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The Honorable Board of Alders
City of New Haven
165 Church Street
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Re: RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT A GRANT FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$516,400 AND TO PARTNER WITH LOST IN NEW HAVEN INC. TO SUPPORT ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 80 HAMILTON STREET FOR DEVELOPMENT OF A MUSEUM

Dear Honorable Members:

Lost in New Haven, Inc. (the “Developer”) has proposed to undertake the redevelopment of an 18,000 square foot industrial space located at 80 Hamilton Street (the “Property”) to accommodate a unique history museum featuring New Haven artifacts collected over the past several decades, to be called the Lost in New Haven Museum (the “Project”). Phase I and Phase II environmental site assessments of the Property have indicated both the existence of contaminated materials there and the need to further characterize the site through additional investigation prior to initiation of environmental remediation (the “Remediation”). The Developer, through its Licensed Environmental Professional, estimates the cost of the Remediation to be approximately Five Hundred Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred Dollars and Zero Cents (\$516,400.00).

The Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development (“DECD”) offers municipalities funding through its Municipal Brownfields Remediation Grant Program to address such purpose. The approval of the Board of Alders to apply for and accept grant funds from this source at DECD will allow the City of New Haven (the “City”) to partner with the Developer to perform the necessary Remediation and, in turn, assist in the creation of the Lost in New Haven Museum.

The City’s Economic Development Administration therefore respectfully requests that the City’s Board of Alders approve the accompanying resolution authorizing it to apply for and accept such a DECD grant. Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If you have any questions, please call Helen Rosenberg, Economic Development Officer, at 203-946-5889.

Sincerely,

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