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TEL: 916.929.1481 FAX: 916.927.3706 ww.porterscott.com Plaintiff and Cross-Defendant, THE NATIONAL GRANGE OF THE ORDER OF PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY, a Washington, D.C. nonprofit corporation ("National Grange"), seeks hereby leave to amend its original complaint by filing the attached First Amended Complaint. Defendants THE CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE, a California nonprofit corporation, and ROBERT McFARLAND, JOHN LUVAAS, GERALD CHERNOFF and DAMIAN PARR, individuals, have filed their respective answers to the original complaint, but hereby stipulate to amendment of Complaint as set forth below. The stipulation is attached hereto.

As required by rule 3.1324 of the California Rules of Court, the National Grange sets forth the alterations made between its original Complaint and the First Amended Complaint. The main reason for amending the complaint is that since the original filing of the action, the National Grange on April 5, 2013, revoked the Charter of the California State Grange in accordance with the bylaws of the Order, thus superseding the effect of the previous suspension of the Charter. The National Grange still declines to ask the court to exercise its jurisdiction to determine whether or not the revocation was justified under the bylaws of the Order, but rather merely requests the court to compel Defendants to follow the bylaws as they agreed to do. The court need only determine whether the bylaws authorize the revocation of the Charter and require the return of Grange property to the National Grange, to be held in trust until the California State Grange can be rechartered.

The following alterations have been made:

- (1) TAKASHI YOGI, KATHY BERGERON and BILL THOMAS, have been added to the caption and body of the First Amended Complaint (¶ 5) because they became members of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange in the period after the suspension and leading up to the revocation of its Charter on April 5, 2013.
- (2) Paragraph 3 has been added to the First Amended Complaint to identify pertinent sections of the Corporations Code defining parent and affiliate nonprofit corporations.
- (3) Paragraph 5 has been added to the First Amended Complaint to identify the past and present members of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange involved in

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- decisions leading to the April 5, 2013, revocation of the Charter of the California State Grange.
- (4) Paragraph 11 has been added to the First Amended Complaint to identify the sections of the National Grange bylaws establishing its sole authority to charter entities within the Order.
- (5) Paragraph 28 has been added to the First Amended Complaint to set forth the election procedure by which new defendants Yogi, Bergeron and Thomas entered onto the Executive Committee since October 2012.
- (6) Paragraph 29 has been added to the First Amended Complaint to set forth the sections of the bylaws authorizing the National Grange to revoke the Charter of the California State Grange.
- (7) Paragraph 30 has been added to the First Amended Complaint to set forth the section of the bylaws authorizing the National Grange to hold in trust property of the California State Grange following revocation of its Charter.
- (8) The parenthetical statement for the First Cause of Action in the First Amended Complaint now states that the focus in on the revocation rather than the suspension of the Charter of the California State Grange.
- (9) Paragraph 32 has been amended in the First Amended Complaint to focus on the revocation rather than suspension of the California State Grange Charter, including provisions for property to be held in trust.
- (10) Paragraph 33 has been amended in the First Amended Complaint to focus on the Charter revocation, and its authorization under the National Grange bylaws, rather than suspension of said Charter.
- (11) Paragraph 34 has been added to the First Amended Complaint to re-emphasize that the National Grange does not request the court to adjudicate provisions of the bylaws of the order, because those same bylaws set forth an internal procedure to handle such substantive adjudication.

- (12) Paragraph 35 has been amended in the First Amended Complaint to add new defendants Yogi, Bergeron and Thomas.
- (13) Paragraph 36 has been amended to add new defendants Yogi, Bergeron and Thomas and to focus on revocation rather than suspension of the Charter.
- (14) Paragraph 40 has been amended in the First Amended Complaint to focus on the Charter revocation, and its authorization under the National Grange bylaws, rather than suspension of said Charter.
- (15) Paragraph 41 has been amended to add new defendants Yogi, Bergeron and Thomas.
- (16) Paragraph 42 has been amended in the First Amended Complaint to focus on the Charter revocation and placing property in trust as authorized under the National Grange bylaws.
- (17) Paragraph 45 has been added to the First Amended Complaint to set forth the basis for a charitable trust to hold property under the bylaws pending re-chartering.
- (18) Paragraph 46 has been added to the First Amended Complaint to set forth the statutory basis for a charitable trust to hold property under the Corporations Code.

### **DECLARATION OF THOMAS L. RIORDAN**

- I, Thomas L. Riordan, declare as follows,
- 1. The facts set forth herein are personally known to me, and I have firsthand knowledge thereof. If called upon to do so, I could and would testify competently thereto under oath. I am an attorney at law duly licensed to practice in the State of California and am employed by the law firm Porter Scott.
- 2. Defendants have already filed answers to the National Grange's original complaint, but they have stipulated to the filing of the First Amended Complaint. By stipulation, Defendants will have 30 days from the date the First Amended Complaint is files to file any responsive pleading thereto.
- 3. The amendment of the original complaint is necessary and proper because the National Grange revoked the Charter of the California State Grange on April 5, 2013, but Defendants have continued to reject the authority of the National Grange under the bylaws.

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4. The facts giving rise to the amended allegations only occurred after April 5, 2013, and thus there could not have been any earlier amendment.

I declare under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2013, at Sacramento, California.

#### **CONCLUSION**

Because Defendants have stipulated to the filing of this First Amended Complaint, the court should file the amended pleading forthwith.

Dated: June 10, 2013

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12	OF PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY, a		
13	Washington, D.C. nonprofit corporation,	STIPULATION TO ALLOW LEAVE TO AMEND COMPLAINT OF NATIONAL	
14	Plaintiff,	GRANGE	
15	v.	DATE: July 10, 2013	
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17	THE CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE, a California nonprofit corporation, and	<b>DEPT:</b> 53	
18	ROBERT McFARLAND, JOHN LUVAAS,		
- 1	GERALD CHERNOFF and DAMIAN PARR,	Complaint Filed: October 1, 2012	
19	Defendants.		
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28	Cross-Defendants.		
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AMEND COMPLAINT OF NATIONAL GRANGE

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1	The undersigned parties hereby stipulate to allow Plaintiff and Cross-Defendant, THE	
2	NATIONAL GRANGE OF THE ORDER OF PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY, a Washington, D.C.	
3	nonprofit corporation ("National Grange"), leave to amend its Complaint.	
4	The parties further stipulate that Defendants will file a responsive pleading 30 days after the	
5	filing date for the amended Complaint as determined by the Court.	
6	IT IS SO STIPULATED AND AGREED.	
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8	Dated:, 2013 PORTER SCOTT A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION	
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12	ORDER OF PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY, a Washington, D.C. <b>FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT</b>				
13	nonprofit corporation, FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT AND INJUNCTION [Code of Civil Procedure §§ 1060, 526, 527]				
14	Plaintiff,				
15	vs.				
16	THE CALIFORNIA STATE GRANGE, a				
17	California nonprofit corporation, and ROBERT McFARLAND, JOHN LUVAAS, GERALD CHERNOFF,				
18	DAMIAN PARR, TAKASHI YOGI,				
19	KATHY BERGERON and BILL THOMAS, Complaint Filed: October 10, 2012				
20	Trial Date: None Set  Defendants.				
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22	GENERAL ALLEGATIONS				
23	Plaintiff The National Grange of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry (hereafter "National				
24	Grange") alleges this Complaint for Declaratory Judgment and Injunction as follows:				
25	1. Plaintiff National Grange is a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the				
26	District of Columbia.				
27	2. Defendant California State Grange, a California nonprofit corporation, is				
28	subordinate to the National Grange.				
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- 3. The National Grange is the parent of the California State Grange as defined in Corporations Code section 5064. The California State Grange is an affiliate of the National Grange as defined in Corporations Code section 5031.
- 4. Defendant Robert McFarland served as Master of the California State Grange, its highest office, but was suspended in August 2012. He was also on the Executive Committee of the California State Grange.
- 5. Defendants John Luvaas and Damian Parr were members of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange who rejected the authority of the National Grange to suspend McFarland as Master and the Charter of the National Grange in September 2012. Gerald Chernoff was a member in September 2012 but has since left the Executive Committee of the California State Grange, and new members Takashi Yogi, Kathy Bergeron and Bill Thomas were elected to office after the Charter of the California State Grange was suspended. They have likewise defied the authority of the National Grange to suspend McFarland and the Charter.
- 6. The National Grange is governed by a Digest of Laws, adopted November 13, 1996, and amended thereafter. The Digest of Laws encompasses a Constitution of the Order, Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws, *inter alia*.
- 7. Under the Constitution of the Order, the National Grange is described as the "controlling and supreme law making body of the Order." (National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 1.1.1.(E))
- 8. All the other Granges, such as State Granges "shall derive their rights and powers" from the National Grange, which may "adopt laws for the organization, administration and regulation of the affairs of the various Granges," including that of California. (National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 1.3.1)
- 9. The National Grange has the express right to establish Judicial Laws relating to the judicial function of the various Granges. The National Grange may make rulings of construction and interpretation relating to Law and Usage, which rulings "shall be the law of the Order and the various Granges of the divisions of the Order shall conform thereto." The National Grange may

also establish rules and regulations for the conduct of trials of any member charged with violations of the laws. (National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 1.3.5)

- 10. The National Grange may also codify parliamentary laws which shall be the law of the Order and various Granges of the Order shall conform thereto. (National Grange Digest of Laws, § 1.3.6)
- 11. The National Grange has the exclusive authority to issue Charters to various divisions of the Granges of the Order. (National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 1.4.1) State and local Granges may only operate as Granges to the extent they have a valid Charter. All Charters issued by the National Grange require that all members shall faithfully comply with the Bylaws and other rules of the Order. (National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 1.4.2)
- 12. The California State Grange as a chartered division of the National Grange has the right to conduct the affairs of its members so long as they do not conflict with the laws of the National Grange. (Constitution of California State Grange, Article II; National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 1.5.1)
- 13. The California State Grange Bylaws recognize that the Master of the State Grange (the highest office) may be suspended for failure or refusal to fulfill his obligations or to obey the laws of the National Grange and that the suspension procedure is provided in the Bylaws and laws of the National Grange. (California State Grange By-Laws, ¶ 14.13)
- 14. Robert McFarland had been elected as the Master of the California State Grange, but was suspended for 60 days (June-July 2012) by the National Grange after a judicial proceeding was conducted. During the course of McFarland's suspension, Martha Stefenoni, Overseer of the California State Grange, served as acting Master.
- 15. Effective August 6, 2012, McFarland was suspended by the Master of the National Grange, pending a new set of duly filed charges to be adjudicated in the National Grange trial process. (National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 4.10.7)
- 16. This time, McFarland refused to accept the suspension and purported to remain acting Master of the California State Grange despite the provision that Masters of the State

Granges are answerable to the Master of the National Grange. (National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 4.10.4)

- 17. Beginning in late August 2012, the Master of the National Grange contacted members of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange to secure their cooperation in the suspension of McFarland pending adjudication of the new charges, but a majority of the Executive members did not act to enforce the suspension of McFarland, and secure Martha Stefenoni being elevated to acting Master of the California State Grange.
- 18. Specifically, John Luvaas, Gerald Chernoff and Damian Parr declined to enforce the recent suspension of McFarland and recognize Martha Stefenoni as the acting State Master. The remaining three members of the Executive Committee indicated that they would support the action of the National Grange, but they did not constitute a majority.
- 19. Indeed, without a duly-constituted majority of the Executive Committee or the attendance of acting Master Stefenoni, certain members of the Executive Committee with the encouragement of McFarland acted in September 2012 to hire counsel purportedly to represent the California State Grange in opposing the authority of the National Grange.
- On information and belief, legal counsel was engaged on behalf of the California Grange at a meeting of the Executive Committee in early September 2012, during which McFarland, who had already been suspended as Master, was counted as one of the Executive Committee members present so as to constitute the requisite quorum to make a binding decision for the California State Grange. Having thus reached the requisite quorum of four Executive Committee members, a majority of the members present voted in favor of hiring the law firm. The other Executive Committee members were not present.
- 21. On September 17, 2012, Edward L. Luttrell, Master of the National Grange, with the approval of the Executive Committee of the National Grange, formally suspended the Charter of the California State Grange on the basis that the California State Grange was working in violation of the law and usages of the Order of the National Grange and that the suspension was for the good of the Order. (National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 4.5.7) Specifically, the California

State Grange had failed to acknowledge the authority of the Acting Master of the California State Grange, had refused to respond to the requests of the National Grange and acting State Grange Master for confirmation that it would follow the rules of the Order of the National Grange and the California State Grange Bylaws, and had engaged legal representation with the support McFarland, whose authority as Master had been duly suspended by the National Grange. The Bylaws of the National Grange expressly provide for an appeal procedure from the suspension of a Charter. (National Grange Digest of Laws, ¶ 4.5.8)

- 22. On September 19, 2012, Master of the National Grange requested California State Grange Acting Master Stefenoni and Jon Luvaas, Chair of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange, to arrange to turn over the keys, building and computer passwords and other information necessary to facilitate management of the California State Grange to counsel for the National Grange.
- 23. On September 21, 2012, counsel purporting to represent the California State Grange indicated that the California State Grange did not intend to comply with the National Grange's request of September 19, 2012, characterizing the suspension of the Charter as "unwarranted, unmerited and without any due authority."
- 24. McFarland and the Executive Committee of the California State Grange have thus rejected the authority of the National Grange and the State Grange Bylaws regarding the suspension of McFarland pending adjudication of the charges filed against him. McFarland is continuing to act in his capacity of Master of the California State Grange.
- 25. The National Grange maintains that because the Digest of Laws of the Order is the supreme authority over the California State Grange, the charges properly filed against McFarland require his suspension from the powers of the Master of the California State Grange until the charges have been adjudicated.
- 26. On September 20, 2012, the National Master notified all California Granges of the suspension order of the State Grange, that all further State Grange activity would be coordinated through the National Grange and that the State Session scheduled for October 10, 2012 would be

cancelled until further notice.

- 27. On September 20, 2012, McFarland notified members of the California Grange of the State Grange's intent to continue to operate by and through its elected officials, despite the suspension order.
- 28. Despite the suspension orders, McFarland and the purported Executive Committee continued to operate without a Charter and purport to do business as the California State Grange. In October 2012, the California State Grange held its annual meeting without authority and elected certain Executive Committee members despite the suspension of the Charter. Specifically, Takashi Yogi, Kathy Bergeron and Bill Thomas have been added to the Executive Committee since McFarland's suspension, but have not changed the policy of continued defiance.
- 29. On or about April 5, 2013, Edward L. Luttrell, Master of the National Grange officially revoked the Charter of the California State Grange based on the authority of Section 4.5.11 of the National Grange Bylaws, which provides that the remedy of revocation of a Charter is intended to be used when the judgment of the Master of the Grange having jurisdiction, the deficiencies in the criteria are incapable of being remedied or may not be remedied within a reasonable time. Luttrell first noted that the leadership of the California State Grange has sought to prevent the internal Grange procedures from being conducted to enforce the Constitution and Bylaws, which itself violates their sworn duty to uphold the rules of the Order. Luttrell also found that California State Grange leadership had improperly used rules to remove from office any dissenters to their view, and to attempt to expel from membership other California Grange officers who stated that they would follow the rules of the Order, which constitutes violation of the law and usages of the Order under Sections 4.5.7 of the National Grange Bylaws. In addition, suspended Master McFarland admitted to organizing or re-organizing at least one Community Grange outside the Chartering process, which is to be conducted exclusively by the National Grange, and thus constitutes violation of Section 4.3.1 of the National Grange Bylaws. Finally, the California State Grange became more than two quarters delinquent in paying dues and submitting quarterly reports in violation of section 4.5.7 of the Bylaws of the National Grange.

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30. Under the section 4.12.2 Bylaws of the National Grange, the real and personal property of the California State Grange shall become the property of the National Grange to be held in trust until the California State Grange is reorganized pursuant to Grange Law.

#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

## (For Declaratory Judgment under Code of Civil Procedure section 1060 re the Revocation of California State Grange Charter)

- 31. Plaintiff National Grange re-alleges and incorporates by reference each and every fact alleged previously in paragraphs 1-30 above.
- 32. There is an actual controversy between the National Grange and members of the Executive Committee of the California State Grange and California State Grange, as well as Robert McFarland, regarding whether the National Grange has the rightful authority to revoke the Charter of the California State Grange and compel it to turn over Grange property under Section 4.12.2 of the National Grange Bylaws. The Executive Committee of the California State Grange refuses to accept the authority of the National Grange, National Grange Law and the California Bylaws.
- 33. The National Grange maintains that it has the authority under the Digest of Laws of the Order and the California State Bylaws to revoke the Charter of the California State Grange. Section 4.5.11 of the National Grange Bylaws provides the requisite authority to revoke the Charter and National Master Luttrell explained in writing why the conduct of the putative officers and board of the California State Grange amounts to violation of the law and usages of the Order under Sections 4.5.7 of the National Grange Bylaws.
- 34. The National Grange does <u>not</u> hereby request that California courts adjudicate whether McFarland has violated the Bylaws of the Order as charged in the August 1, 2013, Grange complaint filed against him. On the contrary, the National Grange has consistently maintained that the internal Grange procedure set forth in the Bylaws of the National Grange and California State Grange provides the sole and exclusive means of adjudicating the substantive claims regarding McFarland's conduct. California courts are requested simply to ensure that Defendants do not continue to totally disregard or clearly violate the Bylaws of the Order.

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- 35. The California State Grange, acting without a valid Charter through Defendants McFarland, Luvaas, Parr, Yogi, Bergeron and Thomas, has expressed its continued refusal to accept the authority of the National Grange to suspend its Charter.
- 36. Defendants McFarland, Luvaas, Parr, Yogi, Bergeron and Thomas continue to act through counsel, even though that law firm was retained without proper authorization. The Master and Executive Committee, as presently constituted, do not properly act or speak on behalf of the entire California State Grange, the Charter of which has been duly revoked.
- 37. This situation is creating significant risk of confusion and potential liability for the National Grange, especially as to third persons who are not aware of the California State Grange's lack of proper authority to act while its Charter has been duly revoked. A binding declaration of rights by the Court is necessary to alleviate this situation.

#### **SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION**

(For an Injunction under Code of Civil Procedure sections 526 and 527 re the Suspension of California State Grange Charter)

- 38. Plaintiff National Grange re-alleges and incorporates by reference each and every fact alleged previously in paragraphs 1-37 above.
- 39. Beginning on or about August 2012, and continuing to the present time, Defendants, and each of them, wrongfully and unlawfully refuses to accept the authority of the National Grange, National Grange Law and the California Bylaws.
- 40. The National Grange maintains that it has the authority under the Digest of Laws of the Order and the California State Grange Bylaws to revoke the Charter of the California State Grange under section 4.5.11 of the National Grange Bylaws, because putative officers of the California State Grange have violated of the law and usages of the Order under Sections 4.5.7 of the National Grange Bylaws..
- 41. The California State Grange, acting solely through Defendants McFarland, Luvaas, Parr, Yogi, Bergeron and Thomas, has expressed its continued refusal to accept the authority of the National Grange to suspend its Charter.
  - 42. The California State Grange has similarly refused to accept the authority of the

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- 43. Plaintiff National Grange has demanded that Defendants stop their conduct. Defendants, through a majority of the Executive Committee, have refused, which has resulted in the necessity for prompt judicial action to protect Plaintiff National Grange and the California State Grange.
- 44. Plaintiff National Grange has no adequate remedy at law for the injuries currently being suffered as it will be impossible for Plaintiff to determine the precise amount of damage that it will suffer if Defendants' conduct is not restrained, or Plaintiff will be forced to institute a multiplicity of suits to obtain adequate compensation for its injuries.
- 45. To the extent the California State Grange refuses to surrender to the National Grange deeds and other indicia of the transfer of real or personal property as required by section 4.12.2 of the Bylaws of the National Grange, such property must nevertheless be deemed to be held in charitable trust. A charitable trust will prevent transfer, waste or damage regarding Grange property pending rechartering of the California State Grange.
- 46. Because the National Grange has the sole right under the Bylaws to hold such property in trust, the National Grange is authorized to secure a prohibitory injunction under Corporations Code section 7142, subdivision (a), to prevent the California State Grange from breaching the terms of such charitable trust by transferring or burdening such real or personal property.

#### **PRAYER**

Plaintiff National Grange therefore asks the Court:

- 1. For a declaration as to the respective rights, duties, obligations of the National Grange and those Defendants purporting to represent the California State Grange following revocation of the Charter;
  - 2. For an order requiring Defendants to show cause, if any they have, why they should

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not be enjoined as set forth in this Complaint, during the pendency of this action;

- 3. For a temporary restraining order, a preliminary injunction, and a permanent injunction, all enjoining Defendants, and each of them, and their agents, servants, and employees, and all persons acting under, in concert with, or for them;
- 4. For establishment of a charitable trust in which to maintain Grange property until the California State Grange is properly rechartered under the Bylaws of the Order.
  - 5. For costs of suit incurred in this action; and
  - 6. For such other and further relief as the Court deems proper under the circumstances.

Dated: June 10, 2013

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By

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Re: National Grange, et al. v. Bob McFarland

Case No: Sacramento County Superior Court 34-2012-00130439

#### **DECLARATION OF SERVICE**

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of Sacramento County, California. I am over the age of eighteen years and not a party to the within above-entitled action. My business address is 350 University Avenue, Suite 200, Sacramento, California.

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