UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA FORT MYERS DIVISION

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Plaintiff,

v. Case No: 2:16-cv-488-FtM-38CM

STEVEN DEHAAN, KEVIN J. RAMBOSK and NORTHWOOD HOSPITALITY LLC,

Defendants.

ORDER¹

This matter comes before the Court on Plaintiff Asha Osman and Defendant Northwood Hospitality LLC's Stipulation of Dismissal with Prejudice. (Doc. 53). Osman and Northwood Hospitality stipulate to dismissing all claims against Northwood Hospitality, LLC (Counts IX-XI) provided the Court retains jurisdiction to enforce their settlement agreement. The parties bring their stipulation under Rule 41(a)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, which provides "an action may be dismissed at the plaintiff's request only by court order, on terms that the court considers proper." Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(2).

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This Court will not enter an order to dismiss a case and retain jurisdiction over a

settlement agreement – the terms of which are unknown – that the parties have reached.

The parties are free to enter into any settlement agreement in order to resolve this case.

But the Court declines to retain jurisdiction to enforce any such agreement.

Accordingly, it is now

ORDERED:

(1) Plaintiff Asha Osman and Defendant Northwood Hospitality LLC's Stipulation

of Dismissal with Prejudice (Doc. 53) is **DENIED**.

(2) The parties shall jointly advise the Court, in writing, on or before October 10,

2017, as to how they wish to proceed with this case. **Failure to respond may**

result in the Court administratively closing this case based on the parties'

settlement (Doc. 47).

DONE and **ORDERED** in Fort Myers, Florida this 5th day of October 2017.

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Copies: All Parties of Record

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