## RESOLUTION

(Yonkers Dominican Festival and Yonkers Arts Festival at CMAD)

A regular meeting of the Yonkers Economic Development Corporation was convened on September 28, 2023.

The following resolution was duly offered and seconded, to wit:

## **Resolution No. 09/2023-03**

RESOLUTION OF THE YONKERS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO (i) APPROVE SPONSORSHIPS FOR YONKERS DOMINICAN FESTIVAL AND THE YONKERS ARTS FESTIVAL; AND (ii) TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the purposes and powers contained within Section 1411 of the Not-for-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York (the "State"), as amended, and pursuant to its certificate of incorporation filed on May 31, 2007, the YONKERS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (the "Corporation") was established as a not-for-profit local development corporation of the State with the authority and power to own, lease and sell personal and real property for the purposes of, among other things, acquiring, constructing and equipping certain projects exclusively in furtherance of the charitable or public purposes of relieving and reducing unemployment, promoting and providing for additional and maximum employment, bettering and maintaining job opportunities, instructing or training individuals to improve or develop their capabilities for such jobs, by encouraging the development of, or retention of, an industry in the community or area, and lessening the burdens of government and acting in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, to carry out the aforesaid purposes, the Corporation has the power under the N-PCL to do all things necessary to fulfill its obligations imposed by the N-PCL; and

WHEREAS, events that promote the City of Yonkers's (the "City") designers, artists, performers and entrepreneurs, and encourage and support new and emerging local talent increase civic engagement, promote tourism, and enhance the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the creation of truly unique experiences, and the celebration of equality, diversity and acceptance by the development of an enriching environmental and regional destination events will attract and retain the next generation of young professionals, creative-minded entrepreneurs and craftspeople to the City and promote and encourage the development, maintenance, and retention of Corporation projects and initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Westchester Latinos Unidos and Dominicans in Yonkers held the first annual Yonkers Dominican Festival (the "Dominican Festival") on Saturday, August 26, 2023, on Main Street between Riverdale Avenue and Buena Vista Avenue, and featured live entertainment, food, beverages and merchandise from local vendors and restaurants in celebration of Dominican culture in the City and drew thousands of visitors to the downtown area; and

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WHEREAS, the Corporation desires to support the Dominican Festival, *nunc pro tunc*, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 (the "Dominican Festival Sponsorship"); and

WHEREAS, outdoor festivals, such as seasonal arts festivals, encourage participation in community-based events, increase civic engagement, promote tourism, enhance quality of life, attract visitors, and provide unique cultural opportunities for residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, on October 21, 2023, Yonkers Arts will hold the Arts | Food | Music open air festival to highlight the Carpet Mills Arts District (the "CMAD Festival"), and to bring awareness to the arts and cultural experiences that the Carpet Mills Arts District offers to City residents; and

WHEREAS, the CMAD Festival will feature live musical performances, a collaboration between a local artist and Simple Motive Brewery, live art demonstrations, food trucks, opportunities to tour artists' studios and local art and artisan vendors; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation desires to sponsor the CMAD Festival in an amount not to exceed \$3,120.19 (the "CMAD Festival Sponsorship" and together with the Dominican Festival Sponsorship, the "Sponsorships"); and

WHEREAS, the Corporation finds that such programs are in the public interest, will bring visitors to the City and provide unique cultural opportunities for residents of the City that are otherwise unavailable to many City residents; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the Corporation account for the Sponsorships.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Sponsorships are hereby approved and the officers, employees and agents of the Corporation are hereby authorized, on behalf of the Corporation, to deliver the Sponsorships and execute and deliver any and all documents reasonably contemplated by this resolution to accomplish the Sponsorships and, where appropriate, the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Corporation is hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Corporation to any Sponsorships documents and to attest the same, all with such changes, variations, omissions and insertions as the officers of the Corporation shall approve, the execution thereof by any officer of the Corporation to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval. All acts of the officers, employees and agents of the Corporation in furtherance of the Sponsorships are hereby ratified and confirmed by the Corporation.

Section 2. The officers, employees and agents of the Corporation are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Corporation to do all acts and things required and to execute and deliver all such 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

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purposes of the foregoing resolution and to cause compliance by the Corporation with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the documents executed for and on behalf of the Corporation.

## <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:

|                       | Yea |      | Nay |   | Abstain |     | Absent |   |
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| Mayor Mike Spano      | [ ✓ | 1    | . [ | ] | [       | ]   | . [    | ] |
| Marlyn Anderson       | [✓  | ] .  | ]   | Ī | Ī       | Ī   | . [    | Ī |
| Victor Gjonaj         | [✓  | j.   | Ī   | Ī | Ī       | j   | Ī      | Ī |
| Hon. Cecile D. Singer | .[✓ | ]· . | Ī   | Ī | Ī       | ] . | Ī      | Ī |
| Melissa Nacerino      | [√  | j    | [   | j | ĺ       | j   | Ī      | j |

The Resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

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## SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATION

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| STATE OF NEW YORK        | )             |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| COLDIENT OF WESTONIESTED | ) <i>SS</i> : |
| COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER    | )             |

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Yonkers Economic Development Corporation, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the annexed extract of minutes of the meeting of the Yonkers Economic Development Corporation (the "Corporation"), including the resolutions contained therein, held on September 28, 2023, with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the proceedings of the Corporation and of such resolutions set forth therein and of the whole of said original insofar as the same related to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, that all members of said Corporation had due notice of said meeting, that the meeting was in all respects duly held and that, pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public, and that public notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Article 7.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, that there was a quorum of the directors of the Corporation present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, that as of the date hereof, the attached resolutions are in full force and effect and have not been amended, repealed or modified.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Corporation this  $\frac{29}{100}$  day of  $\frac{200}{100}$  2023.

Marlyn Anderson, Secretary