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## City of New Haven

## Office of the Economic Development Administrator 165 Church Street New Haven, Connecticut 06510



Michael Piscitelli, AICP Economic Development Administrator

April 21, 2025

The Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers, President New Haven Board of Alders City of New Haven 165 Church Street New Haven, CT 06510

RE: ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN APPROVING A NEGATIVE PLEDGE AND AGREEMENT AND DECLARATION OF LAND USE RESTRICTIVE COVENANT IN FAVOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT WITH RESPECT TO THE RALPH WALKER ICE RINK

Dear President Walker-Myers:

As you are aware, the Board of Alders recently approved an extension of the agreement between the City of New Haven (the "City") and Albertus Magnus College ("Albertus") concerning use of the Ralph Walker Ice Rink (the "Ice Rink").

As noted in the Board of Alders approval, the improvements to the Ice Rink have been largely funded by a grant from the State of Connecticut's Department of Economic and Community Development ("DECD"). These improvements have facilitated the development of an Albertus Women's Division III Hockey Team and pursuant to the modified and extended agreement, a greater level of community involvement and participation lead by Albertus. However, the said improvements are and will remain the property of the City, as owner of the Ice Rink.

Therefore, in order to ensure that the purpose for which the Grant Funds have been made available to Albertus is not subverted or frustrated, DECD has requested that the City execute and deliver a Negative Pledge and Agreement and a Declaration of Land Use Restrictive Covenant with respect to the Ice Rink (the "DECD Documentation") such DECD Documentation to be recorded upon the City's Land Records.

If you should have any questions or concerns regarding the DECD Documentation or otherwise with respect to this matter, please do not hesitate to call me at (203) 946-2867.

Sincerely,

Michael Piscitelli, AICP

**Economic Development Administrator** 

cc: Kim Futrell, Deputy Director

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