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| 17 | Plaintiff, vs. | [PRØPØSED] FINAL JUDGMENT AS TO DEFENDANT BRUCE E. |
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| 21 | Defendant. | |
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The Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") having filed a Complaint and Defendant Bruce E. Karatz ("Karatz") having entered a general appearance; consented to the Court's jurisdiction over Karatz and the subject matter of this action; consented to entry of this Final Judgment without admitting or denying the allegations of the Complaint (except as to jurisdiction); waived findings of fact and conclusions of law; and waived any right to appeal from this Final Judgment:

I.

and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), 15 U.S.C. § 78j(b), and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder, 17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5, by using any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce, or of the mails, or of any facility of any national securities exchange, in connection with the purchase or sale of any security:

- (a) to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud;
- (b) to make any untrue statement of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or
- (c) to engage in any act, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon any person.

II.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by

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personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating Section 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act"), 15 U.S.C. § 77q(a), in the offer or sale of any security by the use of any means or instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce or by use of the mails, directly or indirectly:

- (a) to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud;
- (b) to obtain money or property by means of any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or
- (c) to engage in any transaction, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon the purchaser.

III.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating Exchange Act Rule 13a-14, 17 C.F.R. § 240.13a-14, directly or indirectly, by falsely signing personal certifications indicating that he has reviewed periodic reports containing financial statements which an issuer filed with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78m(a), and that, based on his knowledge,

(a) these reports do not contain any untrue statement of material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by the report; and

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(b) that information contained in these reports fairly present, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of the issuer's operations.

IV.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from aiding and abetting any violation of Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78m(a), and Rules 12b-20, 13a-1, and 13a-13 thereunder, 17 C.F.R. §§ 240.12b-20, 240.13a-1, and 240.13a-13, by knowingly providing substantial assistance to an issuer which has a class of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78*l*, that files quarterly and annual reports with the Commission on Forms 10-Q and Forms 10-K that fail to contain material information necessary to make the required statements in the Forms 10-Q and Forms 10-K, in light of the circumstances under which they are made, not misleading.

V.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from aiding and abetting any violation of Section 13(b)(2)(A) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78m(b)(2)(A), by knowingly providing substantial assistance to an issuer which has a class of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78l, or that is required to file reports pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78o(d), in failing to make and keep books, records, and

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accounts, which, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and disposition of the assets of the issuer.

VI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from aiding and abetting any violation of Section 13(b)(2)(B) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78m(b)(2)(B), by knowingly providing substantial assistance to an issuer which has a class of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 781, or that is required to file reports pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 780(d), in failing to devise and maintain a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary (a) to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles or any other criteria applicable to such statements, and (b) to maintain accountability for assets; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences.

VII.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating Rule 13b2-1 of the Exchange Act, 17 C.F.R. § 240.13b2-1, by, directly or

indirectly, falsifying or causing to be falsified, any book, record or account subject to Section 13(b)(2)(A) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78m(b)(2)(A).

VIII.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78n(a), and Rule 14a-9 promulgated thereunder, 17 C.F.R. § 240.14a-9, by using the mails or by any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce or of any facility of a national securities exchange to solicit by means of any proxy statement, form of proxy, notice of meeting or other communication, written or oral, containing any statement which, at the time and in the light of the circumstances under which it is made, is false or misleading with respect to any material fact, or which omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein not false or misleading or necessary to correct any statement in any earlier communications with respect to the solicitation of a proxy for the same meeting or subject matter which has become false or misleading.

IX.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78p(a), and Rule 16a-3 thereunder, 17 C.F.R. § 240.16a-3, by failing to timely file required statements with the Commission regarding changes in beneficial ownership of an issuer's stock.

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X.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz is liable for disgorgement of \$6,183,390.50, representing profits gained as a result of the conduct alleged in the Complaint, together with prejudgment interest thereon in the amount of \$531,428.77, for a total of \$6,714,819.27 (the "Disgorgement Amount"). Karatz shall make this payment within ten (10) business days after entry of this Final Judgment by certified check, bank cashier's check, or United States postal money order payable to KB Home, Inc. A copy of the cover letter and money order or check shall be sent to Finola H. Manvelian, Assistant Regional Director, Los Angeles Regional Office, United States Securities and Exchange Commission, 5670 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 11, Los Angeles, California 90036. Karatz shall pay post-judgment interest on any delinquent amounts pursuant to 28 USC § 1961.

If Karatz fails to make the payment under this Final Judgment, the payment including post-judgment interest, shall become due and payable to the Securities and Exchange Commission immediately without further application to the Court. Karatz shall satisfy this obligation by paying the Disgorgement Amount within ten (10) business days after entry of this Final Judgment by certified check, bank cashier's check, or United States postal money order payable to the Securities and Exchange Commission. The payment shall be delivered or mailed to the Office of Financial Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, Operations Center, 6432 General Green Way, Mail Stop 0-3, Alexandria, Virginia 22312, and shall be accompanied by a letter identifying Bruce E. Karatz as a defendant in this action; setting forth the title and civil action number of this action and the name of this Court; and specifying that payment is made pursuant to this Final Judgment. Karatz shall simultaneously transmit photocopies of such payment to the attention of Finola H. Manvelian, Assistant Regional Director, Los Angeles Regional Office, United States Securities and Exchange Commission, 5670 Wilshire

Boulevard, Suite 11, Los Angeles, California 90036. Karatz shall pay post-judgment interest on any delinquent amounts pursuant to 28 USC § 1961. The Commission shall remit the funds paid pursuant to this paragraph to the United States Treasury.

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XI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Karatz shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$480,000 pursuant to Section 20(d) of the Securities Act, 15 U.S.C. § 77t(d), and Section 21(d)(3) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(3). Karatz shall make this payment within ten (10) business days after entry of this Final Judgment by certified check, bank cashier's check, or United States postal money order payable to the Securities and Exchange Commission. The payment shall be delivered or mailed to the Office of Financial Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, Operations Center, 6432 General Green Way, Mail Stop 0-3, Alexandria, Virginia 22312, and shall be accompanied by a letter identifying Bruce E. Karatz as a defendant in this action; setting forth the title and civil action number of this action and the name of this Court; and specifying that payment is made pursuant to this Final Judgment. A copy of the cover letter and money order or check shall be sent to Finola H. Manyelian, Assistant Regional Director, Los Angeles Regional Office, United States Securities and Exchange Commission, 5670 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 11, Los Angeles, California 90036. Karatz shall pay post-judgment interest on any delinquent amounts pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961. The Commission shall remit the funds paid pursuant to this paragraph to the United States Treasury.

XII.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, pursuant to Section 21(d)(2) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(2), and Section 20(e) of the Securities Act, 15 U.S.C. § 77t(e), Karatz is prohibited, for 5 years following the date of entry of this Final Judgment, from acting as an officer or director of any

issuer that has a class of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 781, or that is required to file reports pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act, 15 U.S.C. § 78o(d). XIII. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Consent is incorporated herein with the same force and effect as if fully set forth herein, and that Karatz shall comply with all of the undertakings and agreements set forth therein. XIV. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter for the purposes of enforcing the terms of this Final Judgment. UNITED STATE