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Certificate of Assumed Name

Pursuant to the provisions of KRS 365, the undersigned applies to assume a name and, for that purpose, submits the following statement:

1. The assumed name is:

BIG LOTS

2. The name of the business entity that is adopting the assumed name:

VARIETY STORES, LLC

- 3. The entity is organized and existing in the state or country of NC
- 4. The mailing address is:

218 SOUTH GARNETT STREET, HENDERSON NC 27536

This filing will be effective on Tuesday, February 11, 2025.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Kentucky that the forgoing is true and correct.

Signature of individual signing on behalf of **VP/CONTROLLER: TYLER A. HALL** 2/11/2025 2:53:17 PM

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