#### BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE

#### **DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

### **BUREAU OF AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR**

### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

# MAFREDI GROUP, INC. dba SURPEME AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE, VICTOR CALIZ, PRESIDENT/SECRETARY/TREASURER

12205 S. Prairie Avenue, Unit A

Hawthorne, CA 90250

Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No. ARD 283831

Brake Station License No. BS 283831, Class C

Lamp Station License No. LS 283831, Class A

Smog Check Station License No. RC 283831

and

#### **VICTOR CALIZ**

11945 Birch Avenue

Hawthorne, CA 90250

Brake Adjuster License No. BA 27468, Class C

Lamp Adjuster License No. LA 27468, Class A

Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 27468

Smog Check Repair Technician License No. El 27468

Respondents.

Case No. 79/22-13874

OAH No. 2023030489

### **DECISION**

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby accepted and adopted by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs as the Decision in the above-entitled matter.

This Decision shall become effective on

OCT 10 2023

DATED: Aug. 28, 2023

GRACE ARUPO RODRIGUEZ Assistant Deputy Director Legal Affairs Division

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13	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 79/22-13874	
14	MAFREDI GROUP, INC., DBA SUPREME	OAH No. 2023030489	
15	AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE, VICTOR CALIZ, President/Secretary/Treasurer	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND	
16	12205 S. Prairie Avenue, Unit A Hawthorne, CA 90250	DISCIPLINARY ORDER	
17	Automotive Repair Dealer Registration No.		
18	ARD 283831 Smog Check Station License No. RC 283831 Lamp Station License No. LS 283831, class A		
19	Brake Station License No. BS 283831, class C		
20	and		
21	VICTOR CALIZ 11945 Birch Avenue		
22	Hawthorne, CA 90250		
23	Smog Check Inspector License No. EO 27468 Smog Check Repair Technician License No. EI		
24	27468 Lamp Adjuster License No. LA 27468, class A		
25	Brake Adjuster License No. BA 27468, class C		
26	Respondents.		
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IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the aboveentitled proceedings that the following matters are true:

#### **PARTIES**

- 1. Patrick Dorais (Complainant) is the Chief of the Bureau of Automotive Repair (Bureau). He brought this action solely in his official capacity and is represented in this matter by Rob Bonta, Attorney General of the State of California, by Michael Yi, Deputy Attorney General.
- 2. Mafredi Group, Inc., dba Supreme Automotive Service; Victor Caliz, and Victor Caliz (Respondents) are represented in this proceeding by attorney William D. Ferreira, whose address is: 580 California Street, Suite 1200, San Francisco, CA 94104.
- 3. On or about June 8, 2016, the Bureau of Automotive Repair (Bureau) issued Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number ARD 283831 to Mafredi Group, Inc., dba Supreme Automotive Service; Victor Caliz, President/Secretary/Treasurer (Respondent Mafredi). The Automotive Repair Dealer Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/22-13874, and will expire on June 30, 2024, unless renewed.
- 4. On or about July 12, 2016, the Bureau issued Smog Check Station License Number RC 283831 to Respondent Mafredi. The Smog Check Station License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/22-13874, and will expire on June 30, 2024, unless renewed.
- 5. On or about July 12, 2016, the Bureau issued Lamp Station License Number LS 283831, class A, to Respondent Mafredi. The Lamp Station License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/22-13874, and will expire on June 30, 2024, unless renewed.
- 6. On or about July 12, 2016, the Bureau issued Brake Station License Number BS 283831, class C, to Respondent Mafredi. The Brake Station License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/22-13874, and will expire on June 30, 2024, unless renewed.

7. In 1997, the Bureau issued Advanced Emission Specialist Technician License
Number EA 27468 to Victor Caliz (Respondent Caliz). Respondent Caliz's Advanced Emission
Specialist Technician License was due to expire on November 30, 2012, but was cancelled on
October 22, 2012. Pursuant to California Code of Regulations, title 16, section 3340.28,
subdivision (e), the license was renewed, pursuant to Respondent Caliz's election, as Smog
Check Inspector License Number EO 27468 and Smog Check Repair Technician License
Number EI 27468, effective October 22, 2012. Respondent Caliz's Smog Check Inspector
License and Smog Check Repair Technician License were in full force and effect at all times
relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/22-13874, and will expire on November
30, 2024, unless renewed.

- 8. In 2003, the Bureau issued Lamp Adjuster License Number LA 27468, class A, to Respondent Caliz. The Lamp Adjuster License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/22-13874, and will expire on November 30, 2023, unless renewed.
- 9. In 2003, the Bureau issued Brake Adjuster License Number BA 27468, class C, to Respondent Caliz. The Brake Adjuster License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation number 79/22-13874, and will expire on November 30, 2023, unless renewed.

### **JURISDICTION**

- 1. Accusation number 79/22-13874 was filed before the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs (Director) for the Bureau of Automotive Repair, and is currently pending against Respondents. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondents on February 21, 2023. Respondents timely filed their Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation.
- 2. A copy of Accusation number 79/22-13874 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated by reference.

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#### **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

- 3. Respondents have carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understand the charges and allegations in Accusation number 79/22-13874. Respondents have also carefully read, fully discussed with counsel, and understand the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 4. Respondents are fully aware of their legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on their own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 5. Respondents voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waive and give up each and every right set forth above.

### **CULPABILITY**

- 6. Respondents understand and agree that the charges and allegations in Accusation number 79/22-13874, if proven at a hearing, constitute cause for imposing discipline upon their Automotive Repair Dealer Registration; Smog Check Station License; Lamp Station License; Brake Station License; Smog Check Inspector License; Smog Check Repair Technician License; Lamp Adjuster License; and Brake Adjuster License.
- 7. For the purpose of resolving the Accusation without the expense and uncertainty of further proceedings, Respondents agree that, at a hearing, Complainant could establish a factual basis for the charges in the Accusation, and that Respondents hereby give up their right to contest those charges.
- 8. Respondents agree that their Automotive Repair Dealer Registration; Smog Check Station License; Lamp Station License; Brake Station License; Smog Check Inspector License; Smog Check Repair Technician License; Lamp Adjuster License; and Brake Adjuster License, are subject to discipline and they agree to be bound by the Director's imposition of discipline as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

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#### **CONTINGENCY**

- 9. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Director or the Director's designee. Respondents understand and agree that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Bureau of Automotive Repair may communicate directly with the Director and staff of the Department of Consumer Affairs regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondents or their counsel. By signing the stipulation, Respondents understand and agree that they may not withdraw their agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Director considers and acts upon it. If the Director fails to adopt this stipulation as the Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Director shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 10. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including PDF and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 11. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.
- 12. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Director may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

### DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Automotive Repair Dealer Registration Number ARD 283831; Smog Check Station License number RC 283831; Lamp Station License Number LS 283831; and Brake Station License Number BS 283831, issued to Mafredi Group, Inc., dba Supreme Automotive Service; Victor Caliz, President/Secretary/Treasurer, are revoked.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Smog Check Inspector License Number EO 27468; Smog Check Repair Technician License Number EI 27468; Lamp Adjuster License Number LA 27468; class A; and Brake Adjuster License Number BA 27468, class C, issued to Victor Caliz are revoked.

- 1. **Cost Recovery.** The parties understand and agree that for purposes of settlement of this matter, the Bureau defers its right to recover its reasonable costs of investigation and enforcement of Accusation number 79/22-13874 pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of \$11,843.81. However, the parties understand and agree that should either Respondent apply in the future for any registration or license issued by the Bureau, said costs of investigation and enforcement will become due and payable at that time.
- 2. The revocation of Respondents' Automotive Repair Dealer Registration; Smog Check Station License; Lamp Station License; Brake Station License; Smog Check Inspector License; Smog Check Repair Technician License; Lamp Adjuster License; and Brake Adjuster License, and the acceptance of the revoked registration and licenses by the Bureau, shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondents. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondents' license history with the Bureau.
- 3. Respondent Mafredi shall lose all rights and privileges as an Automotive Repair Dealer, Smog Check Station, Lamp Station License, and Brake Station License in California as of the effective date of the Director's Decision and Order.
- 4. Respondent Caliz shall lose all rights and privileges as a Smog Check Inspector, Smog Check Repair Technician, Lamp Adjuster, and Brake Adjuster in California as of the effective date of the Director's Decision and Order.
- 5. Respondents shall cause to be delivered to the Bureau their pocket licenses and, if issued, wall certificates on or before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 6. If Respondents ever file an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Bureau shall treat it as a new application. Respondents must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked or surrendered license in effect at the time the application or petition is filed, and all of the charges and allegations

1	I have read and fully discussed with Respondents Mafredi Group, Inc., dba Supreme	
2	Automotive Service; Victor Caliz and Victor Caliz, the terms and conditions and other matters	
3	contained in the above Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I approve its form and	
4	content.	
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6	DATED: July 10, 2023 Signature on File	
7	WILLIAM D. FERREIRA Attorney for Respondents	
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11	<u>ENDORSEMENT</u>	
12	The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully	
13	submitted for consideration by the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs.	
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15	DATED: July 10, 2023 Respectfully submitted,	
16	ROB BONTA Attorney General of California	
17	THOMAS L. RINALDI Supervising Deputy Attorney General	
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