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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

PASTOR STEVE SMOTHERMON,

Case No. 2:25-cv-01858-APG-BNW

Plaintiff,

vs.

KEITH HODGE, an individual; KEVIN
 HODGE, an individual; HODGETWINS, LLC,
 a limited liability company,

Defendants.

**DEFENDANTS' REPLY IN SUPPORT OF
 EMERGENCY MOTION TO CONTINUE
 HEARING ON PLAINTIFF'S MOTION
 FOR LEAVE TO FILE FIRST AMENDED
 COMPLAINT**

Defendants Keith Hodge, Kevin Hodge, and Hodgetwins, LLC ("Defendants"), by and through their undersigned counsel of Randazza Legal Group, PLLC, respectfully submit this Reply in Support of their Emergency Motion to Continue Hearing on Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File First Amended Complaint (ECF No. 55).

Plaintiff's Emergency Motion should not have been necessary. It is a routine courtesy for parties to agree to continuances and extensions. Defense counsel has afforded Ms. Westbrook every courtesy she has asked for throughout this litigation and has even remained silent when she has simply taken the liberty of granting herself an extension to respond to discovery without defense counsel's consent. Plaintiff's refusal to stipulate to moving the hearing on his Motion to Amend is surprising. Plaintiff's arguments against a short extension of the hearing date are unpersuasive and, frankly, unprofessional.

1 Defense counsel only suggested August 18, 2026, as the continuance date because the
2 Court's clerks informed them that it was the earliest possible date that the Court could hold the
3 hearing if it was moved. However, should the Court find other dates that have availability,
4 Defendants would be more than happy to argue this motion on August 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, or 14, 2026.

5 Defendants respectfully request that the Court grant their Emergency Motion to Continue
6 Hearing and reschedule the hearing on Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to File First Amended
7 Complaint to August 18, 2026, or to one of the alternate available dates in August, as the Court
8 sees fit.

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10 Dated: July 22, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was electronically filed on this July 22, 2026, and served via the Eighth Judicial District Court's Odyssey electronic filing system.

/s/ Marc J. Randazza

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