# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI CENTRAL DIVISION

Turtle Island Foods, et al.,	)	
Plaintiffs,	)	
v.	)	No. 2:18-cv-4173-FJG
Locke Thompson, in his official capacity as	)	
Cole County Prosecuting Attorney and	)	
on behalf of all Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys,	)	
D. C. 1	)	
Defendant,	)	
State of Missouri,	)	
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Intervenor	)	

# JOINT MOTION TO STAY PROCEEDINGS

Plaintiffs, Defendant, and Intervenor, jointly and respectfully request that this Court stay further proceedings in this matter during the pendency of the Eighth Circuit appeal from this Court's September 30, 2019, Order denying a preliminary injunction (ECF No. 66). In support, the parties state that:

- The Court's September 30, 2019 Order was appealable pursuant to 28 U.S.C.
  § 1292(a)(1), and Plaintiff timely filed a Notice of Appeal (ECF No. 67).
- 2. The Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals has assigned case number 19-3154 to the appeal.
- 3. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 8, a party may request a stay of an order in the District Court while an appeal is pending. *See also Ryan v. Gonzales*, 133 S. Ct. 696, 708 (2013) ("A district court may stay a case pending before it by virtue of its inherent power to control the progress of the cause so as to maintain the orderly processes

- of justice. . . . [T]he decision to grant a stay . . . is generally left to the sound discretion of district courts.") (internal quotation marks omitted).
- 4. In the interest of the orderly processes of justice and judicial economy, and to conserve the resources of all parties, the parties respectfully request that this Court stay all proceedings, until the interlocutory appeal is resolved with finality.
- 5. The parties make this request jointly and mutually.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs, Defendant, and Intervenor, respectfully request that this Court enter an order staying proceedings in this case and all deadlines until such time as Plaintiffs' Appeal has been resolved with finality and for such further relief as this Court deems just and proper.

# Respectfully submitted,

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on October 8, 2019, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system and a copy was made available to all electronic filing participants:

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