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CEASE AND DESIST ORDER

It has come to the attention of the Mississippi Insurance Department ("Department") that **Angela Pegues** through Gillespie Funeral Home engaged, and/or is engaging, in the business of insurance in the State of Mississippi without holding an active license issued by the Mississippi Insurance Department.

Based upon information and evidence available to the Commissioner of Insurance, Respondent has been **collecting, receiving, and/or soliciting insurance premium payments from Mississippi residents in connection with insurance policies**, despite not being licensed as an insurance producer or otherwise authorized to conduct such activities in the State of Mississippi. The Department is vested with the responsibility of regulating the business of insurance in this State and protecting Mississippi insurance consumers. Any person or entity engaging in the business of insurance in Mississippi is required to comply with the licensing and regulatory requirements of the Mississippi Insurance Code.

Mississippi Code Annotated § 83-1-49 authorizes the Commissioner of Insurance to investigate persons or entities engaged in the business of insurance and, upon evidence that a person or

entity has engaged or is engaging in unlicensed insurance activity, to issue a cease-and-desist order directing that such activity cease.

The Department has determined that Respondent's conduct constitutes, or provides sufficient grounds to believe that Respondent is engaging in, **unlicensed insurance activity in violation of the Mississippi Insurance Code**, including, but not limited to, acting in the capacity of an insurance producer without the required license and collecting or receiving insurance premiums without proper authority.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Commissioner of Insurance under **Miss. Code Ann. § 83-1-49**, **Angela Pegues is hereby ORDERED to immediately CEASE AND DESIST from engaging in any and all unlicensed insurance activity in the State of Mississippi.** Specifically, Respondent shall immediately cease and desist from:

1. **Soliciting, negotiating, selling, or otherwise transacting insurance** in Mississippi;
2. **Collecting, receiving, accepting, or attempting to collect or receive insurance premiums** from any Mississippi resident or policyholder;
3. Representing to any person that Respondent is an insurance producer, agent, broker, or other person authorized to transact insurance in Mississippi;
4. Accepting applications for insurance or otherwise assisting any person in obtaining insurance coverage;
5. Receiving, holding, disbursing, or otherwise exercising control over insurance premiums or other funds paid in connection with insurance policies;
6. Renewing, servicing, modifying, or otherwise administering insurance policies on behalf of an insurer or insured, unless and until Respondent is properly licensed and otherwise authorized under Mississippi law;
7. Advertising, soliciting, or holding himself/herself/itself out as being authorized to transact the business of insurance in Mississippi; and
8. Engaging in any other activity that constitutes the business of insurance or requires licensure under the Mississippi Insurance Code.

PREMIUMS AND POLICYHOLDER FUNDS

Respondent is further **ORDERED to immediately cease collecting or receiving any additional insurance premiums or other funds from Mississippi policyholders.**

Respondent shall preserve and account for all premiums and other insurance-related funds collected or received to date and shall provide the Department, upon request, with a complete accounting identifying:

- the policyholder or insured from whom each payment was received;
- the date and amount of each payment;
- the insurance policy to which each payment relates;

- the insurer or purported insurer associated with each policy;
- the manner in which each payment was received;
- the location or account into which each payment was deposited; and
- the disposition of each payment.

Respondent shall not transfer, conceal, dissipate, convert, or otherwise dispose of any insurance premiums or policyholder funds pending further direction from the Department.

FURTHER PROCEEDINGS

This Order does not constitute a determination that the Department's investigation is complete. The Department expressly reserves all rights and remedies available under the Mississippi Insurance Code, including the authority to pursue additional administrative, civil, or criminal remedies as appropriate.

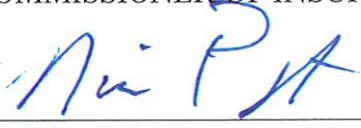
Pursuant to **Miss. Code Ann. § 83-1-49**, failure or refusal to comply with this Cease and Desist Order constitutes a violation of the Order and may subject Respondent to additional penalties provided by law. Mississippi law provides that a violation of a cease-and-desist order issued under § 83-1-49 may constitute a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of up to **\$5,000 per violation**.

If this Order is issued without notice and a prior hearing, Respondent may request a hearing for reconsideration within **twenty (20) days from the date of this Order**, as provided by Miss. Code Ann. § 83-1-49.

SO ISSUED, this the 8th day of October, 2026.

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