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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY

In the Matter of: Kenneth Wu Chairman of the Board Golden Bank, National Association Houston, Texas

AA-SO-12-59

STIPULATION AND CONSENT ORDER

WHEREAS, the Comptroller of the Currency of the United States of America ("Comptroller") intends to initiate civil money penalty proceedings against Kenneth Wu ("Respondent"), Chairman of the Board and a member of the Board of Directors of Golden Bank, National Association, Houston, Texas (the "Bank"); and

WHEREAS, in the interest of cooperation and to avoid the costs associated with future administrative and judicial proceedings with respect to the above matter, the Comptroller and Respondent desire to enter into this Stipulation and Consent Order ("Order") issued pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i);

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the above premises, it is stipulated by and between the Comptroller, through his duly authorized representative, and Respondent that:

Article I

JURISDICTION

(1) The Bank is a national banking association, chartered and examined by the Comptroller, pursuant to the National Bank Act of 1864, as amended, 12 U.S.C. § 1 *et seq.* Accordingly, the Bank is an "insured depository institution" as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(c)(2).

(2) Respondent is the Chairman of the Board and a member of the Board of Directors of the Bank and is an "institution-affiliated party" of the Bank as that term is defined in 12 U.S.C. § 1813(u), having served in such capacity within six (6) years from the date hereof (*see* 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i)(3)).

(3) Pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1813(q), the Comptroller is the "appropriate Federal banking agency" to maintain an enforcement proceeding against institutionaffiliated parties. Therefore, Respondent is subject to the authority of the Comptroller to initiate and maintain civil money penalty proceedings against him pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i).

Article II

COMPTROLLER'S FINDINGS

(1) Pursuant to the authority invested in him by the Federal Deposit Insurance Act, 12 U.S.C. § 1818, the Comptroller hereby finds, and the Respondent neither admits nor denies, that Respondent, as a member of the Bank's Board of Directors, failed to provide proper oversight of the Bank and failed to take proper action designed to ensure the Bank complied with 12 U.S.C. § 161, thereby causing, allowing, contributing to, or bringing about violations of 12 U.S.C. § 161 (regarding reports to the Comptroller).

Article III

ORDER FOR CIVIL MONEY PENALTY

(1) Respondent hereby consents to the payment of a civil money penalty in the amount of three thousand dollars (\$ 3,000.00), which Respondent shall pay upon execution of this Order.

(2) Respondent shall promptly make payment in full by check made payable to the Treasurer of the United States and shall promptly deliver the payment to: Comptroller of the Currency, P.O. Box 979012, St. Louis, Missouri 63197-9000. The docket number of this case shall be entered on the check. Respondent shall provide a photocopy of the check along with the signed original copy of this Order to the attention of the Director of Enforcement and Compliance Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 250 E Street, SW, Washington, DC 20219. Respondent shall also provide a photocopy of the check and this Order to the attention of David W. Dixon, Counsel, Southern District Legal Division, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, 500 North Akard Street, Suite 1600, Dallas, TX 75201. (3) This Order shall be enforceable to the same extent and in the same manner as an effective and outstanding order that has been issued and has become final pursuant to 12 U.S.C. §§ 1818(h) and (i) (as amended).

Article IV

WAIVERS

- (1) By executing this Order, Respondent waives:
 - (a) The right to the issuance of a Notice of Civil Money Penalty Assessment under 12 U.S.C. § 1818(i);
 - (b) All rights to a hearing and a final agency decision pursuant to 12U.S.C. § 1818(i) and 12 C.F.R. Part 19;
 - (c) All rights to seek judicial review of this Order;
 - (d) All rights in any way to contest the validity of this Order;
 - (e) Any and all claims for fees, costs or expenses against the Comptroller, or any of his agents or employees, related in any way to this enforcement matter or this Order, whether arising under common law or under the terms of any statute, including, but not limited to, the Equal Access to Justice Act, 5 U.S.C. § 504 and 28 U.S.C. § 2412; and
 - (f) All rights to assert a "double jeopardy" claim on the basis of the issuance of this Order in the event of any prosecution brought by the Department of Justice.

(2) Respondent shall not cause, participate in or authorize the Bank (or any subsidiary or affiliate thereof) to incur, directly or indirectly, any expense for the payment of the civil money penalty under this Order, or any legal (or other professional) expense related to the negotiation and issuance of this Order except as permitted by 12 C.F.R. § 7.2014 and Part 359; and Respondent shall not, directly or indirectly, obtain or accept any indemnification (or other reimbursement) from the Bank (or any subsidiary or affiliate thereof) with respect to such amounts except as permitted by 12 C.F.R. § 7.2014 and Part 359.

(3) Any failure by Respondent to comply with this Order shall be subject to enforcement for the longer of (a) the period allowed by the applicable statute of limitations, or (b) five (5) years following the failure to comply.

(4) Respondent acknowledges that he has read and understands the premises and obligations of this Order and declares that no separate promise or inducement of any kind has been made by the Comptroller, his agents or his employees to cause or induce Respondent to agree to consent to the issuance of this Order and/or to execute this Order.

(5) It is hereby agreed that the provisions of this Order constitute a settlement of civil money penalty proceedings contemplated by the Comptroller. The Comptroller agrees not to institute proceedings for the specific acts, omissions, violations or breaches referenced in Article II above unless such acts, omissions, violations, or breaches reoccur, or the Comptroller learns that Respondent has made any false statement or misrepresentation to the Comptroller or any of his agents or employees in connection with the investigation or review of this matter.

(6) It is further agreed that the provisions of this Order shall not be construed as an adjudication on the merits and, except as set forth above in paragraph (5), shall not inhibit, estop, bar, or otherwise prevent the Comptroller from taking any action affecting Respondent if, at any time, he deems it appropriate to do so to fulfill the responsibilities placed upon him by the several laws of the United States of America.

(7)Respondent understands that nothing herein shall preclude any proceedings brought by the Comptroller to enforce the terms of this Order, and that nothing herein constitutes, nor shall Respondent contend that it constitutes, a waiver of any right, power, or authority of any other representatives of the United States or agencies thereof, including the Department of Justice, to bring other actions deemed appropriate.

(8) Respondent expressly acknowledges that no officer or employee of the Comptroller has statutory or other authority to bind the United States, the United States Department of the Treasury, the Comptroller, any other federal bank regulatory agency or entity, or any officer or employee of any of those entities to a contract affecting the Comptroller's exercise of its supervisory responsibilities.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned have hereunto set their hands.

7-2-2012 Date

S/Gil Barker Deputy Comptroller Southern District

<u>/S/</u> Kenneth Wu

6-28-2012 Date