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SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

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SUZANNE MIRZOYAN AND RAYMOND LEE, individually, and on behalf of all others similarly situated, and the general public,

Plaintiffs,

v.

THE HERSHEY COMPANY, a Delaware corporation; DOES 1–10 inclusive,

Defendants.

Case No. CGC-20-583659

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR ATTORNEY'S FEES, COSTS, AND SERVICE AWARDS

Plaintiffs Suzanne Mirzoyan and Raymond Lee (collectively, "Plaintiffs") and defendant the Hershey Company ("Hershey") have reached a settlement of the claims in this proceeding, which is set forth in the Settlement Agreement attached as Exhibit 1 to the Declaration of Ronald A. Marron in support of Plaintiffs' earlier motion for preliminary approval. The Court preliminarily approved the settlement on March 6, 2023. The Court now grants final approval of the settlement by separate concurrent order. Before the Court is Plaintiffs' unopposed motion for attorney's fees, costs, and service awards.

The motion came on for hearing on July 14, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. in Department 613, the Honorable Samuel K. Feng presiding. Lilach Halperin (Law Offices of Ronald Marron) appeared for Plaintiffs. Jane

Metcalf (Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP) appeared for Defendant. Having considered the initial and supplemental briefing, the pleadings on file, the Settlement Agreement, the oral arguments of counsel, and the supplemental declarations submitted by the class representatives, the Court GRANTS the motion as to fees, costs, and service awards.

- The Court awards Class Counsel attorney's fees in the amount of \$539,506.02. The Court 1. finds this amount, which includes fees from the Clark litigation, to be reasonable and fair under the circumstances. Counsels' efforts in Clark furthered Plaintiffs' cause in this proceeding and, thus, may be compensated as part of the settlement. (See, e.g., Ramon v. County of Santa Clara (2009) 173 Cal. App. 4th 915, 922–25; Wallace v. Consumers Coop. of Berkeley, Inc. (1985) 170 Cal. App. 3d 836, 841.) In making this award, the Court has considered Plaintiffs' success at summary judgment and class certification, the experience of counsel, the supplemental briefing breaking down the hours expended by category and timekeeper, and the billing records submitted for in camera inspection.
- The Court authorizes reimbursement of litigation costs and expenses in the amount of 2. \$160,493.98. The Court finds that these expenses, as itemized in the supplemental briefing, were reasonably incurred in the prosecution of this action and its related predecessor, the *Clark* action.
- 3. The Court awards a service award of \$7,500.00 to each representative plaintiff Suzanne Mirzoyan and Raymond Lee. These awards are reasonable and justified in light of their contributions to the case and the risks Plaintiffs undertook in serving as Named Plaintiffs. This award is separate from and in addition to any award to which Named Plaintiffs may be entitled to as a Settling Plaintiff. This award shall be paid from the Gross Settlement Amount subject to the terms, conditions, and obligations of the Settlement Agreement.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: August 2, 2023

Judge of the Superior Court

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CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC SERVICE

(CCP 1010.6(6) & CRC 2.251)

I, CLARK BANAYAD, a Deputy Clerk of the Superior Court of the County of San Francisco, certify that I am not a party to the within action.

On August 2, 2023, I electronically served the ATTACHED DOCUMENT(S) via File&ServeXpress on the recipients designated on the Transaction Receipt located on the File&ServeXpress website.

Dated: August 2, 2023

Brandon E. Riley, Clerk

By:

CLARK BANAYAB, Deputy Clerk