## PUBLIC HEARING RESOLUTION TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES LLC PROJECT

A regular meeting of City of Albany Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices 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 (Vice) Chairman of the Agency and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

#### PRESENT:

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

Chairman Vice Chairman Secretary Member Member Member

## ABSENT:

#### THE FOLLOWING STAFF MEMBERS OF THE AGENCY WERE ALSO PRESENT:

Michael J. Yevoli	CEO - Capitalize Albany Corporation
Erik Smith	CFO - Capitalize Albany Corporation
Sarah Reginelli	Director of Economic Development
Bradley Chevalier	Senior Economic Developer, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Andrew Corcione	Economic Developer, Capitalize Albany Corporation
Amanda Vitullo	Communications and Marketing Assistant
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.

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING A PROPOSED PROJECT TO BE UNDERTAKEN FOR THE BENEFIT OF TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES 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, in January, 2014, Tricentennial Properties LLC, a 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 a parcel of land containing approximately .36 acre and located on the CNSE Campus off Fuller Road and Tricentennial Drive in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), (2) the construction on the Land of a new building to contain approximately 25,000 square feet of space (the "Facility") and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain machinery and equipment (the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and leased to the Tech Valley High School for interdisciplinary academic uses and 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 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 the 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
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 \_\_\_\_\_ day of January, 2014.

(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)

## SEQR RESOLUTION TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES LLC PROJECT

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Chairman Vice Chairman Secretary Member Member Member

#### PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

## AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Michael J. Yevoli	CEO - Capitalize Albany Corporation
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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 ACKNOWLEDGING APPOINTMENT OF LEAD AGENCY AND RECEIPT OF NEGATIVE DECLARATION BY CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY UNDER ARTICLE 8 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW IN CONNECTION WITH A CERTAIN PROPOSED PROJECT FOR THE BENEFIT OF TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES 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, in January, 2014, Tricentennial Properties LLC, a 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 a parcel of land containing approximately .36 acre and located on the CNSE Campus off Fuller Road and Tricentennial Drive in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), (2) the construction on the Land of a new building to contain approximately 25,000 square feet of space (the "Facility") and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain machinery and equipment (the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and leased to the Tech Valley High School for interdisciplinary academic uses and 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 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, as an "involved agency", consents to the University of Albany, State University of New York (the "SUNY Albany") serving as "lead agency" with respect to the Project (as such quoted terms are defined under SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, all other state and local governmental entities known by SUNY Albany to be an "involved agency" with respect to the Project have either responded that they agree that SUNY Albany will act as "lead agency" with respect to the Project, or have failed to respond; and

WHEREAS, SUNY Albany on November 1, 2010 issued a negative declaration determining that the Project would not have a significant environmental impact on the environment (the "Negative Declaration");

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

<u>Section 1</u>. For purposes of establishing a "lead agency" with respect to the Project and determining whether the Project may have a "significant effect on the environment" (as such quoted terms

are defined under SEQRA), the Agency hereby concurs in the determination that SUNY Albany be designated as "lead agency" with respect to the Project.

Section 2. The Agency hereby acknowledges receipt of the Negative Declaration relating to the Project.

<u>Section 3.</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)

## **RESOLUTION MAKING RETAIL FINDINGS TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES 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 February 20, 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 Hon. Darius Shahinfar Susan Pedo Lee Eck C. Anthony Owens Chairman Vice Chairman Treasurer Secretary Member Member

ABSENT:

#### AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Michael J. Yevoli	CEO - Capitalize Albany Corporation
Erik Smith	CFO - Capitalize Albany Corporation
Bradley Chevalier	Senior Economic Developer, Capitalize Albany Corporation
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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. 0214-\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION MAKING RETAIL FINDINGS FOR A CERTAIN COMMERCIAL PROJECT FOR TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES 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 civic, manufacturing and 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 January, 2014, Tricentennial Properties LLC, a 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 a parcel of land containing approximately .36 acre and located on the CNSE Campus off Fuller Road and Tricentennial Drive in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), (2) the construction on the Land of a new building to contain approximately 25,000 square feet of space (the "Facility") and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain machinery and equipment (the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and leased to the Tech Valley High School for interdisciplinary academic uses and 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 January 23, 2014 (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), the Agency authorized a public hearing to be held pursuant to Section 859a of the Act with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authorization contained in the Public Hearing Resolution, the Chief Executive Director 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 January 28, 2014 to the chief executive officers of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project is or is to be located, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be posted 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, as well as on the Agency's website on January 29, 2014, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on January 31, 2014 in the <u>Albany Times Union</u>, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on February 12, 2014 at 12:00 o'clock p.m., local time at the 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 "Hearing Report") fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said 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) concurred in the determination by the University of Albany, State University of New York (the "SUNY Albany") to act as "lead agency" with respect to the Project and (B) indicated that the Agency had no information to suggest that the SUNY Albany was incorrect in issuing a negative declaration (the "Negative Declaration") determining that the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" pursuant to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application, 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 an empire zone that 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; and

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

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

Section 1. Having reviewed the Application and such other items as the Agency deems pertinent pursuant to Section 862(2) of the Act, the Agency hereby finds and determines as follows:

(A) 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 census tract constituting a "highly distressed area" (as defined in the Act) (or in a census tract adjacent to such a census tract);

(B) The granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency with respect to the Project, through the granting of the various tax exemptions, will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants 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;

(C) The completion of the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs or increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State of New York; and

(D) The Chief Executive Officer of the City of Albany, New York shall confirm the proposed action of the Agency.

Section 2. Having reviewed further the Application and such other items as the Agency deems pertinent pursuant to Section 862(2) of the Act, the Agency hereby finds and determines as follows:

(A) The Company has informed representatives of the Agency that the Project is expected to increase the overall number of permanent private sector jobs in the State of New York by preserving and/or creating 15 full time permanent, private sector jobs by the end of the first year of the completion of the Project.

(B) 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.

Section 3. Based upon the findings made in Section 2 above, the Agency hereby determines that undertaking the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving and/or increasing the overall number of permanent private sector jobs in the State of New York.

<u>Section 4</u>. Having reviewed the Public Hearing Report, and having considered fully all comments contained therein, the Agency hereby further confirms the Agency's finding in that, although facilities or projects that are primarily used in making 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 with respect to the Project pursuant to Section 862(2)(a) of the Act because the Project is located in a census tract constituting a "highly distressed area" (as defined in the Act) (or in a census tract adjacent to such a census tract).

<u>Section 5</u>. Having reviewed the Public Hearing Report, and having considered fully all comments contained therein, and based upon the findings contained in Sections 1 through 4 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 6</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	
Tracy Metzger	VOTING	
Susan Pedo	VOTING	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	
Lee Eck	VOTING	
C. Anthony Owens	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 copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on February 20, 2014, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of such proceedings of the Agency and such resolution set forth 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 20th day of February, 2014.

(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)

## PILOT DEVIATION APPROVAL RESOLUTION TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES LLC PROJECT

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#### ABSENT:

## AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

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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.

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 TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES 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 January, 2014, Tricentennial Properties LLC, a 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 a parcel of land containing approximately .36 acre and located on the CNSE Campus off Fuller Road and Tricentennial Drive in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), (2) the construction on the Land of a new building to contain approximately 25,000 square feet of space (the "Facility") and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain machinery and equipment (the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and leased to the Tech Valley High School for interdisciplinary academic uses and 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 January 23, 2014 (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 Director 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 January 28, 2014 to the chief executive officers of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project is or is to be located, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be posted 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, as well as on the Agency's website on January 29, 2014, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on January 31, 2014 in the <u>Albany Times Union</u>, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, (D) conducted the Public Hearing on February 12, 2014 at 12:00 o'clock p.m., local time at the offices of the City of Albany Industrial Development Agency located at 21 Lodge Street in the City of Albany, Albany, Albany, Albany, Albany County, New York, and (E) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the "Hearing Report") fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said 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) concurred in the determination by the University of Albany, State University of New York (the "SUNY Albany") to act as "lead agency" with respect to the Project and (B) indicated that the Agency had no information to suggest that the SUNY Albany was incorrect in issuing a negative declaration (the "Negative Declaration") determining that the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" pursuant to SEQRA; 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 February 10, 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 Albany 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 no fewer than ten (10) days 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 February 10, 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:

<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 on the findings and determinations in Section 1 above, 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.

<u>Section 3</u>. Upon preparation by 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.

<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:

Anthony J. Ferrara	VOTING
Tracy Metzger	VOTING
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING
Susan Pedo	VOTING
Lee Eck	VOTING
C. Anthony Owens	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 February 20, 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 20th day of February, 2014.

(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)

#### EXHIBIT A

## PILOT DEVIATION LETTER

#### CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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February 10, 2014

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City Hall	Albany City School District
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Albany, New York 12207	Albany, New York 12207

RE: Proposed Deviation from Uniform Tax Exemption Policy by City of Albany Industrial Development Agency in connection with its Tricentennial Properties LLC Project

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen:

In January, 2014, Tricentennial Properties LLC, a 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 0.36 acre portion of an approximately 85 acre parcel of land (Tax Map #s 53.00-1-71, 53.00-1-4, 53.00-1-33.1) located on the CNSE Campus off Fuller Road and Tricentennial Drive in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), (2) the construction on the Land of an approximately 25,000 square foot building (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 hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and leased to the Tech Valley High School (the "Tenant") for interdisciplinary academic uses and 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"). The Proposed Agreement would <u>not</u> provide any abatements for any special assessments levied on the Project Facility. The Proposed PILOT Agreement would provide that the Company be granted a five year payment in lieu of tax agreement on the Land, the Facility and any portion of the Equipment assessable as real property pursuant to the New York Real Property Tax Law (collectively, with the Facility, the "Improvements") with an abatement as described as follows:

Year	Amount of Abatement
1	100%
2	100%
3	100%
4	100%
5	100%
6 and thereafter	0%

The terms of the Proposed PILOT Agreement deviate from the Agency's 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.

As provided in the Agency's Policy, the amount of the assessed value of the Project Facility is not fixed and will change as the assessed value is established annually by the Assessor of the City of Albany.

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 February 20, 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 February 20, 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 proposed Project:

The Project involves the construction of a building to be owned by the Company and leased to the Tech Valley High School for interdisciplinary academic uses and other directly and indirectly related activities

The Company has made the PILOT Request because the Project site currently is not subject to real property tax since the Project site is owned by Fuller Road Management Corporation. In

addition, the Company will be leasing all or a significant portion of the Facility to Tech Valley High School, a not-for-profit corporation that is not subject to real property taxes.

2. The nature of the property before the undertaking of the Project:

An approximately 0.36 acre portion of an approximately 85 acre parcel of land.

3. The economic condition of the area at the time of the application and the economic multiplying effect that the Project will have on the area:

At the time of the application, the economic condition of the area in which the Project Facility is to be located is generally good. The Project will create jobs, both permanent and construction, thus generating revenue for the City of Albany and surrounding areas. 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 25 full time construction jobs over the approximately one-year construction period with a payroll of approximately \$819,393. The Company has indicated that they will make every effort to hire local labor to undertake the construction of the Facility.

Based on the Application, the Project will create approximately 15 full-time jobs within the first year of operation. Information regarding the estimated average wage/salary per year for a permanent <u>full time</u> job will be available at the Meeting.

5. The estimated value of tax exemptions to be provided:

Currently, the project site is not subject to any real property taxes because the site is owned by Fuller Road Management Corporation, a not-for-profit corporation. Based on an estimate of the assessed value of the Facility, the value of the real property tax exemption is estimated to equal approximately \$1,500,000. The value of the mortgage recording tax exemption and the sales tax exemption is equal to \$325,000 and \$94,037, respectively.

6. The economic impact of the Proposed PILOT Agreement on affected tax jurisdictions:

It is anticipated that the Project Facility will result in the creation of 15 full-time positions in the area. It is estimated that a portion of those positions will be staffed by City of Albany residents and these residents will continue to own homes and to pay school and property taxes in the City of Albany. Information regarding the number of City of Albany residents to be employed at the Project Facility will be available at the Meeting. In addition, local retail and service industries will benefit from creation of new jobs within the community.

7. The impact of the proposed Project 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 jobs in the community.

8. The amount of private sector investment generated or likely to be generated by the proposed Project:

The investment by the Company will be approximately \$8,523,000. This investment does not include any investment by the Tenant to be located in the Facility.

9. The effect of the proposed Project on the environment:

It is likely that the Project will <u>not</u> have a significant effect on the environment.

10. The likelihood of accomplishing the proposed Project in a timely fashion:

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 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 said tax savings on to the Tenant at the Project in the form of lower lease payments. The benefit of the larger tax abatement under the Proposed PILOT Agreement will not accrue to the Company, but will instead accrue to the Tenant at the Project. The creation of new jobs within the community will benefit the local retail and service industries.

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 create permanent, private sector jobs.

The Agency will consider the Proposed PILOT Agreement (and the proposed deviation from the Agency's Policy) at the Meeting. The discussion at the Meeting will include a review of (a) the terms of the PILOT Request, (b) other projects where the Agency has approved a deviation from its Policy, and (c) the information contained in this letter and other materials provided by the Company supporting the PILOT Request. Based on the discussion at the Meeting, and the review of any comments received by the Agency with respect to the PILOT Request, the Agency may determine to modify the terms of the PILOT Request.

The Agency would welcome any written comments that you might have on this proposed deviation from the Agency's Policy. In accordance with Section 874 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.

Sincerely yours,

# CITY OF ALBANY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By: <u>s/Michael J. Yevoli</u> Chief Executive Officer

## APPROVING RESOLUTION TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES 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 February 20, 2014 at 12:15 p.m., local time.

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 Tracy Metzger Hon. Darius Shahinfar Susan Pedo Lee Eck C. Anthony Owens Chairman Vice Chairman Treasurer Secretary Member Member

## ABSENT:

#### AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

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

Resolution No. 0214-\_\_\_

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH A LEASE/LEASEBACK TRANSACTION FOR A PROJECT FOR TRICENTENNIAL PROPERTIES 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 January, 2014, Tricentennial Properties LLC, a 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 a parcel of land containing approximately .36 acre and located on the CNSE Campus off Fuller Road and Tricentennial Drive in the City of Albany, Albany County, New York (the "Land"), (2) the construction on the Land of a new building to contain approximately 25,000 square feet of space (the "Facility") and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain machinery and equipment (the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned by the Company and leased to the Tech Valley High School for interdisciplinary academic uses and 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 January 23, 2014 (the "Public Hearing Resolution"), the Agency authorized a public hearing to be held pursuant to Section 859a of the Act with respect to the Project; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authorization contained in the Public Hearing Resolution, the Chief Executive Director 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 January 28, 2014 to the chief executive officers of the county and of each city, town, village and school district in which the Project is or is to be located, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be posted 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, as well as on the Agency's website on January 29, 2014, (C) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on January 31, 2014 in the <u>Albany Times Union</u>, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of the City of Albany, Albany County, New York, and (E) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the "Hearing Report") fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said 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) concurred in the determination by the University of Albany, State University of New York (the "SUNY Albany") to act as "lead agency" with respect to the Project and (B) indicated that the Agency had no information to suggest that the SUNY Albany was incorrect in issuing a negative declaration (the "Negative Declaration") determining that the Project will not have a "significant effect on the environment" pursuant to SEQRA; 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 Director 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 \$8,523,000;

(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 may 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 Company has represented to the Agency that (1) the Project is located in a "highly distressed area", as that term is defined in Section 854(18) of the Act, and (2) completion of the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by increasing and/or preserving 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 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.

<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 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, constructed and installed; (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.

<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.

<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.

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.

<u>Section 8.</u> (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).

<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:

Anthony J. Ferrara	VOTING	
Tracy Metzger	VOTING	
Susan Pedo	VOTING	
Hon. Darius Shahinfar	VOTING	
Lee Eck	VOTING	
C. Anthony Owens	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 February 20, 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 20th day of February, 2014.

(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)