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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA - NORTHERN DIVISION				
In re: BARON BROTHERS NURSERY, INC.,	CASE NO.: 9:23-bk-10157-RC			
DATE OF THE TOTAL	CHAPTER: 7			
	NOTICE OF SALE OF ESTATE PROPERTY			
Debtor(s).				
Sale Date: 09/12/2023	Time: 2:00 pm			
Location: Courtroom 201, 1415 State Street, Santa Barba	ıra, California 93101			
Type of Sale: Public Private Last date to file objections: 14 days prior to the hearing date.				
Description of property to be sold: Equipment - one 10x6	foot potting wagon (the "Asset").			
Terms and conditions of sale: The Trustee will sell the property "as-is" "where-is", without any representations or warranties of any kind, subject to overbid at the hearing.				
Proposed sale price: \$ 500.00				

This form is mandatory. It has been approved for use in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California.

Overbid procedure (if any):	See the attached "Overbid Procedures."

If property is to be sold free and clear of liens or other interests, list date, time and location of hearing:

Date: September 12, 2023
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Place: Courtroom 201
1415 State Street
Santa Barbara, California 93101
Appearances may be made by Zoom as well. See attached.

Contact person for potential bidders (include name, address, telephone, fax and/or email address):

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Date: 08/23/2023

OVERBID PROCEDURES

While Sandra K. McBeth, Chapter 7 Trustee for the Bankruptcy Estate of Baron 2 3 Brothers Nursery, Inc. ("Trustee"), is prepared to consummate the sale with the JAS Plants Sales, Inc., a California corporation ("Purchaser"), she is also interested in 4 5 obtaining the maximum price for the one 10x6 foot potting wagon (the "Asset") as reflected in the Asset Sale and Purchase Agreement (the "Purchase Agreement"), a 6 true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**. Please take notice that 7 8 a hearing was held on August 8, 2023 on the "Chapter 7 Trustee's Motion for Order: (1) Authorizing Sale of Personal Property Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, and 9 10 Interests Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 363(b) and (f); (2) Approving Overbid Procedures; (3) Approving Purchaser, Successful Bidder, and Back-Up Bidder as Good Faith 11 Purchasers; and (4) Waiving the 14 Day Stay (the "Motion", Dkt. No. 87) filed by 12 Sandra K. McBeth, Chapter 7 trustee (the "Trustee") for the bankruptcy estate of Baron 13 14 Brothers Nursery, Inc. At that hearing, the Court granted the Motion as to the sale of 15 the following assets: 1986 Western Star Crane Truck -\$15,695 16 17

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The Court continued the hearing on the Motion to September 12, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. for the sale of the Asset to allow the Trustee to serve notice of the Motion on all secured creditors who may assert a lien in the Asset. The Asset will be sold pursuant to the provisions set forth in the Motion.

The sale of the Asset is subject to overbid and the Trustee seeks approval of the following overbid procedures:

1. Each potential bidder (other than the Buyer) in order to qualify as a bidder at the Hearing, shall:

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- a. attend the hearing on the Motion or be represented by an individual with authority to participate in the overbid process;
- b. bid on the identical terms as the Buyer including, but not limited to, an "as-is, where-is" basis, with no representations or warranties regarding the Asset (as defined in the Motion) and with no contingencies; and
- c. Prior to the hearing, overbidders (except for the Purchaser) must deliver a deposit to the Trustee's counsel, at the address stated on the first page hereof, by way of cashier's check in an amount equal to the initial overbid made payable to "Sandra K. McBeth, Chapter 7 Trustee," (the "Deposit"); In her sole discretion, the Trustee may waive the deadline for submission of overbids. The acceptance of any overbid from a qualified bidder will be in the Trustee's sole discretion and may be made prior to or at the time of hearing to confirm the sale.1
- 2. An overbid will be defined as an initial overbid as follows:

Equipment	Initial Overbid	Additional Increments
10x6 ft. Potting Wagon	\$750	\$100

- 3. If qualified overbids are received and accepted by the Trustee, an auction will be held at the time of the hearing on the Trustee's motion for approval of the Proposed Sale. The Trustee will propose to the Court that each overbid at the hearing be set at the rates or amounts identified above for the Asset.
- 4. In the event the Trustee receives multiple Overbids in the same amount, the Trustee will accept the Overbids in the order they are received such that only the overbidder submitting such bid first will be deemed to have made a bid in such amount and the other overbidders must increase their bid to be eligible to purchase the Asset.
 - 5. At the conclusion of the auction, the Trustee will have the right, based solely on

¹ If the Trustee determines at or before the hearing that the bidding procedures should be altered, the Trustee will so apprise the Court at or before the hearing and will request approval of the bidding procedures as revised.

- 6. If the Court approves the sale to a bidding party (hereinafter the "Successful Bidder"), the Successful Bidder will be bound by all of the terms of the Purchase Agreement except as to price, without contingencies (including any financing contingency). The Successful Bidder's Deposit will be retained by the Trustee and will be applied to the sale price. The Successful Bidder's Deposit will be non-refundable in the event that, for any reason whatsoever, the Successful Bidder fails to close the sale timely.
- 7. The closing will take place as soon as practicable after entry of the Court's Sale Order within 14 calendar days of entry of the order confirming the sale. The Trustee and the Successful Bidder may mutually agree in writing to extend the time for closing.
- 8. In her sole discretion, the Trustee may request that the Court confirm a "Back-Up Buyer" so that if the Successful Bidder does not close timely the Trustee may sell the Assets to the Back-Up Buyer for the amount of such Back-Up Buyer's last bid. The Back-Up Buyer's Deposit will be retained by the Trustee. If the sale to the Successful Bidder does not close timely, the Trustee will advise the Back-Up Buyer accordingly. The closing will take place on or before fourteen (14) calendar days following the date on which the Trustee gives notice to the Back-Up Buyer of the Successful Bidder's failure to close. The Back-Up Buyer will be bound by all of the terms of the Purchase Agreement except as to price, without contingencies (including any financing contingency). The Back-Up Buyer's Deposit will be applied to the sale price. The Back-Up Buyer's Deposit will be non-refundable in the event that the Back-Up Buyer fails to close the sale timely.
- 9. If a qualified overbidder is not the Successful Bidder or the Back-Up Buyer, the overbidder's Deposit will be returned to the overbidder within ten court days from the date of the hearing. If the sale to the Successful Bidder closes, the Back-Up Buyer's Deposit will be returned to the Back-Up Buyer within ten (10) court days from the date

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Exhibit 1

ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

July 14, 2023

Between

JAS Plants Sales Inc.

and

Sandra K. McBeth, Chapter 7 Trustee for Baron Brothers Nursery, Inc.

This Asset Purchase Agreement ("Agreement") sets forth the terms and conditions of the purchase (the "Purchase") by JAS Plants Sales, Inc., a California corporation, ("Buyer" or "JAS"), from Sandra K. McBeth (the "Seller" or "Trustee", including Buyer, hereinafter referred to as the "Parties"), solely in her capacity as chapter 7 trustee for Baron Brothers Nursery, Inc. (the "Debtor"), Bankruptcy Case No. 9:23-bk-10157-RC (the "Case") for: (i) one 1986 Western Star 3 Axle Crane Truck; (ii) one 1999 International Crane Truck; (iii) one 1981 Great Dane Drop-Deck trailer; (iv) one 1868 Kentucky Lowboy Drop-Deck trailer; and (v) one 10x6 foot potting wagon (collectively, the "Assets"), belonging to the Debtor's bankruptcy estate (the "Estate"), which are located at 8860 Stockton Road, Moorpark, California 93021 (the "Stockton Site"). JAS and Trustee agree as follows:

RECITALS

- A. On March 6, 2023, the Debtor commenced the above-captioned bankruptcy case (the "Bankruptcy Case") by the filing of a voluntary petition under Chapter 7 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code").
- B. Sandra K. McBeth is the duly appointed and acting interim Chapter 7 Trustee of the Debtor's Estate.
- C. Among the assets of the Estate are tractors, trucks, trailers, various machinery and equipment, and inventory consisting primarily of plants located at four separate locations in Ventura County, including the Stockton Site and the Camarillo Site.
- D. Sabag Holdings, LLC ("SH") was the purchaser and successful overbidder of the remaining plant inventory that was the subject of the Trustee's most recent sale motion. On May 3, 2023, the Court approved the sale of the remaining plant inventory to SH for \$161,021.00 [Dkt. No.64].
- E. JAS, which is owned and managed by the same individuals at SH, seeks to purchase the Assets to assist with its efforts to remove the remaining plant inventory it acquired from the Trustee, based on the following terms:

I. PURCHASE AND SALE OF REQUIRED ASSETS

1. **Agreement to Sell and Purchase Acquired Assets.** Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement, and in reliance on the representations, warranties and covenants

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set forth in this Agreement, Seller agrees to sell, assign, transfer and convey to Buyer at the Closing (as defined in Section 5.2 below), and Buyer agrees to purchase and acquire from Seller at the Closing, all of Seller's right, title, and interest in and to all of the Acquired Assets (as defined in Section 2 below). The Acquired Assets will be sold, assigned, transferred and conveyed to Buyer (subject to Section V below) on the Closing Date "as is" and "where is", with no representations or warranties other than those specifically set forth below.

2. **Acquired Assets Defined**. As used in this Agreement, the term "Acquired Assets" means, collectively, Seller's right, title, and interest in two pieces of machinery equipment, (i) one 1986 Western Star 3 Axle Crane Truck; (ii) one 1999 International Crane Truck; (iii) one 1981 Great Dane Drop-Deck trailer; (iv) one 1868 Kentucky Lowboy Drop-Deck trailer; and (v) one 10x6 foot potting wagon, which are all located at the Stockton Site. The Trustee makes no warranties or representations as to the condition of the Assets. Buyer is not relying on the Trustee regarding the condition of the Assets for purposes of completing the Purchase, and Buyer has performed its own due diligence with respect to the actual property which constitutes the Acquired Assets.

3. Asset Transfer; Passage of Title; Delivery

- (a) **Title Passage.** Except as otherwise provided in this Section, upon Closing, title to all of the Acquired Assets shall pass to Buyer; and Seller shall make available to Buyer possession of all the Acquired Assets. Further, upon Buyer's request, execute assignments, conveyances and/or bills of sale reasonably requested to convey to Buyer title to all the Acquired Assets, as well as such other instruments of conveyance as counsel for Buyer may reasonably deem necessary to effect or evidence the transfers contemplated hereby.
- (b) **Delivery of Acquired Assets.** On the Closing Date (as defined in Section 5.2 below), Seller shall make available to Buyer possession of the Acquired Assets, provided however, that the expenses of retrieving, removing and transferring the Acquired Assets shall be borne exclusively by Buyer.

II. PURCHASE PRICE; PAYMENTS

1. **Purchase Price.** Buyer agrees to purchase the Acquired Assets for forty-two thousand four hundred thirty dollars (\$42,430.00) (the "Purchase Price"). Buyer shall provide the full Purchase Price to the Trustee upon execution of this Agreement, which shall become non-refundable in the event of a failure of Buyer to consummate the Purchase in a timely manner unless the failure of the consummation of the Purchase is due to the fault of the Trustee or the bankruptcy court denying the Trustee's request for approval of the Agreement, and this Agreement is terminated by Buyer due to a material breach or default. Should the bankruptcy court not approve this Agreement, or a third-party be the successful overbidder for the Assets, the Trustee shall return the Purchase Price to the Buyer within two (2) business days of entry of the bankruptcy court's order. Each Party shall be responsible for its own legal, accounting, and other fees and expenses related to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

III. OBLIGATIONS ASSUMED

1. Except as otherwise set forth herein, Buyer shall not assume or become obligated in **2** | P a g e

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any way to pay any liabilities, debts or obligations of the Debtor or Trustee whatsoever, including but not limited to any liabilities or obligations now or hereafter arising from the Debtor's business activities that took place prior to the Closing or any liabilities arising out of or connected to the liquidation and winding down of Debtor's business liabilities, debts, and obligations of Debtor not expressly assumed by Buyer hereunder are hereinafter referred to as the "Excluded Liabilities."

2. The execution and delivery of this Agreement shall not be deemed to confer any rights upon any person or entity other than the parties hereto or make any person or entity a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement, or to obligate either party to any person or entity.

IV. REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

- 1. JAS represents and warrants to the Trustee that JAS has all corporate power and authority to enter into this Agreement and consummate the Purchase; that JAS has taken all corporate action necessary to authorize this Agreement and the Purchase; and that this Agreement is a valid and binding obligation of JAS, enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as limited by applicable bankruptcy, state or other laws of general application or by general principles of equity that restrict the availability of equitable remedies.
- 2. Trustee represents and warrants to JAS that Trustee has the legal capacity, subject to bankruptcy court approval, to enter into this Agreement and consummate the Purchase; that Trustee is the duly appointed trustee in the Case; and that this Agreement is a valid and binding obligation of Trustee, enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as limited by applicable bankruptcy, state, or other laws of general application or by general principles of equity that restrict the availability of equitable remedies.
- 3. The Trustee makes no other representation or warranty, express or implied, to JAS, and hereby disclaims any representation or warranty, express or implied, with respect to the Acquired Assets or any other matter, including any representation or warranty as to merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose or future results, other than as expressly set forth in this Section. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT, TRUSTEE MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES WHATSOEVER, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER RELATING TO THE ASSETS AND JAS WILL ACCEPT THE PROPERTY AND THE ASSUMED LIABILITIES AT THE CLOSING "AS-IS, WHERE-IS" AND "WITH ALL FAULTS" WITHOUT ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED.

V. CONDITIONS TO CLOSING

The closing of the Purchase shall be subject to the following conditions:

- 1. **Assignments and Transfers.** The negotiation, execution and delivery of any required assignment and transfer agreements.
- 2. **Closing Date**. Each Party will perform all acts required of such Party pursuant to this Agreement to enable the closing ("Closing") to occur on or before August 29, 2023 (the "Closing Date").

VI. CLOSING OBLIGATIONS

- 1. **Buyer's Closing Obligations**. At the Closing, Buyer shall deliver to Seller the following:
- (a) The Assignment and Bill of Sale Agreement, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, signed by an authorized officer of Buyer on behalf of Buyer.
- 2. **Seller's Closing Obligations.** At the Closing, Seller shall deliver to Buyer the following:
- (a) The Assignment and Bill of Sale Agreement, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, signed by the Trustee or by Trustee's counsel on behalf of Trustee.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

- 1. **Governing Law.** This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California, excluding those laws that direct the application of the laws of another jurisdiction.
- 2. **Counterparts; Electronic Delivery.** This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. Receipt by facsimile, scanned copy or portable document format (PDF) of any executed signature page to this Agreement shall constitute effective delivery of such signature page.
- 3. **Headings.** The headings of the sections of this Agreement are for convenience and shall not by themselves determine the interpretation of this Agreement.
- 4. **Amendment of Agreement**. Any provision of this Agreement may be amended only by a written instrument signed by JAS and by the Trustee.
- 5. **Entire Agreement; Successors, Nominees, and Assigns**. This Agreement constitute the entire understanding between the Trustee and JAS in relation to the subject matter hereof. Any prior and contemporaneous agreement, discussion, understanding or correspondence between the Trustee and JAS regarding the purchase of the Assets is superseded by this Agreement. The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the respective executors, administrators, heirs, successors, nominees and assigns of the parties.
- 7. **Notices.** All notices, requests, consents and other communications required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be hand delivered by messenger or courier service, or mailed by registered or certified mail (postage prepaid), return receipt requested, or sent by Federal Express or similar overnight delivery service from which a receipt may be obtained, or sent by e-mail or facsimile (with confirmation that the email or fax was sent) to:

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If to Seller:

Sandra K. McBeth, Chapter 7 Trustee

c/o Jeremy W. Faith, Esq. MARGULIES FAITH, LLP 16030 Ventura Blvd., Suite 470 Encino, California 91436

Facsimile: (818) 705-3777

Email: Jeremy@MarguliesFaithLaw.com

If to Buyer:

JAS Plants Sales, Inc. Attn: Jonathan Sabag 8768 Yolanda Ave. Northridge, CA 91324

Facsimile: N/A

Email: jonathansabag@gmail.com

- 8. Prior Understandings. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement, is intended as a final expression of such Parties' agreement with respect to such terms as are included in this Agreement, is intended as a complete and exclusive statement of the terms of such agreement, and supersedes all negotiations, stipulations, understandings, agreements, representations and warranties, if any, with respect to such subject matter, which precede or accompany the execution of this Agreement.
- 9. Attorneys' Fees. Each Party shall bear its/his/her own attorneys' fees, expenses and costs incurred in connection with the subject matter of this Agreement and the preparation of this Agreement. Nothing in this Agreement shall be interpreted or construed to waive or release any right of the Trustee and/or his professionals to seek compensation and reimbursement from the Estate.

By their signatures below, the Parties hereby agree to the terms of this Agreement, consisting of pages numbered 1 through 5, herein:

BUYER:

SELLER:

JAS Plants Sales, Inc.

Jonathan Sabag

Its Chief Executive Officer

Sandra K. McBeth, Chapter 7 Trustee

for Baron Brothers Nursery, Inc.

PROOF OF SERVICE OF DOCUMENT

I am over the age of 18 and not a party to this bankruptcy case or adversary proceeding. My business address is: 16030 Ventura Blvd., Suite 470, Encino, CA 91436

A true and correct copy of the foregoing document entitled: NOTICE OF SALE OF ESTATE PROPERTY will be served or b

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08/23/2023	Angela Saba		/s/ Angela Saba
Date	Printed Name		Signature

ADDITIONAL SERVICE INFORMATION (if needed):

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