

## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & INSURANCE**

P.O. Box 690, Jefferson City, Mo. 65102-0690

IN RE: JOHN SHERWOOD

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## **VOLUNTARY FORFEITURE AGREEMENT**

It is hereby agreed by John Sherwood and the Division of Consumer Affairs ("Division") of the Department of Commerce and Insurance, as follows:

WHEREAS, Chlora Lindley-Myers, is the duly appointed Director of the Department of Commerce and Insurance, State of Missouri (hereinafter, "Director" of the "Department"), whose duties, pursuant to Chapters 374 and 375, RSMo, include the supervision and regulation of the business of insurance;

WHEREAS, the Division is charged with investigating producers and companies engaged in the business of insurance pursuant to Sections 374.085 and 374.190, RSMo and is authorized by the Director to recommend enforcement action under the laws relating to insurance;

WHEREAS, John Sherwood ("Sherwood") has a resident individual producer license with the Department, pursuant to Chapter 375, RSMo;

WHEREAS, the Division has received information concerning Sherwood's failure to submit applications for insurance and timely remit premium, which is a violation of 20 CSR 700-1.140 (A) and (D) and subjects Sherwood to enforcement action by the Director;

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WHEREAS, Sherwood has been informed of his right to counsel and of his right to contest any attempt by the Department to discipline his insurance producer license, and states that he understands his rights to contest any such actions;

AND WHEREAS, Sherwood acknowledges and admits for purposes of this Agreement and for purposes of any future action by the Director or the Division based on an additional violation of the insurance laws or regulations by Sherwood, in which action the Director or the Division alleges that the violation described herein forms part of a course of conduct, a business practice, or other such series of similar violations, or that future violations by Sherwood are committed knowingly, intentionally or in conscious disregard of the law, that he failed to submit applications for insurance and timely remit premium, and that such conduct violated 20 CSR 700-1.140 (A) and (D);

NOW, THEREFORE, in lieu of any recommendation or initiation by the Division of any action based on the violation cited in this Agreement, and after being afforded the opportunity to consult legal counsel, Sherwood does hereby voluntarily and knowingly surrender and forfeit the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600.00), such sum to be paid into the State School Moneys Fund pursuant to Sections 374.046 and 374.280, RSMo.

Sherwood shall submit this sum to the Department by cashier's check or money order made payable to the State School Moneys Fund no later than December 11, 2023.

The parties agree that, should the Director or the Division in the future allege a different violation of the insurance laws or regulations by Sherwood, nothing in this Agreement shall preclude the Director or the Division from introducing Sherwood's admissions contained in this Agreement as evidence that the acts described herein form part of a course of conduct, a business practice, or other such series of similar violations, or for purposes of showing that such later alleged acts are committed knowingly, intentionally or in conscious disregard of the law.

DATED: 11-29-23

DATED: 12/20/23

DATED: 12-20-2023

John Sherwood NPN 13309165

Carrie Couch, Director

Division of Consumer Affairs

Chlora Lindley-Myers, Director

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