PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTION 40 STEUBEN LLC PROJECT

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

PRESENT:

Anthony J. Ferrara Chairman
Susan Pedo Secretary
Hon. Kathy Sheehan Treasurer
Martin Daley Member
C. Anthony Owens Member
Tracy Metzger Member
Lee Eck Member

ABSENT:

AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Michael J. Yevoli CEO - Capitalize Albany Corporation CFO - Capitalize Albany Corporation Erik Smith Sarah Reginelli Director of Economic Development Senior Economic Developer, Capitalize Albany Corporation **Bradley Chevalier** Amy Gardner Administrative Assistant, Capitalize Albany Corporation John J. Reilly, Esq. Agency Counsel A. Joseph Scott, III, Esq. Special Agency Counsel The following resolution was offered by seconded by _____, to wit:

Resolution No. 1113-

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING A PROPOSED PROJECT TO BE UNDERTAKEN FOR THE BENEFIT OF 40 STEUBEN 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, 40 Steuben LLC, a 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 approximate 0.18 acre parcel of land located at 58 North Pearl Street (Tax Map # 76.34-2-18) in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), together with an approximately 47,000 square foot building located thereon (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of the Facility, and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property, including without limitation, tenant improvement and finish (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, to constitute a mixed use retail/residential facility and to be leased by the Company to various commercial and residential tenants 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:

Section 1. 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 Chairman, Vice Chairman 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:

Anthony J. Ferrara	VOTING	
Susan Pedo	VOTING	
Hon. Kathy Sheehan	VOTING	
Martin Daley	VOTING	
C. Anthony Owens	VOTING	
Tracy Metzger	VOTING	
Lee Eck	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 of the meeting of the members of November 21, 2013 with the original	that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct solution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as
(B) said meeting was in all respects of "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting	t (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place ordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum t throughout said meeting.
I FURTHER CERTIFY that, effect and has not been amended, repe	, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and ealed or rescinded.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I 21st day of November, 2013.	have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this
	(Assistant) Secretary
(SEAL)	

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING SEQR DETERMINATION 40 STEUBEN LLC PROJECT

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The meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Agency and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

PRESENT:

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Tracy Metzger

Vice Chairman

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Susan Pedo

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John J. Reilly, Esq. Agency Counsel

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

The following resolution was offered by ______, seconded by _____, to wit:

Resolution No. Resolution No. 0114-__

RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE DETERMINATION BY THE CITY OF ALBANY PLANNING BOARD, AS LEAD AGENCY FOR A CERTAIN PROPOSED PROJECT FOR 40 STEUBEN 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 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, 40 Steuben LLC, a New York limited liability company (the "Company"), has presented an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting 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 approximate 0.18 acre parcel of land located at 58 North Pearl Street (Tax Map # 76.34-2-18) in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), together with an approximately 47,000 square foot building located thereon (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of the Facility, and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property, including without limitation, tenant improvement and finish (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, to constitute a mixed use retail/residential facility and to be leased by the Company to various commercial and residential tenants 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.

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 Planning Board of the City of Albany, New York (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 January 16, 2014 (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:

Section 1. The Agency has received copies of, and has reviewed, the Application 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.

<u>Section 2</u>. 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 environmental impact statement need be prepare_with respect to the Project (as such quoted phrase is used in SEQRA).

<u>Section 3.</u> The member 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.

<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:

Anthony J. Ferrara	VOTING	
Susan Pedo	VOTING	
Lee Eck	VOTING	
Tracy Metzger	VOTING	
C. Anthony Owens	VOTING	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)) SS.: COUNTY OF ALBANY)	
"Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have of the meeting of the members of the Agency, in 23, 2014 with the original thereof on file in my of	of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the ecompared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes cluding the Resolution contained therein, held on January office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said ein and of the whole of said original so far as the same
said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to	mbers of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the to the general public, and due notice of the time and place th such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum at said meeting.
I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the effect and has not been amended, repealed or res	date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and cinded.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have here 23rd day of January, 2014.	unto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this
	(Assistant) Secretary
(SEAL)	

EXHIBIT A

NEGATIVE DECLARATION

COMMERCIAL/RETAIL FINDINGS RESOLUTION 40 STEUBEN LLC PROJECT

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John J. Reilly, Esq. Agency Counsel

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

The following resolution was offered by _______, seconded by ______, to wit:

Resolution No. Resolution No. 0114-__

RESOLUTION (A) DETERMINING THAT THE PROPOSED 40 STEUBEN 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 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 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, 40 Steuben LLC, a 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 approximate 0.18 acre parcel of land located at 58 North Pearl Street (Tax Map # 76.34-2-18) in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), together with an approximately 47,000 square foot building located thereon (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of the Facility, and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property, including without limitation, tenant improvement and finish (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, to constitute a mixed use retail/residential facility and to be leased by the Company to various commercial and residential tenants 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 November 21, 2013 (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 December 4, 2013 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 December 4, 2013 on a public bulletin board located at the Albany City Hall located at 24 Eagle Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on December 7, 2013 in the Albany Times Union, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on December 19, 2013 at 11:30 o'clock a.m., local time at offices of the City of Albany Industrial Development 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 January 23, 2014 (the "SEQR Resolution"), the Agency (A) ratified the determination by the Planning Board of the City of Albany, New York (the "Planning Board") to act as "lead agency" with respect to the Project, (B) acknowledged receipt of a copy of a negative declaration issued by the Planning Board on January 16, 2014 (the "Negative Declaration"), and (C) indicated that the Agency had no information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in authorizing the issuance of the Negative Declaration; 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 house 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) a report dated April 2012 entitled "Albany 2030" (the "2030 Plan");

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 a census tract in the City of Albany which is considered to be a distressed census tract and therefore 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:

<u>Section 1</u>. 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 2030 Plan makes the following comments/findings regarding housing in the City of Albany:
 - Encourage investment in urban land and buildings for employment and housing through development, redevelopment, rehabilitation and adaptive reuse
 - Provide and maintain intergenerational life cycle housing options
 - Encourage mixed income housing options throughout the City of Albany
 - Promote quality affordable housing
 - Increase job opportunities for all residents
- C. That undertaking the Project is consistent with the 2030 Report 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 create approximately three (3) 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:

Anthony J. Ferrara	VOTING	
Susan Pedo	VOTING	
Lee Eck	VOTING	
Tracy Metzger	VOTING	
C. Anthony Owens	VOTING	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)) SS.: COUNTY OF ALBANY)	
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereun day of January, 2014.	ato set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 23 rd
	(Assistant) Secretary
(SEAL)	

PILOT DEVIATION APPROVAL RESOLUTION 40 STEUBEN LLC PROJECT

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John J. Reilly, Esq. Agency Counsel

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

The following resolution was offered by _______, seconded by ______, to wit:

Resolution No. Resolution No. 0114-__

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 40 STEUBEN 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, 40 Steuben LLC, a 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 approximate 0.18 acre parcel of land located at 58 North Pearl Street (Tax Map # 76.34-2-18) in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), together with an approximately 47,000 square foot building located thereon (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of the Facility, and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property, including without limitation, tenant improvement and finish (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, to constitute a mixed use retail/residential facility and to be leased by the Company to various commercial and residential tenants 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 November 21, 2013 (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 December 4, 2013 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 December 4, 2013 on a public bulletin board located at the Albany City Hall located at 24 Eagle Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on December 7, 2013 in the Albany Times Union, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on December 19, 2013 at 11:30 o'clock a.m., local time at offices of the City of Albany Industrial Development 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 January 23, 2014 (the "SEQR Resolution"), the Agency (A) ratified the determination by the Planning Board of the City of Albany, New York (the "Planning Board") to act as "lead agency" with respect to the Project, (B) acknowledged receipt of a copy of a negative declaration issued by the Planning Board on January 16, 2014 (the "Negative Declaration"), and (C) indicated that the Agency had no information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in authorizing the issuance of the Negative Declaration; 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 January 13, 2014 (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 City 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 January 13, 2014, 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, through the Pilot Deviation Letter, the Chief Executive Officer of the Agency 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:

Section 1. 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.

Section 2. 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 terms of the proposed payment in lieu of tax agreement to be entered into by the Agency 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 Pilot Deviation Letter attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 3. 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 Chairman (or Vice Chairman) of the Agency, the Chairman (or Vice Chairman) 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 Chairman (or Vice Chairman), the execution thereof by the Chairman (or Vice Chairman) to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

Section 4. 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.

<u>Section 5</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:

Anthony J. Ferrara	VOTING	
Susan Pedo	VOTING	
Lee Eck	VOTING	
Tracy Metzger	VOTING	
C. Anthony Owens	VOTING	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	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 January 23, 2014 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 23rd day of January, 2014.
(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)

EXHIBIT A

PILOT DEVIATION LETTER

- SEE ATTACHED -

CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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January 13, 2014

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RE: City of Albany Industrial Development Agency

Proposed Deviation from Uniform Tax Exemption Policy

40 Steuben LLC Project

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

On November 21, 2013, City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") adopted a resolution (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), pursuant to which the Agency agreed to accept an application (the "Application") from 40 Steuben 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 approximate 0.18 acre parcel of land located at 58 North Pearl Street (Tax Map # 76.34-2-18) in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), together with an approximately 47,000 square foot building located thereon (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of the Facility, and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property, including without limitation, tenant improvement and finish (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, to constitute a mixed use retail/residential facility and to be leased by the Company to various commercial and residential tenants 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.

The Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy (the "Policy") provides that, for a facility similar to the Project Facility, 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. Further, the Agency's Policy provides that 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.

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"). The Proposed 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 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 Land and the Facility (fixed at a base amount equal to \$850,000), 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:

	Amount of Abatement on
Years	Increased Assessment
1 - 12	100.0%
13-20	87.5%
21 and thereafter	0%

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 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 January 23, 2014 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 January 23, 2014, 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 reconstruction and renovation of an existing building to be owned by the Company and leased to various tenants for commercial, retail and/or residential uses and other directly and indirectly related activities.
- 2. The present use of the property: One (1) parcel of land together with an existing building located thereon. The building is currently essentially vacant and was formerly utilized as a retail and office building complex.
- 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 to poor. The area is strategically targeted for adding downtown residential development, based on the presence of vacant or underutilized buildings to be converted, as well as the emerging residential projects that are occurring proximate to this building. This will create a neighborhood district, a goal of the City of Albany's economic development strategy; Capitalize Albany.

The Project will create approximately fifteen (15) construction jobs, thus generating revenue for the City of Albany and surrounding areas. The major positive impact of the Project is the creation of downtown housing, which is consistent with the downtown development plan of the City of Albany. New residents in the downtown area will provide economic growth for the business and entertainment facilities located in the downtown, and result in further residential development. 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 construction jobs over the approximately one (1) year construction period generating a payroll of over \$585,000.

The Company has estimated that the Project will create approximately 5.50 full-time jobs by the end of the second year of operation. Further, the Company expects that the Project will also result in the retention and creation of employment in the retail, restaurant and entertainment operations located in the downtown.

- 5. The estimated value of new tax exemptions to be provided: The estimated value of the tax exemptions are the following: \$28,000, sales and use tax; \$46,500, mortgage recording tax; and \$1,140,874, real property taxes.
- 6. The economic impact of the Proposed Pilot Agreement on affected tax jurisdictions: The economic impact of the Project PILOT Agreement is positive as development of the Project Facility is expected to spur additional development in the downtown sections 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 rental housing in the area. In addition it will act to reduce the vacancy rate in downtown and increase the number of market rent residential projects in downtown, which is critical to building the market. This development will build investor and bank confidence in the market and will serve to attract additional mid and large scale residential redevelopment projects. The local restaurants and entertainment facilities will benefit from the undertaking of the Project.
- 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 \$4,953,565.
- 9. The effect of the Proposed Pilot Agreement on the environment: It is likely that 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 tremendous 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: The Company has requested a deviation from the Policy in order to pass the real property tax savings on to the proposed tenants at the Project in the form of market lease payments.
- 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 benefit is a positive one economically, in that the Project will promote the development of the downtown of the City of Albany.

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: s/Michael J. Yevoli
Chief Executive Officer

APPROVING RESOLUTION 40 STEUBEN 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 January 23, 2014 at 12:15 p.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman of the Agency and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

PRESENT:

Anthony J. Ferrara

Tracy Metzger

Vice Chairman

Susan Pedo

Secretary

Lee Eck

C. Anthony Owens

Hon, Darius Shahinfar

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Member

Member

ABSENT:

AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Michael J. Yevoli CEO - Capitalize Albany Corporation CFO - Capitalize Albany Corporation Erik Smith Sarah Reginelli Director of Economic Development **Bradley Chevalier** Senior Economic Developer, Capitalize Albany Corporation Andrew Corcione Economic Developer, Capitalize Albany Corporation Communications and Marketing Assistant Amanda Vitullo Amy Gardner Administrative Assistant, Capitalize Albany Corporation Agency Counsel John J. Reilly, Esq. A. Joseph Scott, III, Esq. Special Agency Counsel The following resolution was offered seconded by , to wit:

Resolution No. Resolution No. 0114-

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH A LEASE/LEASEBACK TRANSACTION FOR A PROJECT FOR 40 STEUBEN 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, 40 Steuben LLC, a 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 approximate 0.18 acre parcel of land located at 58 North Pearl Street (Tax Map # 76.34-2-18) in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), together with an approximately 47,000 square foot building located thereon (the "Facility"), (2) the renovation and reconstruction of the Facility, and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property, including without limitation, tenant improvement and finish (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, to constitute a mixed use retail/residential facility and to be leased by the Company to various commercial and residential tenants 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 November 21, 2013 (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 December 4, 2013 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 December 4, 2013 on a public bulletin board located at the Albany City Hall located at 24 Eagle Street in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on December 7, 2013 in the Albany Times Union, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on December 19, 2013 at 11:30 o'clock a.m., local time at offices of the City of Albany Industrial Development 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 January 23, 2014 (the "SEQR Resolution"), the Agency (A) ratified the determination by the Planning Board of the City of Albany, New York (the "Planning Board") to act as "lead agency" with respect to the Project, (B) acknowledged receipt of a copy of a negative declaration issued by the Planning Board on January 16, 2014 (the "Negative Declaration"), and (C) indicated that the Agency had no information to suggest that the Planning Board was incorrect in authorizing the issuance of the Negative Declaration; and

WHEREAS, by further resolution adopted by the members of the Agency on January 23, 2014 (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, (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 January 23, 2014 (the "Pilot Deviation Approval Resolution"), the members of the Agency determined to deviate from the Agency's Policy with respect to the Project; 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 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 City of Albany, New York by undertaking the Project in 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 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; (F) 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; (G) 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"); (H) 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"); and (I) 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 Counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project. Special Counsel for the Agency is hereby authorized, at the expense of the Company, to work with the Company, counsel to 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 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 \$4,950,000;

- (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 of goods or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the costs of the Project, the Agency is authorized to provide financial assistance with respect to the Project pursuant to Section 862(2)(a) of the Act because the Project is located in a distressed census tract and therefore is in a highly distressed area:
- (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 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; and
- (I) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to enter into the Agency Documents.
- Section 4. 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 or sell the Project Facility to the Company pursuant to the Installment Sale 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) secure the Loan by entering into the Mortgage; and (G) 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.
- Section 5. 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.
- Section 6. The Agency is hereby authorized to acquire, reconstruct, renovate 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, reconstruction, renovation 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 Chairman (or Vice Chairman) 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 Chairman (or Vice Chairman) 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 Chairman (or Vice Chairman) shall approve, the execution thereof by the Chairman (or Vice Chairman) to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

(B) The Chairman (or Vice Chairman) 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).

Section 9. 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:

Anthony J. Ferrara	VOTING
Susan Pedo	VOTING
Lee Eck	VOTING
Tracy Metzger	VOTING
C. Anthony Owens	VOTING
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF ALBANY) SS.:)
"Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY of the meeting of the members of the 23, 2014 with the original thereof on foriginal and of such Resolution contarelates to the subject matters therein relates to the subject matters therein residual meeting was in all respects duly "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting	(A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) y held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place ordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum
I FURTHER CERTIFY that, effect and has not been amended, repe	as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and saled or rescinded.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I 23 rd day of January, 2014.	have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this
	(Assistant) Secretary
(SEAL)	