BEFORE THE NEVADA STATE BOARD OF 1 MASSAGE THERAPY 2 In the Matter of: Case No. NVMT-C-22029 3 STIPULATION FOR SETTLEMENT 4 Liqing Huang, OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION 5 Licensed Massage Therapist AND ORDER Nevada License No. NVMT.1883, 6 Respondent. 7 8 WHEREAS, as more fully addressed below, the Nevada State Board of Massage Therapy, 9 ("Board"), and Respondent, Liqing Huang ("Respondent") (collectively referred to as "the Parties"), 10 hereby enter into this Stipulation for Settlement of Disciplinary Actions ("settlement agreement") as 11 follows: 12 JURISDICTION 13 1. Respondent is currently and at all times mentioned herein, licensed as a massage therapist 14 in the State of Nevada and is therefore, subject to the jurisdiction of the Board and the 15 provisions of NRS Chapter 640C. 16 2. Pursuant to Nev. R. Stat. 233B.121(5), the Board is authorized to enter into settlement 17 agreements to resolve a disputed matter. 18 ALLEGATIONS 19 1. Respondent, is and at all times herein, owner of Linda's Massage located at 3670 Grant 20 Dr., 105B, Reno, Nevada 89502 ("Establishment"). 2. The Board received complaints that employees at Establishment were soliciting sexual 21 activity to its massage patrons. 22 3. On or about August 3, 2022, Lijuan Ai, while working at the Establishment, solicited 23 sexual activity during the course of practicing massage to an undercover operative hired 24 by the Board. 25 4. Lijuan Ai failed to drape the undercover operative. 26 5. Lijuan Ai is not licensed with the Board as a massage therapist. 27 6. Respondent knew of the employee's conduct and unlicensed activity and failed to report

to the Board that the employee had engaged in unethical or unprofessional conduct as it

relates to the practice of massage therapy within 30 days after becoming aware of the conduct.

SETTLEMENT

- 7. The Parties desire to resolve any disputed matters relating to the Board's investigation, and recognize that continued litigation of this dispute would be protracted, costly and time consuming, and therefore, the Parties have reached a settlement agreement in the interest of judicial and administrative economy.
- 8. Respondent admits that the conduct set forth in the complaint and again set forth above constitutes a violation of the provisions of NRS 640C.700(6), (9) and (10). This is grounds for discipline pursuant to NRS 640C.700(2).
- Respondent has elected to enter into this settlement agreement rather than face the
 possibility of further disciplinary action by the Board if the Board were to prevail at a
 disciplinary hearing.

Administrative Penalty

- 10. Respondent is placed on PROBATION for four (4) years. During probation, Respondent shall:
 - a. If Respondent owns a massage establishment:
 - i. Be subject to a minimum of quarterly inspections of the establishment by Board staff.
 - ii. Provide quarterly reports to Board staff that includes licensed and unlicensed employees.
 - Provide to Board staff annual copies of business license renewals for the City and the Nevada Secretary of State.
 - iv. Maintain a minimum liability coverage of \$1,000,000 per occurrence for protection of the public.
 - b. If Respondent is employed or self-employed:
 - i. No outcall.
 - ii. Employer to provide the Board with quarterly reports.
- 11. Respondent shall pay an administrative fee of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00), payable within thirty (30) days of the Board's Order.
- 12. Respondent shall pay a fine of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), payable to the Board within thirty (30) days of the Board's Order.

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- a. Respondent may request a payment plan from the Executive Director within thirty (30) days of the Board's Order, and any missed payments shall be considered default.
- b. In the event of default, Respondent agrees that her license shall be immediately suspended. The suspension of Respondent's license shall continue until the unpaid balance is paid in full. Respondent acknowledges that if her license is suspended, the suspension is subject to reporting to all appropriate agencies and becomes part of her permanent record.
- 13. Respondent shall complete twenty-four (24) hours of ethics courses provided by the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards within one year of the Board's Order. These courses are in addition to any Continuing Education requirements. These courses must include:
 - a. Professional Relationships: Client Assessment and Documentation (2 CE credits);
 - b. Professional Relationships: Sexual Boundaries (1 CE credit);
 - c. Professional Relationships: Client Intake (1 CE credit);
 - d. Human Trafficking: General Interest; and
 - e. Human Trafficking Awareness for Massage Professionals (1 CE credit).
- 14. Respondent shall come before the Board for review every two (2) years and must be present.
- 15. Respondent acknowledges that the Board will retain jurisdiction over this matter until all terms and conditions set forth in this settlement agreement have been met to the satisfaction of the Board.
- 16. The Board agrees not to pursue any other or greater remedies or fines in connection Respondent's alleged conduct, and that once this agreement is fully performed, the Board will close its file in this matter.

Public Record

- 17. Respondent acknowledges that if adopted by the Board, this settlement agreement and all associated documentation become a matter of public record.
- 18. Respondent acknowledges that if adopted by the Board, this settlement agreement is subject to reporting to all appropriate agencies and becomes part of her permanent record.

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Voluntary Waiver of Rights

- 19. Respondent may at all times obtain the advice from competent counsel of her choice-Respondent has, at all times, received full cooperation of the Board's staff before making the decision to settle this matter. No coercion has been exerted upon Respondent, nor have any promises been made other than those reflected in this agreement. Respondent freely and voluntarily entered into this agreement, motivated only by a desire to resolve the issues addressed herein. Respondent has executed this settlement only after a careful reading of it and a full understanding of all its terms.
- 20. Respondent is fully aware of her rights to contest the charges pending against her. These rights include: representation by an attorney at her own expense, the right to a public hearing on any charges or allegations filed, the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses called to testify against her, the right to present evidence on her own behalf, the right to compulsory process to secure the attendance of such witnesses, the right to testify on her own behalf, the right to receive written findings of fact and conclusions of law supporting the decision of the merits of the complaint and the right to obtain judicial review of the Board's decision.
- 21. Respondent in exchange for the Board's acceptance of this settlement agreement is voluntarily waiving all of these rights in paragraph 20.

Release from Liability

22. In execution of this settlement agreement, Respondent for herself, her executors, successors and assigns, hereby releases and forever discharges the state of Nevada, the Board and the Nevada Attorney General and each of their members, agents and employees in their individual and representative capacities, from any and all manner of actions, causes of action, suits, debts, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever known and unknown, in law or equity, that Respondent ever had, now has, may have or claim to have against any or all of the persons or entities names in this paragraph arising out of or by reason of this investigation, this disciplinary action, this settlement or its administration.

Indemnification

23. Respondent, for herself, her heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, hereby indemnifies and holds harmless the State of Nevada, the BOARD, the Nevada Attorney General's office and each of their members, agents and employees in their

individual and representative capacities against any and all claims, suits, demands, actions, debts, damages, costs, charges, and expenses, including court costs and attorney's fees against any persons entities as well as all liability, losses, and damages of any nature whatsoever that the persons and entities named in this paragraph shall have or may at any time sustain or suffer by reason of this investigation, this disciplinary action, this settlement or its administration.

Acceptance by the Board

- 24. This settlement agreement will not be submitted for Board consideration until after it has been agreed to and executed by the Respondent. The settlement agreement shall not become effective until it has been approved by a majority of the Board and endorsed by a representative member of the Board.
- 25. It is hereby agreed between the parties that this settlement agreement shall be presented to the Board with a recommendation for approval at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.
- 26. Respondent understands that the Board is free to accept or reject this settlement agreement and, if rejected by the Board, a formal disciplinary hearing on the complaint against Respondent may be scheduled. The Board members who review this matter for approval of this settlement agreement may be the same members who ultimately hear the disciplinary complaint if this settlement agreement is not approved by the Board.
- 27. Respondent understands and agrees that Board staff and counsel for the Board will communicate directly with the adjudicating members of the Board during the meeting regarding this settlement agreement without participation by Respondent or her counsel should they chose to not appear at the meeting.
- 28. Respondent hereby agrees to waive any rights she/he might have to challenge the impartiality of the Board to hear the disciplinary complaint, based on prior knowledge obtained by the Board through consideration of this settlement agreement, if after review by the Board, this settlement agreement is rejected.
- 29. If the Board does not accept the settlement agreement, it shall be regarded as null and void. Admissions by Respondent in the settlement agreement will not be regarded as evidence against her at the subsequent disciplinary hearing. Respondent will be free to defend herself and no inferences against her will be made from her willingness to have entered into this agreement.

1	Complete Agreement
2	30. This settlement agreement consists of six pages and embodies the entire agreement
3	between the Board and Respondent. It may not be altered, amended or modified without
4 5	the express consent of the parties. Date: Date: Date:
6	By: Liqing Huang, NVMT.1883 By: Sandy Anderson, Executive Director
8	By: Calvin Tian REVADA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY Cal WY MY TA MY SESq.
9	PT LAW 2820 S. Jones Blvd, Unit 1 Las Vegas, NV 89146
11 12	calvin@ptlawlv.com Attorney for Liqing Huang
13	ORDER
14 15	So Ordered, the above Settlement Agreement is hereby accepted.
16	Dated this day of, 2022.
17 18	NEVADA STATE BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
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20	ELISABETH BARNARD, Chairperson
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