### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

## MUTZ MOTORS, LP d/b/a LAKELAND AUTOMALL,

Plaintiff,

CASE NO.: 19-CA-012574

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DIVISION:

RAY ALLEN HICKS,

V.

Defendant.

### FINAL JUDGMENT FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

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The Court now understands that the parties want to resolve the disposition of the Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings by the entry of this Final Judgment for Injunctive Relief.

The Court finds the existence of an enforceable contract, including a defined legitimate business reason supporting this restrictive covenant; and finally, the Defendant's breach of this covenant and Plaintiff's lack of an adequate remedy other than injunctive relief.

IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED as follows:

1. The Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings is GRANTED;

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FOR ALL OF WHICH LET EXECUTION ISSUE.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers this \_\_\_\_\_11 day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2020.

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# JOINT STIPULATION FOR THE ENTRY OF FINAL JUDGMENT

The Plaintiff, MUTZ MOTORS, LP d/b/a LAKELAND AUTOMALL, and the Defendent,

RAY ALLEN HICKS (Roy Allen Hicks), by and through undersigned counsel, stipulate to the

entry of the attached Final Judgment. The parties respectfully request this Court enter the Final

Judgment.

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