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17 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
 18 **CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

19
 20 CHERYL GASTON, Individually and on
 Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated,

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 22 Plaintiff,

23 v.

24 FABFITFUN, INC.,

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 26 Defendant.

Case No.

CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

1 Plaintiff Cheryl Gaston (“Plaintiff”), individually and on behalf of herself
2 and all other persons similarly situated, brings this Class Action Complaint against
3 FabFitFun, Inc. (“FabFitFun” or “Defendant”) and alleges, upon personal
4 knowledge as to her own actions and her counsel’s investigation, and upon
5 information and belief as to all other matters, as follows:

6 **NATURE OF THE ACTION**

7 1. FabFitFun is a popular lifestyle e-commerce retailer best known for its
8 flagship product, the FabFitFun Box. The FabFitFun Box includes a selection of
9 full-size products across beauty, fashion, fitness, wellness, home, and technology –
10 delivered each season. In addition to the Box, FabFitFun members receive, among
11 other things, access to FabFitFunTV, a streaming video service that offers on-
12 demand wellness content, the FabFitFun online Community, and members-only
13 shopping experiences. Defendant sells its memberships online through its website
14 and uses an e-commerce platform supported by salesforce.com, Inc. to take
15 customers’ personal and payment information.

16 2. On or about September 18, 2020, FabFitFun began notifying
17 customers and state Attorneys General about a widespread data breach that
18 occurred from April 26, 2020 to May 14, 2020 and May 22, 2020 to August 3,
19 2020 (the “Data Breach”). Hackers not only “scraped” many of Defendant’s
20 customers’ full names from the website by infecting it with a malicious code,
21 hackers also stole customers’ personally identifiable information (“PII”), including
22 names, addresses, payment card account numbers, card expiration dates, and card
23 verification codes. The hackers got everything they needed to illegally use
24 FabFitFun customers’ payment cards to make fraudulent purchases, and to steal
25 customers’ identities. Defendant is offering affected customers one year of
26 identity protection services and a \$25 credit, which requires a current FabFitFun
27 membership and expires by the end of the year.

1 3. All of this PII was compromised due to Defendant’s negligent and/or
2 careless acts and omissions and the failure to protect customers’ data. In addition
3 to its failure to prevent the Data Breach, Defendant failed to detect and report the
4 breach for months.

5 4. According to FabFitFun, on August 7, 2020 its “technical team”
6 discovered that an unauthorized third party inserted malicious code on portions of
7 its website that “may have enabled them to capture certain information in
8 connection with customer sign ups.” Defendant claims it removed the malicious
9 code and took steps to secure its website with the help of forensic cybersecurity
10 experts engaged to assist with its investigation.

11 5. Defendant did not begin notifying affected customers and states’
12 Attorneys General until over a month later, on or about September 18, 2020.

13 6. The stolen PII has great value to hackers due to its thoroughness and
14 the numbers involved. It is likely that this breach stole the full payment card
15 information for hundreds of thousands of customers. For example, the Maine
16 Attorney General reports that the Data Breach affected 209,984 persons.¹

17 7. Plaintiff brings this action on behalf of all persons whose PII was
18 compromised as a result of Defendant’s failure to: (i) adequately protect its users’
19 PII, (ii) warn users of its inadequate information security practices, and (iii)
20 effectively monitor its website and e-commerce platform for security
21 vulnerabilities and incidents. Defendant’s conduct amounts to negligence and
22 violates federal and state statutes.

23 8. Plaintiff and similarly situated customers (“Class members”) have
24 suffered injury as a result of Defendant’s conduct. These injuries may include:
25 (i) lost or diminished value of their PII; (ii) out-of-pocket expenses associated with

26 ¹ See *Data Breach Notifications*, OFFICE OF THE MAINE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
27 [https://apps.web.maine.gov/online/aevviewer/ME/40/f5a80de8-c712-4ddf-9544-](https://apps.web.maine.gov/online/aevviewer/ME/40/f5a80de8-c712-4ddf-9544-480f9f1f81e9.shtml)
28 [480f9f1f81e9.shtml](https://apps.web.maine.gov/online/aevviewer/ME/40/f5a80de8-c712-4ddf-9544-480f9f1f81e9.shtml) (last visited October 16, 2020).

1 the prevention, detection, and recovery from identity theft, tax fraud, and/or
2 unauthorized use of their PII; (iii) lost opportunity costs associated with attempting
3 to mitigate the actual consequences of the Data Breach, including but not limited to
4 lost time; (iv) deprivation of rights they possess under the Colorado Consumer
5 Protection Act, Colo. Rev. Stat. § 6-1-101, *et seq.*; and (v) the continued and
6 certainly increased risk to their PII, which (a) may remain available on the dark
7 web for individuals to access and abuse, and (b) remains in Defendant's possession
8 and is subject to further unauthorized disclosures so long as Defendant fails to
9 undertake appropriate and adequate measures to protect the PII.

10 **JURISDICTION & VENUE**

11 9. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action pursuant to
12 28 U.S.C. § 1332(d) because this is a class action wherein the amount of
13 controversy exceeds the sum or value of \$5,000,000, exclusive of interest and
14 costs, there are more than 100 members in the proposed class, and at least one
15 member of the class is a citizen of a state different from Defendant. Moreover, this
16 Court has jurisdiction over this action under 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a)(1) because
17 Plaintiff Gaston is a Colorado citizen and therefore diverse from Defendant, which
18 is not a citizen of Colorado, but of other states.

19 10. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Defendant because
20 Defendant has systematic and continuous contacts with the state through its
21 website and because its headquarters are located here.

22 11. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391 because a
23 substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to these claims occurred in,
24 were directed to, and/or emanated from this District. Defendant resides within this
25 judicial district and a substantial part of the events giving rise to the claims alleged
26 herein occurred within this judicial district.

27 **PARTIES**

28 12. Plaintiff Cheryl Gaston is a citizen of Colorado residing in Colorado

1 Springs. Ms. Gaston purchased a subscription from FabFitFun on May 7, 2020
2 using her debit card. She received FabFitFun’s Notice of Data Breach or about
3 September 29, 2020.

4 13. Defendant FabFitFun is a Delaware corporation with its principal
5 place of business in Los Angeles, California. During the class period, FabFitFun
6 operated across the United States through its websites.

7 **SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS**

8 ***FabFitFun’s Background***

9 14. Initially founded in 2010 as an online magazine focused on beauty,
10 fitness and fashion, FabFitFun expanded into subscription box marketing three
11 years later – an industry that has grown at a compound annual growth rate of
12 nearly 60 percent. Defendant claims to now have more than 1 million members
13 worldwide. Its main offering is its FabFitFun Box, a curated collection of products
14 across beauty, fashion, wellness, fitness, home and technology categories delivered
15 four times per year. The box is priced at \$50 per season or \$180 per year.
16 FabFitFun annual revenues are estimated at \$300 million.

17 15. Defendant assures their customers that they are concerned about PII
18 security and claims: “We take reasonable and appropriate measures to help keep
19 information secure and to help prevent it from becoming disclosed.”²

20 16. Defendant does not claim that it abides by the Payment Card Industry
21 Data Security Standard (“PCI DSS”) compliance, which is a requirement for
22 businesses that store, process, or transmit payment card data.

23 17. The PCI DSS defines measures for ensuring data protection and
24 consistent security processes and procedures around online financial transactions.
25 Businesses that fail to maintain PCI DSS compliance are subject to steep fines and
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27 ² See *Privacy Policy* (effective Feb. 28, 2020 to Sept. 28, 2020), FABFITFUN, INC.,
28 <https://legal.fabfitfun.com/#privacy-policy-v1> (last visited October 16, 2020).

1 penalties.

2 18. As formulated by the PCI Security Standards Council, the mandates of
3 PCI DSS compliance include, in part: Developing and maintaining a security
4 policy that covers all aspects of the business, installing firewalls to protect data,
5 and encrypting cardholder data that is transmitted over public networks using anti-
6 virus software and updating it regularly.

7 19. To purchase items on Defendant's website, customers can either
8 create an account or check out as a guest. Either choice requires, at a minimum,
9 that the customer enter the following PII onto the website:

- 10 • Name;
- 11 • billing address;
- 12 • shipping address;
- 13 • email address;
- 14 • name on the payment card;
- 15 • type of payment card;
- 16 • full payment card number;
- 17 • payment card expiration date; and
- 18 • security code or CVV code (card verification number).

19 20. When a customer purchases items on Defendant's website, as a guest
20 or through an account, there is no reference to the "Privacy Policy," and customers
21 are not required to read or check a box acknowledging having reviewed the "Terms
22 of Use" to make a purchase. Links to FabFitFun's "Privacy Policy" are included
23 only at the extreme bottom border of the website pages in black, unremarkable
24 font, with no indications of hyperlinks to the policies or terms.

25 ***The Data Breach***

26 21. Starting on or about September 18, 2020, FabFitFun notified
27 customers via email and on or about September 22, 2020, mailed customers a
28 Notice of Data Breach. FabFitFun's co-founder and co-CEO, Michael Broukhim,

1 informed FabFitFun's affected customers that:
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3 ***What Happened?***

4 Our technical team recently discovered that an unauthorized third
5 party inserted malicious code on portions of our website that may
6 have enabled them to capture certain information in connection with
7 customer sign ups. Based on our forensic investigation, this incident
8 concerns the new member sign up pages of our website during the
9 period between April 26, 2020 and May 14, 2020, and between May
10 22, 2020 and August 3, 2020. According to our records, you signed up
11 for FabFitFun during this timeframe, and your information therefore
12 could have been affected. Although we believe that only a subset of
13 members who signed up during this period were affected, we are
14 notifying everyone that signed up during this timeframe as a
15 precaution.
16

17 ***What Information was Involved?***

18 This incident would have involved emails and FabFitFun passwords
19 for customers that signed up using PayPal or Apple Pay. For
20 customers using credit or debit cards, the information involved would
21 also have included name, address, payment card account number, card
22 expiration date, and card verification code. Please note that because
23 we do not collect highly sensitive personal information like Social
24 Security Numbers, this type of information was not affected by this
25 incident.³
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28 ³ See Exhibit A attached hereto.

1 22. Defendant's notice to the state Attorneys General provided more
2 information about what occurred:

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4 This incident would have involved emails and FabFitFun passwords
5 for customers that signed up using PayPal or Apple Pay. For
6 customers using credit or debit cards, the information involved would
7 also have included name, address, and payment card information.⁴
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9 23. Defendant admits that it did not detect the Data Breach. FabFitFun's
10 customers' information was scraped by hackers and available to other criminals
11 and, on information and belief, may still be for sale to criminals on the dark web.
12 Defendant failed to use encryption to protect sensitive information transmitted
13 online, and unauthorized individuals accessed Defendant's customers'
14 unencrypted, unredacted information, including name, address, and payment card
15 information, which includes payment card number, CVV code, expiration date, and
16 possibly more.

17 ***Scraping and E-Skimming Breaches***

18 24. Magecart is a loose affiliation of hacker groups responsible for
19 skimming payment card attacks on various companies, including British Airways
20 and Ticketmaster. Typically, these hackers insert virtual credit card skimmers or
21 scrapers (also known as formjacking) into a web application (usually the shopping
22 cart), and proceed to scrape credit card information to sell on the dark web.

23 25. The hackers target what they refer to as the *fullz* – a term used by
24 criminals to refer to stealing the full primary account number, card holder contact
25 information, credit card number, CVC code, and expiration date. The *fullz* is
26 exactly what FabFitFun admits the malware infecting its e-commerce platform
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28 ⁴ See Exhibit B attached hereto.

1 scraped.

2 26. These cyber-attacks exploit weaknesses in the code of the e-commerce
3 platform, without necessarily compromising the victim website's network or
4 server. These attacks often target third-party payment processors like Shopify,
5 and, as is the case here, Salesforce.

6 27. Magecart and these scraping breaches are not new: RiskIQ's earliest
7 Magecart observation occurred on August 8th, 2010. Thus, Defendant would have
8 been made aware of this type of breach since that time, especially considering the
9 surge of these types of breaches in the last few years.

10 28. Unfortunately, despite all of the publicly available knowledge of the
11 continued compromises of PII in this manner, Defendant's approach to maintaining
12 the privacy and security of Plaintiff's and Class members' PII was negligent, or, at
13 the very least, Defendant did not maintain reasonable security procedures and
14 practices appropriate to the nature of the information to protect their customers'
15 valuable PII.

16 ***Value of Personally Identifiable Information***

17 29. The PII of consumers remains of high value to criminals, as evidenced
18 by the prices they will pay through the dark web. Numerous sources cite dark web
19 pricing for stolen identity credentials. For example, personal information can be
20 sold at a price ranging from \$40 to \$200, and bank details have a price range of
21 \$50 to \$200. Experian reports that a stolen credit or debit card number can sell for
22 \$5-110 on the dark web; the *fullz* sold for \$30 in 2017. Criminals can also
23 purchase access to entire company data breaches from \$900 to \$4,500.

24 30. At all relevant times, Defendant knew, or reasonably should have
25 known, of the importance of safeguarding PII and of the foreseeable consequences
26 that would occur if its data security system was breached, including, specifically,
27 the significant costs that would be imposed on its customers as a result of a breach.
28 Defendant were, or should have been, fully aware of the significant volume of

1 daily credit and debit card transactions on its website – the malware infected
2 FabFitFun e-commerce as its retail locations closed and customers could only get
3 FabFitFun products from Defendant’s website – amounting to potentially hundreds
4 of thousands of payment card transactions, and thus, the significant number of
5 individuals who would be harmed by a breach of Defendant’s systems.

6 ***Plaintiff Gaston’s Experience***

7 31. Plaintiff Gaston purchased a subscription for \$41.55 with tax from
8 FabFitFun’s website on May 7, 2020, using her debit card.

9 32. On the payment platform, Ms. Gaston entered her PII: name, address,
10 payment card type and full number, CVV security code, payment card expiration
11 date, and email address. During this transaction, Ms. Gaston was not asked to
12 expressly “agree” to FabFitFun’s “Terms of Use and Sale,” “Privacy Policy,” or
13 the “FabFitFun Membership Terms.”

14 33. On or about September 29, 2020, FabFitFun notified Ms. Gaston by
15 U.S. Mail of the Data Breach in the Notice of Data Breach.

16 34. In response to the Notice of Data Breach, Ms. Gaston had to spend
17 time dealing with the consequences of the Data Breach, which includes time
18 reviewing the account compromised by the Data Breach, contacting her bank,
19 exploring credit monitoring options, and self-monitoring her accounts. This is time
20 Ms. Gaston otherwise would have spent performing other activities, such as her job
21 and/or leisurely activities for the enjoyment of life.

22 35. Knowing that the hacker stole her PII, and that her PII may be
23 available for sale on the dark web, has caused Ms. Gaston anxiety. She is now
24 very concerned about credit card theft and identity theft in general. This breach
25 has given Ms. Gaston hesitation about using FabFitFun’s services, and reservations
26 about shopping on other online websites.

27 36. Now, due to Defendant’s misconduct and the resulting Data Breach,
28 hackers obtained her PII at no compensation to Ms. Gaston whatsoever. That is

1 money lost for her, and money gained for the hackers, who could sell her PII on
2 the dark web.

3 37. Ms. Gaston also suffered actual injury and damages in paying money
4 to, and purchasing products from, Defendant's website during the Data Breach,
5 expenditures which she would not have made had Defendant disclosed that it
6 lacked computer systems and data security practices adequate to safeguard
7 customers' PII from theft.

8 38. Moreover, Ms. Gaston suffered imminent and impending injury
9 arising from the substantially increased risk of fraud, identity theft, and misuse
10 resulting from her PII being placed in the hands of criminals.

11 39. Plaintiff Gaston has a continuing interest in ensuring her PII, which
12 remains in Defendant's possession, is protected and safeguarded from future
13 breaches.

14 ***Plaintiff Gaston's Efforts to Secure PII***

15 40. Defendant's Data Breach caused Ms. Gaston harm.

16 41. Prior to the activity described above during the period in which the
17 Data Breach occurred, the debit card that Ms. Gaston used to purchase products on
18 Defendant's website had never been stolen or compromised. Ms. Gaston reviewed
19 her credit reports and other financial statements routinely and to her knowledge
20 this card had not been compromised in any manner.

21 42. Additionally, Ms. Gaston never knowingly transmitted unencrypted
22 PII over the internet or any other unsecured source.

23 43. Ms. Gaston stores any and all hardcopy and electronic documents
24 containing her PII in a safe and secure location.

25 **CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

26 44. Plaintiff brings this nationwide class action pursuant to Rule 23(b)(2),
27 23(b)(3), and 23(c)(4) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, individually and on
28 behalf of all members of the following class:

1 All individuals whose PII was compromised in the data breach
2 announced by FabFitFun on or about September 18, 2020 (the
3 “Class”).

4 45. The Colorado Subclass is defined as follows:

5 All persons residing in Colorado whose PII was compromised in the
6 data breach announced by FabFitFun on September 18, 2020 (the
7 “Colorado Subclass”).

8 The Class and Subclass together are referred to herein as the “Classes.”

9 46. Excluded from the Class are the following individuals and/or entities:
10 Defendant and its parents, subsidiaries, affiliates, officers and directors, current or
11 former employees, and any entity in which Defendant have a controlling interest;
12 all individuals who make a timely election to be excluded from this proceeding
13 using the correct protocol for opting out; any and all federal, state or local
14 governments, including but not limited to their departments, agencies, divisions,
15 bureaus, boards, sections, groups, counsels and/or subdivisions; and all judges
16 assigned to hear any aspect of this litigation, as well as their immediate family
17 members.

18 47. Plaintiff reserves the right to modify or amend the definitions of the
19 proposed Classes before the Court determines whether certification is appropriate.

20 48. **Numerosity:** The Classes are so numerous that joinder of all members
21 is impracticable. Defendant has identified hundreds of thousands of customers
22 whose PII may have been improperly accessed in the data breach, and the Classes
23 are apparently identifiable within Defendant’s records.

24 49. **Commonality:** Questions of law and fact common to the Classes exist
25 and predominate over any questions affecting only individual Class members.
26 These include:

- 27 a. When Defendant actually learned of the data breach and whether its
28 response was adequate;

- 1 b. Whether Defendant owed a duty to the Class to exercise due care in
- 2 collecting, storing, safeguarding and/or obtaining their PII;
- 3 c. Whether Defendant breached that duty;
- 4 d. Whether Defendant implemented and maintained reasonable security
- 5 procedures and practices appropriate to the nature of storing
- 6 Plaintiff's and Class members' PII;
- 7 e. Whether Defendant acted negligently in connection with the
- 8 monitoring and/or protection of Plaintiff's and Class members' PII;
- 9 f. Whether Defendant knew or should have known that it did not employ
- 10 reasonable measures to keep Plaintiff's and Class members' PII
- 11 secure and prevent loss or misuse of that PII;
- 12 g. Whether Defendant adequately addressed and fixed the vulnerabilities
- 13 which permitted the data breach to occur;
- 14 h. Whether Defendant caused Plaintiff and Class members damages;
- 15 i. Whether Defendant violated the law by failing to promptly notify
- 16 Class members that their PII had been compromised;
- 17 j. Whether Plaintiff and the other Class members are entitled to credit
- 18 monitoring and other monetary relief; and
- 19 k. Whether Defendant violated the Colorado Consumer Protection Act,
- 20 Colo. Rev. Stat. § 6-1-101, *et seq.*, by failing to implement reasonable
- 21 security procedures and practices.

22 50. **Typicality:** Plaintiff's claims are typical of those of other Class
23 members because all had their PII compromised as a result of the data breach, due
24 to Defendant's misfeasance.

25 51. **Adequacy:** Plaintiff will fairly and adequately represent and protect
26 the interests of the Class members. Plaintiff's Counsel are competent and
27 experienced in litigating privacy-related class actions.

28 52. **Superiority and Manageability:** Under 23(b)(3), a class action is

1 superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this
2 controversy since joinder of all the members of the Class is impracticable.
3 Individual damages for any individual Class member are likely to be insufficient to
4 justify the cost of individual litigation, so that in the absence of class treatment,
5 Defendant's misconduct would go unpunished. Furthermore, the adjudication of
6 this controversy through a class action will avoid the possibility of inconsistent and
7 potentially conflicting adjudication of the asserted claims. There will be no
8 difficulty in the management of this action as a class action.

9 53. Class certification is also appropriate under Fed. R. Civ. P. 23(a) and
10 (b)(2) because Defendant has acted or refused to act on grounds generally
11 applicable to the Class, so that final injunctive relief or corresponding declaratory
12 relief is appropriate as to the Class as a whole.

13 54. Likewise, particular issues under Rule 23(c)(4) are appropriate for
14 certification because such claims present only particular, common issues, the
15 resolution of which would advance the disposition of this matter and the parties'
16 interests therein. Such particular issues include, but are not limited to:

- 17 a. Whether Defendant owed a legal duty to Plaintiff and Class members
18 to exercise due care in collecting, storing, using, and safeguarding
19 their PII;
- 20 b. Whether Defendant breached a legal duty to Plaintiff and the Class
21 members to exercise due care in collecting, storing, using, and
22 safeguarding their PII;
- 23 c. Whether Defendant failed to comply with its own policies and
24 applicable laws, regulations, and industry standards relating to data
25 security;
- 26 d. Whether Defendant failed to implement and maintain reasonable
27 security procedures and practices appropriate to the nature and scope
28 of the information compromised in the data breach; and

1 e. Whether Class members are entitled to actual damages, credit
2 monitoring or other injunctive relief, and/or punitive damages as a
3 result of Defendant’s wrongful conduct.

4 **FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

5 **Negligence**

6 **(On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class)**

7 55. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference herein all of the
8 allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 54.

9 56. Defendant owed a duty to Plaintiff and Class members to exercise
10 reasonable care in obtaining, using, and protecting their PII from unauthorized
11 third parties.

12 57. The legal duties owed by Defendant to Plaintiff and Class members
13 include, but are not limited to the following:

- 14 a. To exercise reasonable care in obtaining, retaining, securing,
15 safeguarding, deleting, and protecting the PII of Plaintiff and Class
16 members in its possession;
- 17 b. To protect PII of Plaintiff and Class members in its possession using
18 reasonable and adequate security procedures that are compliant with
19 industry-standard practices; and
- 20 c. To implement processes to quickly detect a data breach and to timely
21 act on warnings about data breaches, including promptly notifying
22 Plaintiff and Class members of the Data Breach.

23 58. Defendant’s duty to use reasonable data security measures also arose
24 under Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act (“FTC Act”), 15 U.S.C. §
25 45(a)(1), which prohibits “unfair . . . practices in or affecting commerce,”
26 including, as interested and enforced by the FTC, the unfair practices of failing to
27 use reasonable measures to protect PII by companies such as Defendant.

28 59. Various FTC publications and data security breach orders further form

1 the basis of Defendant's duty. Plaintiff and Class members are consumers under
2 the FTC Act. Defendant violated Section 5 of the FTC Act by failing to use
3 reasonable measures to protect PII and not complying with industry standards.

4 60. Defendant breached their duties to Plaintiff and Class members.
5 Defendant knew or should have known the risks of collecting and storing PII and
6 the importance of maintaining secure systems, especially in light of the facts that
7 "scraping" hacks have been surging since 2016.

8 61. Defendant knew or should have known that their security practices did
9 not adequately safeguard Plaintiff's and the other Class members' PII, including,
10 but not limited to, the failure to detect the malware infecting Defendant's e-
11 commerce platform for months.

12 62. Through Defendant's acts and omissions described in this Complaint,
13 including Defendant's failure to provide adequate security and its failure to protect
14 the PII of Plaintiff and the Class from being foreseeably captured, accessed,
15 exfiltrated, stolen, disclosed, accessed, and misused, Defendant unlawfully
16 breached their duty to use reasonable care to adequately protect and secure
17 Plaintiff's and Class members' PII during the period it was within Defendant's
18 possession and control.

19 63. Defendant breached the duties it owed to Plaintiff and Class members
20 in several ways, including:

- 21 a. Failing to implement adequate security systems, protocols, and
22 practices sufficient to protect customers' PII and thereby creating a
23 foreseeable risk of harm;
- 24 b. Failing to comply with the minimum industry data security standards
25 during the period of the data breach (e.g., There is no indication that
26 Defendant's e-commerce platform is PCI DSS compliant and encrypts
27 customers' order information, such as name, address, and credit card
28 number, during data transmission, which did not occur here);

1 c. Failing to act despite knowing or having reason to know that
2 Defendant's systems were vulnerable to e-skimming or similar attacks
3 (e.g., Defendant did not detect the malicious code on the e-commerce
4 platform, nor did it implement safeguards in light of the surge of e-
5 skimming attacks on retailers); and

6 d. Failing to timely and accurately disclose to customers that their PII
7 had been improperly acquired or accessed and was potentially
8 available for sale to criminals on the dark web.

9 64. Due to Defendant's conduct, Plaintiff and Class members are entitled
10 to credit monitoring. Ongoing credit monitoring is reasonable here. The PII taken
11 can be used towards identity theft and other types of financial fraud against the
12 Class members. Hackers not only "scraped" many of FabFitFun customers' names
13 from the website, they also stole customers' billing and shipping addresses,
14 payment card numbers, CVV codes, and payment card expiration dates. They got
15 the *fullz* – everything they need to illegally use FabFitFun customers' credit cards
16 to make illegal purchases. There is no question that this PII was taken by
17 sophisticated cybercriminals, increasing the risks to the Class members. The
18 consequences of identity theft are serious and long-lasting. There is a benefit to
19 early detection and monitoring.

20 65. Some experts recommend that data breach victims obtain credit
21 monitoring services for at least ten years following a data breach. Annual
22 subscriptions for credit monitoring plans range from approximately \$219 to \$358
23 per year.

24 66. As a result of Defendant's negligence, Plaintiff and Class members
25 suffered injuries that may include: (i) the lost or diminished value of PII; (ii) out-
26 of-pocket expenses associated with the prevention, detection, and recovery from
27 identity theft, tax fraud, and/or unauthorized use of their PII; (iii) lost opportunity
28 costs associated with attempting to mitigate the actual consequences of the data

1 breach, including but not limited to time spent deleting phishing email messages
2 and cancelling credit cards believed to be associated with the compromised
3 account; (iv) the continued risk to their PII, which may remain for sale on the dark
4 web and is in Defendant's possession, subject to further unauthorized disclosures
5 so long as Defendant fail to undertake appropriate and adequate measures to
6 protect the PII of customers and former customers in their continued possession;
7 and (v) future costs in terms of time, effort, and money that will be expended to
8 prevent, monitor, detect, contest, and repair the impact of the PII compromised as a
9 result of the data breach for the remainder of the lives of Plaintiff and Class
10 members, including ongoing credit monitoring.

11 67. These injuries were reasonably foreseeable given the history of
12 security breaches of this nature since 2016. The injury and harm that Plaintiff and
13 the other Class members suffered was the direct and proximate result of
14 Defendant's negligent conduct.

15 **SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF**
16 **Declaratory Judgment**
17 **(On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Class)**

18 68. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference herein all of the
19 allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 54.

20 69. Defendant owes duties of care to Plaintiff and Class members which
21 would require it to adequately secure PII.

22 70. Defendant still possesses PII regarding Plaintiff and Class members.

23 71. Although FabFitFun claims it "takes the security of personal
24 information very seriously", is "continuing to review and enhance our security
25 measures", and is "confident that the issue has been resolved and will no longer
26 affect transactions on our website" (*see* Ex. A at 1-2), there is no detail on what, if
27 any, fixes have really occurred.

28 72. Plaintiff and Class members are at risk of harm due to the exposure of

1 their PII and Defendant's failure to address the security failings that lead to such
2 exposure.

3 73. There is no reason to believe that Defendant's security measures are
4 any more adequate than they were before the breach to meet Defendant's
5 contractual obligations and legal duties, and there is no reason to think Defendant
6 have no other security vulnerabilities that have not yet been knowingly exploited.

7 74. Plaintiff, therefore, seeks a declaration that (1) Defendant's existing
8 security measures do not comply with its explicit or implicit contractual
9 obligations and duties of care to provide reasonable security procedures and
10 practices appropriate to the nature of the information to protect customers'
11 personal information, and (2) to comply with its explicit or implicit contractual
12 obligations and duties of care, Defendant must implement and maintain reasonable
13 security measures, including, but not limited to:

- 14 a. Engaging third-party security auditors/penetration testers as well as
15 internal security personnel to conduct testing, including simulated
16 attacks, penetration tests, and audits on Defendant's systems on a
17 periodic basis, and ordering Defendant to promptly correct any
18 problems or issues detected by such third-party security auditors;
- 19 b. Engaging third-party security auditors and internal personnel to run
20 automated security monitoring;
- 21 c. Auditing, testing, and training its security personnel regarding any
22 new or modified procedures;
- 23 d. Segmenting its user applications by, among other things, creating
24 firewalls and access controls so that if one area is compromised,
25 hackers cannot gain access to other portions of Defendant's systems;
- 26 e. Conducting regular database scanning and securing checks;
- 27 f. Routinely and continually conducting internal training and education
28 to inform internal security personnel how to identify and contain a

1 breach when it occurs and what to do in response to a breach;

2 g. Purchasing credit monitoring services for Plaintiff and Class members
3 for a period of ten years; and

4 h. Meaningfully educating its users about the threats they face as a result
5 of the loss of their PII to third parties, as well as the steps Defendant's
6 customers must take to protect themselves.

7 **THIRD CLAIM FOR RELIEF**

8 **Violations of the Colorado Consumer Protection Act,**

9 **Colo. Rev. Stat. § 6-1-101, *et seq.***

10 **(On Behalf of Plaintiff and the Colorado Subclass)**

11 75. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference herein all of the
12 allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 54.

13 76. Defendant is a "person" as defined by Colo. Rev. Stat. § 6-1-102(6).

14 77. Defendant engaged in "sales" as defined by Colo. Rev. Stat. § 6-1-
15 102(10).

16 78. Plaintiff and Colorado Subclass members, as well as the general
17 public, are actual or potential consumers of the products and services offered by
18 Defendant or successors in interest to actual consumers.

19 79. Defendant engaged in deceptive trade practices in the course of its
20 business, in violation of Colo. Rev. Stat. § 6-1-105(1), including:

21 a. Knowingly making a false representation as to the characteristics of
22 services;

23 b. Representing that services are of a particular standard, quality, or
24 grade, though Defendant knew or should have known that they were
25 of another;

26 c. Advertising services with intent not to sell them as advertised; and

27 d. Failing to disclose material information concerning its services which
28 was known at the time of an advertisement or sale when the failure to

1 disclose the information was intended to induce the consumer to enter
2 into the transaction.

3 80. Defendant's deceptive trade practices include:

- 4 a. Falsely representing to its customers that it would employ reasonable
5 security and privacy measures;
- 6 b. Failing to implement and maintain reasonable security and privacy
7 measures to protect Plaintiff and Colorado Subclass members' PII,
8 which was a direct and proximate cause of the Data Breach;
- 9 c. Failing to identify foreseeable security and privacy risks, remediate
10 identified security and privacy risks, and adequately improve security
11 and privacy measures, which was a direct and proximate cause of the
12 Defendant's Data Breach;
- 13 d. Failing to comply with common law and statutory duties pertaining to
14 the security and privacy of Plaintiff and Colorado Subclass members'
15 PII, including duties imposed by the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45;
- 16 e. Misrepresenting that it would protect the privacy and confidentiality
17 of Plaintiff and Colorado Subclass members' PII, including by
18 implementing and maintaining reasonable security measures;
- 19 f. Misrepresenting that it would comply with common law and statutory
20 duties pertaining to the security and privacy of Plaintiff and Colorado
21 Subclass members' PII, including duties imposed by the FTC Act, 15
22 U.S.C. § 45;
- 23 g. Omitting, suppressing, and concealing the material fact that it did not
24 reasonably or adequately secure Plaintiff and Colorado Subclass
25 members' PII; and
- 26 h. Omitting, suppressing, and concealing the material fact that it did not
27 comply with common law and statutory duties pertaining to the
28 security and privacy of Plaintiff and Colorado Subclass members' PII.

1 81. Defendant's representations and omissions were material because
2 they were likely to deceive reasonable consumers about the adequacy of
3 Defendant's data security and ability to protect the confidentiality of consumers'
4 PII.

5 82. Defendant intended to mislead Plaintiff and Colorado Subclass
6 members and induce them to rely on its misrepresentations and omissions.

7 83. Had Defendant disclosed to Plaintiff and Subclass members that its
8 data systems were not secure and, thus, vulnerable to attack, Defendant would have
9 been unable to continue in business and it would have been forced to adopt
10 reasonable data security measures and comply with the law. Instead, Defendant
11 held itself out as a maintaining a secure e-commerce platform and was trusted with
12 sensitive and valuable PII regarding hundreds of thousands of consumers,
13 including Plaintiff and the Colorado Subclass.

14 84. Defendant acted intentionally, knowingly, and maliciously to violate
15 Colorado's Consumer Protection Act, and recklessly disregarded Plaintiff's and
16 Colorado Class members' rights.

17 85. As a direct and proximate result of Defendant's unfair and deceptive
18 acts and practices, Plaintiff and Colorado Subclass members have suffered and will
19 continue to suffer injury, ascertainable losses of money or property, and monetary
20 and non-monetary damages, including from fraud and identity theft; time and
21 expenses related to monitoring their financial accounts for fraudulent activity; an
22 increased, imminent risk of fraud and identity theft; and loss of value of their PII.

23 86. Plaintiff and Colorado Subclass members seek all monetary and
24 nonmonetary relief allowed by law, including the greater of: (a) actual damages,
25 or (b) \$500, or (c) three times actual damages (for Defendant's bad faith conduct);
26 injunctive relief; and reasonable attorneys' fees and costs.

27 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

28 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, individually and on behalf of all of the members of

1 the Classes, respectfully requests that the Court enter judgment in her favor and
2 against Defendant as follows:

- 3 A. For an Order certifying the Classes as defined herein and appointing
4 Plaintiff and her Counsel to represent the Classes;
- 5 B. For equitable relief enjoining Defendant from engaging in the
6 wrongful conduct complained of herein pertaining to the misuse and/or
7 disclosure of Plaintiff's and Classes members' PII;
- 8 C. For equitable relief compelling Defendant to utilize appropriate
9 methods and policies with respect to consumer data collection, storage,
10 and safety;
- 11 D. For restitution and disgorgement of the revenues wrongfully obtained
12 as a result of Defendant's wrongful conduct;
- 13 E. For an award of actual damages, statutory damages and compensatory
14 damages, in an amount to be determined at trial;
- 15 F. For an award of costs of suit, litigation expenses and attorneys' fees, as
16 allowable by law; and
- 17 G. For such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and
18 proper.

19 **DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL**

20 Plaintiff, on behalf of herself and all others similarly situated, hereby
21 demands a jury trial for all claims so triable.

22 Dated: October 16, 2020

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