#### SETTLEMENT AND RELEASE AGREEMENT

# 1. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

# 1.1. Keep America Safe and Beautiful and BetterBody Foods & Nutrition LLC:

This Settlement Agreement is entered into by and between Keep America Safe and Beautiful ("KASB"), represented by its attorneys KJT Law Group, LLP on the one hand, and BetterBody Foods & Nutrition LLC ("BBFN"), on the other hand, with KASB and BBFN collectively referred to as the "Parties."

# 1.2. General Allegations

KASB alleges that BBFN manufactured, distributed, and offered for sale in the State of California products, containing lead and that such sales have not included warnings pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act of 1986, California Health & Safety Code sections 25249.6 et seq. ("Proposition 65"). California has identified and listed lead under Proposition 65 as a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer, birth defects or other reproductive harm. As further stated below, BBFN denies KASB's allegations.

# 1.3. Product Description

The product covered by this Settlement Agreement is defined as "Better Body Foods – Organic Antioxidant Fruit and Fiber – Plant Protein Powder with Turmeric & Probiotic Fiber – UPC #: 8 56260 00655 5" that BBFN has sold, offered for sale, manufactured, or distributed in California. All such items shall be referred to herein as the "Covered Product."

# 1.4. Notice of Violation

On June 14, 2022, Keep America Safe and Beautiful served BBFN and the requisite public enforcement agencies eligible to initiate Proposition 65 actions on behalf of the People of the State of California with documents entitled "60-Day Notice of Violation" ("Notice") that

directly selling in the State of California, any Covered Product that expose a person to a "Daily Lead Exposure Level" of more than 0.5 micrograms of lead per day, unless it meets the warning requirements under Section 2.2.

As used in this Settlement Agreement, the term "Distributing into the State of California" shall mean to directly ship a Covered Product into California for sale in California or to sell a Covered Product to a distributor that BBFN knows or has reason to know will sell the Covered Product in California. The injunctive relief in Section 2 does not apply to any Covered Product that has left the possession, and is no longer under the control of BBFN prior to the Effective Date and all claims as to such Covered Product is released in this Settlement Agreement.

For purposes of this Settlement Agreement, the "Daily Lead Exposure Level" shall be measured in micrograms, and shall be calculated using the following formula: micrograms of lead per gram of product, multiplied by grams of product per serving of the product (using the largest serving size appearing on the product label), multiplied by servings of the product per day (using the largest number of recommended daily servings appearing on the label), which equals micrograms of lead exposure per day. If the label contains no recommended daily servings, then the number of recommended daily servings shall be one.

#### 2.2 Clear and Reasonable Warnings

If BBFN is required to provide a warning pursuant to Section 2.1, one of the following warnings must be utilized ("Warning").

# Option 1:

**WARNING:** Consuming this product can expose you to lead, which is known to the State of California to cause [cancer and], birth defects or other reproductive harm. For more information go to <a href="www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/food">www.P65Warnings.ca.gov/food</a>

#### Option 2:

settlement and for fees and costs, incurred as a result of investigating and bringing this matter to BBFN's attention.

# 4. PENALTIES PURSUANT TO HEALTH & SAFETY CODE SECTION 25249.7(b)

In settlement of all the claims referred to in this Settlement Agreement, \$1,500.00 shall be considered a "civil penalty." The penalty payment will be allocated in accordance with California Health & Safety Code section 25249.12(c)(1) & (d), with 75% of the funds (\$1,125) remitted to the California Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment ("OEHHA") and the remaining 25% of the penalty (\$375) shall be mailed to; payable to; "KJT Law Group, LLP", to be forwarded to KASB.

# 5. REIMBURSEMENT OF FEES AND COSTS

In settlement of all the claims referred to in this Settlement Agreement, \$23,000.00 shall be considered reimbursement of KASB's attorneys' fees, expert and investigation fees, and related costs associated with this matter and the Notice. The Parties reached an accord on the compensation due to KASB and its counsel under the private attorney general doctrine and principles of contract law.

# 6. PAYMENT INFORMATION

BBFN shall mail these payments within ten (10) business days following the Effective Date, at which time such payments shall be mailed to the following addresses respectively:

All payments owed to KASB and for attorneys' fees, shall be payable and delivered to the following payment address:

KJT LAW GROUP LLP 230 N. Maryland Avenue, Suite 306 Glendale, CA 91206

All payments owed to OEHHA (EIN: 68-0284486) shall be delivered directly to

It is possible that other claims not known to the Parties arising out of the facts alleged in the Notice and relating to the Covered Product will develop or be discovered. This Settlement Agreement is expressly intended to cover and include all such claims up through the Effective Date. KASB, in its capacity, expressly waives and relinquishes any and all rights and benefits which it may have under, or which may be conferred on it by the provisions of California Civil Code section 1542 as well as under any other state or federal statute or common law principle of similar effect, to the fullest extent that it may lawfully waive such rights or benefits pertaining to the released matters, and does so understanding and acknowledging the significance and consequence of the specific waiver of such a provision, which reads as follows:

Section 1542. A general release does not extend to claims that the creditor or releasing party does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release and that, if known by him or her, would have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor or released party.

# 8. GOVERNING LAW

The terms of this Settlement Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of California and apply within the State of California. In the event that Proposition 65 and its related regulations are repealed or are otherwise rendered inapplicable by reason of law generally, or as to the Covered Product, then BBFN shall have no further obligations pursuant to this Settlement Agreement.

# 9. NOTICES

Unless specified herein, all correspondence and notices required to be provided pursuant to this Settlement Agreement shall be in writing and personally delivered or sent by: (i) first-class, (registered or certified mail) return receipt requested; or (ii) overnight courier on any party by the other party at the following addresses:

Agreement. It is conclusively presumed that the Parties participated equally in the preparation and drafting of this Agreement.

# 14. **AUTHORIZATION**

The undersigned are authorized to execute this Settlement Agreement on behalf of their respective Parties and have read, understood, and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this Settlement Agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have agreed, accepted, and executed this Agreement on the date written.

Executed on <u>01/13/2024</u>

Keep America Safe and Beautiful

By

Executed on  $\frac{1 \cdot 1 \cdot 13}{1 \cdot 13}$ 

BetterBody Foods & Nutrition LLC