## PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTION HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC PROJECT

A regular meeting of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the office of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York on July 18, 2019 at 12:15 o'clock p.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the (Vice) Chair of the Agency and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

> Chair Vice Chair Treasurer Secretary Member Member Member

#### PRESENT:

Tracy L. Metzger	
Susan Pedo	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	
Lee E. Eck, Jr.	
Dominick Calsolaro	
Jahkeen Hoke	
Robert T. Schofield	

ABSENT:

#### AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Sarah Reginelli	Chief Executive Officer
Mark Opalka	Chief Financial Officer
Ashley Mohl	Senior Economic Developer II, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Joseph Landy	Senior Economic Developer II, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Andrew Corcione	Senior Economic Developer, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Michael Bohne	Communications & Marketing, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Genevieve Zurowski	Executive Assistant, Capitalize Albany Corporation
William G. Kelly, Jr., Esq.	Corporation Counsel
A. Joseph Scott, III, Esq.	Special Agency Counsel
The following resolution	was offered by, seconded by

\_\_\_\_\_, to wit:

seconded by

Resolution No. \_\_\_-

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING A PROPOSED PROJECT TO BE UNDERTAKEN FOR THE BENEFIT OF HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC.

WHEREAS, City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the

"Enabling Act") and Chapter 325 of the 1974 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 903-a of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of manufacturing, warehousing, research, commercial and industrial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act), or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, Harmony Mills South LLC, a State of New York limited liability company (the "Company"), has submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company, said Project consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 0.38 acre parcel of land located at 90 State Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (tax map no. 76.42-1-5) (the "Land"), together with the existing 15 story building located thereon containing approximately 233,753 square feet of space (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of portions of the Facility and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and to constitute a mixed use residential/commercial/retail facility, containing approximately one hundred fifty-four (154) residential apartment units, and any other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, prior to the Agency providing any "financial assistance" (as defined in the Act) of more than \$100,000 to any project, the Agency, among other things, must hold a public hearing pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act with respect to said project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to provide for compliance with the provisions of Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Agency hereby authorizes the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency, after consultation with the members of the Agency and Agency Counsel, (A) to establish the time, date and place for a public hearing of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the Project (the "Public Hearing"); (B) to cause the Public Hearing to be held in a city, town or village where the Project Facility is or is to be located, and to cause notice of such Public Hearing to be given to the public by publishing a notice or notices of such Public Hearing in a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the governmental units where the Project Facility is or is to be located, such notice or notices to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act; (C) to cause notice of the Public Hearing to be given to the chief executive

officer of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is or is to be located to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act; (D) to conduct such Public Hearing; (E) to cause a report of the Public Hearing fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing (the "Report") to be prepared; and (F) to cause a copy of the Report to be made available to the members of the Agency.

<u>Section 2</u>. The Chair, Vice Chair and/or Chief Executive Officer of the Agency is hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Company and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 3. All action taken by the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency in connection with the Public Hearing with respect to the Project prior to the date of this Resolution is hereby ratified and confirmed.

<u>Section 4</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Tracy L. Metzger	VOTING	
Susan Pedo	VOTING	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	
Lee E. Eck, Jr.	VOTING	
Dominick Calsolaro	VOTING	
Jahkeen Hoke	VOTING	
Robert T. Schofield	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.:
COUNTY OF ALBANY	)

I, the undersigned (Assistant) Secretary of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on July 18, 2019 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2019.

(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)

## RESOLUTION CONFIRMING SEQR DETERMINATION HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC PROJECT

A regular meeting of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the office of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York on August 22, 2019 at 12:15 o'clock p.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the (Vice) Chair of the Agency and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

#### PRESENT:

Lee E. Eck, Jr.	Secretary	
Dominick Calsolaro	Member	
Jahkeen Hoke	Member	
Robert T. Schofield, Esq.	Member	

#### ABSENT:

Tracy L. Metzger	Chair
Susan Pedo	Vice Chair
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	Treasurer

#### AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Chief Executive Officer
Chief Financial Officer
Senior Economic Developer II, Capitalize Albany Corporation
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Communications & Marketing, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Executive Assistant, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Corporation Counsel
Special Agency Counsel

The following resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to wit:

Resolution No. 0819\_\_\_\_

### RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE DETERMINATION BY CITY OF ALBANY PLANNING BOARD, AS LEAD AGENCY FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW OF THE HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC PROPOSED PROJECT.

WHEREAS, City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 325 of the 1974 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 903-a of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, in June, 2019, Harmony Mills South LLC, a State of New York limited liability company (the "Company"), submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company, said Project consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 0.38 acre parcel of land located at 90 State Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (tax map no. 76.42-1-5) (the "Land"), together with the existing 15 story building located thereon containing approximately 233,753 square feet of space (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of portions of the Facility and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and to constitute a mixed use residential/commercial/retail facility, containing approximately one hundred fifty-four (154) residential apartment units, and any other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on July 18, 2019 (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), the Agency authorized a public hearing to be held pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authorization contained in the Public Hearing Resolution, the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency (the "Public Hearing") pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, to hear all persons interested in the Project and the financial assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, to be mailed on July 26, 2019 to the chief executive officers of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is to be located, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be posted on July 26, 2019 at Albany City Hall located at 24 Eagle Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York and on the Agency's website, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on July 30, 2019 in the <u>Albany Times Union</u>, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on August 14, 2019 at 12:00 o'clock p.m., local time at offices of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, and (E) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the "Public Hearing Report") fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said Public Hearing Report to be made available to the members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations (the "Regulations")

adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), the Agency has been informed that (1) the City of Albany Planning Board (the "Planning Board") was designated to act as "lead agency" with respect to the Project, and (2) the Planning Board issued a Determination of Non Significance on November 16, 2017 (the "Negative Declaration"), attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, determining that the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and installation of the Project Facility will not have a "significant effect on the environment"; and

WHEREAS, the Agency is an "involved agency" with respect to the Project and the Agency now desires to concur in the determination by the Planning Board, as "lead agency" with respect to the Project, to acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Negative Declaration and to indicate whether the Agency has any information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in determining that the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" pursuant to SEQRA and, therefore, that no environmental impact statement need be prepared with respect to the Project;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Agency has received copies of, and has reviewed, the Application, an environmental assessment form and the Negative Declaration (collectively, the "Reviewed Documents") and, based upon said Reviewed Documents, the Agency hereby ratifies and concurs in the designation of the Planning Board as "lead agency" with respect to the Project under SEQRA (as such quoted term is defined in SEQRA).

Section 2. The Agency hereby determines that the Agency has no information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in determining that the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" pursuant to the SEQRA and, therefore, that an environmental impact statement need not be prepared with respect to the Project (as such quoted phrase is used in SEQRA).

Section 3. The members of the Agency are hereby directed to notify the Planning Board of the concurrence by the Agency that the Planning Board shall be the "lead agency" with respect to the Project, and to further indicate to the Planning Board that the Agency has no information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in its determinations contained in the Negative Declaration.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Tracy L. Metzger	VOTING	ABSENT
Susan Pedo	VOTING	ABSENT
Lee E. Eck, Jr.	VOTING	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	ABSENT
Dominick Calsolaro	VOTING	
Jahkeen Hoke	VOTING	
Robert T. Schofield, Esq.	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.:
COUNTY OF ALBANY	)

I, the undersigned (Assistant) Secretary of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on August 22, 2019 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 22nd day of August, 2019.

(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)

# EXHIBIT A

# NEGATIVE DECLARATION

# -SEE ATTACHED-

#### 617.20 Appendix B Short Environmental Assessment Form

#### **Instructions for Completing**

**Part 1 - Project Information. The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1.** Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

Part 1 - Project and Sponsor Information Harmony Mills South, LLC			
Name of Action or Project:			
90 State Street Residential Conversion			
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):			
Project is located at the southwesterly corner of the intersection of	State Street and South Pea	arl Street	
Brief Description of Proposed Action:			
This project proposes to convert the upper 11 stories of this 15 story			
primarily for office space with some commercial/ retail space into res	idential dwelling units. The	floors to be	: converte
would be floors 4-12 and 14-15, there is no 13th floor. The commerci	al space will continue its pr	esent use.	154
residential units would be created of between 450-1,295 sq.ft., with the	he units being a mix of 44 s	tudios, 88 d	one bedro
and 22 two (2) bedroom units. The conversion would occur on a floor	r by floor basis working arou	und existing	g lease
expirations, with the conversion to be substantially complete not later	r than 2021.		
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:	Telephone: 917-453-338	24	
Harmony Mills South, LLC	E-Mail: urikaufman50@c		
Address:	า นาหลุ่นทางการบัญชุ	jinan.com	
90 State Street			
City/PO:	State:	Zip Code:	
Albany	NY	12207	
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, l	ocal law, ordinance,	NO	YES
administrative rule, or regulation?		1.	
If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to	question 2.	nat X	
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any	other governmental Agency?	NO	YES
If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:	armit for Oit / Duilding Dont		X
City of Albany Planning Board approval and issuance of a building p	ermit for City Building Dept.		
3.a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action? <u>16</u> ,	728 sq.ft. axxxx		
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?	0 sq.ft. xxxxxx		
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned	700		
or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor? <u>16</u> ,	728 sq.ft.acocx		
4. Check all land uses that occur on, adjoining and near the proposed action			
🛛 Urban 🗆 Rural (non-agriculture) 🗆 Industrial 🛛 Comm	ercial 🛛 🗆 Residential (suburb	ban)	
$\Box$ Forest $\Box$ Agriculture $\Box$ Aquatic $\Box$ Other (	(specify):		
□ Parkland			

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5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?		X	
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?		Х	
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural		NO	YE
landscape?			Х
<ol> <li>Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental A If Yes, identify:</li> </ol>	rea?	NO	YE
		X	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?		NO	YE
		X	
b. Are public transportation service(s) available at or near the site of the proposed action?		Х	
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near site of the proposed ac	ction?		Х
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements?		NO	YE
If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:			
		X	
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply?		NO	YE
[If Yes, does the existing system have capacity to provide service? If No, describe method for providing potable water:			х
			,,
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities?		NO	YE
[If Yes, does the existing system have capacity to provide service? If NO 🗹 YES]			
If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment:			Х
12. a. Does the site contain a structure that is listed on either the State or National Register of Historic		NO	YE
Places?		Х	
b. Is the proposed action located in an archeological sensitive area?		x	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, conta	in	NO	YE
wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?		X	
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody		Х	
If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres:			
14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check	all that	apply:	
□ Shoreline □ Forest □ Agricultural/grasslands □ Early mid-success	ional		
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18.	Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that result in the impoundment of	f	NO	YES
lf Y	water or other fiquids (e.g. retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)? /es, explain purpase and size:		x	
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	Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or close	xd _	NO	YES
	solid waste management facility? /es, describe:	_	х	
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	Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongo completed) for hazardous waste? /es, describe:	ang or	x	YES
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Part 3 - Determination of significance. The Lead Agency is responsible for the completion of Part 3. For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

The City of Albany Planning Board concludes that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

<ul> <li>Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.</li> <li>Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.</li> </ul>		
City of Albany Planning Board	November 16, 2017	
Name of Lead Agency	Date	
Albert DeSalvo	Chair, City of Albany Planning Board	
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From: Sent: To: Subject: Joseph Landy <JLandy@capitalizealbany.com> Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:15 AM Zeigler, Nadene FW: SEQR

Joseph Landy Senior Economic Developer II Capitalize Albany Corporation <u>www.CapitalizeAlbany.com</u> 21 Lodge St., Albany, NY 12207 P: 518-434-2532 ext. 27

From: Zach Powell <zpowell@albanyny.gov> Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:14 AM To: Joseph Landy <JLandy@capitalizealbany.com> Subject: RE: SEQR

Hi Joe,

What do you mean by an actual negative declaration? The Planning Board uses Part 3 of the SEQRA form as the determination of significance. Since the box was checked that determined that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts, this is considered a negative declaration.

Regards,

### Zach Powell

Senior Planner

## City of Albany | Department of Planning and Development

200 Henry Johnson Boulevard, Albany, NY 12210 Phone: 518-434-5271 | <u>zpowell@albanyny.gov</u>

From: Joseph Landy [<u>mailto:JLandy@capitalizealbany.com</u>] Sent: Wednesday, August 14, 2019 10:06 AM To: Zach Powell Subject: RE: SEQR

ATTENTION: This email came from an external source. Please do not open attachments or click on links from unknown senders or unexpected emails. Good Morning Zach,

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Did the City issue an actual neg dec?

Joseph Landy

## COMMERCIAL/RETAIL FINDINGS RESOLUTION HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC PROJECT

A regular meeting of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the office of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York on August 22, 2019 at 12:15 o'clock p.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the (Vice) Chair of the Agency and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

#### PRESENT:

Lee E. Eck, Jr.	Secretary
Dominick Calsolaro	Member
Jahkeen Hoke	Member
Robert T. Schofield, Esq.	Member

#### ABSENT:

Tracy L. Metzger	Chair
Susan Pedo	Vice Chair
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#### AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

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William G. Kelly, Jr., Esq.	Corporation Counsel
A. Joseph Scott, III, Esq.	Special Agency Counsel

The following resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, to wit:

Resolution No. 0819\_\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION (A) DETERMINING THAT THE PROPOSED HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC PROJECT IS A COMMERCIAL PROJECT, AND (B) MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS REQUIRED UNDER THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW.

WHEREAS, City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 325 of the 1974 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 903-a of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial, manufacturing and industrial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, in June, 2019, Harmony Mills South LLC, a State of New York limited liability company (the "Company"), submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company, said Project consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 0.38 acre parcel of land located at 90 State Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (tax map no. 76.42-1-5) (the "Land"), together with the existing 15 story building located thereon containing approximately 233,753 square feet of space (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of portions of the Facility and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and to constitute a mixed use residential/commercial/retail facility, containing approximately one hundred fifty-four (154) residential apartment units, and any other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on July 18, 2019 (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), the Agency authorized a public hearing to be held pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authorization contained in the Public Hearing Resolution, the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency (the "Public Hearing") pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, to hear all persons interested in the Project and the financial assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, to be mailed on July 26, 2019 to the chief executive officers of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is to be located, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be posted on July 26, 2019 at Albany City Hall located at 24 Eagle Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York and on the Agency's website, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on July 30, 2019 in the <u>Albany Times Union</u>, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on August 14, 2019 at 12:00 o'clock p.m., local time at offices of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, and (E) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the "Public Hearing Report") fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said Public Hearing Report to be made available to the members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York

(collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on August 22, 2019 (the "SEQR Resolution"), the Agency (A) concurred in the determination that the City of Albany Planning Board (the "Planning Board") is the "lead agency" with respect to SEQRA and (B) acknowledged receipt of a negative declaration from the Planning Board issued on November 16, 2017 (the "Negative Declaration"), in which the Planning Board determined that the Project would not have a significant adverse environmental impact on the environment, and therefore, that an environmental statement need not be prepared with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, in Opinion of the State Comptroller Number 85-51, the State Comptroller indicated that the determination whether a project that consists of the construction of an apartment building is a commercial activity within the meaning of the Act is to be made by local officials based upon all of the facts relevant to the proposed project, and that any such determination should take into account the stated purpose of the Act, that is, the promotion of employment opportunities and the prevention of economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Agency in determining whether the Project qualifies for Financial Assistance as a commercial project within the meaning of the Act, the Agency has reviewed the following (collectively, the "Project Qualification Documents"): (A) the Application, including the attached Cost Benefit Analysis; and (B) The Albany 2030 Plan; and

WHEREAS the Agency has given due consideration to the Project Qualification Documents, and to representations by the Company that although the Project constitutes a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total project cost, the Project is located within census tract 11 in the City of Albany which census tract 11 is contiguous to census tracts 1, 8 and 25 which are considered to be distressed census tracts and therefore the Project is in a "highly distressed area", as that term is defined in Section 854(18) of the Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 862(2)(b) of the Act, the Agency would be authorized to provide financial assistance in respect of the Project provided that the obligation of the Agency to proceed with the Project was subject to certain conditions, including (1) following compliance with the procedural requirements of Section 859-a of the Act, a finding by the Agency that the Project would preserve permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York or increase the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York and (2) confirmation by the Mayor of the City of Albany of the proposed action by the Agency with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, having complied with the requirements of SEQRA and Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project, the Agency now desires, pursuant to Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, to make its final findings with respect to the Project and its final determination whether to proceed with the Project;

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Based upon an examination of the Project Qualification Documents and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project and such further investigation of the Project and its economic effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:

A. The Project is located in an area having a mixture of residential, not-for-profit, commercial, retail, and service uses.

B. The Project Qualification Documents makes the following comments/findings regarding housing in the City of Albany:

- Encourage investment in urban land and buildings for employment and housing
- Increase job opportunities for all residents

C. That undertaking the Project is consistent with the Project Qualification Documents and will assist and maintain current and future residential and commercial development and expansion in the neighborhood area.

D. The Company has informed representatives of the Agency that the Project is expected to (1) create approximately 1 full time permanent, private sector job and (2) retain approximately 4 full time permanent, private sector jobs.

E. The Company has informed representatives of the Agency that the Company is not aware of any adverse employment impact caused by the undertaking of the Project.

<u>Section 2</u>. Based upon the foregoing review of the Project Qualification Documents and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Project Facility and such further investigation of the Project and its economic effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following determinations with respect to the Project:

A. That although the Project does constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total project cost, the Project is located in a "highly distressed area" (as defined in the Act).

B. That (1) the Project Facility will provide necessary infrastructure for area employers and businesses, (2) the completion of the Project Facility will have an impact upon the creation, retention and expansion of employment opportunities in the City of Albany and in the State of New York, and (3) the completion of the Project will assist in promoting employment opportunities and assist in preventing economic deterioration in the City of Albany and in the State of New York.

C. That the acquisition, reconstruction, renovation and installation of the Project Facility is essential to the retention of existing employment and the creation of new employment opportunities and is essential to the prevention of economic deterioration of businesses and neighborhoods located in the City of Albany.

D. That the Project constitutes a "commercial" project, within the meaning of the Act.

E. That the undertaking of the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving and creating permanent private sector jobs in the State of New York.

<u>Section 3.</u> Having reviewed the Public Hearing Report, and having considered fully all comments contained therein, and based upon the findings contained in Section 1 above, the Agency hereby determines to proceed with the Project and the granting of the financial assistance described in the notice of the Public Hearing; provided, however, that no financial assistance shall be provided to the Project by the Agency unless and until the Mayor of the City of Albany, New York, as chief executive officer of the

City of Albany, New York, shall, pursuant to Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, confirm the proposed action of the Agency with respect to the Project.

<u>Section 4</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Tracy L. Metzger	VOTING	ABSENT
Susan Pedo	VOTING	ABSENT
Lee E. Eck, Jr.	VOTING	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	ABSENT
Dominick Calsolaro	VOTING	
Jahkeen Hoke	VOTING	
Robert T. Schofield, Esq.	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.:
COUNTY OF ALBANY	)

I, the undersigned (Assistant) Secretary of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on August 22, 2019 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2019.

(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)

## PILOT DEVIATION APPROVAL RESOLUTION HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC PROJECT

A regular meeting of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the office of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York on August 22, 2019 at 12:15 o'clock p.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the (Vice) Chair of the Agency and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

#### PRESENT:

Lee E. Eck, Jr.	Secretary
Dominick Calsolaro	Member
Jahkeen Hoke	Member
Robert T. Schofield, Esq.	Member

#### ABSENT:

Tracy L. Metzger	Chair
Susan Pedo	Vice Chair
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	Treasurer

#### AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

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A. Joseph Scott, III, Esq.	Special Agency Counsel

The following resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_\_, to

wit:

Resolution No. 0819\_\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A DEVIATION FROM THE AGENCY'S UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX AGREEMENT TO BE ENTERED INTO BY THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC PROJECT.

WHEREAS, City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 325 of the 1974 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 903-a of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as

the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of manufacturing, warehousing, research, commercial and industrial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act), or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, in June, 2019, Harmony Mills South LLC, a State of New York limited liability company (the "Company"), submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company, said Project consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 0.38 acre parcel of land located at 90 State Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (tax map no. 76.42-1-5) (the "Land"), together with the existing 15 story building located thereon containing approximately 233,753 square feet of space (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of portions of the Facility and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and to constitute a mixed use residential/commercial/retail facility, containing approximately one hundred fifty-four (154) residential apartment units, and any other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on July 18, 2019 (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), the Agency authorized a public hearing to be held pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authorization contained in the Public Hearing Resolution, the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency (the "Public Hearing") pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, to hear all persons interested in the Project and the financial assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, to be mailed on July 26, 2019 to the chief executive officers of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is to be located, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be posted on July 26, 2019 at Albany City Hall located at 24 Eagle Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York and on the Agency's website, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on July 30, 2019 in the <u>Albany Times Union</u>, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on August 14, 2019 at 12:00 o'clock p.m., local time at offices of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, County, New York, and (E) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the "Public Hearing Report") fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said Public Hearing Report to be made available to the members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations (the "Regulations")

adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on August 22, 2019 (the "SEQR Resolution"), the Agency (A) concurred in the determination that the City of Albany Planning Board (the "Planning Board") is the "lead agency" with respect to SEQRA and (B) acknowledged receipt of a negative declaration from the Planning Board issued on November 16, 2017 (the "Negative Declaration"), in which the Planning Board determined that the Project would not have a significant adverse environmental impact on the environment, and therefore, that an environmental statement need not be prepared with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, by further resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on August 22, 2019 (the "Commercial/Retail Finding Resolution"), the Agency (A) determined that the Project constituted a "commercial project" within the meaning of the Act, (B) found that although the Project Facility appears to constitute a project where facilities or properties that are primarily used in making the retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities may constitute more than one-third of the costs of the Project, the Agency is authorized to provide financial assistance in respect of the Project pursuant to Section 862(2)(a) of the Act because the Project Facility is located in a highly distressed area, (C) determined, following a review of the Public Hearing Report, that the Project would serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent private sector jobs in the State of New York, and (D) determined that the Agency would proceed with the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance; provided however, that no financial assistance would be provided to the Project by the Agency unless and until the Mayor of City of Albany, as chief executive officer of City of Albany, New York, pursuant to Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, confirmed the proposed action of the Agency with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the Project, the Company has requested that the Agency deviate from its uniform tax exemption policy with respect to the terms of the proposed payment in lieu of tax agreement to be entered into by the Agency with respect to the Project Facility, which proposed deviation is outlined in the letter dated July 19, 2019 (the "Pilot Deviation Letter"), a copy of which Pilot Deviation Letter is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 874(4) of the Act, prior to taking final action on such request for a deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency must give the chief executive officers of the County and each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is located (collectively, the "Affected Tax Jurisdictions") written notice of the proposed deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy and the reasons therefor prior to the meeting of the Agency at which the members of the Agency shall consider whether to approve such proposed deviation; and

WHEREAS, on June 19, 2019, the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency sent a copy of the Pilot Deviation Letter to the Affected Tax Jurisdictions to notify the Affected Tax Jurisdictions of the proposed deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy in connection with the Project; and

WHEREAS, by the Pilot Deviation Letter, the Chief Executive Officer notified the chief executive officers of the Affected Tax Jurisdictions of the proposed deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy and further notified said chief executive officers that the members of the Agency would consider whether to approve such proposed deviation at this meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Agency hereby finds and determines as follows:

(A) The Agency has considered any and all responses from the Affected Tax Jurisdictions to the Pilot Deviation Letter.

(B) The Agency has reviewed and responded to all written comments received from any Affected Tax Jurisdiction with respect to the proposed deviation.

(C) The Agency has given all representatives from an Affected Tax Jurisdictions in attendance at this meeting the opportunity to address the members of the Agency regarding the proposed deviation.

<u>Section 2</u>. Based upon (A) the findings and determinations in Section 1 above, (B) any comments received at the Public Hearing, (C) input received at this meeting from the Affected Tax Jurisdictions with respect to the proposed deviation, (D) the Agency's knowledge of the Project, (E) the recommendations of Agency staff, and (F) such further investigation of the Project and the effect of the proposed deviation as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency hereby determines to deviate from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy with respect to the Project Facility for the reasons set forth in the Pilot Deviation Letter. Based upon the aforementioned, the Agency hereby approves a deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the terms of the approved deviation to be as described in the attached Pilot Deviation Letter.

<u>Section 3</u>. Upon preparation by special counsel to the Agency of a payment in lieu of tax agreement with respect to the Project Facility reflecting the terms of this resolution (the "Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement") and approval of same by the Chair (or Vice Chair) of the Agency, the Chair (or Vice Chair) of the Agency is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement, and, where appropriate, the Secretary (or Assistant Secretary) of the Agency is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Agency thereto and to attest the same, all in such form as is approved by the Chair (or Vice Chair), the execution thereof by the Chair (or Vice Chairman) to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

<u>Section 4</u>. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency to do all acts and things required or provided for by the provisions of the Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement, and to execute and deliver all such additional certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolution and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement binding upon the Agency.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Tracy L. Metzger	VOTING	ABSENT
Susan Pedo	VOTING	ABSENT
Lee E. Eck, Jr.	VOTING	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	ABSENT
Dominick Calsolaro	VOTING	
Jahkeen Hoke	VOTING	
Robert T. Schofield, Esq.	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

## STATE OF NEW YORK ) ) SS.: COUNTY OF ALBANY )

I, the undersigned (Assistant) Secretary of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on August 22, 2019 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 22nd day of August, 2019.

(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)

# EXHIBIT A

# PILOT DEVIATION LETTER

# -SEE ATTACHED-

CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY 21 Lodge Street Albany, New York 12207 Tel: 518-434-2532 ext. 19 Fax: 518-434-9846

July 19, 2019

The Honorable Daniel P. McCoy County Executive of Albany County Albany County Office Building 112 State Street, Room 1200 Albany, New York 12207

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Anne Savage, Board President Albany City School District 1 Academy Park Albany, New York 12207

RE: City of Albany Industrial Development Agency Proposed Deviation from Uniform Tax Exemption Policy Harmony Mills South LLC

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

This letter is delivered to you pursuant to Section 874(4)(c) of the General Municipal Law.

In June, 2019, City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") received an application (the "Application") from Harmony Mills South LLC (the "Company"), which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company, said Project to consist of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 0.38 acre parcel of land located at 90 State Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (tax map no. 76.42-1-5) (the "Land"), together with the existing 15 story building located thereon containing approximately 233,753 square feet of space (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of portions of the Facility and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and to constitute a mixed use residential/commercial/retail facility, containing approximately one hundred fifty-four (154) residential apartment units, and any other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency.

In connection with the Application, the Company has made a request to the Agency (the "Pilot Request") that the Agency enter into a payment in lieu of tax agreement (the "Proposed Pilot Agreement") which terms would deviate from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy (the "Policy"). Pursuant to the Pilot Request, the Agency would (A) enter into a payment in lieu of tax agreement (the "Proposed Pilot Agreement") which terms are described below and (B) provide the mortgage recording tax abatement. The Proposed Pilot Agreement would <u>not</u> provide any abatements for any special assessments levied on the Project Facility.

The Proposed Pilot Agreement will provide that the Company be granted a twenty (20) year payment in lieu of tax agreement on the Facility and any portion of the Equipment assessable as real property pursuant to the New York Real Property Tax Law. Under the terms of the Proposed Pilot Agreement, the Company will pay (A) a base Pilot payment equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the normal taxes due on the site of the Project, and (B) an additional amount based on the increase in assessed value of the Project Facility (such increase in the assessed value due to the undertaking of the Project shall be referred to as the "Improvements"), such increased amount to be adjusted by the abatement as described as follows:

	Percentage of Abatement on
Year	Increased Assessment
1	100%
2	100%
3	100%
4	100%
5	100%
6	100%
7	100%
8	100%
9	90%
10	90%
11	85%
12	75%
13	65%
14	60%
15	50%
16	40%
17	30%
18	20%
19	20%
20	20%
21 and thereafter	0%

As noted in the table above, the abatement schedule is 20 years, with Year 1 of the abatement schedule beginning in the year following the completion of the construction of the Project.

Beginning in Year 13, the Proposed Pilot Agreement will also provide that the amount of payments in lieu of taxes payable by the Company will be the greater of (A) the amount determined in accordance with the above paragraph, or (B) an amount equal to 11.5% of the gross rental revenue generated at the Project Facility.

The Policy provides that, for a facility similar to the Project Facility, (A) the payments in lieu of taxes will normally be determined as follows: a 50% abatement in real property taxes on the improvements in year one of the payment in lieu of tax agreement with a 10% per year decrease in such abatement over the term of the five year payment in lieu of tax agreement, (B) the amount of the assessed value of the Project Facility will change as the assessed value is established annually by the Assessor of the City of Albany and (C) the mortgage recording tax would not be abated, unless the Agency deviated from its policy with respect to the payment by the Company of real property taxes.

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of such Pilot Request and that the Agency is considering whether to grant the Pilot Request and to approve a Proposed Pilot Agreement conforming to the terms of the Pilot Request. The Agency expects to consider whether to approve the terms of the Proposed Pilot Agreement at its meeting scheduled for August 22, 2019 at 12:15 p.m., local time at the offices of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Meeting"). As described later in this letter, during the meeting on August 22, 2019, the Agency will review the terms of the Pilot Request and, based on the discussions during such meeting the terms of the Pilot Request may be modified.

This letter is forwarded to you for purposes of complying with Section 874 of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York, which requires written notice prior to the Agency taking final action with respect to the Proposed Pilot Agreement (if said Proposed Pilot Agreement may deviate from the provisions of the Agency's Policy).

The Agency considered the following factors in considering the proposed deviation:

1. The nature of the Project: The Project involves the demolition, renovation and reconstruction of the top 11 floors of an existing 15 story, approximately 233,753 square foot office building into an approximately 154 unit residential facility.

2. The present use of the property: The Project is located in the downtown area of the City of Albany and the project site is currently a commercial office building.

3. The economic condition of the area at the time of the request of the Company and the economic multiplying effect that the Project will have on the area: At the time of the filing of the Application, the economic condition of the area in which the Project Facility is to be located is generally average. The area is also surrounded by distressed census tracts. Therefore, the area is strategically targeted for adding commercial/retail/residential development, based on the presence of vacant or underutilized buildings/real estate. This development is consistent with the Albany 2030 Plan.

The Project will create approximately eighty-nine (89) construction jobs, thus generating revenue for the City of Albany and surrounding areas. The major positive impact of the Project is

the increase of activity in downtown Albany, which is consistent with the Albany 2030 Plan. Additional benefits created by the Project are described in the Application.

4. The extent to which the Project will create or retain permanent, private sector jobs and the number of jobs to be created or retained and the salary range of such jobs: The Project will create approximately one (1) new permanent job and the salary range is \$22,000 - \$47,500. The Project will create approximately eighty-nine (89) construction jobs.

The Company expects that the Project will also result in the (A) retention of four (4) fulltime permanent jobs and (B) creation of employment in the retail, restaurant and entertainment operations located in the neighborhood.

5. The estimated value of new tax exemptions to be provided: The estimated value of the tax exemptions are the following: \$925,400, sales and use tax; \$173,512, mortgage recording tax; and \$6,930,175, real property taxes.

6. The economic impact of the Proposed Pilot Agreement on affected tax jurisdictions: The economic impact of the Proposed Pilot Agreement is positive as development of the Project Facility is expected to spur additional development in the Central Business District area of the City of Albany.

7. The impact of the Proposed Pilot Agreement on existing and proposed businesses and economic development projects in the vicinity: The impact of the Project is a positive one on the community, as it creates additional development in the area. This Project represents the first high rise residential conversion in the City of Albany and first substantial conversion of downtown office space into residential space. This transformative Project will not only bring the residents of these 154 units into the very center of the Central Business District, it will also remove 148,489 square feet of office space from the Downtown market, which presently has a vacancy rate in excess of 20%.

This concentration of residents, at the center of Downtown, will provide the necessary numbers to support the establishment of new retail activity in the Downtown. With such a substantial enhancement in amenity services, a live/work environment will be promoted, thereby encouraging a 24/7 Downtown Albany.

This Project's conversion of approximately 148,489 square feet of office space to residential dwellings will shift the Downtown office space equilibrium and enhance the opportunity for competing office space to be rented. This is expected to create an impetus for landlords to make improvements to existing space, both vacant and occupied. By reducing office space vacancy, the value of these office properties will be enhanced, benefitting the property owners as well as enhancing the City of Albany tax base.

8. The amount of private sector investment generated or likely to be generated by the Proposed Pilot Agreement: The investment by the Company in undertaking the Project is equal to approximately \$23,135,000.

9. The effect of the Proposed Pilot Agreement on the environment: The Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

10. Project Timing: It is anticipated that the Project will be accomplished in a timely fashion.

11. The extent to which the Proposed Pilot Agreement will require the provision of additional services including, but not limited to, additional educational, transportation, police, emergency medical or fire services: It is not anticipated that the Project will have a significant burden upon the educational facilities for any school district within the City of Albany, Albany County. After the completion of the Project, the employment at the Project is not anticipated to generate a substantial burden on the highways of the City of Albany or the surrounding area. All necessary emergency medical and police services are available.

12. Anticipated tax revenues: It is anticipated that there will likely be additional sales tax revenues after Project completion relating to certain future operating activities at the Project and related multiplier impacts.

13. The extent to which the Proposed Pilot Agreement will provide a benefit (economic or otherwise) not otherwise available within the municipality in which the Project Facility is located: The Project aligns with the continuing development of the Central Business District area as well as the Albany 2030 Plan including: (a) encouraging investment in urban land and buildings for employment and housing; and (b) increasing job opportunities for all residents.

The Agency will consider the Proposed Pilot Agreement (and the proposed deviation from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy) at the Meeting. The Agency would welcome any written comments that you might have on this proposed deviation from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy. In accordance with Section 874(4)(c) of the General Municipal Law, prior to taking final action at the Meeting, the Agency will review and respond to any written comments received from any affected tax jurisdiction with respect to the proposed deviation. The Agency will also allow any representative of any affected tax jurisdiction present at the Meeting to address the Agency regarding the proposed deviation.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the foregoing, please do not hesitate to contact me at the above telephone number.

CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By: <u>s/Sarah Reginelli</u> Chief Executive Officer

#### AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING OF PILOT DEVIATION NOTICE LETTER

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.:
COUNTY OF ALBANY	)

The undersigned, being duly sworn, hereby states:

1. That on July 19, 2019, I mailed to the following individuals a copy of a letter (the "Pilot Deviation Notice Letter") informing said individuals of (A) a proposed deviation (the "Deviation") by City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") from the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy relating to the proposed Harmony Mills South LLC Project to be undertaken by the Agency for the benefit of Harmony Mills South LLC (the "Company") and (B) the time and place of the meeting of the members of the Agency at which the question of whether to proceed with said Deviation is scheduled to be considered by the Agency:

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2. That the letter attached hereto as Exhibit A is a duplicate copy of the Pilot Deviation Notice Letter which was mailed to the above individuals.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 19th day of July, 2019.

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Adam Carson

Sworn to before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2019.

het. McCauthy Notary Public

Meredith A. McCarthy Notary Public, State of New York No. 01MC6345002 Qualified in Albany County Commission Expires July 18, 2020

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## APPROVING RESOLUTION HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC PROJECT

A regular meeting of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the office of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York on August 22, 2019 at 12:15 o'clock p.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the (Vice) Chair of the Agency and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

#### PRESENT:

Lee E. Eck, Jr.	Secretary
Dominick Calsolaro	Member
Jahkeen Hoke	Member
Robert T. Schofield, Esq.	Member

#### ABSENT:

Tracy L. Metzger	Chair
Susan Pedo	Vice Chair
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	Treasurer

#### AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Chief Executive Officer
Chief Financial Officer
Senior Economic Developer II, Capitalize Albany Corporation
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Senior Economic Developer, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Communications & Marketing, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Executive Assistant, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Corporation Counsel
Special Agency Counsel

The following resolution was offered by \_\_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_\_, to wit:

Resolution No. 0819\_\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH A LEASE/LEASEBACK TRANSACTION FOR A PROJECT FOR HARMONY MILLS SOUTH LLC (THE "COMPANY").

WHEREAS, City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Chapter 325 of the 1974 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 903-a of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of commercial, manufacturing and industrial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed and installed, and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, in June, 2019, Harmony Mills South LLC, a State of New York limited liability company (the "Company"), submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of the Company, said Project consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 0.38 acre parcel of land located at 90 State Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (tax map no. 76.42-1-5) (the "Land"), together with the existing 15 story building located thereon containing approximately 233,753 square feet of space (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of portions of the Facility and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and to constitute a mixed use residential/commercial/retail facility, containing approximately one hundred fifty-four (154) residential apartment units, and any other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real property transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on July 18, 2019 (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), the Agency authorized a public hearing to be held pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authorization contained in the Public Hearing Resolution, the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Agency (the "Public Hearing") pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, to hear all persons interested in the Project and the financial assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, to be mailed on July 26, 2019 to the chief executive officers of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project Facility is to be located, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be posted on July 26, 2019 at Albany City Hall located at 24 Eagle Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York and on the Agency's website, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on July 30, 2019 in the <u>Albany Times Union</u>, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on August 14, 2019 at 12:00 o'clock p.m., local time at offices of the Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, and (E) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the "Public Hearing Report") fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said Public Hearing Report to be made available to the members of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations (the "Regulations") adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York

(collectively with the SEQR Act, "SEQRA"), by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on August 22, 2019 (the "SEQR Resolution"), the Agency (A) concurred in the determination that the City of Albany Planning Board (the "Planning Board") is the "lead agency" with respect to SEQRA and (B) acknowledged receipt of a negative declaration from the Planning Board issued on November 16, 2017 (the "Negative Declaration"), in which the Planning Board determined that the Project would not have a significant adverse environmental impact on the environment, and therefore, that an environmental statement need not be prepared with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, by further resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on August 22, 2019 (the "Commercial/Retail Finding Resolution"), the Agency (A) determined that the Project constituted a "commercial project" within the meaning of the Act, (B) found that although the Project Facility appears to constitute a project where facilities or properties that are primarily used in making the retail sales of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities may constitute more than one-third of the costs of the Project, the Agency is authorized to provide financial assistance in respect of the Project pursuant to Section 862(2)(a) of the Act because the Project Facility is located in census tract 11 which is contiguous to census tract 1, 8 and 25 which are in a highly distressed area, (C) determined, following a review of the Hearing Report, that the Project would serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent private sector jobs in the State of New York, and (D) determined that the Agency would proceed with the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance; provided however, that no financial assistance would be provided to the Project by the Agency unless and until the Mayor of City of Albany, as chief executive officer of City of Albany, New York, pursuant to Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, confirmed the proposed action of the Agency with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on August 22, 2019 (the "Pilot Deviation Approval Resolution"), the members of the Agency determined to deviate from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 862(2) of the Act, prior to providing the Financial Assistance to the Project, the Mayor, as chief executive officer of the City of Albany, New York, must confirm the proposed action of the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application, and to representations by the Company that (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Company to undertake the Project in the City of Albany, New York and (B) the completion of the Project will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area in the State of New York and will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of any occupant of the Project Facility located in the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Company to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the City of Albany, New York by undertaking the Project in the City of Albany, New York; and

WHEREAS, in order to consummate the Project and the granting of the Financial Assistance described in the notice of the Public Hearing, the Agency proposes to enter into the following documents (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Agency Documents"): (A) a certain lease to agency (the "Lease to Agency" or the "Underlying Lease") by and between the Company, as landlord, and the Agency, as tenant, pursuant to which the Company will lease to the Agency a portion of the Land and all improvements now or hereafter located on said portion of the Land (collectively, the "Leased Premises"); (B) a certain license agreement (the "License to Agency" or the "License Agreement") by and between the Company, as licensor, and the Agency, as licensee, pursuant to which the Company will grant to the Agency (1) a

license to enter upon the balance of the Land (the "Licensed Premises") for the purpose of undertaking and completing the Project and (2) in the event of an occurrence of an Event of Default by the Company, an additional license to enter upon the Licensed Premises for the purpose of pursuing its remedies under the Lease Agreement (as hereinafter defined); (C) a lease agreement (and a memorandum thereof) (the "Lease Agreement") by and between the Agency and the Company, pursuant to which, among other things, the Company agrees to undertake the Project as agent of the Agency and the Company further agrees to lease the Project Facility from the Agency and, as rental thereunder, to pay the Agency's administrative fee relating to the Project and to pay all expenses incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project; (D) a payment in lieu of tax agreement (the "Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement") by and between the Agency and the Company, pursuant to which the Company will agree to pay certain payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Project Facility; (E) a uniform agency project agreement (the "Uniform Agency Project Agreement") by and between the Agency and the Company regarding the granting of the financial assistance and the potential recapture of such assistance; (F) a certain recapture agreement (the "Section 875 GML Recapture Agreement") by and between the Company and the Agency, required by the Act, regarding the recovery or recapture of certain sales and use taxes; (G) a sales tax exemption letter (the "Sales Tax Exemption Letter") to ensure the granting of the sales tax exemption which forms a part of the Financial Assistance; (H) a New York State Department of Taxation and Finance form entitled "IDA Appointment of Project Operator or Agency for Sales Tax Purposes" (the form required to be filed pursuant to Section 874(9) of the Act) (the "Thirty-Day Sales Tax Report") and any additional report to the Commissioner of the State Department of Taxation and Finance concerning the amount of sales tax exemption benefit for the Project (the "Additional Thirty-Day Project Report"); (I) if the Company intends to finance the Project with borrowed money, a mortgage and any other security documents and related documents (collectively, the "Mortgage") from the Agency and the Company to the Company's lender with respect to the Project ("the "Lender"), which Mortgage will grant a lien on and security interest in the Project Facility to secure a loan from the Lender to the Company with respect to the Project (the "Loan"); (J) various certificates relating to the Project; (K) if the Company intends to request the Agency to appoint (1) the Company, as agent of the Agency and (2) a contractor or contractors, as agent(s) of the Agency prior to closing on the Project and the Lease Agreement, agency and indemnification agreements, interim Section 875 GML recapture agreements, interim sales tax exemption letters and interim thirty-day sales tax reports (collectively, the "Interim Documents"); and (L) various certificates relating to the Project (the "Closing Documents");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. All action taken by the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency with respect to the Public Hearing with respect to the Project is hereby ratified and confirmed.

<u>Section 2.</u> The law firm of Hodgson Russ LLP is hereby appointed Special Agency Counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project. Special Agency Counsel for the Agency is hereby authorized, at the expense of the Company, to work with the Company, counsel to the Agency and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the transactions contemplated by this Resolution. Special Agency Counsel has prepared and submitted an initial draft of the Agency Documents to staff of the Agency.

<u>Section 3</u>. The Agency hereby finds and determines that:

(A) By virtue of the Act, the Agency has been vested with all powers necessary and convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of the Act and to exercise all powers granted to it under the Act;

(B) The Project constitutes a "project," as such term is defined in the Act;

(C) The Project site is located entirely within the boundaries of City of Albany, New York;

(D) It is estimated at the present time that the costs of the planning, development, acquisition, construction, reconstruction and installation of the Project Facility (collectively, the "Project Costs") will be approximately \$23,153,000;

(E) The completion of the Project will not result in the removal of a plant or facility of any proposed occupant of the Project Facility from one area of the State of New York to another area in the State of New York and will not result in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of any occupant of the Project Facility located in the State of New York;

(F) Although the Project constitutes a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total project cost, the Company has represented to the Agency that (i) the Project is located within census tract 11, which is contiguous to census tracts 1, 8 and 25, which are considered to be distressed census tracts, and therefore, is in a "highly distressed area", as that term is defined in Section 854(18) of the Act, and (ii) completion of the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York;

(G) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project will promote and maintain the job opportunities, general prosperity and economic welfare of the citizens of the City of Albany, New York and the State of New York and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act;

(H) The Agency has reviewed the Public Hearing Report and has fully considered all comments contained therein;

(I) The Project should receive the Financial Assistance in the form of exemption from sales tax, real property tax and mortgage recording tax based on an evaluation of the Project based on the Agency's Uniform Criteria for the Evaluation of Projects Policy and the description of expected public benefits to occur as a result of this Project, as described on **Exhibit A** attached hereto; and

(J) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to enter into the Agency Documents, except that for the Interim Documents, the following conditions shall be met prior to the Agency entering into the Interim Documents: (1) the term of the Interim Documents shall not exceed sixty (60) days, unless future extensions are consented to by the Agency in writing, (2) the Company shall have paid the Agency's administrative fee, (3) the Company and any contractors shall have delivered evidence of adequate insurance coverage protecting the Agency and (4) execution by the other parties thereto and delivery of same to the Agency of the Interim Documents.

<u>Section 4</u>. In consequence of the foregoing, the Agency hereby determines to: (A) accept the License Agreement; (B) lease the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to the Lease Agreement; (C) acquire, construct and install the Project Facility, or cause the Project Facility to be acquired, installed and constructed; (D) enter into the Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement; (E) enter into the Section 875 GML Recapture Agreement; (F) enter into the Uniform Agency Project Agreement; (G) enter into the Interim Documents, subject to compliance with Section 3(J) above; (H) secure the Loan by entering into the

Mortgage; and (I) grant the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project; provided, however, that no financial assistance shall be provided to the Project by the Agency unless and until the Mayor of the City of Albany, New York, as chief executive officer of the City of Albany, New York, shall, pursuant to Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, confirm the proposed action of the Agency with respect to the Project.

<u>Section 5</u>. The Agency is hereby authorized (A) to acquire a license in the Licensed Premises pursuant to the License Agreement, (B) to acquire a leasehold interest in the Leased Premises pursuant to the Underlying Lease, (C) to acquire title to the Equipment pursuant to a bill of sale (the "Bill of Sale to Agency") from the Company to the Agency, and (D) to do all things necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment thereof, and all acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to such acquisitions are hereby approved, ratified and confirmed; provided, however, that no financial assistance shall be provided to the Project by the Agency unless and until the Mayor of the City of Albany, New York, as chief executive officer of the City of Albany, New York, shall, pursuant to Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, confirm the proposed action of the Agency with respect to the Project.

<u>Section 6</u>. The Agency is hereby authorized to acquire, construct and install the Project Facility as described in the Lease Agreement and to do all things necessary or appropriate for the accomplishment thereof, and all acts heretofore taken by the Agency with respect to such acquisition, construction and installation are hereby ratified, confirmed and approved; provided, however, that no financial assistance shall be provided to the Project by the Agency unless and until the Mayor of the City of Albany, New York, as chief executive officer of the City of Albany, New York, shall, pursuant to Section 862(2)(c) of the Act, confirm the proposed action of the Agency with respect to the Project.

Section 7. The Chair (or Vice Chair) of the Agency, with the assistance of Agency Counsel and/or Special Counsel, is authorized to negotiate and approve the form and substance of the Agency Documents.

Section 8. (A) The Chair (or Vice Chair) of the Agency is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Agency Documents, and, where appropriate, the Secretary (or Assistant Secretary) of the Agency is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Agency thereto and to attest the same, all in the forms thereof as the Chair (or Vice Chair) shall approve, the execution thereof by the Chair (or Vice Chair) to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

(B) The Chair (or Vice Chair) of the Agency is hereby further authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to designate any additional Authorized Representatives of the Agency (as defined in and pursuant to the Lease Agreement).

<u>Section 9</u>. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency to do all acts and things required or provided for by the provisions of the Agency Documents, and to execute and deliver all such additional certificates, instruments and documents, to pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing Resolution and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the Agency Documents binding upon the Agency.

<u>Section 10</u>. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Tracy L. Metzger	VOTING	ABSENT
Susan Pedo	VOTING	ABSENT
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	
Lee E. Eck, Jr.	VOTING	ABSENT
Dominick Calsolaro	VOTING	
Jahkeen Hoke	VOTING	
Robert T. Schofield	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) SS.:
COUNTY OF ALBANY	)

I, the undersigned (Assistant) Secretary of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on August 22, 2019 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2019.

(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)

# EXHIBIT A

# DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT EVALUATION AND EXPECTED PUBLIC BENEFITS

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#### HARMONY MILLS SOUTH, LLC PROJECT

Pursuant to the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency's (the "Agency") Uniform Criteria for the Evaluation of Projects Policy, the following general uniform criteria were utilized by the "Agency" to evaluate and select the project for which the Agency can provide financial assistance. In the discussions had between the Project Beneficiary and the Agency with respect to the Project Beneficiary's request for Financial Assistance from the Agency with respect to the Project Beneficiary has represented to the Agency that the Project is expected to provide the following benefits to the Agency and/or to the residents of City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Public Benefits"):

	cription of Evaluation	Applicable		Criteria Assessment/ Expected
	eria/Benefit	(indicate Yes or No)		Benefit
1.	Retention direct and indirect of existing jobs	☑ Yes	□ No	Project will increase the level of activity Downtown, thereby promoting the retention of existing jobs. The Project will retain four (4) new full time equivalent jobs. The Company expects that the Project will result in the retention and creation of employment in the retail, restaurant, entertainment and office operations located in the surrounding area.
2.	Creation of direct and indirect new permanent jobs	☑ Yes	□ No	Project will increase the level of activity Downtown, thereby promoting the creation of new permanent jobs. The Project will create one (1) new full time equivalent jobs. The Company expects that the Project will result in the retention and creation of employment in the retail, restaurant, entertainment, service and office operations located in the surrounding area.

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3.	Estimated value of tax exemptions	☑ Yes	🗆 No	The exemptions have been weighed against the cumulative benefits of the Project. NYS Sales and Compensating Use Tax Exemption: \$925,400 Mortgage Recording Tax Exemption: \$173,512
				Real Property Tax Exemption: \$6,930,175
4.	Private sector investment	🗹 Yes	🗆 No	Project applicant expects to invest over \$23.1 million of private investment in the Project.
5.	Likelihood of Project being accomplished in a timely fashion	☑ Yes	🗆 No	High likelihood that Project will be accomplished in a timely fashion.
				The Project has received a term sheet and letter of intent for Project Financing.
				The Applicant closed on the purchase of the property in 2002.
6.	Extent of new revenue provided to local taxing jurisdictions.	⊠ Yes	□ No	Project will result in new revenue to local taxing jurisdictions under the proposed PILOT program through the City of Albany IDA. Project will result in an increase in assessed value from the current total assessment: \$6,750,000 (Per City of Albany Commissioner of
				Assessment and Taxation 2018 Assessment Roll) to the estimated improved total assessment: \$14,850,000 (Per City of Albany Commissioner of Assessment and Taxation).

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7.	Other:	⊠ Yes	🗆 No	The Project will develop an underutilized property and create approximately 154 apartments.
				The Project has committed to Regional Labor for 90% of the construction work force.
				The project has committed to City of Albany Labor for 15% of the construction work force.
				The project has committed that 20% of the value of construction contracts awarded will be executed with MWBE contractors.
				The Project will increase the consumer base to support local businesses and employers.
				The Project will have a positive revitalizing effect on the community by developing currently underutilized building Downtown.
				The Project meets the intent and furthers the implementation of the following City of Albany strategic initiatives: Albany 2030.

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