafter, Agent and Merchant shall complete a final reconciliation of the Sale (the "Final Reconciliation"), the written results of which shall be certified by representatives of each of the Merchant and Purchaser as a final settlement of accounts between the Merchant and Purchaser with respect to the GOB Sale. Within five (5) days after the completion of the Final Reconciliation and execution of a settlement letter including an appropriate mutual release for the benefit of Merchant and Purchaser, Agent shall pay to Merchant, or Merchant shall pay to Agent, as the case may be, any and all amounts due the other pursuant to the Final Reconciliation. The Approval Order shall provide that the Final Reconciliation, once agreed to by Merchant and Purchaser, shall be automatically deemed approved pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 105(a) and Rule 9019 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure without further order of the Bankruptcy Court or action by any party. During the Sale Term, and thereafter until all of Merchant's and Purchaser's and Agent's obligations under this Agreement have been satisfied, Merchant and Purchaser shall have reasonable access to Merchant's and Purchaser's records with respect to the GOB Sale (including, but not limited to Merchandise, GOB Sale Proceeds, and Expenses) to review and audit such records.

8.9 Additional Agent Merchandise.

(a) Agent shall be entitled to include in the Sale additional merchandise procured by Agent which is of like kind as, and no lesser quality to, the Merchandise located in the Stores ("<u>Additional Agent Merchandise</u>"). Agent shall be responsible for payment of all costs associated with any Additional Agent Merchandise. All proceeds of the sale of Additional Agent Merchandise shall remain the exclusive property of Agent.

(b) The Additional Agent Merchandise shall be at all times subject to the control of Agent. If requested by Agent, Merchant shall, at Agent's expense, insure the Additional Agent Merchandise and, if required, promptly file any proofs of loss with regard to same with Merchant's insurers.

(c) Any transactions relating to the Additional Agent Merchandise are, and shall be construed as, a true consignment from Agent to Merchant. Merchant acknowledges, and the Approval Order (as and when applicable) shall provide, that the Additional Agent Merchandise shall be consigned to Merchant as a true consignment under Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code in effect in the State of Delaware (the "UCC"). Agent is hereby, and shall be through the Approval Order, granted a first priority security interest in (i) the Additional Agent Merchandise and (ii) the Additional Agent Merchandise Proceeds, 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 any notices and file any financing statements and amendments thereof under the applicable UCC identifying Agent's interest in the Additional Agent Merchandise and any proceeds from the sale thereof as consigned goods thereunder and Merchant as the consignee therefor, and Agent's security interest in such Additional Agent Merchandise and Additional Agent Merchandise proceeds.

(d) Agent shall provide signage in the Stores notifying customers that the Additional Agent Merchandise has been included in the Sale.

E-Commerce Platform. Subject to the Wind-Down Budget and payment 8.10 of Expenses, Agent shall use the E-Commerce Platform in connection with the GOB Sale to fulfill customer orders made during the GOB Sale Term and otherwise promote the GOB Sale (in Agent's capacity as Agent hereunder), provided that Agent shall have the option, in its sole discretion, to terminate the use of the E-Commerce Platform at any time after four weeks of use. During the use of the E-Commerce Platform, and consistent with the Wind-Down Budget (i) Merchant shall continue to provide for the operation and maintenance of the E-Commerce Platform, including information technology and E-Commerce Platform updates, and provide Agent with all assistance with respect to the functionality of the E-Commerce Platform, fulfillment of orders, and promotion of the GOB Sale and (ii) Agent shall pay as an Expense those amounts reflected in Section 4.1(p) through and including the date that is seven (7) days after Agent provides Merchant with notice of Agent's intention to discontinue using the E-Commerce Platform as a sales platform to fulfill customer orders (the "LDOB Date"); provided, however, that, if Agent continues the Sale at the Stores after the LDOB Date, Merchant shall, as a Central Service and at no cost or expense to Agent (other than as provided in the Wind-Down Budget), maintain the E-Commerce Platform with limited functionality for the limited purposes

of advertising and promoting the Sale at the Stores, periodically updating such advertising and promotions, and maintaining and updating the Store locator function at no cost or expense to With respect to the E-Commerce Platform, (i) Agent shall be authorized to sell Agent. Additional Agent Goods through the E-Commerce Platform and (ii) the Parties may implement such other processes, procedures, and agreements as may be necessary or appropriate for the efficient and continued operation of the E-Commerce Platform. In the event Agent elects to discontinue using the E-Commerce Platform as a sales platform to fulfill customer orders, Merchant agrees that neither Merchant nor any other person or entity shall complete any sale of goods for Merchant's or any other person's or entity's account utilizing the E-Commerce Platform during the GOB Sale Term, Merchant shall otherwise comply with Merchant's obligations under this Agreement in respect of the E-Commerce Platform, and Merchant shall, as a Central Service and at no cost or expense to Agent (other than as provided in the Wind-Down Budget), maintain the E-Commerce Platform with limited functionality for the limited purposes of advertising and promoting the GOB Sale at the Stores, periodically updating such advertising and promotions, and maintaining and updating the Store locator function. As part of the Allocation Schedule, Merchant and Agent shall mutually agree upon an allocation of certain Online Merchandise to be promptly delivered to the Stores and not sold through the E-Commerce Platform (the "Designated On-line Merchandise"). In the event Agent ceases using the E-Commerce Platform as a sales platform prior to the Sale Termination Date, Merchant shall be responsible for processing and ticketing all Merchandise not sold through the E-Commerce Platform for sale in the Stores and delivering any remaining On-line Merchandise (the "Remaining On-line Merchandise") to the Stores according to a mutually agreed upon allocation schedule.

Section 9. Employee Matters.

9.1 Merchant's Employees. Subject to the Wind-Down Budget and payment of Expenses, Agent may use Merchant's employees in the conduct of the Sale to the extent Agent deems necessary for the Sale, and Agent may select and schedule the number and type of Merchant's employees required for the Sale. Agent shall identify any such employees to be used in connection with the Sale (each such employee, a "Retained Employee"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Merchant's employees shall at all times remain employees of Merchant. Agent's selection and scheduling of Merchant's employees shall at all times comply with all applicable laws and regulations. Merchant and Agent agree that, except to the extent that wages and benefits of Retained Employees constitute Expenses hereunder, nothing contained in this Agreement and none of Agent's actions taken in respect of the Sale shall be deemed to constitute an assumption by Agent of any of Merchant's obligations relating to any of Merchant's employees including, without limitation, Excluded Payroll Benefits, Worker Adjustment Retraining Notification Act ("WARN Act") claims and other termination type claims and obligations, or any other amounts required to be paid by statute or law; nor shall Agent become liable under any employment agreement, collective bargaining agreement, or be deemed a joint or successor employer with respect to such employees. For the avoidance of doubt, Merchant shall be responsible for providing any required notice under the WARN Act with respect to its employees and otherwise comply with the WARN Act with respect to any "plant closing" or "mass layoff' (as defined in the WARN Act) or group termination or similar event affecting the employees, whether before or after the date of this Agreement. Merchant shall not, without the prior consent of Agent, raise the salary or wages or increase the benefits for, or pay any bonuses

or other extraordinary payments to, any Store or Distribution Center employees prior to the Sale Termination Date. Merchant shall not transfer any employee in anticipation of the Sale nor any Retained Employee during the Sale Term, in each case without Agent's prior consent. To the extent reasonably requested by Agent, and at Agent's expense, Merchant shall use commercially reasonable efforts to hire additional temporary employees to facilitate the GOB Sale, which employees shall constitute Retained Employees for purposes of this Agreement.

9.2 <u>Termination of Employees</u>. Agent may in its discretion stop using any Retained Employee at any time during the Sale, subject to the conditions provided for herein. In the event that Agent desires to cease using any Retained Employee, Agent shall notify Merchant at least seven (7) days prior thereto; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that, in the event that Agent determines to cease using an employee "for cause" (such as dishonesty, fraud or breach of employee duties), the seven (7) day notice period shall not apply; <u>provided</u>, <u>further</u>, <u>however</u>, that Agent shall immediately notify Merchant of the basis for such "cause." From and after the date of this Agreement and until the Sale Termination Date, Merchant shall not transfer or dismiss employees of the Stores or Distribution Centers except "for cause" without Agent's prior consent. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Agent shall not have the right to terminate the actual employment of any employee, but rather may only cease using such employee in the Sale and paying any Expenses with respect to such employee (and all decisions relating to the termination or non-termination of such employees shall at all times rest solely with Merchant).

9.3 <u>Payroll Matters</u>. During the Sale Term, Merchant shall process the payroll for all Retained Employees and any former employees and temporary labor engaged for the Sale. Each Wednesday (or such other date as may be reasonably requested by Merchant to permit the funding of the payroll accounts before such payroll is due and payable) during the Sale Term, Agent shall transfer to Merchant's payroll accounts an amount equal to the base payroll for Retained Employees plus related payroll taxes, workers' compensation and benefits for such week, to the extent such amount constitutes Expenses hereunder.

9.4 <u>Employee Retention Bonuses</u>. Subject to approval by the Bankruptcy Court, Agent may pay, as an Expense, retention bonuses and/or severance pay ("<u>Retention Bonuses</u>") (which bonuses shall be inclusive of payroll taxes, but as to which no benefits shall be payable), up to a maximum of \$7,400,000 in the aggregate, to such Retained Employees who do not voluntarily leave employment, are not otherwise entitled to receive severance pay, and are not terminated "for cause," as Agent may determine in its discretion. Subject to approval by the Bankruptcy Court, the amount of such Retention Bonuses shall be in an amount to be determined by Agent, in its discretion, and shall be payable within thirty (30) days after the Sale Termination Date, and shall be processed through Merchant's payroll system.

Section 10. Conditions Precedent and Subsequent.

(a) The willingness of Purchaser to enter into the transactions contemplated under this Agreement, and the occurrence of the Closing, are directly conditioned upon the satisfaction of the following conditions at the time or during the time periods indicated, unless specifically waived in writing by Purchaser in its sole discretion: (i) Entry of the Approval Order shall have occurred no later than April 18, 2018;

(ii) All representations and warranties of Merchant hereunder shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing, and Merchant shall have in all material respects performed the obligations and complied with the covenants required by this Agreement to be performed or complied with by it prior to the Closing; and

(iii) All of the Parties shall have executed this Agreement.

(b) The willingness of Merchant to enter into the transactions contemplated under this Agreement, and the occurrence of the Closing, are directly conditioned upon the satisfaction of the following conditions at the time or during the time periods indicated, unless specifically waived in writing by Merchant:

(i) The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Approval Order no later than April 18, 2018;

(ii) All representations and warranties of Purchaser hereunder shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing, and Purchaser shall have in all material respects performed the obligations and complied with the covenants required by this Agreement to be performed or complied with by it prior to the Closing; and

(iii) All of the Parties shall have executed this Agreement.

Section 11. Representations, Warranties and Covenants.

11.1 <u>Merchant's Representations, Warranties and Covenants</u>. Merchant hereby represents, warrants and covenants in favor of Purchaser as follows:

(a) As of the date of this Agreement and at the Closing, Merchant (i) is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of State of Delaware; (ii) has all requisite corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate the Assets and to carry on its business as presently conducted; (iii) is, and during the Sale Term will continue to be, duly authorized and qualified to do business and in good standing in each jurisdiction where the nature of its business or properties requires such qualification, including all jurisdictions in which the Stores are located, except, in each case, to the extent that the failure to be in good standing or so qualified could not reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the ability of Merchant to execute and deliver this Agreement and perform fully its obligations hereunder; and (iv) has paid when due, and until the sale or other disposition of all of the Assets, will continue to pay when due, all United States Trustee fees.

(b) Subject only to entry of the Approval Order, Merchant, as of the date of this Agreement and at the Closing, has the right, power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and each other document and agreement contemplated hereby (collectively, together with this Agreement, the "<u>Agency Documents</u>") and to perform fully its obligations thereunder. Merchant has taken all necessary actions required to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of the Agency Documents, and no further consent or approval is required for

Merchant to enter into and deliver the Agency Documents, to perform its obligations thereunder and to consummate the Sale, except for any such consent the failure of which to be obtained could not reasonably be expected to prevent or materially delay or impair the ability of Merchant to execute and deliver this Agreement and perform fully its obligations hereunder. Each of the Agency Documents has been duly executed and delivered by Merchant and, upon the due authorization, counter-execution, and delivery of this Agreement by Purchaser, constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of Merchant enforceable in accordance with its terms.

(c) The Cash Purchase Price determined pursuant to Section 3.1(a) above shall not exceed [\$574,831,000] as of April 19, 2018.

(d) Merchant, as of the date of this Agreement and at the Closing, owns good and marketable title to all of the Assets, free and clear of all security interests, liens, claims and encumbrances of any nature other than the security interests securing the DIP Obligations (as defined in the Final DIP Order) and the Second-Lien Notes. Merchant shall not create, incur, assume or suffer to exist any security interest, lien or other charge or encumbrance upon or with respect to any of the Assets. From and after the Closing, subject to the Wind-Down Budget, Merchant shall perform such tasks and services as are necessary to maintain all of the Assets in salable condition, to preserve the Assets and the economic value thereof, and to maintain good, clear, and marketable title to all of the Assets at all times until all Assets have been sold or otherwise disposed of, and such tasks and services as Purchaser may otherwise reasonably request in connection with the Assets, including but not limited to paying all ad valorem taxes and utilities when due, performing all routine maintenance, cooperating with Purchaser to obtain the refund of all deposits and security deposits, and renewing all necessary licenses and registrations (collectively, all of the foregoing are the "<u>Wind-Down Services</u>").

(e) Merchant has maintained its pricing files in the ordinary course of business, and prices charged to the public for goods are the same in all material respects as set forth in such pricing files for the periods indicated therein, all pricing files and records are true and accurate in all material respects as to the actual cost to Merchant for purchasing the goods referred to therein and as to the selling price to the public for such goods without consideration of any point of sale discounts, as of the dates and for the periods indicated therein. Merchant represents that (i) the ticketed prices of all items of Merchandise do not and shall not include any Sales Taxes and (ii) all registers located at the Stores are programmed to correctly compute all Sales Taxes required to be paid by the customer under applicable law, as such calculations have been identified to Merchant by its retained service provider.

(f) Through the Sale Commencement Date, Merchant has ticketed or marked, and shall continue to ticket or mark, all items of inventory received at the Stores in a manner consistent with similar Merchandise located at the Stores, and in accordance with Merchant's ordinary course past practices and policies relative to pricing and marking inventory.

(g) Since March 1, 2018, Merchant has not, and through the Sale Commencement Date Merchant shall not, purchase for or transfer to or from the Stores any merchandise or goods outside the ordinary course.

(h) To Merchant's knowledge after reasonable inquiry, all Merchandise is in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local product safety laws, rules and standards. Merchant shall provide Agent with its historic policies and practices, if any, regarding product recalls prior to the Sale Commencement Date.

(i) Subject to the Wind-Down Budget, Merchant shall, throughout the Sale Term, maintain in good working order, condition, and repair all cash registers, heating systems, air conditioning systems, elevators, escalators and all other mechanical devices necessary or appropriate for the conduct of the Sale at the Stores. Except as otherwise restricted by the Bankruptcy Code upon filing of the Bankruptcy Case or the Wind-Down Budget, and absent a bona fide dispute, throughout the Sale Term, Merchant shall remain current on all expenses and payables necessary or appropriate for the conduct of the GOB Sale.

(j) Subject the Wind-Down Budget, payment of Expenses by Agent, and approval by the Bankruptcy Court, Merchant has paid, and will continue to pay throughout the Sale Term, all self-insured or Merchant-funded employee benefit programs for Store employees, including health and medical benefits and insurance and all proper claims made or to be made in accordance with such programs.

(k) Since March 1, 2018, Merchant has not taken, and shall not throughout the Sale Term take, any actions with the intent of increasing the Expenses of the Sale, including without limitation increasing salaries or other amounts payable to employees; except to the extent an employee was due an annual raise in the ordinary course.

(1) Prior to the execution of this Agreement, Merchant has provided Agent reasonable access to all pricing and cost files, computer hardware, software and data files, inter-Stores transfer logs, markdown schedules, invoices, style runs and all other documents relative to the price, mix and quantities of inventory located at the Stores and the Distribution Centers or on order or in transit.

(m) To Merchant's knowledge after reasonable inquiry, all documents, information and supplements provided by Merchant to Agent in connection with Agent's due diligence and the negotiation of this Agreement were true and accurate in all material respects at the time provided.

(n) Other than filing the Bankruptcy Case, no action, arbitration, suit, notice, or legal, administrative or other proceeding before any court or governmental body has been instituted by or against Merchant, or has been settled or resolved, or to Merchant's knowledge, is threatened against or affects Merchant, relative to Merchant's business or properties, or which questions the validity of this Agreement, or that if adversely determined, would adversely affect the conduct of the Sale.

The representations set forth in Sections 11.1(e), (f), (g), and (h) shall not survive the Closing.

11.2 <u>Purchaser's Representations, Warranties and Covenants</u>. Purchaser hereby represents, warrants and covenants in favor of Merchant as follows:

(a) Each member comprising Purchaser: (i) is duly and validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of its organization; (ii) has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as presently conducted and to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby; (iii) is duly authorized and qualified to do business and in good standing in each jurisdiction where the nature of its business or properties requires such qualification, including, in the case of the entities comprising Agent, all jurisdictions in which the Stores are located, except, in each case, to the extent that the failure to be in good standing or so qualified could not reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the ability of such member to execute and deliver this Agreement and perform fully its obligations hereunder.

To the extent permitted and authorized under the Indenture, (i) each (b) member comprising Purchaser has the right, power and authority to execute and deliver each of the Agency Documents to which it is a party and to perform fully its obligations thereunder; (ii) each member comprising Purchaser has taken all necessary actions required to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of the Agency Documents, and no further consent or approval is required on the part of such member for such member to enter into and deliver the Agency Documents, to perform its obligations thereunder and to consummate the transactions contemplated thereby, and (iii) each of the Agency Documents has been duly executed and delivered by the members of Purchaser party thereto and, assuming the due authorization, execution, and delivery of this Agreement by Merchant, constitutes the legal, valid and binding obligation of such member enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as such enforceability may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, and similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally and by general principles of equity. No court order or decree of any federal, state or local governmental authority or regulatory body is in effect that would prevent or impair, or is required for, Purchaser's consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and no consent of any third party which has not been obtained is required therefor, other than as provided herein. No contract or other agreement to which Purchaser is a party or by which Purchaser is otherwise bound will prevent or impair the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(c) No action, arbitration, suit, notice or legal administrative or other proceeding before any court or governmental body has been instituted by or against Purchaser, or has been settled or resolved or, to Purchaser's knowledge, has been threatened against or affects Purchaser, which questions the validity of this Agreement or any action taken or to be taken by Purchaser in connection with this Agreement or which, if adversely determined, would have a material adverse effect upon Purchaser's ability to perform its obligations under this Agreement.

(d) The GOB Sale shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable state and local laws, rules and regulations and Merchant's leases and other agreements, except as otherwise provided for in the Sale Guidelines and Approval Order.

(e) Absent prior consent by Merchant, Purchaser will not cause any nonemergency repairs or maintenance (emergency repairs are repairs necessary to preserve the security of a Store premise or to ensure customer safety) to be conducted at the Stores.

(f) Purchaser shall not prosecute, or otherwise use offensively or defensively, Avoidance Actions against any of Merchant's (1) non-insider trade vendors or landlords, (2) employees and officers with respect to retention payments received pursuant to Retention Agreements in 2017, or (3) directors with respect to directors' fees received. This paragraph 11.2(f) shall survive any termination of this Agreement for any reason.

Section 12. Insurance.

Merchant's Liability Insurance. Until the Designation Rights Termination Date 12.1 or as otherwise directed by Purchaser or set forth in this Agreement, Merchant shall continue to maintain, subject to the Wind-Down Budget and the Wind-Down Cap, in such amounts as it currently has in effect, all of its liability insurance policies, including but not limited to commercial general liability, products liability, comprehensive public liability, auto liability and umbrella liability insurance, covering injuries to persons and property in, or in connection with, the Assets and/or Merchant's operation of its business and the Store and Distribution Centers; and Merchant shall cause Purchaser to be named as an additional named insured (as its interest may appear) with respect to all such policies. Merchant shall deliver to Purchaser certificates evidencing such insurance setting forth the duration thereof and naming Purchaser as an additional named insured, in form reasonably satisfactory to Purchaser. All such policies shall require at least thirty (30) days' prior notice to Purchaser of cancellation, non-renewal or material change. In the event of a claim under any such policies, Merchant shall be responsible for the payment of all deductibles, retentions or self-insured amounts thereunder (which may be reimbursed as an Expense and/or pursuant to the Wind-Down Payment, subject to the Wind-Down Budget and the Wind-Down Cap), unless it is determined that liability arose by reason of the willful misconduct or grossly negligent acts or omissions of Purchaser, or Purchaser's employees, independent contractors or agents. Merchant shall not make any change in the amount of any deductibles or self-insurance amounts on or after the date of this Agreement without Purchaser's prior written consent.

Merchant's Casualty Insurance. Until the Designation Rights Termination Date 12.2 or as otherwise directed by Purchaser or set forth in this Agreement, Merchant shall continue to maintain, subject to the Wind-Down Budget and the Wind-Down Cap, all of its presently existing property casualty coverage related to the Assets (including but not limited to fire, flood, wind, hail, natural disaster, theft, and extended coverage casualty insurance) until the sale or other disposition of all Assets covered by such policies. From and after the date of this Agreement, all such policies will also name Purchaser as an additional named insured or loss payee, as applicable (as its interest may appear). In the event of a loss to the Assets on or after the date of this Agreement, all proceeds of such insurance shall constitute Proceeds hereunder. Merchant shall deliver to Purchaser certificates evidencing such insurance, setting forth the duration thereof and naming Purchaser as an additional insured or loss payee, as applicable, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Purchaser. All such policies shall require at least thirty (30) days' prior notice to Purchaser of cancellation, non-renewal or material change. Merchant shall not make any change in the amount of any deductibles or self-insurance amounts on or after the date of this Agreement without Purchaser's prior written consent. Upon the sale, conveyance, or other disposition of any Asset specifically identified in any of Merchant's casualty insurance policies, Merchant, if reasonably requested by Purchaser, shall cancel the casualty coverage specifically applicable to such Asset.

12.3 <u>Agent's Insurance</u>. Agent shall maintain, at Agent's cost (as an Expense) and in such amounts as Agent currently has in effect, commercial general liability policies covering injuries to persons and property in or in connection with Agent's agency at the Stores and shall cause Merchant to be named as an additional insured with respect to such policies. Agent shall deliver to Merchant certificates evidencing such insurance policies setting forth the duration thereof and naming Merchant as an additional insured, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Merchant. In the event of a claim under any such policies, Agent shall be responsible for the payment of all deductibles, retentions or self-insured amounts thereunder, unless it is determined that liability arose by reason of the willful misconduct or grossly negligent acts or omissions of Merchant or Merchant's employees, independent contractors or agents (other than Agent or Agent's employees, agents or independent contractors). Agent shall not make any change in the amount of any deductibles or self-insurance amounts prior to the Sale Termination Date without Merchant's prior written consent.

12.4 <u>Worker's Compensation Insurance</u>. Merchant shall, at all times while any employees are in its employ, maintain in full force and effect workers' compensation insurance (including employer liability insurance) in compliance with all statutory requirements.

Section 13. Purchaser's Security Interest.

Subject to Agent's obligation to pay Expenses and fund the Wind-Down Payment:

(a) Upon the occurrence of the Closing, and solely to the extent that any Assets or Proceeds are, notwithstanding the Approval Order, subsequently determined to constitute property of Merchant's estate, Purchaser shall have a senior lien on all Assets and Proceeds, which lien shall be deemed by the Approval Order to be automatically perfected. The Approval Order shall grant Purchaser relief from the automatic stay, and nothing in the Approval Order shall inhibit Purchaser's ability, to take any action Purchaser deems appropriate to perfect such lien.

(b) Upon the occurrence of the Closing and until all Assets have been sold or otherwise disposed of, and solely to the extent that any Assets or Proceeds are, notwithstanding the Approval Order, subsequently determined to constitute property of Merchant's estate, Purchaser shall have a superpriority administrative expense claim against Merchant to the extent of any amounts owing from Merchant to Purchaser in connection with this Agreement, including as a result of any breach of this Agreement.

Section 14. Designation Rights.

14.1 <u>Lease/Contract Designation Rights</u>.

(a) Upon the occurrence of the Closing and until the earlier to occur of (i) the end of the Designation Rights Period applicable to a particular Lease or Contract and (ii) the Designation Rights Termination Date, Purchaser shall have the exclusive right to designate the assignees of Merchant's right, title, and interest in and to any or all of the Leases and Contracts (the "Lease/Contract Designation Rights") upon the terms and conditions agreed upon between Purchaser and such designee.

(b) Merchant shall cooperate reasonably with Purchaser to arrange for the sale and assignment of the Leases and Contracts, with such sale and assignment to be on such terms as Purchaser deems acceptable in its sole and absolute discretion. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Merchant agrees (1) to provide Purchaser with all due diligence materials and information as Purchaser shall reasonably request in connection with its efforts to market and attempt to sell the Leases and Contracts (including complete copies thereof and any abstracts prepared with respect thereto, and all communications with the counterparties thereunder, all property surveys, all environmental reports and tax and utility records), with Purchaser to bear all reasonable third party out-of-pocket costs and expenses relating thereto, in all cases to the extent reasonably available to Merchant, and (2) to cooperate with Purchaser, its agents, and any potential purchasers of any of the Leases and/or Contracts.

(c) Solely to the extent requested by Purchaser, Merchant shall exercise renewal and/or extension options under the Leases and Contracts.

At any time prior to the earlier to occur of (i) the end of the Designation (d) Rights Period applicable to a particular Lease or Contract and (ii) the Designation Rights Termination Date, Purchaser shall have the right, which right may be exercised at any time and from time to time, to file a Lease/Contract Assumption Notice in the Bankruptcy Cases designating the assignee (which may in certain circumstances be Purchaser, any of the entities comprising Purchaser, any of their respective affiliates, and/or a new entity created by any of the foregoing) of one or more Leases and/or Contracts (which may occur without further order of the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to the Approval Order) and setting forth the proposed cure amount due pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Approval Order shall provide that (a) the counterparties to the Leases or Contracts identified in any Lease/Contract Assumption Notice shall have twenty-one days to object to the proposed assumption and assignment, (b) if no objection to the proposed assumption and assignment of a Lease or Contract is timely received, such Lease or Contract shall, upon payment of the applicable cure payment, if any, to the applicable counterparty, automatically be deemed assumed by Merchant and assigned to the assignee identified in the Lease/Contract Assumption Notice pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, without further order of the Bankruptcy Court or further action by any person or entity, and (c) if an objection to the proposed assumption and assignment of a Lease or Contract is timely received, such Lease or Contract shall not be assumed or assigned until such objection is resolved by agreement of the applicable counterparty or order of the Bankruptcy Court.

(e) The designee under any Lease/Contract Assumption Notice shall be required, if requested by the applicable counterparty, to provide adequate assurance of future performance with respect to such Lease or Contract if the applicable counterparty so requests.

(f) Merchant shall have no responsibility for any cure amounts with respect to any Lease or Contract assumption and assignment.

14.2 Asset Designation Rights.

(a) Upon the occurrence of the Closing, Agent shall have the exclusive right to market and sell, and/or otherwise designate the purchasers, licensees, transferees, and/or

assignees of (which may in certain circumstances be Purchaser, any of the entities comprising Purchaser, any of their respective affiliates, and/or a new entity created by any of the foregoing), any or all of the Assets free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances thereon, without further order of the Bankruptcy Court (the "<u>Asset Designation Rights</u>"). Subject to Agent's payment obligations hereunder, Agent is authorized to execute, in the name of and as agent for Merchant, any and all deeds, bills of sale, and other instruments or documents necessary to effectuate the sale, transfer, or other conveyance of any of the Assets.

(b) Pursuant to the Approval Order, the sale or other conveyance of any Assets reflected in Asset Designation Notices filed in the Bankruptcy Cases from time to time by the Agent shall be automatically effective on the date reflected in the applicable Asset Designation Notice and subject to the satisfaction of any closing conditions reflected therein, and the sale, license, transfer, or other conveyance of such Assets shall be free and clear of all liens, claims, and encumbrances without further order of the Bankruptcy Court, <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that nothing in the Approval Order shall inhibit the ability of Agent to seek other or further orders of the Court in connection with the sale or other disposition of any Assets.

(c) Except to the extent provided for by the Wind-Down Budget, the costs of maintaining the Assets available for marketing and sale shall constitute Expenses. All costs of effectuating assumption and assignment shall be deemed an Expense hereunder.

Section 15. Miscellaneous.

15.1 <u>Signage</u>. On April 5, 2018, the Merchant purchased the signage, exclusive of freight, required for the Sale as set forth on Exhibit 15 directly from the sign vendor. The signage shall be delivered to the Stores so as to be received in accordance with Agent's instructions on or before the Sale Commencement Date. Upon entry of the Approval Order and simultaneous with the funding of the Cash Purchase Price, the Agent shall reimburse Merchant for one hundred percent (100%) of Merchant's actual (without mark-up or lift) documented out of pocket costs in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 and shall directly pay as an Expense the freight costs associated with shipping such signage to the Stores.

15.2 <u>Notices</u>. All notices and communications provided for pursuant to this Agreement shall be in writing and sent by electronic mail, as follows:

If to Merchant:

The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. 2801 East Market Street York, PA 17402 Attention:

With copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Malfitano Partners Joseph A. Malfitano, PLLC 747 Third Ave., 2nd Floor New York, NY 10017 Attn: Joseph A. Malfitano (jm@malfitanopartners.com)

If to Purchaser:

GA Retail, Inc.

Attn: Scott Carpenter (<u>scarpenter@greatamerican.com</u>) Alan Forman (<u>aforman@brileyfin.com</u>)

and

Tiger Capital Group, LLC

Attn: Christopher Huber (<u>chuber@tigergroup.com</u>) Mark Naughton (<u>mnaughton@tigergroup.com</u>)

and

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB Attn: Patrick J. Healy (phealy@wsfsbank.com)

With copies (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Lowenstein Sandler LLP Counsel to Great American Group WF LLC Attn: Kenneth A. Rosen (<u>krosen@lowenstein.com</u>) Andrew Behlmann (<u>abehlmann@lowenstein.com</u>)

and

Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP Counsel to WSFS Attn: David Posner (<u>dposner@kilpatricktownsend.com</u>)

and

Jones Day Counsel to Second Lien Noteholders Attn: Sidney P. Levinson (<u>slevinson@jonesday.com</u>) Joshua M. Mester (<u>jmester@jonesday.com</u>) John Kane (<u>jkkane@jonesday.com</u>)

15.3 <u>Governing Law/Exclusive Jurisdiction</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Delaware without reference to any conflict of laws provisions thereof, except where governed by the Bankruptcy Code. Each of the Parties irrevocably and unconditionally submits, for itself and its properties, to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court, in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement.

15.4 <u>Amendments</u>. This Agreement may not be modified except in a written instrument executed by all of the Parties, <u>provided</u> that any amendment or modification to Section 3.1(f) or 11.2(f) shall require the consent of the Committee.

15.5 <u>No Waiver</u>. No consent or waiver by any Party, express or implied, to or of any breach or default by the other in the performance of its obligations hereunder shall be deemed or construed to be a consent or waiver to or of any other breach or default in the performance by such other Party of the same or any other obligation of such Party. Failure on the part of any Party to complain of any act or failure to act by the other Party or to declare the other Party in default, irrespective of how long such failure continues, shall not constitute a waiver by such Party of its rights hereunder.

15.6 <u>Currency</u>. All reference to dollars in this Agreement and all schedules, exhibits, and ancillary documents related to this Agreement shall refer to U.S. dollars.

15.7 <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the Parties and their respective successors and assigns, including, but not limited to, any chapter 11 or chapter 7 trustee; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that this Agreement may not be assigned by any of the Parties without the prior written consent of the other, <u>provided further</u> that notwithstanding the foregoing, GA and Tiger may each collaterally assign this Agreement and their rights thereunder to their respective lenders.

15.8 Execution in Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts. Each such counterpart shall be deemed an original but all such counterparts together shall constitute one and the same agreement. This Agreement, to the extent signed and delivered by means of a facsimile machine, electronic mail, or other electronic transmission in which the actual signature is evident, shall be treated in all manner and respects as an original agreement or instrument and shall be considered to have the same binding legal effect as if it were the original signed version thereof delivered in person. At the request of any Party, each other Party shall re-execute original forms hereof and deliver them to all other Parties. No Party shall raise the use of a facsimile machine, electronic mail, or other electronic transmission in which the actual signature is evident to deliver a signature or the fact that any signature or agreement or instrument was transmitted or communicated through the use of a facsimile machine, electronic mail or other electronic transmission in which the actual signature is evident as a defense to the formation of a contract and each Party forever waives such defense. In proving this Agreement, it shall not be necessary to produce or account for more than one such counterpart signed by the Party against which enforcement is sought.

15.9 <u>Section Headings</u>. The headings of sections of this Agreement are inserted for convenience only and shall not be considered for the purpose of determining the meaning or legal effect of any provisions hereof.

15.10 <u>Wiring of Funds</u>. All amounts required to be paid under any provision of this Agreement shall be made by wire transfer of immediately available funds no later as 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the date that such payment is due, so long as all information necessary to complete the wire transfer has been received by the payor by 10:00 a.m. (Eastern Time) on the

date that such payment is due. In the event that the date on which any such payment is due is not a business day, then such payment shall be made by wire transfer on the next business day.

15.11 <u>Deposit</u>. Pursuant to the Bidding Procedures, Agent has provided a cash deposit in the amount of \$32,700,000 (the "<u>Deposit</u>"), which is being held in escrow by co-counsel to Merchant, Young Conaway Stargatt & Taylor, LLP (the "<u>Escrow Agent</u>"). At the closing, the Deposit shall be released from escrow by the Escrow Agent and applied to the Cash Purchase Price. In the event the Closing fails to occur, then, only upon entry of a final and non-appealable order of the Bankruptcy Court determining that such failure was the result of Purchaser's sole, material, non-excusable breach of this Agreement, then Merchant shall be entitled to retain the Deposit as liquidated damages as Merchant's sole remedy for such breach.

15.12 <u>Nature of Remedies</u>. No failure to exercise and no delay in exercising, on the part of the Agent, any right, remedy, power, privilege or adjustment hereunder, shall operate as a waiver thereof; nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, remedy, power, privilege, or adjustment hereunder preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, remedy, power, privilege, or adjustment.

15.13 <u>Entire Agreement</u>. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby and supersedes and cancels all prior agreements, including, but not limited to, all proposals, letters of intent or representations, written or oral, with respect thereto

15.14 <u>Agent/Purchaser</u>. Each party hereto acknowledges and agrees that any payment obligation of Purchaser and Agent hereunder is binding upon both the Agent and Purchaser and they shall be jointly and severally responsible therefor. Any action permitted under this Agreement to be taken by Purchaser may be undertaken by Agent on behalf of all entities comprising Purchaser, subject to any agreements between or among the entities comprising Purchaser, the Second Lien Noteholders, or any of them.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereby execute this Agreement by their respective duly authorized representatives as a sealed instrument as of the day and year first written above.

GA RETAIL, INC.

Bv:			
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Name: _____

Its:

TIGER CAPITAL GROUP, LLC

By: _____

Name: _____

Its: _____

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB

As Successor Trustee and Collateral Agent for the Second-Lien Notes

By: _____

Name:

Its: _____

THE BON-TON STORES, INC., on behalf of itself and the other entities comprising Merchant

By: _____

Name: _____

Its:

01:23119282.1

List of Exhibits

Stores
Distribution Centers
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Intellectual Property
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Form of Lease/Contract Assumption Notice
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Sale Guidelines

e #	Store Name	Address	City	State	Zip	Selling Sq Ft
2	2 Hanover	400 Eisenhower Drive	Hanover	PA	17331	71,63
2	4 Lewistown	111 East Market Street	Lewistown	PA	17044	46,66
5	5 Martinsburg	800 Foxcroft Avenue	Martinsburg	WV	25401	65,78
6	6 Chambersburg	100 Chambersburg Mall	Chambersburg	PA	17201	55,62
-	7 Park City Furn	870 Plaza Boulevard	Lancaster	PA	17601	32,00
8	8 Park City	600 Park City Center	Lancaster	PA	17601	178,96
	2 Cumberland	1262 Vocke Rd	LaVale	MD	21502	75,13
	4 Galleria	2899 Whiteford Road, Ste 282	York	PA	17402	131,91
	5 Uniontown	1800 Mall Run Road	Uniontown	PA	15401	80,51
	7 Indiana	2334 Oakland Avenue Suite 35	Indiana	PA	15701	60,46
	8 Warren	4000 Market Street	Warren	PA	16365	50,0
	9 Wilton	3065 Route 50	Saratoga Springs	NY	12866	71,74
	1 Oil City	6945 US 322	Cranberry	PA	16319	45,10
	2 Brick	80 Brick Plaza	Brick	NJ	08723	53,50
					13790	
	5 Binghamton	601-635 Harry L Dr.	Johnson City	NY		81,11
	7 Williamsport	300 Lycoming Mall Circle	Pennsdale	PA	17756	60,9
	8 Bloomsburg	225 Columbia Mall Drive	Bloomsburg	PA	17815	46,00
	9 Queensgate	2081 Springwood Road	York	PA	17403	114,60
31	1 Camp Hill	3525 Gettysburg Road	Camp Hill	PA	17011	145,20
32	2 Colonial Park	4600 Jonestown Road	Harrisburg	PA	17109	136,54
35	5 Reading	1665 State Hill Road	Wyomissing	PA	19610	159,36
36	6 Greensburg	5256 Rt 30	Greensburg	PA	15601	100,00
37	7 Washington	1500 W. Chestnut Street	Washington	PA	15301	78,12
38	8 Midway	1066 Wyoming Avenue	Wyoming	PA	18644	66,02
39	9 Wilkes-Barre	14 Wyoming Valley Mall	Wilkes-Barre	PA	18702	159,4
43	3 Newburgh	1401 Route 300 Ste 139	Newburgh	NY	12550	61,78
44	4 Ithaca	40 Catherwood Road	Ithaca	NY	14850	62,22
46	6 Jamestown	318 E. Fairmount Avenue	Lakewood	NY	14750	59,8
48	8 Westfield	443 E. Main Street	Westfield	MA	01085	74,9
62	2 Eastern Hills	4545 Transit Road	Williamsville	NY	14221	151,20
	3 Sheridan	1706 Sheridan Drive	Buffalo	NY	14223	124,28
	4 Southgate	1090 Union Road	West Seneca	NY	14224	100,50
	5 McKinley	3701 McKinley Parkway	Blasdell	NY	14219	97,20
		5737 S. Transit Road		NY	14219	-
	7 Lockport		Lockport			82,00
	8 Olean	402 N. Union Street	Olean	NY	14760	73,0
	9 Niagara	6929 Williams Road	Niagara Falls	NY	14303	88,12
	2 Bethlehem	2524 Schoenersville Road	Bethlehem	PA	18017	108,6
	3 S. Allentown	3300 Lehigh Street	Allentown	PA	18103	101,84
	6 Easton	146 Palmer Park Mall	Easton	PA	18045	115,00
78	8 Quakertown	751 SW End Blvd.	Quakertown	PA	18951	88,12
81	1 Doylestown	456 North Main Street	Doylestown	PA	18901	61,93
84	4 Elmira	3300 Chambers Road South, Ste. 50	Horseheads	NY	14845	74,7
94	4 Camillus	5301 W. Genesee Street	Camillus	NY	13031	64,70
101	1 Dayton Mall	2700 St. Rt. 725	Dayton	OH	45459	212,0
107	7 Huber Heights	8221 Old Troy Pike	Huber Heights	OH	45424	101,84
115	5 Beavercreek	2727 Fairfield Commons	Beavercreek	OH	45431	151,74
117	7 Piqua	987 E. Ash Street	Piqua	OH	45356	60,0
118	8 Athens	1004 E. State Street	Athens	ОН	45701	42,2
	9 New Philadelphia	400 Mill Avenue, Ste. C3	New Philadelphia	ОН	44663	73,3
	1 Kettering	2050 E. Dorothy Lane	Dayton	ОН	45420	87,3
	5 Lancaster	1730 River Valley Circle S.	Lancaster	ОН	43130	52,7
	6 Heath	771 S. 30th Street	Newark	ОН	43056	73,1
	8 Zanesville	3575 Maple Avenue	Zanesville	ОН	43701	
		•				70,8
	9 Marion	1475 Marion Waldo Road	Marion	ОН	43302	75,6
	0 Chillicothe	1080 N. Bridge Street	Chillicothe	OH	45601	55,9
	2 Richmond	601 East Main St.	Richmond	IN	47374	100,0
137	7 Sandusky	4314 Milan Road	Sandusky	OH	44870	80,39

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138	Plover	1780 Plover Road	Plover	WI	54467	54,5
140	Kohler	4030 Hwy #28	Sheboygan Falls	WI	53085	54,5
142	West Bend	1291 W. Paradise Road	West Bend	WI	53095	61,0
143	Coldwater	373 N. Willowbrook Rd. Suite Z	Coldwater	MI	49036	54,1
144	Alliance	Carnation Mall, 2500 W. State Street	Alliance	ОН	44601	55,5
	Wooster	4095 Burbank Road	Wooster	ОН	44691	53,4
	Morgantown	9550 Mall Road	Morgantown	WV	26501	71,0
	Warsaw	2856 Frontage Road	Warsaw	IN	46580	80,3
	Frankfort	202 Limestone Drive	Frankfort	KY	40601	53,9
	Findlay	1800 Tiffin Avenue	Findlay	ОН	45840	74,
	Bowling Green	1234 N Main Street	Bowling Green	OH	43402	40,
	Howell	3599 E. Grand River Avenue	Howell	MI	48843	72,
	Westgate	3311 Secor Road	Toledo	OH	43606	154,
	Monroe	2121 Monroe Street	Monroe	MI	48161	
	Midland	6830 Eastman Avenue	Midland	MI	48642	64,
	Jackson	1826 W. Michigan Avenue	Jackson	MI	49202	70,
	Muscatine	1903 Park Avenue	Muscatine	IA	52761	43,
	Mattoon	700 Broadway Avenue E	Mattoon	IL	61938	54,
	Jasper	3875 Newton Street	Jasper	IN	47546	55,
	Terre Haute	3401 US Hwy 41 S	Terre Haute	IN	47802	70,
	Muncie	3501 N. Granville Avenue	Muncie	IN	47303	80,
184	Kokomo	1156 South 17th Street	Kokomo	IN	46902	60,
186	Green Bay Furn	201 Bay Park Square	Green Bay	WI	54304	53,
189	Southtown	2400 State Route 725	Dayton	ОН	45459	54,
199	Fort Wayne	4201 Coldwater Road	Fort Wayne	IN	46805	122,
203	Clarksburg	2700 Meadowbrook Mall	Bridgeport	WV	26330	124,
205	Ashland	10699 US Route 60	Ashland	KY	41102	70,
206	Kanawha	5700 MacCorkle Avenue SE	Charleston	WV	25304	80,
209	Winfield	200 Liberty Sq. Shopping Center	Hurricane	WV	25526	70,
310	St Cloud	600 W St. Germain St.	St. Cloud	MN	56301	93,
311	Virginia	1440 S 12th Avenue	Virginia	MN	55792	66,
312	Rice Lake	2900 South Main	Rice Lake	WI	54868	54,
313	Fergus Falls	2001 West Lincoln Avenue Ste. 2	Fergus Falls	MN	56537	39,
	New Ulm	110 N Minnesota Street	New Ulm	MN	56073	47,
	Watertown	1300 9th Avenue SE	Watertown	SD	57201	, 40,
	Alexandria	3015 Hwy 29 S Ste. 4037	Alexandria	MN	56308	70,
	Havre	1753 Highway 2 NW	Havre	MT	59501	47,
	LaCrosse	4000 State Road 16	LaCrosse	WI	54601	41,
	Albert Lea	2440 Bridge Avenue	Albert Lea	MN	56007	64,
	Moorhead	420 Center Ave, Ste. 1	Moorhead	MN	56560	106,
	Bismarck	641 Kirkwood Mall	Bismarck	ND	58506	92,
	Brainerd	14136 Baxter Drive Ste. 1	Baxter	MN	56425	82,
	Billings	300 S 24th Street W, Ste. E100		MT		60,
	-	-	Billings		59102 52501	
	Ottumwa	1110 Quincy Ave	Ottumwa	IA	52501	55,
	Great Falls	1200 10th Avenue South	Great Falls	MT	59405	70,
	Rapid City	2200 N Maple Avenue	Rapid City	SD	57701	88,
	Rock Springs	2445 Foothill Blvd.	Rock Springs	WY	82901	60,
	Dickinson	Prairie Hills Mall	Dickinson	ND	58601	42,
	Minot	2400 10th Street SW	Minot	ND	58701	52,
	Willmar	1605 S. 1st. Street	Willmar	MN	56201	88,
	Norfolk	1700 Market Lane	Norfolk	NE	68701	77,
	Hastings	3001 W 12th Ste. 4	Hastings	NE	68901	52,
336	North Platte	1100 South Dewey	North Platte	NE	69101	43,
338	Kearney	4915 2nd Avenue	Kearney	NE	68847	87,
339	Scottsbluff	2302 Frontage Road Box 29	Scottsbluff	NE	69361	72,
340	Kalispell	20 North Main	Kalispell	MT	59901	80,
	Blaine	301 Northtown Dr.	Blaine	MN	55434	130,

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Stillwater	2001 Washington Avenue	Stillwater	MN	55082	95,36
Aberdeen	3315 6th Avenue Southeast Ste. 2	Aberdeen	SD	57401	79,60
Grand Junction	2424 US Highway 6 & 50	Grand Junction	СО	81505	72,2
Mankato	1850 Adams Street	Mankato	MN	56001	, 71,0
Bemidji	1401 Paul Bunyan Drive NW	Bemidji	MN	56601	56,3
Butte	3100 Harrison Avenue Ste. 5	Butte	MT	59701	65,0
Missoula	2901 Brooks Avenue	Missoula	MT	59801	45,1
Fargo	3902 13th Avenue South	Fargo	ND	58103	103,2
Rosedale	1675 West Highway 36	Roseville	MN	55113	149,9
Midway	1400 University Avenue West	St. Paul	MN	55104	124,1
Southtown	7831 Southtown Center	Bloomington	MN	55431	133,1
Edina	300 Southdale Center	Edina	MN	55435	143,6
Rochester	1201 SW 12th Street	Rochester	MN	55902	78,1
Ames	2801 N Grand Ave	Ames	IA	50010	49,8
Mason City	102 S Delaware Avenue	Mason City	IA	50401	59,5
		•	IA	50501	54,1
Fort Dodge	217 S. 25th St., Ste 33	Fort Dodge Marshalltown	IA		-
Marshalltown	2500 S Center Street			50158	42,1
Oak View	3201 S 144th Street	Omaha	NE	68144	149,3
Waterloo	2060 Crossroads Blvd.	Waterloo	IA	50702	86,7
Austin	1405 18th Avenue NW	Austin	MN	55912	45,2
Merle Hay	3800 Merle Hay Road Ste. 100	Des Moines	IA	50310	165,0
Coralville	1421 Coral Ridge Avenue	Coralville	IA	52241	98,4
Lindale Plaza	4444 1st Avenue NE	Cedar Rapids	IA	52404	100,0
Jordan Creek	101 Jordan Creek Parkway, #6000	West Des Moines	IA	50265	159,6
Dubuque	555 John F. Kennedy Road	Dubuque	IA	52002	126,8
Westroads	707 N 102nd	Omaha	NE	68114	171,8
Davenport	320 W Kimberly Road	Davenport	IA	52806	104,9
Moline	4600 16th Street	Moline	IL	61265	107,1
Southridge	1111 E Army Post Road, Ste. 2003	Des Moines	IA	50315	105,1
Sioux Falls	3500 W Empire Mall	Sioux Falls	SD	57106	105,2
Southern Hills	4380 Sergeant Road	Sioux City	IA	51106	92,6
West Burlington	550 S Gear Avenue	West Burlington	IA	52655	66,7
Eau Claire	4850 Golf Road	Eau Claire	WI	54701	102,0
Valley West	1551 Valley West Drive Ste. 200	West Des Moines	IA	50266	205,2
Muskegon	5580 Harvey Street	Muskegon	MI	49444	106,1
Sturgeon Bay	58 N 3rd Avenue	Sturgeon Bay	WI	54235	60,0
Grandville	3668 Rivertown Parkway	Grandville	MI	49418	150,0
Traverse City	1776 Garfield Road	Traverse City	MI	49684	49,6
Lansing	5220 W Saginaw Highway	Lansing	MI	48917	103,0
Lincoln	3 Gateway Mall	Lincoln	NE	68505	100,0
Marshfield	503 E Ives Street	Marshfield	WI	54449	48,2
Duluth	1600 Miller Trunk Highway	Duluth	MN	55811	140,9
Grand Island	3404 W 13th Street	Grand Island	NE	68801	60,0
Bay Park	101 Bay Park Square	Green Bay	WI	54304	145,6
Holland	12331 James Street	Holland	MI	49424	69,1
Okemos	1982 W Grand River Avenue	Okemos	MI	48864	168,7
Port Huron	4450 24th Avenue	Fort Gratiot	MI	48060	70,5
Bay City	4131 E Wilder Road	Bay City	MI	48706	110,5
Bloomington	1601 Empire St.	Bloomington	IL	61701	131,6
LaSalle Peru	3940 Route 251 Ste 01	Peru	IL	61354	87,5
			IL	61554	82,1
	2000 North Neil St.				154,3
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Juncavine				61081	90,0 60,0
Pekin Champaign Galesburg Quincy Forsyth Janesville		1150 W. Carl Sandburg Dr. 3347 Broadway 1005 Hickory Point Mall 2500 Milton Avenue	2000 North Neil St.Champaign1150 W. Carl Sandburg Dr.Galesburg3347 BroadwayQuincy1005 Hickory Point MallForsyth2500 Milton AvenueJanesville	2000 North Neil St.ChampaignIL1150 W. Carl Sandburg Dr.GalesburgIL3347 BroadwayQuincyIL1005 Hickory Point MallForsythIL	2000 North Neil St.ChampaignIL618201150 W. Carl Sandburg Dr.GalesburgIL614013347 BroadwayQuincyIL623011005 Hickory Point MallForsythIL625352500 Milton AvenueJanesvilleWI53545

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512 (Cherryvale	7200 Harrison Avenue	Rockford	IL	61112	128,3
515]	Joliet	3340 Mall Loop Drive	Joliet	IL	60435	128,0
516 9	Spring Hill	4000 Spring Hill Ring Rd	Dundee	IL	60118	128,0
517 F	Randhurst	1025 Center Dr.	Mount Prospect	IL	60056	205,0
518 \	White Oaks	2501 W. Wabash	Springfield	IL	62704	125,0
519 M	Milwaukee Grand Ave	331 W Wisconsin Avenue	Milwaukee	WI	53203	124,0
520 E	Bayshore	5701 N Lydell Avenue	Glendale	WI	53217	167,6
521 F	Racine	5500 Durand Avenue	Racine	WI	53406	106,1
522 E	Brookfield	15875 W Bluemound Road	Brookfield	WI	53005	218,
523 9	Southridge	5300 S 76th Street	Greendale	WI	53129	221,0
526 E	East Towne	53 East Towne Mall	Madison	WI	53704	138,
527 ľ	Mayfair	2400 N Mayfair Road	Wauwatosa	WI	53226	210,
528 ۱	West Towne	36 West Towne Mall	Madison	WI	53719	139,
529 E	Brookfield Furniture	18615 W Bluemound Road	Brookfield	WI	53045	55,
530 E	Evergreen	9700 S Western Ave	Evergreen Park	IL	60805	120,
531	Yorktown	230 Yorktown Shopping Center	Lombard	IL	60148	217,
532 ۱	Woodmar	6600 Indianapolis Blvd.	Hammond	IN	46320	111,
533 E	Edens Plaza	3200 Lake Avenue	Wilmette	IL	60091	160,
535 9	Stratford Square	4 Stratford Square	Bloomingdale	IL	60108	147,
538 (Chicago Ridge	9800 S Ridgeland Ave	Chicago Ridge	IL	60415	154,
539 H	Harlem Irving	4200 N Harlem Avenue	Norridge	IL	60706	168,
541 ľ	North Riverside	7505 W Cermak Road	North Riverside	IL	60546	180,
542 9	Southlake	1995 Southlake Mall	Merrillville	IN	46410	144,
543 (Orland Square	4 Orland Square	Orland Park	IL	60462	163,
546	Yorktown Furniture	2 Yorktown Mall Drive	Lombard	IL	60148	45,
547 E	Edens Furniture	3232 Lake Avenue	Wilmette	IL	60091	34,
548 9	Schaumburg Furniture	830 E Golf Road	Schaumburg	IL	60173	58,
549 I	Michigan City	305 W US Highway 20	Michigan City	IN	46360	81,
550 H	Hawthorn	3 Hawthorne Center	Vernon Hills	IL	60061	112,
551 F	Ford City	7601 S Cicero Avenue	Chicago	IL	60652	155,
552 I	Lincolnwood	3333 Touhy Avenue	Lincolnwood	IL	60712	122,
553 E	Bradley	1602 N State IL- 50	Bourbonnais	IL	60914	142,
554 9	St Charles	3850 E Main Street	St. Charles	IL	60174	141,
555 H	Hawthorn Furniture	480 East Ring Road	Vernon Hills	IL	60540	46,
556 F	Fox Valley	3 Fox Valley Center	Aurora	IL	60505	131,
561 (Orland Park Furniture	66 Orland Square Drive	Orland Park	IL	60462	71,
563 (Grand Prairie	5203 W. War Memorial Drive	Peoria	IL	61615	181,
571 l	Laurel Park	17624 Newburgh Rd	Livonia	MI	48152	148,
572 F	Rochester Hills	400 N.Adams St.	Rochester Hills	MI	48309	121,
573 F	Partridge Creek	17480 Hall Rd.	Clinton Township	MI	48038	116,
579 ľ	Naperville Frn Clear.	1835 W. Jefferson	Naperville	IL	60540	30,
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The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. Exhibit 1 (a) (2) Distribution Centers

Store List State Selling Sq Ft Store # Store Name Address City Zip 50 Whitehall - DC 3585 South Church St Whitehall PA 18052 n/a 198 Fairborn - DC 1340 E Dayton Yellow Springs Rd Fairborn ОН 45324 n/a 460 West Jefferson - DC 115 Enterprise Parkway West Jefferson ОН 43162 n/a 4650 Shepherd Trail 950 Rockford - DC Rockford IL 61103 n/a Count: 4

The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. Exhibit 1 (d) Owned Real Estate

e #	Banner	Store Name	Store List Address	City	State	Zip	Selling Sq Ft
= #	Dannei	Store Hume	, (64) (55)	City	State	210	Sching Sq I t
	4 Bon-Ton	Lewistown	111 East Market Street	Lewistown	PA	17044	50,00
3	1 Bon-Ton	Camp Hill	3525 Gettysburg Road	Camp Hill	PA	17011	145,37
3	6 Bon-Ton	Greensburg	Westmoreland Mall, 5256 Route 30	Greensburg	PA	15601	99,80
4	0 Bon-Ton	Frackville	Shuylkill Mall	Frackville	PA	17931	61,00
6	7 Bon-Ton	Lockport	5737 South Transit Road	Lockport	NY	14094	81,43
12	8 Elder-Beerman	Zanesville	3575 Maple Avenue	Zanesville	OH	43701	70,84
13	2 Elder-Beerman	Richmond	601 East Main Street	Richmond	IN	47301	111,35
31	0 Herberger's	St. Cloud	600 West Saint Germain Street	St. Cloud	MN	56301	168,75
32	7 Herberger's	Great Falls	1200 10th Avenue South	Great Falls	MT	59405	81,96
35	4 Herberger's	Midway	1400 University Avenue	St. Paul	MN	55104	124,13
41	0 Younkers	Merle Hay	3800 Merle Hay Road, Suite 100	Des Moines	IA	50310	165,00
41	2 Younkers	Coralville	1421 Coral Ridge Avenue	Coralville	IA	52241	98,45
41	4 Younkers	Jordan Creek	101 Jordan Creek Parkway, Suite 6000	West Des Moines	IA	50265	165,00
43	2 Younkers	Eau Claire	4850 Golf Road	Eau Claire	WI	54701	102,00
43	8 Younkers	Muskegon	5580 Harvey Street	Muskegon	MI	49444	106,13
44	0 Younkers	Grandville	3668 Rivertown Parkway	Grandville	MI	49418	150,08
44	9 Younkers	Duluth	1600 Miller Trunk Highway	Duluth	MN	55811	140,99
50	1 Bergner's	Bloomington	1601 Empire Street	Bloomington	IL	61701	131,61
50	3 Bergner's	Pekin	3500 Court Street	Pekin	IL	61553	82,10
50	8 Bergner's	Forsyth	1005 Hickory Point Mall	Forsyth	IL	62535	126,05
51	4 Carson's	Aurora Northgate	970 North Lake Street	Aurora	IL	60506	119,00
51	6 Carson's	Spring Hill	4000 Spring Hill Mall	Dundee	IL	60118	128,00
51	8 Bergner's	White Oaks	2501 West Wabash	Springfield	IL	62704	125,00
52	1 Boston Store	Racine	5500 Durand Avenue	Racine	WI	53406	106,15
53	3 Carson's	Edens Plaza	3200 Lake Avenue	Wilmette	IL	60091	155,00
54	9 Carson's	Michigan City	305 West US Highway 20	Michigan City	IN	46360	76,12
55	0 Carson's	Hawthorn	3 Hawthorne Center	Vernon Hills	IL	60061	112,12
55	6 Carson's	Fox Valley	3 Fox Valley Center Drive	Aurora	IL	60504	120,00
57	2 Carson's	Rochester Hills	400 North Adams Road	Rochester Hills	MI	48309	61,23
57	3 Carson's	Partridge Creek	17480 Hall Road	Clinton	MI	48038	120,0
59	0 Carson's	Rockford D.C.	4650 Shepherd Trail	Rockford -Owned	IL	61103	520,00
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The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. Exhibit 1 (e) Intellectual Property

BON TON ENTITIES TRADEMARKS						
Reg Number 966580	Serial Number 72435362	Name	Mark BRECKENRIDGE			
1143734	73159353		CARSON PIRIE SCOTT			
1395289	73471798		CARSONS			
1332638	73495705		ELDER-BEERMAN			
1392446	73543142	BON-TON STORES, INC., THE	STUART HUGHES			
1397712	73543145	THE BON-TON DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.	SUSQUEHANNA TRAIL OUTFITTERS			
1526191	73663359		PIZZA STRADA			
1680687 1661242	74078995		THE BON-TON			
1795407	74097054 74340081		THE BON-TON YOUNKERS			
1869666	74355074		CEZANI			
2006730	74552885	Bon-Ton Trade Corp., The	ANDREA VICCARO			
2006731	74552975		JENNY BUCHANAN			
2001829	74553100		CUDDLE BEAR			
1935197	74580597	CARSON PIRIE SCOTT II, INC. (F/K/A MCRAE'S, INC.)	MCRAE'S			
2021357	74638895	1100.7	COME TO THE RIGHT PLACE			
2217957	75023572	CARSON PIRIE SCOTT II, INC. (F/K/A MCRAE'S,	NATIONAL BANK OF THE GREAT LAKES			
2015874	75045762	INC.)	JENNY BUCHANAN			
2635572	75348627		(RELATIVITY)			
2385966	75348885		LIVING QUARTERS			
2278878	75410193		HERBERGER'S			
2278879	75410395	THE BON-TON DEPARTMENT STORES, INC.	HERBERGER'S			
2407600	75441794		STUDIO WORKS			
2493154	75654658		LIVING QUARTERS			
2412363 2384258	75857375 75979374		CHARGE AGAINST BREAST CANCER RELATIVITY			
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BON TON ENTITIES COPYRIGHTS				
Registration Number	Title	Туре		
TX4880277	Doing a good business: 100 years at the Bon-Ton	Literary Work		
TX1896055	Elder-Beerman Stores Corporation: a tradition of success	Literary Work		
TX5900922	A tale from Flurryville: the Berg's big surprise	Literary Work		
TX5744198	Wow! what a cow: a tale from funky	Literary Work		
TX5638101	A tale from Flurryville: Arctic Bart finds his happy heart	Literary Work		
TX5658257	Holiday celebrations with recipes from Younkers	Literary Work		
TX6497902	Baxter shares his bear	Literary Work		
TX2217381	Parisian celebrating a century of service	Literary Work		
TX3196448	Presentation - a manual of standards and guidelines	Literary Work		
VA239074	Riverchase Galleria, Parisian grand opening	Visual Arts		
VA81949	Made in Wisconsin	Visual Arts		
VA6480	Cratchits' Christmas dinner	Visual Arts		

Exhibit 2(b)(iv) Form of Asset Designation Notice

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

THE BON-TON STORES, INC., et al.,¹

Debtor.

Chapter 11

Case No. 18-10248 (MFW)

Jointly Administered

NOTICE OF DESIGNATION OF ASSET PURCHASER

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the Order Approving Debtors' Entry Into Agency Agreement and Consummation of the Transactions Contemplated Thereby (the "<u>Approval Order</u>") [D.I. ___],² Purchaser hereby designates the entity identified on <u>Schedule A</u> ("<u>Designee</u>") annexed hereto as the assignee of the Assets identified on <u>Schedule A</u> (the "<u>Designated Assets</u>") pursuant to the agreement between Purchaser, as agent for the Debtors, and Designee, an abstract of which is annexed hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> (the "<u>Purchase Agreement</u>").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to the Approval Order, upon the closing of the transaction pursuant to the Purchase Agreement, the Designated Assets shall be deemed conveyed to Designee by the Debtors free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests of any kind.

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. (5229); The Bon-Ton Department Stores, Inc. (9309); The Bon-Ton Giftco, LLC (2805); Carson Pirie Scott II, Inc. (2140); Bon-Ton Distribution, LLC (5855); McRIL, LLC (5548); Bonstores Holdings One, LLC (8574); Bonstores Realty One, LLC (8931); Bonstores Holdings Two, LLC (8775); and Bonstores Realty Two, LLC (9075). The headquarters for the above-captioned Debtors is 2801 East Market Street, Bldg. E, York, Pennsylvania 17402.

² Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Notice have the meanings given thereto in the Approval Order.

Dated: [_], 2018 Wilmington, Delaware

[COUNSEL TO PURCHASER]

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Exhibit 2(b)(iv) Form of Asset Designation Notice

Schedule A

Designated Assets	Designee

Exhibit 2(b)(xiii) Form of Lease/Contract Assumption Notice

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

THE BON-TON STORES, INC., et al.,¹

Chapter 11

Case No. 18-10248 (MFW)

Debtor.

Jointly Administered

NOTICE OF ASSUMPTION AND ASSIGNMENT OF [LEASES] / [CONTRACTS]

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the Order Approving Debtors' Entry Into Agency Agreement and Consummation of the Transactions Contemplated Thereby (the "<u>Approval Order</u>") [D.I. ___],² Purchaser hereby designates the entities identified on <u>Schedule A</u> annexed hereto as the assignees of the corresponding Leases and/or Contracts.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the cure amounts for the Leases and/or Contracts to be assigned pursuant to this Notice and the Approval Order are set forth on Schedule A.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that objections, if any, to the assumption and assignment of any Lease or Contract must be filed with the Bankruptcy Court and served on counsel for Purchaser at the addresses (including e-mail addresses) set forth in the signature block of this Notice on or before [], 2018.³ If no timely objection to the assumption and assignment of a Lease or Contract is received, the assumption and assignment of such Lease or Contract will become effective automatically pursuant to the Approval Order on the date

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³ [First business day that is at least 15 days from notice date]

identified on <u>Schedule A</u>. If a timely objection to the assumption and assignment of a Lease or Contract is timely filed and served by an entity with appropriate standing, such assignment shall not become effective until agreed to by the parties or ordered by the Court.

Dated: [_], 2018 Wilmington, Delaware [COUNSEL TO PURCHASER]

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Exhibit 2(b)(xiii) Form of Lease/Contract Assumption Notice

Schedule A

Description	Counterparty Name and Address	Assignee Name and Address	Cure Amount	Effective Date of Assignment

	Budget
Expense Vendors	\$16.2
Payroll	35.5
Severance	3.4
Retention	-
IBNR	4.0
Sales Tax	7.9^{1}
Interest	-
Professional Fees	15.8^{2}
Contingency	1.0
Stub Rent & Free Rent	8.0
503(b)(9)	2.0
Other	
Total	\$93.8
Plus: Severance and Retention in Agent's	
Expenses	5.7
Total After Severance and Retention in Agent's Expenses	\$99.5

Exhibit 3.1(c) Wind Down Payment Budget

¹ Reduced to account for the fact that \$6 million of sales taxes are already included in the DIP Obligations per email from J. Guglielmo dated April 17, 2018.

 $^{^{2}}$ For the avoidance of doubt, the Professional Fees shall be paid, without duplication, either as part of the payoff of the DIP Obligations or as part of the Wind Down Payment.

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The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. Exhibit 4.1(c) - Occupancy - Per Diem

Full Company Liquidation Store Closing List

Excludes Distribution Centers

			Common Area			тот	AL - PER DIEM								
e #	Store Name	Base Rent	Maintenance / LL Property Insurance	Real Estate Taxes	B Insurance	uilding Repair & Maint.	Occupancy Other	Security	Communications	Utilities	Supplies	Equip. Leases	Eqiup. Maint	Other Taxes	
2 Ha	anover	1,162	89	362	27	117	20	11	54	194	42	5	4	-	
4 Le	ewistown	-	-	62	23	78	21	11	41	133	42	5	4	-	
5 Ma	artinsburg	458	75	-	35	102	22	18	40	172	52	6	4	131	
6 Ch	hambersburg	581	92	95	22	80	18	10	48	194	43	6	4	-	
7 Pa	ark City Furn	941	142	138	12	62	545	14	42	95	31	2	4	-	
8 Pa	ark City	749	123	1,597	128	385	34	28	52	2,023	275	15	4	-	
12 Cu	umberland	767	65	142	31	114	23	20	39	228	74	26	4	36	
14 Ga	alleria	2,918	146	171	69	279	108	19	54	390	105	12	4	35	
15 Ur	niontown	893	111	170	35	121	46	11	44	384	87	10	4	29	
17 In	idiana	499	-	84	15	100	19	6	42	155	56	8	4	-	
18 W	arren	305	-	-	21	111	21	10	42	158	37	6	4	-	
19 W	filton	722	120	227	27	129	39	28	38	409	74	12	4	-	
21 Oi	il City	693	38	23	24	113	20	7	50	142	41	6	4	-	
22 Br	rick	2,118	651	507	33	159	59	34	42	254	67	8	4	-	
25 Bi	inghamton	776	-	1,222	32	126	21	14	41	247	59	7	4	-	
27 W	filliamsport	606	101	151	24	95	18	8	44	196	41	5	4	-	
28 BI	loomsburg	455	-	-	19	86	18	26	39	152	44	5	4	-	
29 Qı	ueensgate	1,877	310	450	39	165	166	30	42	320	79	11	4	19	
	amp Hill	-	-	415	62	461	206	15	52	513	130	10	6	2	
32 Co	olonial Park	384	388	295	54	354	110	13	46	443	78	7	4	-	
35 Re	eading	902	162	985	91	302	205	15	44	510	131	11	4	52	
36 Gr	reensburg	-	126	401	42	262	20	20	50	320	79	9	4	11	
	ashington	319	-	-	21	119	16	17	43	219	50	6	4	20	
38 Mi	idway	700	212	225	30	119	27	11	40	194	60	6	4	-	
39 W	ilkes-Barre	747	79	505	55	295	133	13	43	521	106	9	4	39	
43 Ne	ewburgh	939	52	359	27	102	23	35	39	291	63	6	4	-	
44 Iti	haca	1,085	147	301	320	138	24	15	53	244	57	6	4	-	
46 Ja	mestown	793	67	19	32	95	22	19	43	220	74	14	4	-	
48 W	estfield	1,832	534	801	57	128	48	16	44	397	94	13	4	5	
62 Ea	astern Hills	1,320	54	-	53	336	269	26	38	319	99	10	4	-	
63 Sh	heridan	715	104	78	47	197	235	38	43	300	85	7	4	-	
64 Sc	outhgate	1,066	223	242	40	166	190	19	41	249	80	8	4	-	
65 M	cKinley	1,038	177	95	41	145	143	23	44	203	82	6	4	-	
67 Lo	ockport	-	-	343	115	340	19	26	47	212	92	9	4	-	
68 OI	lean	522	51	57	27	108	20	12	42	166	71	12	4	-	
69 Ni	iagara	772	314	-	31	139	118	19	37	262	64	7	4	-	
72 Be	ethlehem	1,407	70	381	182	223	185	17	42	490	121	25	4	47	
73 S.	. Allentown	1,191	300	317	61	186	27	14	40	535	98	12	4	47	
76 Ea	aston	560	42	299	45	162	68	13	44	400	88	10	4	26	
78 Qı	uakertown	420	349	296	41	116	164	12	46	324	89	10	4	1	1
81 Do	oylestown	1,668	234	139	52	125	23	30	43	230	174	17	4	1	
84 El	mira	531	105	209	24	102	65	25	50	343	73	10	4	-	1
94 Ca	amillus	674	100	375	31	109	21	15		172	71	6	4	-	
101 Da	ayton Mall	9,393	343	605	116	320	35	29	48	692	206	17	4	-	
107 Hu	uber Heights	1,255	143	619	62	178	61	28	39	332	101	12	4	-	
115 Be	eavercreek	2,496	232	838	165	276	168	31	107	559	140	18	4	-	
117 Pi	qua	370	126	60	29	94	18	8	40	210	52	8	4	-	1
118 At	thens	518	52	49	235	86	27	10	44	161	37	10	4	-	1
119 Ne	ew Philadelphia	718	81	289	34	106	198	21	46	380	65	8	4	1	1
121 Ke	ettering	622	122	423	51	182	24	40	36	358	82	9	4	-	
125 La	ancaster	420	58	241	29	83	19	10	41	311	51	5	4	-	1
126 He	eath	990	82	240	33	103	134	18	39	285	57	7	4	-	
128 Za	anesville	-	89	111	25	141	17	10	39	284	45	7	4	-	1
129 Ma	arion	1,014	138	28	27	94	18	12	41	251	35	6	4	-	1
130 Cł	hillicothe	936	125	189	34	102	22	17		426	61	7	4	-	1
	ichmond	-		199	38	141	96	15		357	53	7	4	67	1

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			Common Area			т	DTAL - PER DIEM								
tore #	Store Name	Base Rent	Maintenance / LL Property Insurance	Real Estate Taxes	Insurance	Building Repair & Maint.	Occupancy Other	Security	Communications	Utilities	Supplies	Equip. Leases	Eqiup. Maint	Other Taxes	Total
137 Sa	andusky	817	632	80	22	142	29	13	36	508	54	7	4	2	2,3
138 Pl		1,439	185	320	35	91	28	12	43	181	71	19	4	17	2,4
140 Ko	ohler	1,430	231	275	28	90	22	12	59	212	57	11	7	21	2,4
	/est Bend	1,451	151	286	31	101	33	19	48	270	72	18	4	29	2,5
	oldwater	1,375	84	156	24	107	18	9		204	60	5	9	26	2,1
144 AI		1,261	136	52	59	92	19	15		197	54	6	4	-	1,9
147 W		1,042	179	262	32	114	21	17		227	53	5	4	-	2,0
	lorgantown	900	80	170	31	117	27	9		261	58	13	4	189	1,8
150 W	-	1,541		182	42	150	79	12		366	83	12	4	51	2,
	rankfort	1,326	48	162	27	88	23	14		228	62	11	4	76	2,1
151 Fi		992	83	122	36	142	18	11		278	51	7	4	-	1,7
	owling Green	505	84	13	21	85	18	8	43	186	46	, 8	4	-	1,0
153 BC 154 Ho		1,430	199	226	36	129	28	24		265	40 84	7	4	- 18	2,5
			199		74							9	•	- 10	
	/estgate	1,075	- 379	325 302	38	367 106	293 380	35 24		1,008	130 69	9	6		3,3
159 M		1,654								431			•	41	3,4
161 Mi		640	63	510	46	140	29	21		316	73	9	4	43	1,9
163 Ja		838	258	247	40	118	20	23		390	75	8	4	44	2,1
	luscatine	699	-	-	21	80	19	13		159	40	5	4	-	1,0
175 Ma		524	76	14	22	94	26	9		194	34	14	4	-	1,0
178 Ja		1,167	136	157	32	108	25	17		232	72	10	4	49	2,0
	erre Haute	725	147	249	42	111	23	23		356	50	6	4	71	1,8
182 Mi	luncie	986	78	284	40	125	79	17		259	56	7	4	67	2,0
184 Ko	okomo	1,607	95	40	29	111	24	14	48	204	63	9	4	29	2,2
186 Gr	ireen Bay Furn	665	-	-	22	81	591	20	32	126	37	6	4	5	1,5
189 Sc	outhtown	443	-	417	34	126	623	32	112	311	23	4	4	-	2,1
199 Fo	ort Wayne	2,338	171	491	47	166	106	17	46	585	117	7	3	158	4,2
203 CI	larksburg	1,556	923	410	34	174	272	31	47	412	80	6	4	186	4,1
205 As	shland	832	98	39	26	104	15	10	50	301	50	7	4	62	1,
206 Ka	anawha	1,144	78	169	35	113	23	26	47	303	66	12	4	188	2,2
209 W	Vinfield	1,747	-	94	105	131	23	16	46	211	87	7	4	83	2,
310 St	t Cloud	100	-	188	57	276	31	17	63	386	78	12	3	0	1,
311 Vi	'irginia	908	251	109	43	129	35	19	48	381	100	8	3	1	2,0
	ice Lake	534	212	89	25	137	22	10		133	49	6	3	17	1,2
	ergus Falls	491	-	-	23	93	19	3	43	158	49	5	3	1	, 8
	lew Ulm	592	-	79	27	159	19	17		181	45	6	3	1	1,1
	/atertown	337	143	29	52	109	27	14		191	43	7	3		_,
	lexandria	946	426	293	56	140	23	13		192	106	23	3	1	2,2
317 Ha		472	66	19	29	88	31	7	38	156	36	10	3	12	2,2
	aCrosse	1,085	93	172	31	200	114	31		216	123	9	3	25	2,1
	lbert Lea	770	133	155	26	115	38	6		210	53	8	3	- 25	1,5
	loorhead		34	227	67	113	67	19		303	123	10	3		2,8
	ismarck	1,713 1,122	117	243	119	194	35	19		348	108	10	3	- 1	2,
													3		
323 Br		1,332	12	245	49	140	26	18		312	104	8		1	2,
325 Bi	-	765	368	196	32	182	23	13		36	57	22	4	43	1,
	Ottumwa	613	176	55	24	126	25	7	43	226	59	6	3	-	1,
	ireat Falls	-	-	169	48	114	21	9		227	68	7	3	45	
	apid City	1,576	137	270	56	153	22	14		534	76	9	3	-	2,
	ock Springs	1,330	76	81	31	92	40	46		187	52	5	3	11	1,
	lickinson	375	108	103	31	109	19	5		147	51	6	3	-	
331 Mi	linot	651	73	289	33	118	19	11		175	65	6	3	-	1,
332 W	/illmar	1,496	261	226	51	178	33	13	66	335	94	9	3	1	2,
334 No	lorfolk	1,116	281	163	35	126	24	17	39	239	50	5	3	5	2,
335 Ha	lastings	469	52	21	27	91	20	8	55	182	43	7	3	5	
	lorth Platte	598	294	108	25	85	18	5	40	145	44	7	3	3	1,
338 Ke		1,138	77	186	56	190	33	14	51	349	123	32	3	16	2,
	cottsbluff	1,084	102	94	36	151	22	18		214	70	8	3	8	

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ore #	Store Name	Base Rent	Property Insurance	Real Estate Taxes	Insurance	Maint.	Occupancy Other	Security	Communications	Utilities	Supplies	Equip. Leases	Eqiup. Maint	Taxes	
340 Kalispell		1,177	151	31	64	122	43	20) 44	173	84	7	3	19	
341 Blaine		1,515	183	250	76	315	75	22	47	493	155	14	4	1	
342 Stillwater	r	1,941	-	508	86	267	47	23	46	436	137	54	3	1	
343 Aberdeen	n	990	167	117	80	107	28	9	43	225	83	7	3	-	
344 Grand Ju	Inction	1,117	134	211	51	129	26	21	46	286	122	14	3	38	
345 Mankato		1,004	119	313	48	146	28	27	47	256	94	14	3	1	
348 Bemidji		722	79	96	35	122	24	10		202	59	8	3	1	
349 Butte		808	100	134	55	102	26	13	43	203	68	5	3	15	
351 Missoula	I	1,000	221	333	25	166	30	12	39	236	49	12	3	20	
352 Fargo		1,698	952	247	78	262	87	31		707	153	10	4	-	
353 Rosedale	2	1,795	1,023	708	112	375	136	36	51	722	219	28	3	-	
354 Midway		-	355	908	56	219	39	38	8 44	507	99	9	3	0	
355 Southtow	wn	2,298	1,038	1,707	83	312	104	17	62	552	202	19	3	2	
356 Edina		2,514	152	613	62	324	33	22		791	129	9	3	1	
357 Rocheste	er	1,018	1	-	66	131	44	27	53	709	106	34	3	1	
401 Ames		254	84	211	24	102	34	8	50	167	62	10	3	-	
402 Mason Cit	ity	708	196	23	31	144	31	19	70	266	64	6	3	-	
403 Fort Dodg	lge	600	54	20	27	108	41	12	72	170	76	10	3	-	
404 Marshallt	town	373	60	17	41	99	21	8	60	195	58	6	3	-	
406 Oak View	N	1,926	192	476	81	199	36	16	5 79	650	198	11	4	22	
408 Waterloo)	646	36	122	35	174	21	14	44	292	84	8	4	5	
409 Austin		255	45	-	24	116	17	ç	45	389	43	6	3	1	
410 Merle Hay	iy	-	231	496	62	252	329	19	53	266	111	7	3	-	
412 Coralville		-	142	604	59	361	44	17	49	275	141	8	3	-	
413 Lindale P	Plaza	868	182	732	53	228	37	19	44	416	131	8	3	-	
414 Jordan Cr		2,117	192	760	98	290	75	32		516	169	16	3	-	
418 Dubuque		721	242	319	54	161	195	46		525	116	8	3	-	
419 Westroad		118	1,064	520	129	330	56	45		689	263	18	3	45	
421 Davenpor		669	263	292	35	152	121	17		270	77	7	4	7	
422 Moline		1,188	56	264	92	199	174	23		315	82	8	3	2	
423 Southridg	ae	539			30	148	132	14		367	64	7	3		
424 Sioux Fal	-	1,223	295	325	94	241	144	13		469	160	12	3	-	
429 Southern		1,012	270	667	114	241	63	23		284	113	10	3	-	
430 West Bur		779	168	101	27	97	42	26		300	56	10	3	-	
432 Eau Clain		-	187	396	53	173	309	21		372	94	10	3	38	
437 Valley We		981	193	1,512	410	364	151	26		519	278	27	12	-	
438 Muskegor		501	196	305	69	124	27	20		550	154	27	3	49	
439 Sturgeon		452	-	102	29	148	197	19		184	43	6	3	13	
440 Grandville			275	589	95	249	44	40		775	185	28	3	85	
443 Traverse		524	116	-	35	86	21	10		385	49	10	3	14	
445 Lansing	City	1,555	176	286	52	168	224	8		473	89	10	3	73	
447 Lincoln		930	210	200	52	255	32	31		377	110	9	3	11	
448 Marshfiel	ld	308	16	2//	21	83	50	13		171	88	6	3	14	
449 Duluth	iu	-	124	600	203	311	51	20		767	278	11	3	14	
451 Grand Isl	land	467	59	85	205	106	30	20		217	69	6	3	8	
		2,556	78	717	92	198	166	31		406	135	13	4	51	
457 Bay Park				49	92 44					406 254		13	4		1
463 Holland 464 Okemos		399	152 293	49 943	44 74	91 238	52 329	10		254 826	79 172	8	3	31 82	1
		4,083		943								9	3	82 25	1
465 Port Huro		791	-	-	30	96	40	15		308	68	8			1
475 Bay City		1,836	170	101	57	136	390	23		481	138	8	3	20	1
501 Blooming		287	885	377	65	264	122	25		412	147	11	3	-	1
502 LaSalle P	Peru	616	86	95	59	157	136	24		378	80	9	3	-	1
503 Pekin		384	115	144	37	139	19	33		241	73	8	3	-	1
504 Champaig	-	1,351	546	143	66	208	140	26		699	146	11	3	-	1
505 Galesburg	rg	493	95	49	34	117	24	27		311	47	6	3	-	1
507 Quincy		112	226	232	63	150	92	41	. 123	365	91	11	4	-	1

The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. Exhibit 4.1(c) - Occupancy - Per Diem

Full Company Liquidation Store Closing List

Excludes Distribution Centers

			Common Area			тс	TAL - PER DIEM								
			Maintenance / LL			Building Repair &								Other	
e #	Store Name	Base Rent	Property Insurance	Real Estate Taxes	Insurance	Maint.	Occupancy Other	Security	Communications	Utilities	Supplies	Equip. Leases	Eqiup. Maint	Taxes	To
508 Forsy	·	92	280	251	42	185	112	24		298	74	7	3	-	
510 Janes	sville	573	75	284	80	157	36	18	106	315	97	10	4	22	
511 Sterli		837	168	10	27	107	21	17	116	206	63	7	3	-	i i
512 Cher	,	1,060	180	490	89	206	46	65	46	483	153	11	3	-	i i
515 Joliet		1,895	108	229	71	185	96	29		589	153	12	4	6	
516 Sprin		-	207	325	68	178	32	21	135	416	127	11	4	0	
517 Rand		1,385	352	2,216	119	312	99	41	68	511	288	28	3	2	i i
518 White		324	41	390	65	210	138	23		673	123	11	3	-	i i
	aukee Grand Ave	18	128	276	28	294	104	185	73	988	99	6	3	0	ĺ
520 Bays		1,230	182	571	113	477	65	38		843	245	38	4	165	
521 Racin		1	178	494	61	256	32	14	99	501	134	11	4	71	i i
522 Brool		4,254	24	847	209	550	122	25	50	1,447	346	49	5	151	ĺ
523 South		3,575	682	901	113	451	234	33	87	927	222	23	4	195	i i
526 East		1,526	194	321	78	165	204	20		630	144	10	3	63	i i
527 Mayfa		3,897	241	1,335	142	571	225	77	87	1,286	306	50	3	243	ĺ
528 West		3,016	195	420	105	281	96	21	73	558	212	34	4	103	i i
	kfield Furniture	2,334	-	270	43	157	1,223	8		171	41	10	3	8	
530 Everç		2,395	93	92	106	356	122	44	119	635	204	34	4	2	i i
531 Yorkt		2,358	519	755	175	561	123	48	147	736	365	20	4	-	i i
532 Wood		629	258	1	53	299	64	20		399	147	10	3	94	i i
533 Eden		-	615	1,729	92	273	58	33	97	590	290	22	3	1	
	ford Square	1,347	369	342	69	237	95	33	69	381	135	11	3	7	
538 Chica		2,233	86	2,236	126	331	52	44	82	616	293	28	3	8	
539 Harle		2,308	2,678	1,211	232	435	84	69	64	698	320	32	3	13	
	h Riverside	1,447	505	1,372	112	692	205	58	68	679	208	15	5	5	i i
542 Sout		1,068	194	624	93	266	51	29	58	783	207	11	4	111	i i
543 Orlar	nd Square	1,603	68	1,960	170	356	73	40	82	650	448	51	3	2	ĺ
	town Furniture	1,542	205	505	35	74	996	18	72	119	29	5	3	-	i i
547 Eden	is Furniture	2,007	59	911	29	81	915	18		106	34	5	3	1	ĺ
	umburg Furniture	1,663	158	1,011	36	87	807	23	49	118	32	5	3	1	i i
549 Michi	igan City	53	170	-	44	127	21	19		366	80	7	3	61	i i
550 Hawt	thorn	450	378	207	64	212	41	39	91	583	146	8	3	2	ĺ
551 Ford	City	539	218	686	82	204	185	64	60	1,404	203	11	3	-	i i
552 Linco	olnwood	2,696	-	2,025	90	281	61	40	62	823	207	18	3	2	
553 Bradl	ley	2,311	63	430	63	161	147	67	67	431	120	10	3	2	ĺ
554 St Ch	harles	1,176	-	-	49	194	119	43	67	740	130	10	3	-	ĺ
555 Hawt	thorn Furniture Gallery	1,563	175	-	-	72	462	11	-	-	-	-	3	-	
556 Fox \	Valley	660	387	349	163	436	29	35	66	676	125	8	4	-	ĺ.
	nd Park Furniture	2,186	72	-	57	81	1,267	15		155	36	4	4	1	1
563 Gran	d Prairie	2,588	257	835	122	276	33	29	66	503	232	15	4	0	1
571 Laure		4,792	-	543	135	402	67	42		1,005	360	16	4	108	1
572 Roch	ester Hills	13	219	390	103	357	38	31	56	651	230	19	4	97	1
573 Partr	idge Creek	2,237	179	421	157	196	33	16	43	697	200	10	4	53	1
	erville Frn Clear.	242	-	62	11	86	259	9	1	619	39	1	1	-	1
212	Total	230,444	39,426	73,743	12,953	39,000	22,497	4,725	11,540	82,672	22,322	2,419	779	4,513	

EXHIBIT 8.1

SALE GUIDELINES

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B. The Sale shall be conducted in accordance with applicable state and local "Blue Laws", where applicable, so that no Sale shall be conducted on Sunday unless the Merchant had been operating such Store on a Sunday.

C. On "shopping center" property, Agent shall not distribute handbills, leaflets or other written materials to customers outside of any 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 Stores themselves. On "shopping center" property, Agent shall not use any flashing lights or amplified sound to advertise the Sale or solicit customers, except as permitted under the applicable lease or agreed to by the landlord.

D. At the conclusion of the Sale or the Designation Rights Period, as applicable, Agent shall vacate the Stores in broom clean condition; provided that Agent may abandon any FF&E not sold in the Sale at the Stores, the Distribution Centers, the Headquarters, or Merchant's other corporate offices at the conclusion of the Sale or the Designation Rights Period, as applicable, without cost or liability of any kind to Agent. Any abandoned FF&E left in a Store or Distribution Center, the Headquarters, or Merchant's other corporate offices after a lease is rejected shall be deemed abandoned to the landlord having a right to dispose of the same as the landlord chooses without any liability whatsoever on the part of the landlord to any party and without waiver of any damage claims against the Merchant. For the avoidance of doubt, as of the Sale Termination Date or termination of the Designation Rights Period, as applicable, Agent may abandon, in place and without further responsibility or liability of any kind, any FF&E located at a Store or, Distribution Center, the Headquarters, or Merchant's other corporate offices.

E. Following, and subject to, the entry of the Approval Order, Agent may advertise the Sale as a "store closing", "sale on everything", "everything must go" or similar-themed sale, as dictated by the Approval Order.

F. Agent shall be permitted to utilize display, hanging signs, and interior banners in connection with the Sale; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such display, hanging signs, and interior banners shall be professionally produced and hung in a professional manner. The Merchant and 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 Agent shall be permitted to utilize exterior banners at (i) non-enclosed mall Stores and (ii) enclosed mall common area; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such banners shall be located or hung so as to make clear that the Sale is being conducted only at the affected Store, shall not be wider than the storefront of the Store, and shall not be larger than 4 feet x 40 feet. In addition, the Merchant and Agent shall be permitted to utilize sign walkers in a safe and professional manner and in accordance with the terms of the Approval Order. Nothing contained in these Sale Guidelines shall be construed to create or impose upon 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 Stores to effect that "all sales are final."

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I. Agent shall keep Store premises and surrounding areas clear and orderly consistent with present practices.

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Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB Attn: [_]

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and

Kilpatrick Townsend & Stockton LLP Counsel to WSFS Attn: David Posner (<u>dposner@kilpatricktownsend.com</u>)

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EXHIBIT C

Notice of Sale Closing Date

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:

THE BON-TON STORES, INC., et al.,¹

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 18-10248 (MFW)

(Jointly Administered)

Docket Ref. No.

NOTICE OF CLOSING DATE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on $[\bullet]$, 2018, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware entered the *Order, Pursuant to Sections 105, 363, and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, Approving Sale of Certain of the Debtors' Assets and Granting Related Relief* [Docket No. \bullet] (the "<u>Order</u>"),² thereby approving of the appointment of the Agent³ as the Debtors' exclusive agent for the purposes of selling or otherwise disposing of the Debtors' Assets pursuant to that certain asset agency agreement entered into by and between the Debtors and the Purchaser dated as of $[\bullet]$, 2018 (the "<u>Agency Agreement</u>"), attached to the Order as Exhibit A.⁴

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the appointment of Agent as the Debtors' agent, pursuant to the provisions of the Agency Agreement, closed on $[\bullet]$, 2018.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that copies of the Order are available for review free of charge by accessing the website dedicated to the Debtors' chapter 11 cases maintained by their claims and noticing agent and administrative advisor, Prime Clerk LLC (https://cases.primeclerk.com/bonton/). In addition, copies of the Order are available for inspection during regular business hours at the Office of the Clerk of the Court, located at 824 N. Market Street, 3rd Floor, Wilmington, DE 19801, and may be viewed for a fee on the internet at the Court's website (http://www.deb.uscourts.gov/) by following the directions for accessing the ECF system on such website.

⁴ The Agency Agreement is attached to the Order.

¹ The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, are: The Bon-Ton Stores, Inc. (5229); The Bon-Ton Department Stores, Inc. (9309); The Bon-Ton Giftco, LLC (2805); Carson Pirie Scott II, Inc. (2140); Bon-Ton Distribution, LLC (5855); McRIL, LLC (5548); Bonstores Holdings One, LLC (8574); Bonstores Realty One, LLC (8931); Bonstores Holdings Two, LLC (8775); and Bonstores Realty Two, LLC (9075). The headquarters for the above-captioned Debtors is 2801 East Market Street, Bldg. E, York, Pennsylvania 17402.

² All capitalized terms used herein, but not otherwise defined, have the meanings given to them in the Order.

³ The term "Agent" means, collectively, a contractual joint venture comprised of GA Retail, Inc. and Tiger Capital Group, LLC.