UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA ORLANDO DIVISION

ROBERT BAEHRLE,

Plaintiff,

v. Case No: 6:17-cv-1686-Orl-41GJK

H.A.T. SERVICE CORPORATION,

Defendant.	
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ORDER

THIS CAUSE is before the Court on the parties' Joint Motion to Approve Settlement ("Motion," Doc. 30). United States Magistrate Judge Gregory J. Kelly submitted a Report and Recommendation ("R&R," Doc. 31), recommending that the Court grant the Motion.

After a *de novo* review and noting that the parties filed a Joint Notice of No Objection (Doc. 32), the Court agrees with the analysis in the R&R, with the addition of the following caveat: to the extent that the Settlement Agreement purports to allow the parties to subsequently modify the Agreement, (*see* Doc. 30-1¶9), that language will be stricken. Pursuant to *Lynn's Food Stores*, *Inc. v. United States*, 679 F.2d 1350, 1355 (11th Cir. 1982), any future modifications to the Settlement Agreement are unenforceable absent judicial approval.

Therefore, it is **ORDERED** and **ADJUDGED** as follows:

- 1. The Report and Recommendation (Doc. 38) is **ADOPTED** and **CONFIRMED** as set forth herein.
- 2. To the extent the modification provision (Doc. 30-1 ¶ 9) purports to allow the Settlement Agreement to be modified without Court approval, it is **STRICKEN**.

3. The parties' Joint Motion to Approve Settlement (Doc. 30) is **GRANTED**; the Settlement Agreement, as amended by this Court, is **APPROVED**; and this case is **DISMISSED with prejudice**.

4. The Clerk is directed to close this case.

DONE and **ORDERED** in Orlando, Florida on July 31, 2018.



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Counsel of Record