IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

BHARATH MADDINENI,)	
Plaintiff,)	
V.)	Case No. C-15-CV-23-004566
TELUGU ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA, INC.,)	
Defendant.))	

ORDER GRANTING TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Upon consideration of Plaintiff, Bharath Maddineni's ("Plaintiff") Emergency Motion for Temporary Restraining Order against Defendant, Telugu Association of North America, Inc. ("Defendant" or "TANA"), and after the testimony from Plaintiff and argument from counsel on December 22, 2023, the Court hereby finds that a temporary restraining order is appropriate to prevent irreparable harm to Plaintiff and to maintain the status quo. Therefore, this **22nd day of December 2023**, the Circuit Court for Montgomery County, Maryland hereby:

FINDS that Plaintiff would be harmed if Defendant withheld Plaintiff's name from Defendant's upcoming leadership elections; and further

FINDS that the above would be irreparable because Plaintiff may have possessed a right to run for office in the elections and would lose this opportunity for up to four years if Defendant continues the alleged course of action; and it is hereby

ORDERED, that Plaintiff's Emergency Motion for Temporary Restraining Order is **GRANTED**, issued at 11:30 a.m. on December 22, 2023; and it is hereby

ORDERED, that Plaintiff shall be placed on the ballots for the position of Treasurer of the Executive Committee for TANA's currently scheduled election; and it is further;

ORDERED, that this Temporary Restraining Order providing for Plaintiff's eligibility in

TANA's upcoming elections shall expire at the time of a future, to-be-scheduled preliminary injunction hearing, or if no hearing is scheduled, on January 26, 2024;

ORDERED, that Plaintiff shall post a bond, or cash undertaking, in the amount of \$10,000.00.

A party or any person affected by this Order may apply for a modification or dissolution of the order on two days' notice, or such shorter notice as the Court may prescribe, to Plaintiff.

Judge Louis M. Leibowitz

Associate Judge

Montgomery County Circuit Court