SEQRA RESOLUTION NY INDEPENDENCE STATE ROUTE 248 SOLAR LLC PROJECT

A regular meeting of Allegany County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session in the offices of the Agency located at Crossroads Commerce & Conference Center, 6087 State Route 19 North, Belmont, New York on February 11, 2021 at 10:00 o'clock a.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:

Richard Ewell Chairperson
Judy Hopkins Vice Chairperson
Randy Shayler Secretary
Douglas Frank Treasurer
Michael Johnsen Member
Ward "Skip" Wilday Member

Each of the members present participated in the meeting telephonically pursuant to Executive Order No. 202.1 issued by New York State Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, suspending provisions of Article 7 of the Public Officers Law that require public in-person access to public meetings and authorizing board members to participate in said meetings by conference call or similar service.

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Dan Spitzer-Attorney

Greg Merriam-The Harrison Studio

AGENCY STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Dr. Craig Clark
Cathleen Whitfield

Executive Director Chief Financial Officer

The following resolution was offered by M. Johnsen, seconded by R. Shayler, to wit:

Resolution No. 0221-01

Resolution Issuing a Negative Declaration for the NY INDEPENDENCE STATE ROUTE 248 SOLAR LLC Project

WHEREAS the Allegany County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") has received two applications from NY INDEPENDENCE STATE ROUTE 248 SOLAR LLC (the

WHEREAS the Agency issued a Notice of Intent to act as Lead Agency for purposes of reviewing the Projects under the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and the Involved Agencies agreed to the Agency acting as Lead Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has duly considered the Action, the full Environmental Assessment Forms for each of the Projects, the public hearing comments, the criteria for determining significance set forth in 6 N.Y.C.R.R. § 617.7(c), the draft Negative Declaration, and such other information deemed appropriate; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has identified the relevant areas of environmental concern, has taken a hard look at these areas, and has made a reasoned elaboration of the basis for its determination;

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

- 1. The Agency hereby determines to act as Lead Agency.
- 2. Based upon a thorough review and examination of the known facts relating to the Projects and its careful review of all potentially adverse environmental impacts, and the entire record and proceedings relating to the Projects, the Board finds that the Projects will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and that a draft environmental impact statement will not be prepared.
- 3. The attached negative declaration, incorporated herein by reference, is issued and adopted for the reasons stated in the attached negative declaration, and shall be distributed as follows:
 - (A) a copy of said negative declaration shall be filed in the office of the Agency.
 - (B) A copy of said negative declaration shall be mailed to the Company.
- (C) A copy of said negative declaration shall be mailed to the chief executive officer of the political subdivision in which the Project is located, all involved agencies, and any person who has requested a copy.
- (D) Notice of the Negative Declaration shall be published in the Environmental Notice Bulletin
 - 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Richard Ewell	VOTING	AYE
Judy Hopkins	VOTING	AYE
Randy Shayler	VOTING	AYE
Douglas Frank	VOTING	AYE
Michael Johnson	VOTING	AYE
Ward "Skip" Wilday	VOTING	AYE

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

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STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.
COUNTY OF ALLEGANY)

I, the undersigned (Assistant) Secretary of Allegany County 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 11, 2021, 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 11th day of February, 2021.

Craig R. Clark, P.F., Ph. D., Executive Director Allegany County Industrial Development Agency

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