Hearing Date: September 17, 2013 SILVERMANACAMPORA LLP Counsel to Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq., Time: 9:30 a.m. Chapter 7 Trustee 100 Jericho Quadrangle, Suite 300 Objections Due: September 10, 2013 Jericho, New York 11753 Time: 5:00 p.m. (516) 479-6300 Jay S. Hellman, Esq. David J. Mahoney, Esq. UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK Chapter 7 In re: Case No.: 09-70660 (DTE) AGAPE WORLD, INC., Substantively Consolidated AGAPE MERCHANT ADVANCE LLC. AGAPE COMMUNITY LLC, AGAPE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LLC. AGAPE WORLD BRIDGES LLC, AND 114 PARKWAY DRIVE SOUTH LLC, Debtors. KENNETH P. SILVERMAN, ESQ., as Chapter 7 Trustee of Agape World, Inc., et al., Plaintiff, Adv. Pro. No.: 11-08408 (REG) -against-SHERWIN HEATH-RETEMYER,

NOTICE OF HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDER UNDER BANKRUPTCY RULE 9019(a) APPROVING A STIPULATION SETTLING THE TRUSTEE'S CLAIMS AGAINST SHERWIN HEATH-RETEMYER

Defendant.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that upon the application (the "Motion") of Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq., the chapter 7 trustee (the "Trustee") for the substantively consolidated estate of Agape World, Inc., et al., by his counsel, SilvermanAcampora LLP, the Trustee will move before the Honorable Robert E. Grossman, United States Bankruptcy Judge, at the United States Bankruptcy Court, Courtroom 860, Eastern District of New York at Central Islip, 290 Federal Plaza, Central Islip, New York 11722 on September 17, 2013 at 9:30 a.m., or as soon thereafter as counsel can be heard, for entry of an order granting the Trustee's Motion for an

Order Approving the Stipulation of Settlement. A copy of the proposed Order is annexed hereto.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that objections, if any, to the relief requested in the Motion or the proposed Order must be (i) made in writing; (ii) electronically filed with the Bankruptcy Court; (iii) delivered to Chambers of the Honorable Robert E. Grossman, United States Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of New York, Alfonse M. D'Amato Federal Courthouse, 290 Federal Plaza, Central Islip, New York 11722; (iv) mailed to SilvermanAcampora LLP, 100 Jericho Quadrangle, Suite 300, Jericho, New York 11753, Attn: David J. Mahoney, Esq.; and (v) mailed to the Office of the United States Trustee, 560 Federal Plaza, Central Islip, New York 11722, no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 10, 2013.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that the Hearing may be adjourned without further notice other than by announcement of such adjournment in open Court.

Dated: Jericho, New York August 15, 2013

SILVERMANACAMPORA LLP

Counsel to Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq., the

Chapter 7 Trustee

By: <u>s/ David J. Mahoney</u>

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TRUSTEE'S APPLICATION UNDER BANKRUPTCY RULE 9019(a) SEEKING THE ENTRY OF AN ORDER APPROVING A STIPULATION SETTLING THE TRUSTEE'S CLAIMS AGAINST SHERWIN HEATH-RETEMYER

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Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq., the chapter 7 trustee (the "Trustee") of the substantively consolidated estate of Agape World, Inc., *et al.*, by his attorneys SilvermanAcampora LLP, respectfully submits this application (the "Application") under 11 U.S.C. §105 and Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9019(a) for entry of an Order (annexed hereto as **Exhibit A**) approving the proposed settlement of the Trustee's claims under 11 U.S.C. §§105, 502, 544, 548, 550 and 551, New York Debtor and Creditor Law §§273, 274, 275, 276 and 276-a, and New York common law against Sherwin Heath-Retemeyer, as memorialized in the Stipulation Settling the

Trustee's Claims Against Sherwin Heath-Retemeyer (the "Stipulation"), which has been annexed hereto as **Exhibit B**. All parties are encouraged to review the annexed Stipulation in its entirety for the specific terms of the proposed settlement.

Background

- 1. On February 5, 2009 (the "Petition Date"), an involuntary chapter 7 petition was filed by four petitioning creditors ("the Petitioning Creditors") pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §303(b), against Agape World, Inc. ("AWI"), in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York.
- 2. On February 9, 2008, the Petitioning Creditors filed a motion to appoint an interim chapter 7 trustee under 11 U.S.C. §303(g).
- 3. On February 12, 2009, the Court granted the Petitioning Creditors' motion and entered an order directing the United States Trustee's Office to immediately appoint an interim chapter 7 trustee in the AWI case.
- 4. On February 12, 2009, Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq., was appointed the interim trustee in the AWI case, and has since duly qualified and is now the permanent Trustee in the Debtors' substantively consolidated case.
 - 5. On March 4, 2009, the Court issued an Order for relief in the AWI chapter 7 case.
- 6. On April 14, 2009, the Court issued an Order substantively consolidating AWI, Agape Merchant Advance LLC, Agape Community LLC, Agape Construction Management, LLC, Agape World Bridges LLC, and 114 Parkway Drive South LLC (collectively, "Agape" or the "Debtors").
- 7. Thereafter, pursuant to an Order of this Court dated April 21, 2009 (Dkt. No. 106), the Trustee retained Navigant Consulting Inc. ("Navigant") to, among other things, conduct a forensic analysis of Agape's books and records.
- 8. Based upon Navigant's analysis, the Trustee determined that Sherwin Heath-Retemeyer ("Defendant") received transfers exceeding his deposits into Agape totaling Sixty-Six

Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Nine and 52/100 (\$66,199.52) Dollars (the "Net Transfers") that were made by the Debtors to the Defendant and are avoidable pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§544, 548, 550 and 551, New York Debtor and Creditor Law §§273, 274, 275, 276 and 276-a, and New York common law.

- 9. On February 2, 2011, the Trustee commenced an adversary proceeding against the Defendant (the "Adversary Proceeding") by the filing and service of a summons and complaint under Adv. Pro. No. 11-08408 seeking to, *inter alia,* avoid the Net Transfers pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§544, 548, 550 and 551, New York Debtor and Creditor Law §§273, 274, 275, 276 and 276-a, and New York common law and to recover the Net Transfers from Defendant pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §550(a) (the "Trustee's Claims").
- 10. On March 7, 2011, Defendant filed a proof of claim ("Defendant's P.O.C."), claim number 5099, in the amount of Thirty-Five Thousand and 00/100 (\$35,000.00) Dollars against the Debtors.
- 11. Pursuant to this Court's Order, the parties attended a mediation session on July25, 2013 at the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York.
- 12. Defendant has offered to remit the total sum of Five Thousand and 00/100 (\$5,000.00) Dollars (the "Settlement Sum") to the Trustee and waive Defendant's P.O.C. (collectively, along with the Settlement Sum, the "Settlement Consideration") in full and final settlement of the Trustee's Claims.
- 13. For all of the reasons set forth herein, the Trustee submits that accepting Defendant's offer of the Settlement Consideration in full and final settlement of the Trustee's Claims is a reasonable exercise of the Trustee's business judgment and is in the best interests of the Debtors' estate.

Settlement

14. The Trustee has determined that settling this matter for the Settlement Consideration is the most economical and efficient way to realize a meaningful and beneficial

recovery for the benefit of creditors without the need to incur legal fees and risks inherent with the prosecution of the Trustee's Claims and any resulting judgment efforts.

- 15. After consultation with his retained professionals and in the exercise of his business judgment, the Trustee has determined that the Settlement Consideration outweighs the potential net recovery to the estate if the Trustee elected to prosecute the Trustee's Claims through trial and enforce a resulting judgment against the Defendant.
- 16. In light of the foregoing and mindful of the costs and risks of litigating the Trustee's Claims, the Trustee has agreed to accept the Settlement Consideration.

Basis for Relief Requested

- 17. Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9019(a), which governs the approval of compromises and settlement, provides:
 - (a) Compromise. On motion by the trustee and after notice and hearing, the court may approve a compromise or settlement. Notice shall be given to creditors, the United States trustee, the debtor, and indenture trustees as provided in Rule 2002 and to any other entity as the court may direct.
- 18. In approving a compromise and settlement, the Bankruptcy Court is required to make an "informed and independent judgment" as to whether the compromise and settlement is fair and equitable based on an:

[e]ducated estimate of the complexity, expense and likely duration of [any] litigation, the possible difficulties of collecting on any judgment which might be obtained, and all other factors relevant to a full and fair assessment of the wisdom of the proposed compromise. Basic to this process, in every instance, of course, is the need to compare the terms of the compromise with the likely rewards of litigation.

Protective Committee for Independent Stockholders of TMT Trailer Ferry, Inc. v. Anderson, 390 U.S. 414, 424-425, reh'g denied, 391 U.S. 909 (1968). See American Can Co. v. Herpel (In re Jackson Brewing Co.), 624 F.2d 605, 607 (5th Cir. 1980); Chopin Assoc. v. Smith (In re Holywell Corp.), 93 B.R. 291, 294 (Bankr. S.D. Fla. 1988); In re Arrow Air, Inc., 85 B.R. 886, 891 (Bankr. S.D. Fla. 1988); In re Bell & Beckwith, 77 B.R. 628, 611 (Bankr. N.D. Ohio), aff'd, 87 B.R. 472 (N.D. Ohio 1987); Cf. Magill v. Springfield Marine Bank (In re Heissinger Resources

Ltd.), 67 B.R. 378, 383 (C.D. III. 1986) ("the law favors compromise").

- In making its determination, the Court should consider whether the proposed 19. compromise is in the "best interest of the estate". Depo v. Chase Lincoln First Bank, N.A. (In re Depo), 77 B.R. 381, 383 (N.D.N.Y. 1987), aff'd, 863 F.2d 45 (2d Cir. 1988). As stated in Arrow Air, the "approval of [a] proposed compromise and settlement is a matter of this Court's sound discretion." Arrow Air, 85 B.R. at 891. In passing upon a proposed settlement, "the bankruptcy court does not substitute its judgment for that of the Trustee [or debtor in possession]." Depo, 77 B.R. at 384 (citations omitted). The bankruptcy court is not required "to decide the numerous questions of law and fact raised by [objectors].... [R]ather [the Court should] canvass the issues and see whether the settlement falls below the lowest point in the range of reasonableness." Cosoff v. Rodman (In re W.T. Grant Co.), 699 F.2d 599, 608 (2d Cir.), cert denied, 464 U.S. 822 (1983) (quoting Newman v. Stein, 464 F.2d 689, 693 (2d Cir.), cert denied, 409 U.S. 1039 (1972). See Holywell 93 B.R. at 294. ("In order to exercise this discretion properly, the Court must consider all the relevant facts and evaluate whether the compromise suggested falls below the 'lowest point in the range of reasonableness'") (quoting In re Teltronics Services, Inc., 762 F.2d. 185, 189 (2d Cir. 1985). In passing upon the reasonableness of a proposed compromise, the Court "may give weight to the opinions of the Trustee [or debtor in possession], the parties and their counsel." Bell & Beckwith, 77 B.R. at 512.
- 20. The factors to be considered by the Court in determining whether to approve a compromise or settlement include (a) probability of success in the litigation, with due consideration for the uncertainty in fact and law, (b) the complexity and likely duration of the litigation and any attendant expense, inconvenience and delay, and (c) all other factors bearing on the wisdom of the compromise. *Arrow Air*, 85 B.R. at 891 (*citing TMT Trailer Ferry*, 390 U.S. at 424-25). *See Jackson Brewing Co.*, 624 F.2d at 507; *Holywell Corp.*, 93 B.R. at 294-95 (citations omitted).

- 21. By offering the Settlement Consideration, Defendant has offered to voluntarily return a significant portion of the Net Transfers and will be conferring a net benefit on the Debtors' estate. Defendant has also provided the Trustee with certified financial information demonstrating an inability of the Defendant to remit to the Trustee payment in an amount greater than the Settlement Sum.
- 22. The Trustee submits that considering the costs and uncertainties associated with trial and judgment enforcement, and the amount of the Trustee's demand, it is unlikely that further litigation would result in a "net benefit" to the Debtors' estate in excess of the Settlement Consideration. In the sound business judgment of the Trustee, the proposed settlement is both appropriate and warranted. The Trustee believes that the settlement is fair and equitable and in the best interest of the estate.

Notice

- 23. The Trustee has served the Notice of Hearing, proposed Order, and Motion in support with Exhibit upon: (i) the Office of the United States Trustee; (ii) Nicholas Cosmo, former principal of the Debtors, (iii) Defendant, (iv) the appropriate taxing authorities, and (v) all parties having filed a Notice of Appearance in this case, and copies have been posted on the Trustee's website located at www.agapeworldbankruptcy.com. The Trustee respectfully submits that the proposed service complies with this Court's Order Establishing Noticing Procedures entered on July 8, 2009 and is otherwise sufficient.
- 24. No previous application for the relief requested herein has been made to this or any other Court.

WHEREFORE, the Trustee respectfully requests that this Court grant this Application authorizing and approving the Stipulation and grant such other further and different relief as this Court deems just and proper.

Dated: Jericho, New York August 15, 2013

SILVERMANACAMPORA LLP

Attorneys for Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq.,

the chapter 7 trustee

By: s/ David J. Mahoney

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EXHIBIT A

EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
In re:	Chapter 7 Case No.: 09-70660 (DTE)
AGAPE WORLD, INC., AGAPE MERCHANT ADVANCE LLC, AGAPE COMMUNITY LLC, AGAPE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LLC, AGAPE WORLD BRIDGES LLC, AND 114 PARKWAY DRIVE SOUTH LLC,	Substantively Consolidated
Debtors.	
KENNETH P. SILVERMAN, ESQ., as Chapter 7 Trustee of Agape World, Inc., <i>et al.</i> ,	
Plaintiff,	Adv. Pro. No.: 11-08408 (REG)
-against-	Adv. F10. No.: 11-00400 (NEG)
SHERWIN HEATH-RETEMYER,	
Defendant.	

ORDER UNDER BANKRUPTCY RULE 9019(a) APPROVING A STIPULATION SETTLING THE TRUSTEE'S CLAIMS AGAINST SHERWIN HEATH-RETEMYER

Upon the Notice of Hearing (the "Notice"), dated August 15, 2013, and related application (collectively, the "Application") of Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq., the chapter 7 trustee (the "Trustee") of the substantively consolidated estate of Agape World, Inc., *et al.*, by his counsel, SilvermanAcampora LLP, seeking the entry of an Order approving a Stipulation (the "Stipulation") Settling the Trustee's Claims Against Sherwin Heath-Retemyer (the "Defendant"); and upon the Affidavit of Service filed with the Court; and no objections to the Application or the proposed Order having been filed; and the Court having found that the settlement of the Trustee's claims pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§105, 502, 544, 548, 550 and 551, New York Debtor and Creditor Law §§273, 274, 275, 276 and 276-a, and New York common law against Defendant to be fair, reasonable and in the best interest of the Debtors' estate; and sufficient cause having been shown therefor; and after due deliberation and consideration having been

had; and it appearing that sufficient notice of the Application and proposed Order has been given; and it appearing that good and sufficient cause exists for granting the Application and proposed Order; and no additional notice being necessary or required.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon the Notice and Application of the Trustee and pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 9019(a) and other applicable law, it is hereby

ORDERED, that service of the Notice and Application and proposed Order, having been provided to: (i) the Office of the United States Trustee; (ii) Nicholas Cosmo, former principal of the Debtors, (iii) Defendant, (iv) the appropriate taxing authorities, and (v) all parties having filed a Notice of Appearance in this case, and copies have been posted on the Trustee's website located at www.agapeworldbankruptcy.com complies with this Court's Order Establishing Noticing Procedures entered on July 8, 2009 and is otherwise sufficient; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Application is granted, and it is further

ORDERED, that the settlement of the Trustee's Claims against Defendant as memorialized in the Stipulation is approved; and it is further

ORDERED, that the Trustee be, and hereby is authorized and directed to take such steps, execute such documents and expend such funds as may be reasonably necessary to effectuate and implement the terms and conditions of this Order.

SO ORDERED:

EXHIBIT B

EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
In re:	Chapter 7 Case No.: 09-70660 (DTE)
AGAPE WORLD, INC., AGAPE MERCHANT ADVANCE LLC, AGAPE COMMUNITY LLC, AGAPE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LLC, AGAPE WORLD BRIDGES LLC, AND 114 PARKWAY DRIVE SOUTH LLC,	Substantively Consolidated
Debtors.	
KENNETH P. SILVERMAN, ESQ., as Chapter 7 Trustee of Agape World, Inc., et al.,	
Plaintiff,	Adv. Pro. No : 11 08408 (PEC)
-against-	Adv. Pro. No.: 11-08408 (REG)
SHERWIN HEATH-RETEMYER,	
Defendant.	

STIPULATION AND ORDER (I) SETTLING THE TRUSTEE'S CLAIMS; AND (II) DIRECTING THE CLERK OF THE COURT TO CLOSE THE ADVERSARY PROCEEDING

- I. On February 5, 2009 (the "Filing Date"), an involuntary chapter 7 petition was filed by four petitioning creditors (the "Petitioning Creditors") pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §303(b), against Agape World, Inc. ("AWI"), in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York.
- II. On February 9, 2009, the Petitioning Creditors filed a motion to appoint an interim chapter 7 trustee under 11 U.S.C. §303(g).
- III. On February 12, 2009, the Court granted the Petitioning Creditors' motion and entered an order directing the United States Trustee's Office to immediately appoint an interim chapter 7 trustee in the AWI case.

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- VII. The Trustee and his counsel have investigated the Debtor's financial affairs, including a detailed analysis of the extent and validity of certain transfers made to Sherwin Heath-Retemyer ("Defendant").
- VIII. Thereafter, the Trustee commenced this adversary proceeding against Defendant by filing a complaint asserting that certain transfers totaling \$66,199.52 (the "Net Transfers") made to Defendant are avoidable and recoverable pursuant to Bankruptcy Code §§105, 541, 544, 548, 550 and New York Debtor and Creditor Law §§ 273, 274, 275, 276 ("The Trustee's Claims").
 - IX. Thereafter, Defendant retained counsel to defend against the Trustee's Claims.
- X. Pursuant to this Court's Order, the parties attended a mediation session on July 25, 2013 at the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Eastern District of New York.
- XI. In the spirit of compromise and without any admission of liability, Defendant has offered to pay \$5,000.00 (the "Settlement Sum") to the Trustee in full and final settlement of the Trustee's Claims.
- XII. Based upon the his review of all documentation related to the Net Transfers and his investigation of all attendant factors, the Trustee has, in his business judgment, agreed to settle the Trustee's Claims upon the following terms and conditions, which the Trustee believes are fair and reasonable, especially in light of the costs and uncertainty associated with litigation.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and among the parties hereto, that the Trustee's Claims are resolved upon the terms and conditions set forth herein as follows:

Defendant's Obligation to Pay the Settlement Sum

- 1. Upon this stipulation (the "Stipulation") being "So Ordered" by the Court (the "Approval Order"), this adversary proceeding will be closed [without prejudice to the Trustee's right to re-open if Defendant defaults in making any installment payment.]
- 2. The Trustee has authorized Defendant to pay the Settlement Sum in (10) installments as set forth as follows:

Payment Number	Due Date	Amount Due
1	Aug 15, 2013	\$500.00
2	Sept 15, 2013	\$500.00
3	Oct 15, 2013	\$500.00
4	Nov 15, 2013	\$500.00
5	Dec 15, 2013	\$500.00
6	Jan 15, 2014	\$500.00
7	Feb 15, 2014	\$500.00
8	March 15, 2014	\$500.00
9	April 15, 2014	\$500.00
10	May 15, 2014	\$500.00
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- 3. All installments shall be payable to "Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq., as Chapter 7 Trustee."
 - 4. All installments shall be mailed to the Trustee's counsel at:

SilvermanAcampora LLP 100 Jericho Quadrangle, Suite 300 Jericho, New York, 11753 Attention: Christopher Rubino, Esq.

- 5. As additional consideration for settling the Trustee's Claims, Defendant agrees to waive Claim No. 5099. A copy of the Claim Waiver is attached as **Exhibit A**.
- 6. Nothing contained herein shall preclude or penalize Defendant from pre-paying any installment or portion of any installment at any time.
- 7. If Defendant fails to timely pay any installment of the Settlement Sum in accordance with paragraph 2, above, or if Defendant's payment is dishonored for any reason whatsoever and Defendant does not cure such default within five business days after written notice sent by Federal Express or other reputable overnight courier to Defendant and Defendant's counsel at the addresses set forth herein, then the Trustee is entitled to move before the Bankruptcy Court, without further notice and upon the Trustee's affidavit attesting to the default (a) for the entry of a judgment against Defendant for \$56,199.52, plus costs, (less any sums previously paid as provided herein), and (b) for any further relief necessary to enforce his rights under this Stipulation.
- 8. Written notice of default shall be sent by Federal Express or other reputable overnight courier to:

Defendant at:	1070 East 99 th Street
	Brooklyn, NY 11236

Defendant's attorney at:	
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- 9. Any portion of the Settlement Sum received prior to the Approval Order's entry shall be held in the Trustee's segregated "Earnest Money" account until the Approval Order becomes final and non-appealable under 28 U.S.C. §158(c)(2) and Bankruptcy Rule 8002.
- 10. Upon the Approval Order becoming final and non-appealable, (which is the 14th day after the Approval Order's entry), the Trustee's counsel will transfer all portions of the Settlement Sum being held in the segregated "Earnest Money" account to the Trustee's estate account. If the Court declines to enter the Approval Order, the Trustee shall return any portion of the Settlement Sum being held in the segregated "Earnest Money" Account, without interest, to Defendant's counsel without undue delay.
- 11. If the Court declines to enter the Approval Order, this Stipulation will be null and void and nothing contained herein can be used as evidence by either party.

Releases

- 12. Upon the Approval Order becoming final and non-appealable, and the Trustee's receipt and clearance of each installment of the Settlement Sum, the Trustee and the estate release and forever discharge Defendant from any and all claims, claims for relief, demands, costs, expenses, damages, liabilities, and obligations of any nature arising out of or relating to the Trustee's Claims. For purposes of clarification, nothing contained herein shall be construed to be a release by the Trustee of any claims that the Trustee may have or subsequently discover under 11 U.S.C. §550(a)(2) and the Trustee is specifically not releasing any claims under 11 U.S.C. §550(a)(2).
- 13. Upon the Approval Order becoming final and non-appealable, Defendant releases, discharges, and waives any and all claims against the Debtor's estate, the Trustee and the Trustee's agents, attorneys, assigns and successors-in-interest from any and all claims,

proofs of claim, claims for relief, demands, costs, expenses, damages, liabilities, and obligations of any nature.

No Admission

14. It is understood and agreed that this Stipulation is entered into to avoid costly and protracted litigation. Neither the execution of this Stipulation, nor the payment of the Settlement Sum shall be construed as an admission on Defendant's part. For clarification, this paragraph is not intended and shall not be deemed to affect Defendant's obligation to make timely payment of the Settlement Sum or adversely affect the Trustee's rights and remedies if Defendant fails to make timely payment of the Settlement Sum.

Miscellaneous

- 15. This Stipulation may be executed in one or more counterparts, with each part being deemed a part of the original document, and facsimile or other electronic signatures shall be deemed an original signature.
- 16. The person executing this Stipulation on behalf of each respective party warrants and represents that she or he is authorized and empowered to execute and deliver this Stipulation on behalf of such party.
- 17. This Stipulation may not be altered, modified, or changed unless in writing, signed by the parties or their counsel.
- 18. The Bankruptcy Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Stipulation, including but not limited to its enforcement and the implementation and interpretation of its terms and conditions.
- 19. This Stipulation shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, except with respect to matters as to which federal law is applicable without regard to any conflicts of law principles.
- 20. The Trustee and Defendant are each responsible for their own costs and attorneys' fees incurred in connection with this proceeding.

21. Upon the entry of this Stipulation as an Approval Order in this proceeding, the Clerk of the Court is directed to close this adversary proceeding.

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Dated: Central Islip, July, 2013		SILVERMANACAMPORA LLP Attorneys for Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq., The Chapter 7 Trustee s/David J. Mahoney
	• •	David J. Mahoney, Esq. Counsel to the Firm 100 Jericho Quadrangle, Suite 300 Jericho, New York 11753 (516) 479-6300
Dated: Central Islip, I July, 2013	New York	Attorneys for Defendant
	By: Print Attorney's Name: Print Firm Name: Print Firm's Address:	(Defendant's attorney's signature)
Dated: Central Islip, I July, 2013	New York	Defendant:
	Print Defendant's Name: Print Defendant's Address:	s/Sherwin Heath-Retemyer (defendant's signature) Sherwin Heath- Retemyer 1070 East 99 th Street Brooklyn, NY 11236
SO ORDERED:		

SG/1353686.1/056601

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
In re:	Chapter 7 Case No.: 09-70660 (DTE)
AGAPE WORLD, INC., AGAPE MERCHANT ADVANCE LLC,	Substantively Consolidated
AGAPE COMMUNITY LLC, AGAPE	
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LLC, AGAPE WORLD BRIDGES LLC, AND	
114 PARKWAY DRIVE SOUTH LLC,	
Debtors.	
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NOTICE OF WAIVER AND WITHDRAWAL WITH PREJUDICE OF CLAIM NUMBER 5099, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$35,000.00 FILED BY SHERWIN HEATH-RETEMYER

Sherwin Heath-Retemyer hereby waives and withdraws, with prejudice, Claim Number 5099, filed on March 7, 2009, in the amount of \$35,000.00 and any subsequent amendments thereto. SilvermanAcampora LLP, counsel to Kenneth P. Silverman, Esq., the Chapter 7 Trustee of the substantively consolidated cases of Agape World, Inc., et al., is authorized to file this Notice with the Bankruptcy Court to effect the withdrawal of Claim number 5099 with prejudice. A copy of Claim number 5099 is attached hereto.

Dated: July 25, 2013

By: s/Sherwin Heath-Retemyer

Claimant

Claimant's Address: Sherwin Heath-Retemyer 1070 East 99th Street Claimant's Phone No.:

Brooklyn, NY 11236







UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	PROOF OF CLAIM , CHAPTER 7	
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROOF OF CLAIM FORM

The instructions and definitions below are general explanations of the law. In certain circumstances, such as bankruptcy cases not filed voluntarily by the debtor, there may be exceptions to these general rules

PLEASE SEND YOUR ORIGINAL, COMPLETED CLAIM FORM AS FOLLOWS IF BY MAIL AGAPE WORLD, INC. BANKRUPTCY ADMINISTRATION, C/O THE GARDEN CITY GROUP, INC., PO BOX 9358, DUBLIN OH 43017-4258 BY HAND OR OVERNIGHT COURIER AGAPE WORLD INC BANKRUPTCY ADMINISTRATION, C/O THE GARDEN CITY GROUP, INC 5151 BLAZER PARKWAY, SUITE A. DUBLIN OH 43017

ALL CLAIMS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE JUNE 18, 2009 AT 5 00 PM (PREVAILING EASTERN TIME)

Any proof of claim submitted by facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted

Court, Name of Debtor, and Case Number

Fill in the federal judicial district where the bankruptcy case was filed (District of New York), the bankruptcy debtor's name, and the bankruptcy case number If the creditor received a notice of the case from the bankruptcy court, all of this information is located at the top of the notice

Creditor's Name and Address

Fill in the name of the person or entity asserting a claim and the name and address of the person who should receive notices issued during the bankruptcy case. A separate space is provided for the payment address if it differs from the notice address The creditor has a continuing obligation to keep the court informed of its current address. See Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)

1 Amount of Claim as of Date Case Filed

State the total amount owed to the creditor on the date of the Bankruptcy filing Follow the instructions concerning whether to complete items 4 and 5 Check the box if interest or other charges are included in the claim

2 Basis for Claim

State the type of debt or how it was incurred. Examples include goods sold, money loaned, services performed, personal injury/wrongful death-car loan, mortgage note, and credit card. If the claim is based on the delivery of health care goods or services, limit the disclosure of the goods or services so as to avoid embarrassment or the disclosure of confidential health care information. You may be required to provide additional disclosure if the trustee or another party in interest files an objection to your claim

Last Four Digits of Any Number by Which Creditor Identifies Debtor State only the last four digits of the debtor's account or other number used by the creditor to identify the debtor

3a Debtor May Have Scheduled Account As

Use this space to report a change in the creditor's name, a transferred claim or any other information that clarifies a difference between this proof of claim and the claim as scheduled by the debtor

4 Secured Claim

Check the appropriate box and provide the requested information if the claim is fully or partially secured. Skip this section if the claim is entirely unsecured (See DLFINITIONS, below) State the type and the value of properly that secures the claim, attach copies of hen documentation, and state annual interest rate and the amount past due on the claim as of the date of the bankruptcy filing

Amount of Claim Entitled to Priority Under II U S C §507(a) If any portion of your claim falls in one or more of the listed categories, check the appropriate box(cs) and state the amount entitled to priority (See DETINITIONS, below) A claim may be partly priority and partly non priority. For example, in some of the categories, the law limits the amount entitled to priority. If you have a Section 503(b)(9) claim (see DEFINITIONS below), check the appropriate box

An authorized signature on this proof of claim serves as an acknowledgment that when calculating the amount of the claim, the creditor gave the debtor credit for any payments received toward the debt

Documents

Attach to this proof of claim form redacted copies documenting the existence of the debt and of any lien securing the debt. You may also attach a summary. You must also attach copies of documents that evidence perfection of any security interest You may also attach a summary FRBP 3001(c) and (d) If the claim is based on the delivery of health care goods or services, see instruction 2. Do not send original documents as attachments may be destroyed after scanning

Date and Signature

The person filing this proof of claim must sign and date it FRBP 9011. If the claim is filed electronically, FRBP 5005(a)(2), authorizes courts to establish local rules specifying what constitutes a signature. Print the name and title if any of the creditor or other person authorized to file this claim. State the filer's address and telephone number if it differs from the address given on the top of the form for purposes of receiving notices. Attach a complete copy of any power of attorney. Criminal penalties apply for making a false statement on a proof of claim

DEFINITIONS

A debtor is the person, corporation, or other entity that has filed a bankruptcy case The Debtor in this Chapter 7 case is

Agape World Inc.

09-70660 (DTE)

Creditor

A creditor is the person, corporation, or other entity owed a debt by the debtor on the date of the bankruptev

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A claim is the creditor s right to receive payment on a debt owed by the debtor that arose on the date of the bankruptcy filing See 11 USC §101 (5) A claim may be secured or unsecured

Proof of Claim

A proof of claim is a form used by the creditor to indicate the amount of the debt owed by the debtor on the date of the bankruptcy filing. The creditor must file the form with the clerk of the same bankruptcy court in which the bankruptcy case was filed

Secured Claim Under 11 U S C §506(a)

A secured claim is one backed by a lien on property of the debtor. The claim is secured so long as the creditor. has the right to be paid from the property prior to other creditors. The amount of the secured claim cannot exceed the value of the property. Any amount owed to the creditor in excess of the value of the property is an unsecured claim. Examples of liens on property include a mortgage on real estate or a security interest in a car. A hen may be voluntarily granted by a debtor or may be obtained through a court proceeding. In some states, a court judgment is a lien. A claim also may be secured if the creditor owes the debtor money (has a right to

Section 503(b)(9) Claim

A Section 503(b)(9) claim is a claim for the value of any goods received by the debtor within 20 days before the date of commencement of a bankruptcy case in which the goods have been sold to the debtor in the ordinary course of such debtor s business.

Unsecured Claim

An unsecured claim is one that does not meet the requirements of a secured claim. A claim may be partly unsecured if the amount of the claim exceeds the value of the property on which the creditor has a lien

Claim Entitled to Priority Under H U S C §507(a) Priority claims are certain categories of unsecured claims that are paid from the available money or property in a bankruptcy case before other unsecured claims

Redacted

A document has been redacted when the person filing it has masked, edited out, or otherwise deleted, certain information. A creditor should reduct and use only the last four digits of any social-security, individual's tax-identification, or financial-account number, all but the initials of a minor's name and only the year of any person's date of birth

Evidence of Perfection

I vidence of perfection may include a mortgage, lien, certificate of title, financing statement, or other document showing that the lien has been filed or recorded

INFORMATION

Acknowledgment of Filing of Claim

To receive acknowledgment of your filing, please provide a stamped self-addressed envelope and a copy of this proof of claim when you file the original claim

Offers to Purchase a Claim

Certain entities are in the business of purchasing claims for an amount less than the fact value of the claims One or more of these entities may contact the creditor and offer to purchase the claim. Some of the written communications from these entities may easily be confused with official court documentation or communications from the debtor. These entities do not represent the bankruptcy court or the debtor. The creditor has no obligation to sell its claim. However, if the creditor decides to sell its claim, any transfer of such claim is subject to FRBP 3001(e), any applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code (11 USC § 101 et seq), and any applicable orders of the bankruptcy court