## STATE OF MINNESOTA

COUNTY OF CARVER

## DISTRICT COURT FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT PROBATE DIVISION

In Re:

Estate of Prince Rogers Nelson, Decedent, Court File No.: 10-PR-16-46 Judge: Kevin W. Eide

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF AFFIDAVIT OF STEVEN H. SILTON IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORDER REGARDING PROCEDURE FOR FEE APPLICATIONS AND EXHIBITS 1-38 TO BE FILED UNDER SEAL

In keeping with the preference under Minnesota law to allow full public access to court filings, Cozen O'Connor ("Cozen") has made only necessary and minimal redactions to the Affidavit of Steven H. Silton in Accordance with Order Regarding Procedure for Fee Applications and Exhibits 1-38 (the "Filing"). The redacted content in the Filing address confidential and privileged information, and Cozen requests the Court's permission to keep this Filing under seal.

The redacted content addresses court-approved agreements that are possibly not yet final and executed, among other issues. Keeping this content confidential is supported by this Court's September 14, 2016 order, commenting that it is important to "maintain[] the confidentiality of business negotiations which, if made public, may impede administration of the estate, compromise the Special Administrator's ability to negotiate contract terms, or devalue estate assets."

The redacted content generally relates to subjects or activities, including confidential business negotiations impacting the Estate, which have not been made part of the public record. If disclosed publicly, this information could negatively impact the Estate, impede the Estate's efficient administration, or devalue Estate assets. *See* September 14, 2016 Order. Cozen has

provided the Court and the Special Master with an unredacted version of the Filing. Accordingly, all parties with standing to object to the Motion have the opportunity to respond.

Dated: May 30, 2019

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