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THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA **COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO**

IN RE: EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLETE COURT-ORDERED MEDIATION IN UNLIMITED CIVIL **CASES**

GENERAL ORDER OF THE PRESIDING DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 052920-58

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Governor of California declared a state of emergency in this state. The President of the United States has also declared a national emergency. In response to the pandemic, the Court has been closed to the public and has suspended its services, except for certain time-sensitive and essential functions. (See General Orders of the Presiding Department, Ord. Nos. 031820-34, 040320-39, 043020-47.) All matters not deemed time-sensitive and essential that were scheduled on and between March 17, 2020, and May 22, 2020, have been continued and are in the process of being reset. (Id.) In addition, all days on and between March 17, 2020, and May 22, 2020, have been deemed holidays for purposes of computing time for filing papers under Code of Civil Procedure §§ 12 and 12a. (Id.)

For good cause, and pursuant to the Court's inherent supervisory and administrative authority, and the Presiding Judge's duty to take into account the needs of the public and Court as they relate to the efficient and effective management of the Court (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 10.603), the Court HEREBY FINDS AND ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

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1. All deadlines to complete court-ordered mediation in unlimited civil cases which expired on or between March 17, 2020, and May 22, 2020, inclusive, are extended 90 days from May 26, 2020, to August 24, 2020.

THIS ORDER IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY AND WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT UNTIL OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE PRESIDING JUDGE.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: May 29, 2020

HON. LORNA A. ALKSNE PRESIDING JUDGE