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19 20 21 22 23 24 25	DAVE JONES, INSURANCE COMMISSIONER OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, Applicant, v. MAJESTIC INSURANCE COMPANY, and DOES 1-50, inclusive, Respondents.	DECLARATION OF BARRY D. ZYSKIND IN SUPPORT OF INSURANCE COMMISSIONER DAVE JONES' MOTION FOR ORDER APPROVING REHABILITATION PLAN FOR MAJESTIC INSURANCE COMPANY Date: June 2, 2011 Time: 9:30 a.m. Dept: 301 Judge: Hon. Peter J. Busch
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I, BARRY D. ZYSKIND, hereby declare and state as follows:

- 1. I am the Chief Executive Officer of AmTrust Financial Services, Inc.

 ("AmTrust"), which is a publicly-traded insurance holding company listed on the Nasdaq Stock

 Market. AmTrust, through its subsidiaries, AmTrust North America, Inc. and Technology

 Insurance Company, Inc., have agreed to enter into the Rehabilitation Agreement regarding

 Majestic Insurance Company ("Majestic") with Dave Jones, Insurance Commissioner of the State

 of California, in his capacity as Conservator of Majestic, in furtherance of the Rehabilitation Plan,

 by which AmTrust will assume Majestic's policyholder liabilities, office leases and retain most of

 Majestic's employees.
- 2. I make this Declaration in Support of the Insurance Commissioner Dave Jones' Motion for an Order Approving Rehabilitation Plan for Majestic Insurance Company.
- 3. As a company with more than \$4.2 billion in assets, \$700 million in shareholders' equity, and \$137 million in operating earnings (2010), AmTrust, which is rated A (IX) by A.M. Best, has the financial strength to assume Majestic's obligations pursuant to the Rehabilitation Plan. More importantly, AmTrust has the expertise required to successfully integrate Majestic's business (which is comprised solely of workers' compensation insurance) and to provide a stable, growing market for Majestic's current agents and policyholders and small businesses throughout the State of California and other states.
- 4. In 2010, workers' compensation remained AmTrust's largest line of business, comprising thirty (30%) percent of AmTrust's gross written premium in the total amount of \$1.6 billion. AmTrust, one of the twenty (20) largest workers' compensation writers in the United States, focuses on small businesses which often are overlooked by our competitors. We successfully write workers' compensation insurance for small businesses through our proprietary technology which enables us to cost-effectively underwrite each risk and to provide high levels of service to our agents and policyholders.
- 5. I believe that by combining AmTrust's platform and corporate culture, which is characterized by a commitment to sound underwriting, and Majestic's experienced and well-

regarded workers' compensation team, we will create a dynamic new option in the California marketplace. In the past eight years, AmTrust has acquired and successfully integrated workers' compensation businesses in diverse markets throughout the United States, including Princeton Insurance Agency in Princeton, New Jersey (a book of business in the approximate amount of \$100 million (annualized premiums) located, primarily, in the Northeast, acquired in 2003), The Covenant Group in Atlanta, Georgia, (a book of business in the approximate amount of \$70 million located, primarily, in the Southeast acquired in 2004), Alea North America in Rocky Hill, Connecticut (which included a book of workers' compensation program business of approximately \$150 million, acquired in 2005), Muirfield Underwriters in Chicago, Illinois (a book of business in the approximate amount of \$60 million located, primarily, in the Midwest, acquired in 2006), Associated Industries Insurance Services, Inc. in Boca Raton, Florida (a book of business in excess of \$100 million and Florida-domiciled workers' compensation carrier in 2007), Cybercomp, (a Swiss Re workers' compensation program in the approximate amount of \$100 million which operated in 26 states, which AmTrust acquired in 2009). In each case, AmTrust has, in connection with the integration of the acquired business, reduced expenses and achieved greater profitability. III///

6. For the foregoing reasons, I am confident that, pursuant to the Rehabilitation Plan, AmTrust will seamlessly assume Majestic's existing business and create a sound workers' compensation business, which will serve the California market in the years to come.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this __th day of April, 2011.

Barry D. Zyskind

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