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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF QUEENS
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21 GROUP INC., and 42-50 21st REALTY, LLC,

Plaintiffs,

VERIFIED COMPLAINT

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-against-

UNITED NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY, and GLOBAL INDEMNITY GROUP, INC.,

Defendants. ----X

The Plaintiff, by its attorneys of record, Sacco & Fillas, LLP, as and for its Verified Complaint against the Defendant, respectfully alleges, upon information and belief, as follows:

#### I. PARTIES AND JURISDICTION

- 1. That, at all times hereinafter mentioned, the Plaintiff 21 Group Inc., Dba Show Palace ("Show Palace") is located at 200 East 135 St Unit #D-1032, NY 10451.
- 2. That, at all times hereinafter mentioned, the Plaintiff 42-50 21st Realty LLC is located at 42-50 21st St, Long Island City, NY 11101.
- 3. That, at all times hereinafter mentioned, the Defendant United National Insurance Company, ("UNIC") is located at Three Bala Plaza East, Ste., 300, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania, 19004.
- 4. That, at all times hereinafter mentioned, the Defendant, Global Indemnity Group, Inc., ("GIGI") is located at 20 Highland Ave #A, Metuchen, New Jersey 08840.
  - 5. Upon information and belief, Defendant United National Insurance Company, the

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Policy issuer, is a subsidiary of Global Indemnity Group, Inc.

6. Jurisdiction exists in the Supreme Court, County of QUEENS because QUEENS

County is the county in which the subject premises of this action is located.

7. The basis of venue is CPLR § 503(c): Venue Based on Corporation. Plaintiff is a

domestic corporation authorized to transact business in the state and as such is deemed a resident

of the county in which its principal office is located, that being QUEENS County.

II. NATURE OF THE ACTION

8. Plaintiff owns and operates Show Palace, a Nightclub establishment and

restaurant. Show Palace is now threatened by COVID-19 (a.k.a. the "coronavirus" or "SARS-

CoV-2").

9. To protect its business in the event that they suddenly had to suspend operations

for reasons outside of its control, or in order to prevent further property damage, Plaintiff

purchased insurance coverage from UNIC, including special property coverage, as set forth in

UNIC' Business Income (and Extra Expense) Coverage Form ("Business Income (And Extra

Expense) Coverage Form").

10. UNIC's Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form provides

"Business Income" coverage, which promises to pay for loss due to the necessary suspension of

operations following physical loss or damage to property.

UNIC's Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form also provides 11.

"Civil Authority" coverage, which promises to pay for loss caused by the action of a civil

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authority that prohibits access to the insured premises.

12. UNIC's Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form also provides

"Extra Expense" coverage, which promises to pay the expense incurred to minimize the

suspension of business and to continue operations.

13. UNIC's Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form, under a section

entitled "Duties in the Event of Loss" mandates that the insured "must see that the following are

done in the event of loss". . . [t]ake all reasonable steps to protect the Covered Property from

further damage and keep a record of your expenses necessary to protect the Covered Property,

for consideration in the settlement of the claim."

14. Unlike many policies that provide Business Income (also referred to as "business

interruption") coverage, UNIC's Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form does not

include, and is not subject to, any exclusion for losses caused by viruses or communicable

diseases.

15. Plaintiff Show Palace was forced to suspend or reduce business due to COVID-19

and the resultant orders issued by civil authorities in New York mandating the suspension of

business for on-site services, as well as in order to take necessary steps to prevent further damage

and minimize the suspension of business and continue operations.

16. Upon information and belief, UNIC has denied Plaintiff's claim submitted

pursuant to its policy, and refused to pay its insured under its Business Income, Civil Authority,

Extra Expense, and Sue and Labor coverages for losses suffered due to COVID-19, any

executive orders by civil authorities that have required the necessary suspension of business, and

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any efforts to prevent further property damage or to minimize the suspension of business and

continue operations.

III. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

A. The Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form

17. In return for the payment of a premium, UNIC issued Policy No. MP1229654 to

Show Palace, for a policy period of February 15, 2020 to February 15, 2021. Policy No.

MP1229654 is attached hereto as Exhibit A. Show Palace has performed all of its obligations

under Policy No. MP1229654, including the payment of premiums.

18. In context to the insurance industry in the majority of the world, property

insurance is sold on a specific peril basis. Such policies cover a risk of loss if that risk of loss is

specifically listed (e.g., hurricane, earthquake, H1N1, etc.). Most property policies sold in the

United States, however, including those sold by UNIC insurance, are all-risk property damage

policies. These types of policies cover all risks of loss except for risks that are expressly and

specifically excluded. Under the heading "Covered Causes of Loss," UNIC agreed to pay for

direct physical loss "unless the loss is excluded or limited" in the policies.

19. Losses due to COVID-19 are a Covered Cause of Loss under the UNIC' policies

with the Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form.

20. In the Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form, UNIC agreed to

pay for its insured's actual loss of Business Income sustained due to the necessary suspension of

its operations during the "period of restoration" caused by direct physical loss or damage. A

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"slowdown or cessation" of business activities at the Covered Property is a "suspension" under the policy, for which UNIC agreed to pay for loss of Business Income during the "period of

21. "Business Income" means net income (or loss) before tax that Plaintiff would have earned and continuing normal operating expenses incurred, including payroll.

restoration" that begins 72 hours after the time of direct physical loss or damage.

22. The presence of virus or disease can constitute physical damage to property, as the insurance industry has recognized since at least 2006. When preparing so-called "virus" exclusions to be placed in some policies, but not others, the insurance industry drafting arm, ISO, circulated a statement to state insurance regulators that included the following:

Disease-causing agents may render a product impure (change its quality or substance), or enable the spread of disease by their presence on interior building surfaces or the surfaces of personal property. When disease-causing viral or bacterial contamination occurs, potential claims involve the cost of replacement of property (for example, the milk), cost of decontamination (for example, interior building surfaces), and business interruption (time element) losses. Although building and personal property could arguably become contaminated (often temporarily) by such viruses and bacteria, the nature of the property itself would have a bearing on whether there is actual property damage. An allegation of property damage may be a point of disagreement in a particular case.

- 23. In the Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form, UNIC also agreed to pay necessary Extra Expense that its insureds incur during the "period of restoration" that the insureds would not have incurred if there had been no direct physical loss or damage to the Covered Property.
- 24. "Extra Expense" includes expenses to avoid or minimize the suspension of business, continue operations, and to repair or replace property.
- 25. UNIC also agreed to "pay for the actual loss of Business Income" that Plaintiff sustains "and any Extra Expense caused by action of civil authority that prohibits access to" the

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Covered Property when a Covered Cause of Loss causes damage to property near the Covered

Property, the civil authority prohibits access to property immediately surrounding the damaged

property, the Covered Property is within the prohibited area, and the civil authority action is

taken "in response to dangerous physical conditions."

26. UNIC's Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form, under a section

entitled "Duties in the Event of Loss" mandates that UNIC's insured "must see that the following

are done in the event of loss. . . [t]ake all reasonable steps to protect the Covered Property from

further damage and keep a record of your expenses necessary to protect the Covered Property,

for consideration in the settlement of the claim." This is commonly referred to as "Sue and

Labor" coverage.

27. Losses caused by COVID-19 and the related orders issued by local, state, and

federal authorities triggered the Business Income, Extra Expense, Civil Authority, and Sue and

Labor provisions of the UNIC policy.

B. The Covered Cause of Loss

28. In December 2019, a novel (new) coronavirus known as SARS-CoV-2 was first

detected in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China, and which caused an outbreak of a disease now

known as COVID-19.

29. The coronavirus causing COVID-19 is thought to spread mainly from person to

person, primarily through respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or

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sneezes.1

30. The coronavirus spread globally, and on January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization designated the COVID-19 outbreak as a Public Health Emergency of International Concern.<sup>2</sup>

- 31. On January 31, 2020, United States Health and Human Services Secretary Alex M. Azar II declared a public health emergency for the entire United States to aid the nation's healthcare community in responding to COVID-19.<sup>3</sup>
- To date, there have been more than 1 million confirmed cases of COVID-19 in 32. the United States, including more than 295,000 in New York State and more than 160,000 in New York City. As a result of COVID-19, there have been more than 57,000 deaths in the United States, including more than 22,000 in New York State and more than 17,000 in New York City.<sup>4</sup>
- In New York, on March 7, 2020, Governor Andrew Cuomo declared a state 33. disaster emergency for the entire state in effect until September 7, 2020.<sup>5</sup>
  - 34. On March 12, 2020, Governor Cuomo signed Executive Order 202.1, which,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See generally CDC Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/faq.html (last visited June 1, 2020).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/30-01-2020-statement-on-the-second-meeting-of-the-international-healthregulations-(2005)-emergency-committee-regarding-the-outbreak-of-novel- coronavirus-(2019-ncov)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Press Release, Secretary Azar Declares Public Health Emergency for United States for 2019 Novel Coronavirus (Jan. 31, 2020), available at https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2020/01/31/secretary-azar-declares-public-healthemergency- us-2019-novel-coronavirus.html.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Johns Hopkins Coronavirus Resource Center, available at https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html (last visited June 1, 2020); N.Y. Dep't of Health COVID- 19 Tracker, available at https://covid19tracker.health.ny.gov/views/NYS-COVID19- Tracker/NYSDOHCOVID-19Tracker-Map?%3Aembed=yes&%3Atoolbar=no&%3Atabs=n (last checked April 28, 2020); New York City Dep't of Health COVID-19: Data, available at https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/covid/covid-19-data.page (last visited June 1, 2020). <sup>5</sup> https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/no-202-declaring-disaster-emergency-state-new-york.

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among other things, ordered that any large gathering or event for which attendance is anticipated

to be in excess of five hundred people be cancelled or postponed for a minimum of thirty days.

Executive Order 202.1 also required that any place of business or public accommodation, and

any gathering or event for which attendance is anticipated to be fewer than five hundred people,

operate at no greater than 50% occupancy, and no greater than 50% of seating capacity, for thirty

days effective on Friday, March 13, 2020.6

35. On March 16, 2020, Governor Cuomo signed Executive Order 202.3, which

amended Executive Order 202.1 to require that, until further notice, any large gathering or event

at any location in New York State be cancelled or postponed if more than fifty persons are

expected in attendance. Executive Order 202.3 also ordered that any restaurant or bar in the state

Executive Order No. 202, 202.1-48: Continuing Temporary Suspension and Modification of

Laws Relating to the Disaster Emergency, March 12, 2020. of New York cease serving patrons

food or beverage on-premises effective at 8 p.m. on March 16, 2020 until further notice.<sup>7</sup>

36. On March 18, 2020, Governor Cuomo signed Executive Order 202.6, which

required, among other things, that any non-essential business reduce its in-person workforce at

any work locations by 50% no later than March 20, 2020 at 8 p.m.<sup>8</sup>

37. On March 19, 2020, Governor Cuomo signed Executive Order 202.7, which,

among other things, amended Executive Order 202.6 to require that any non-essential business

<sup>6</sup> https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/no-2021-continuing-temporary-suspension-and- modification-laws-relating-

disaster-emergency

<sup>7</sup> https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/no-2023-continuing-temporary-suspension-and- modification-laws-relating-

<u>disaster-emergency</u>

8 https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/no-2026-continuing-temporary-suspension-and-modification-laws-relating-

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reduce its in-person workforce at any work locations by 75% no later than March 21, 2020 at 8 p.m.<sup>9</sup>

- 38. On March 20, 2020, Governor Cuomo signed Executive Order No. 202.8, which ordered, among other things, that effective at 8 p.m. on Sunday, March 22, 2020, all non-essential businesses statewide would be closed.<sup>10</sup>
- 39. For the purposes of the Executive Orders 202.6 and subsequent orders, non-essential businesses include, among other things, "Any large gathering or event venues, including but not limited to establishments that host concerts, conferences, or other in-person performances or presentations in front of an in-person audience" and "Any dine-in or on-premise restaurant or bar service, excluding take-out or delivery for off-premise consumption." <sup>11</sup>
- 40. On March 23, 2020, Governor Cuomo signed Executive Order No. 202.10, which ordered that "Non-essential gatherings of individuals of any size for any reason (e.g. parties, celebrations or other social events) are canceled or postponed at this time." 12

#### C. The Impact of COVID-19 and the Closure Orders

41. The presence of COVID-19 caused direct physical loss of or damage to the covered property under the Plaintiffs' policies, and the policies of the other Class members, by denying use of and damaging the covered property, and by causing a necessary suspension of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/no-2027-continuing-temporary-suspension-and- modification-laws-relating-disaster-emergency

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/no-2028-continuing-temporary-suspension-and- modification-laws-relating-disaster-emergency

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> See Empire State Development, Guidance for Whether a Business Enterprise Is Subject to a Workforce Reduction Under Recent Executive Orders (last updated April 24, 2020), available at <a href="https://esd.ny.gov/guidance-executive-order-2026">https://esd.ny.gov/guidance-executive-order-2026</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/no-20210-continuing-temporary-suspension-and- modification-laws-relating-disaster-emergency

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operations during a period of restoration.

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42. The Closure Orders prohibited access to Plaintiff's Covered Property, and the area

immediately surrounding Covered Property, in response to dangerous physical conditions

resulting from a Covered Cause of Loss.

43. As a result of the presence of COVID-19 and the Closure Orders, Plaintiff lost

Business Income and incurred Extra Expense.

D. Covered Losses Under the Policy

Defendants issued Plaintiff's Business Owners Policy No. MP1229654 for the 44.

policy period between February 15, 2020 to February 15, 2021 (the "Policy").

45. Parts of the Policy are standardized forms that are used by UNIC for all insureds

having applicable coverage.

46. The Policy is an all-risk policy, insofar as it provides that covered causes of loss

under the policy means direct physical loss or direct physical damage unless the loss is

specifically excluded or limited in the Policy.

47. Among the coverages provided by the Policy, which is currently in full effect, is

business interruption insurance, which, generally, would indemnify Plaintiff for lost income and

profits in the event that its business was shut down.

48. Specifically, Plaintiff's Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form,

Form SS 00 30 06 95, under the Section "Additional Coverages," provides coverage for loss of

Business Income as follows:

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We will pay for the actual loss of Business Income you sustain due to the necessary suspension of your "operations" during the "period of restoration". The suspension must be caused by direct physical loss of or physical damage to property in the open (or in a vehicle) within 100 feet, at premises which are described in the Declarations and for which a Business Income Limit of Insurance is shown in Declarations. The loss or damage must be caused by or result from a

UNIC Policy, Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form § A.

- 49. Under this coverage in the Policy, "Business Income" is defined as:
- (a) Net Income (Net Profit or Loss before income taxes) that would have been earned or incurred; and
- (b) Continuing normal operating expenses incurred, including payroll.

UNIC Policy, Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form § A.5.

50. The Policy also provides Extra Expense coverage as follows:

Extra Expense means necessary expenses you incur during the "period of restoration" that you would not have incurred if there had been no direct physical loss or damage to property caused by or resulting from a Covered Cause of Loss.

- (1) We will pay any Extra Expense to avoid or minimize the suspension of business and to continue "operations":
  - a. At the described premises; or
  - b. At replacement premises or at temporary locations, including:
    - i. Relocation expenses; and
    - ii. Costs to equip and operate the replacement or temporary locations.

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(2) We will pay any Extra Expense to minimize the suspension of business if you cannot

continue "operations."

(3) We will pay any Extra Expense to:

a. Repair or replace any property; or

b. Research, replace or restore the lost information on damaged valuable papers

and records;

To the extent it reduces the amount of loss that otherwise would have been

payable under this Coverage Form.

UNIC Policy, Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form § A.3.a.

51. The Policy also provides Civil Authority coverage as follows:

We will pay for the actual loss of Business Income you sustain and necessary Extra

Expense caused by action of civil authority that prohibits access to the described

premises due to direct physical loss of or damage to property, other than at the described

premises, caused by or resulting from any Covered Cause of Loss. The coverage for

Business Income will begin 72 hours after the time of that action and will apply for a

period of up to three consecutive weeks after coverage begins.

The coverage for Extra Expense will begin immediately after the time of that action and

will end:

(1) 3 consecutive weeks after the time of that action; or

(2) When your Business Income coverage ends;

Whichever is later.

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UNIC Policy, Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form § B.1.

52. Plaintiff has suffered a direct physical loss of and damage to their property as a result of COVID-19 and the orders of civil authorities because, among other things, they have been unable to use their property for its intended purpose, and they have been denied access to their property, causing a suspension of business operations on the premises and the function of

their property to be nearly eliminated or destroyed.

The interruption of Plaintiff's business was not caused by any of the exclusions 53.

set forth in the applicable Policy.

54. Upon information and belief, Plaintiff's Policy does not include any exclusion for

losses caused by the viruses,

55. Beginning in March 2020, Plaintiff was forced to suspend business operations as

a result of COVID-19 and the related actions of civil authorities. This suspension,

which is ongoing, has caused Plaintiff to suffer significant losses and incur significant

expenses.

Plaintiff provided notice of its losses to Defendants consistent with the terms and 56.

procedures of the Policy.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, by way of letter dated August 5, 2020, UNIC 57.

denied Plaintiff's claim for business interruption losses under the Policy.

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IV. CLAIMS FOR RELIEF

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION BREACH OF CONTRACT – BUSINESS INCOME COVERAGE

Plaintiff repeats and realleges Paragraphs 1-50 as if fully set forth herein. 58.

59. Plaintiff's UNIC policy, is a contract under which UNIC were paid premiums in

exchange for their promise to pay Plaintiff's losses for claims covered by the policy.

60. In the Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form, UNIC agreed to

pay for its insured's actual loss of Business Income sustained due to the necessary suspension of

its operations during the "period of restoration."

61. A "slowdown or cessation" of business activities at the Covered Property is a

"suspension" under the policy, for which UNIC agreed to pay for loss of Business Income during

the "period of restoration" that begins within 72 hours after the time of direct physical loss or

damage.

62. "Business Income" means net income (or loss) before tax that Plaintiff would

have earned "if no physical loss or damage had occurred" and continuing normal operating

expenses incurred. COVID-19 caused direct physical loss and damage to Plaintiff's Covered

Properties, requiring suspension of operations at the Covered Properties. Losses caused by

COVID-19 thus triggered the Business Income provision of Plaintiff's policy.

63. Plaintiff has complied with all applicable provisions of its policy and/or those

provisions have been waived by UNIC, or UNIC is estopped from asserting them, and yet UNIC

has abrogated its insurance coverage obligations pursuant to the policy's clear and unambiguous

terms.

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64. By denying coverage for any Business Income losses incurred by Plaintiff in connection with the COVID-19 pandemic, UNIC has breached its coverage obligations under the policy.

As a result of UNIC's breach of the policy, Plaintiff has sustained substantial 65. damages for which UNIC is liable, in an amount to be established at trial.

### SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION BREACH OF CONTRACT – CIVIL AUTHORITY COVERAGE

- Plaintiff Show Palace repeats and realleges Paragraphs 1-50 as if fully set forth 66. herein.
- 67. Plaintiff's UNIC policy is a contract under which UNIC was paid premiums in exchange for its promise to pay Plaintiff's losses for claims covered by the policy.
- UNIC agreed to "pay for the actual loss of Business Income" that its insured 68. sustains "and any Extra Expense caused by action of civil authority that prohibits access to" the Covered Property when a Covered Cause of Loss causes damage to property near the Covered Property, the civil authority prohibits access to property immediately surrounding the damaged property, the Covered Property is within the prohibited area, and the civil authority action is taken "in response to dangerous physical conditions."
- 69. The Closure Orders triggered the Civil Authority provision under Plaintiff's Civil Authority's UNIC insurance policy.
- 70. Plaintiff has complied with all applicable provisions of the policy, and/or those provisions have been waived by UNIC, or is UNIC estopped from asserting them, and yet UNIC

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has abrogated its insurance coverage obligations pursuant to the Policy's clear and unambiguous

terms.

By denying coverage for any business losses incurred by Plaintiff in connection 71.

with the Closure Orders and the COVID-19 pandemic, UNIC has breached its coverage

obligations under the policy.

72. As a result of UNIC's breach, Plaintiff has sustained substantial damages for

which UNIC is liable, in an amount to be established at trial.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION BREACH OF CONTRACT – EXTRA EXPENSE COVERAGE

73. Plaintiff Show Palace repeats and realleges Paragraphs 1-50 as if fully set forth

herein.

74. Plaintiff's UNIC insurance policy is a contract under which UNIC was paid

premiums in exchange for its promise to pay Plaintiff's Extra Expense losses for claims covered

by the policy.

75. In the Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form, UNIC also agreed

to pay necessary Extra Expense that Plaintiff incurs during the "period of restoration" that the

insured would not have incurred if there had been no direct physical loss or damage to the

Covered Property.

"Extra Expense" includes expenses to avoid or minimize the suspension of 76.

business, continue operations, and to repair or replace property.

77. Due to COVID-19 and the Closure Orders Plaintiff incurred Extra Expense at

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Covered Property

78. Plaintiff has complied with all applicable provisions of the policy and/or those

provisions have been waived by UNIC, or UNIC is estopped from asserting them, and yet UNIC

has UNIC has abrogated its insurance coverage obligations pursuant to the Policy's clear and

unambiguous terms.

79. By denying coverage for any business losses incurred by Plaintiff in connection

with the Closure Orders and the COVID-19 pandemic, UNIC has breached its coverage

obligations under the policy.

80. As a result of UNIC's breach, Plaintiff has sustained substantial damages for

which UNIC is liable, in an amount to be established at trial.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION BREACH OF CONTRACT – SUE AND LABOR COVERAGE

Plaintiff Show Palace repeats and realleges Paragraphs 1-50 as if fully set forth 81.

herein.

82. Plaintiff's UNIC policy is a contract under which UNIC was paid premiums in

exchange for its promise to pay Plaintiff's losses for claims covered by the policy.

83. In the Business Income (And Extra Expense) Coverage Form, UNIC agreed to

give due consideration in settlement of a claim to expenses incurred in taking all reasonable steps

to protect Covered Property from further damage.

84. In complying with the Closure Orders and otherwise suspending or limiting

operations, Plaintiff incurred expenses in connection with reasonable steps to protect Covered

Property.

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85. Plaintiff has complied with all applicable provisions of the policy and/or those provisions have been waived by UNIC, or UNIC is estopped from asserting them, and yet UNIC has abrogated its insurance coverage obligations pursuant to the policy's clear and unambiguous

terms.

86. By denying coverage for any Sue and Labor expenses incurred by Plaintiff in connection with the Closure Orders and the COVID-19 pandemic, UNIC has breached its

coverage obligations under the policy.

As a result of UNIC's breach of the policy, Plaintiff has sustained substantial 87. damages for which UNIC is liable, in an amount to be established at trial.

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

DECLARATORY JUDGMENT – BUSINESS INCOME COVERAGE Plaintiff repeats and realleges Paragraphs 1-50 as if fully set forth herein. 88.

89. Plaintiff's UNIC policy is a contract under which UNIC was paid premiums in

exchange for its promise to pay Plaintiff's losses for claims covered by the policy.

90. Plaintiff has complied with all applicable provisions of the policies and/or those

provisions have been waived by UNIC, or UNIC is estopped from asserting them, and yet UNIC

has abrogated its insurance coverage obligations pursuant to the policy's clear and unambiguous

terms and has wrongfully and illegally refused to provide coverage to which Plaintiff is entitled.

91. Therefore, Plaintiff seeks a declaratory judgment from this Court declaring the

following:

i. Plaintiff's Income losses incurred in connection with the Closure Orders and the

necessary interruption of their businesses stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic

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are insured losses under its policy; and

ii. UNIC is obligated to pay Plaintiff for the full amount of the Business Income losses incurred and to be incurred in connection with the Closure Orders during the period of restoration and the necessary interruption of their business stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic.

## SIXTH CAUSE OF ACTION **DECLARATORY JUDGMENT – CIVIL AUTHORITY COVERAGE**

- 92. Plaintiff Show Palace repeats and realleges Paragraphs 1-50 as if fully set forth herein.
- 93. Plaintiffs bring this Count individually and on behalf of the other members of the Civil Authority Declaratory Judgment Class.
- 94. Plaintiff's UNIC insurance policy is a contract under which UNIC was paid premiums in exchange for its promise to pay Plaintiff's losses for claims covered by the policy.
- 95. Plaintiff has complied with all applicable provisions of the policy and/or those provisions have been waived by UNIC, or UNIC is estopped from asserting them, and yet UNIC has abrogated its insurance coverage obligations pursuant to the policy's clear and unambiguous terms and has wrongfully and illegally refused to provide coverage to which Plaintiff is entitled.

# SEVENTH CAUSE OF ACTION DECLARATORY JUDGMENT – EXTRA EXPENSE COVERAGE

- Plaintiff Show Palace repeats and realleges Paragraphs 1-50 as if fully set forth 96. herein.
- 97. Plaintiff's UNIC insurance policy is a contract under which UNIC was paid premiums in exchange for its promise to pay Plaintiff's losses for claims covered by the policy.

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98. Plaintiff has complied with all applicable provisions of the policy and/or those

provisions have been waived by UNIC, or UNIC is estopped from asserting them, and yet UNIC

has abrogated its insurance coverage obligations pursuant to the policies clear and unambiguous

terms and has wrongfully and illegally refused to provide coverage to which Plaintiff is entitled.

99. Plaintiff seeks a declaratory judgment from this Court declaring the following:

i. Plaintiff's Extra Expense losses incurred in connection with the Closure Orders

and the necessary interruption of their businesses stemming from the COVID-19

pandemic are insured losses under its policy; and

ii. UNIC is obligated to pay Plaintiff for the full amount of the Extra Expense losses

incurred and to be incurred in connection with the covered losses related to the

Closure.

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Plaintiff Show Palace repeats and realleges Paragraphs 1-50 as if fully set forth 100.

herein.

101. Plaintiff's UNIC insurance policy is a contract under which UNIC was paid

premiums in exchange for its promise to pay Plaintiff's reasonably incurred expenses to protect

Covered Property.

102. Plaintiff has complied with all applicable provisions of the policy and/or those

provisions have been waived by UNIC, or UNIC is estopped from asserting them, and yet UNIC

has abrogated its insurance coverage obligations pursuant to the policy's clear and unambiguous

terms and has wrongfully and illegally refused to provide coverage to which Plaintiff is entitled.

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V. REQUEST FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, respectfully requests that the Court enter judgment in their favor

and against Defendants as follows:

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Entering judgment on Causes of Action I-IV in favor of Plaintiff Show Palace and awarding

damages for breach of contract in an amount to be determined at trial;

c. Entering declaratory judgments on Causes of Action V-VIII in favor of Plaintiff as follows;

i. Business Income, Civil Authority, Extra Expense, and Sue and Labor losses

incurred in connection with the Closure Orders and the necessary interruption of

Plaintiff's business stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic are insured losses under

its policy; and

ii. UNIC is obligated to pay for the full amount of the Business Income, Civil

Authority, Extra Expense, and Sue and Labor losses incurred and to be incurred

related to COVID-19, the Closure Orders and the necessary interruption of its

business stemming from the COVID-19 pandemic;

d. Ordering Defendant to pay both pre- and post-judgment interest on any amounts

awarded;

e. Ordering Defendant to pay attorneys' fees and costs of suit; and

Ordering such other and further relief as may be just and proper.