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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

ALMA SUE CROFT, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

SPINX GAMES LIMITED, GRANDE GAMES LIMITED, and BEIJING BOLE TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD.,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:20-cv-01310-RSM

ORDER GRANTING CLASS COUNSEL'S MOTION FOR ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES AND CLASS REPRESENTATIVE INCENTIVE AWARD

HON. RICARDO S. MARTINEZ

WHEREAS, Plaintiff has submitted authority and evidence supporting Class Counsel's Motion for Award of Attorneys' Fees and Expenses and Issuance of Incentive Award; and

WHEREAS, the Court, having considered the Motion and being fully advised, finds that good cause exists for entry of the Order below; therefore, the motion is hereby GRANTED and it is ORDERED as follows:

1. The Court awards \$875,000 in attorneys' fees for Bursor & Fisher, P.A. ("Class Counsel"). These requested attorneys' fees, which reflect the "benchmark" fee award in common fund cases, are fair and reasonable. *See Vizcaino v. Microsoft Corp.*, 290 F.3d 1043, 1047, 1052 (9th Cir. 2002). The Court reaches this conclusion after analyzing: (1) the extent to which class counsel achieved exceptional results for the class; (2) whether the case was risky for class counsel; (3) whether counsel's performance generated benefits beyond the cash settlement

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fund; (4) the market rate for the particular field of law; (5) the burdens class counsel experienced while litigating the case; (6) and whether the case was handled on a contingency basis.

- 2. The Court also grants Class Counsel's request for reimbursement of \$22,295.01 in litigation costs and expenses, as the Court finds these costs and expenses reasonable and appropriate. See Dennings v. Clearwire Corp., 2013 WL 1858797, at *10 (W.D. Wash. May 3, 2013), aff'd, Case No. 13-35491 (9th Cir. Sept. 9, 2013).
- 3. The Court also awards Plaintiff Alma Sue Croft \$5,000 as an incentive award for her participation in this matter. Ms. Croft and her late son invested substantial time in this case, risked reputational harm, and otherwise made significant contributions to the Class. A \$5,000 incentive award is reasonable for her services. McClintic v. Lithia Motors, Inc., 2011 WL 13127844, at *6 (W.D. Wash. Oct. 19, 2011); see also In re Portfolio Recovery Assocs., LLC, Tel. Consumer Prot. Act Litig., 2017 WL 10777695, at *3 (S.D. Cal. Jan. 25, 2017) (incentive award appropriate where class representatives "were required to review documents" and "they will earn little for their efforts without [] incentive payments").
- 4. Defendants shall pay the above attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses, and incentive award, pursuant to and in the manner provided by the terms of the Settlement Agreement.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 1st day of December, 2022.

ARDO S. MARTINEZ

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE