1 The Honorable Lauren King 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 AT SEATTLE 10 ABDIQAFAR WAGAFE, et al., on behalf of CASE NO. C17-00094-LK 11 himself and other similarly situated, STIPULATION FOR ORDER 12 Plaintiffs. STAYING ADJUDICATION OF ADJUSTMENT CLASS CLAIMS; 13 ORDER THEREON 14 JOSEPH R. BIDEN, President of the United States, et al., 15 Defendants. 16 17 WHEREAS in this action two classes of litigants, the "Adjustment Class" and the 18 "Naturalization Class," assert a variety of challenges to USCIS' "Controlled Application Review and 19 Resolution Program" (CARRP); and 20 WHEREAS the claims of the two classes are largely identical; and 21 WHEREAS the Defendants contend the Adjustment Class claims face certain jurisdictional 22 issues that do not affect the Naturalization Class claims; and 23 WHEREAS the parties have met and conferred and mutually agree that it will promote 24 25 efficiency and conservation of judicial resources to stay the litigation as to the Adjustment Class claims in favor of proceeding first to an adjudication of the Naturalization Class claims; and 26 27 28

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WHEREAS the parties believe that resolving the Naturalization Class claims may pave the way for a resolution of the Adjustment Class claims and thereby avoid the need for the Court to confront a jurisdictional question potentially unnecessary to the resolution of this lawsuit;

NOW THEREFORE the parties through their respective counsel of record do hereby stipulate and agree that the Court may make and enter the following order:

- 1. The order setting a deadline for Defendants to file their motion concerning the application of *Patel v. Garland* to Plaintiffs' claims (Dkt. # 608) is vacated.
  - 2. The claims of the Adjustment Class are stayed until further order of the Court.
- 3. The stay of the Adjustment Class claims may be terminated by the Court upon the request by either Plaintiffs or Defendants.
  - 4. The parties shall jointly notify the Court, within 90 days of the date of this Order, and

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| 1  | every 90 days thereafter, whether they wish the stay of the Adjustment Class claims to continue. |  |  |
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| 2  | 5. Defendants shall notify the Court with  | thin 15 days of issuance that USCIS has issued             |  |
| 3  | its new policy to replace CARRP.   |  |  |
| 4  | SO STIPULATED.   |  |  |
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| 1  | ORDER                                    |  |
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| 2  | ORDER                                    |  |
| 3  | IT IS SO ORDERED.                        |  |
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| 5  | DATED: October 28, 2022.                 |  |
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