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

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In re:	<pre>§       Chapter 11</pre>
FRESH ACQUISITIONS, LLC, et al.,1	§ Case No. 21-30721 (SGJ)
Debtors.	§ (Jointly Administered)
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#### NOTICE OF REVISED PROPOSED ORDER **GRANTING DEBTORS' APPLICATION FOR ENTRY** OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF HILCO REAL ESTATE, LLC AS REAL ESTATE CONSULTANT, EFFECTIVE AS OF APRIL 21, 2021

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on May 21, 2021, the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") filed the Debtors' Application for Entry of an Order Authorizing the Employment of Hilco Real Estate, LLC as Real Estate Consultant, Effective as of

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*April 21, 2021* [Docket No. 177] (the "<u>Application</u>"). A proposed order granting the Motion was attached thereto as Exhibit A (the "<u>Original Proposed Order</u>").

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u> is a revised proposed *Order Granting Debtors' Application for Entry of an Order Authorizing the Employment of Hilco Real Estate, LLC as Real Estate Consultant, Effective as of April 21, 2021 (the "Revised Proposed Order").* 

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that attached hereto as **Exhibit B** is a redline of the Revised Proposed Order marked against the Original Proposed Order.

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Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of June, 2021.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on June 22nd, 2021, I caused a copy of the foregoing document to be served by the Electronic Case Filing System for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas.

/s/ Jason S. Brookner

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#### Exhibit A

**Revised Proposed Order** 

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# ORDER GRANTING DEBTORS' APPLICATION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF HILCO REAL ESTATE, LLC AS REAL ESTATE CONSULTANT, EFFECTIVE AS OF APRIL 21, 2021

Upon the application (the "<u>Application</u>")<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") for entry of an order (this "<u>Order</u>") (i) authorizing the retention and employment of Hilco Real Estate, LLC ("<u>Hilco</u>") and (ii) granting related relief; all

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as more fully set forth in the Application; and upon the Baker Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and this Court having found that it may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Application in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Application is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Application and opportunity for a hearing on the Application were appropriate and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Application and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Application is granted as set forth herein.
- 2. The Debtors are authorized to employ Hilco as their real estate consultant, effective as of April 21, 2021, under the terms and conditions set forth in the Engagement Agreements attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**, except as modified in this Order.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided herein, the terms of Hilco's employment and compensation as set forth in the Engagement Agreements, including the Fee and Expense Structure and the indemnification provisions, are approved pursuant to sections 327(a) and 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and Hilco shall be compensated, reimbursed, and indemnified pursuant to section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code in accordance with the terms of, and at the times specified

in, the Engagement Agreements, except as modified herein. For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the Debtors are authorized to pay the Initial Fees under the Engagement Agreements in the aggregate amount of \$30,000 upon entry of this Order, subject to paragraph 9 of this Order.

- 4. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, any order of this Court (including any order approving interim compensation procedures), or any other guideline regarding the submission and approval of fee applications, Hilco's professionals shall be excused from (a) submitting monthly fee statements and interim fee applications as set forth in Bankruptcy Rule 2016 and (b) maintaining time records in connection with the Services to be rendered pursuant to the Engagement Agreements.
- 5. Upon the earlier of the completion of its Services and the termination or expiration of the Engagement Agreements, Hilco shall file a final fee application with a summary of fees earned and expenses incurred along with a summary of the fees and expenses paid to date to obtain final approval of its fees and expenses.
- 6. In addition, Hilco may submit invoices to the Debtors, counsel to the Debtors, counsel to the Committee, counsel to any other statutory committee, and the U.S. Trustee, for the payment of compensation for professional services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with these chapter 11 cases in accordance with the terms of the Engagement Agreements when such compensation becomes due and owing and such expenses are incurred.
- 7. The Debtors, counsel to the Debtors, counsel to the Committee, any other statutory committee, and the U.S. Trustee shall have fifteen (15) days to review and dispute any such invoice submitted by Hilco, and if no such disputes are received, without any further order of the Court, the Debtors shall be authorized to pay the invoices in full in accordance with the terms of the

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- 8. The payment of all fees and reimbursement of expenses pursuant to the Engagement Agreements shall be free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances; *provided*, *however*, that such fees and reimbursements of expenses shall be subject to disgorgement in the event that the Court does not approve Hilco's final fee application.
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- 12. The relief granted herein shall be binding upon any chapter 11 trustee appointed in these chapter 11 cases, or upon any chapter 7 trustee appointed in the event of a subsequent conversion of these chapter 11 cases to cases under chapter 7.
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