## ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY Resolution No. IDA-20-12-33 December 18, 2020

## AUTHORIZING A COVID-19 DISASTER EMERGENCY GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 TO THE SOCIETY OF UNITED HELPERS

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by Title 1 of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "State") as amended, and Chapter 358 of the Laws of 1971 of the State, as amended (collectively, the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of industrial, manufacturing, warehousing, commercial, research, and recreation facilities, including industrial pollution control facilities, railroad facilities and certain horse racing facilities, for the purpose of promoting, attracting, encouraging and developing recreation and economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State, to improve their recreation opportunities, prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

**WHEREAS,** new State legislation went into effect on June 17, 2020 (the "COVID-19 Grant Legislation") that expands the powers of the Agency under the Act in order to provide industrial development agencies ("IDAs") with flexibility to support small business and non-profits during the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS,** the COVID-19 Grant Legislation amends the Act to allow IDAs to provide grants to small businesses and small not-for-profit corporations (in either case, having no more than 50 employees) with grants of no more than \$10,000 for the purpose of acquiring personal protective equipment and/or installing fixtures necessary to prevent the spread of COVID- 19 (the "Authorized Purposes"); and

**WHEREAS,** IDAs may provide grants pursuant to the COVID-19 Grant Legislation only while Executive Order 202, as amended, is in effect (the "Permitted Period"); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the COVID-19 Grant Legislation, an IDA must determine that an applicant meets the following criteria (the "Qualifying Criteria") before providing a grant: (i) was a financially viable entity prior to March 2020; (ii) conducts business in the area served by the IDA; and (iii) has been negatively affected by COVID-19; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agency has reviewed and considered an Application from the Society of the United Helpers, and has determined that the Applicant meets the Qualifying Criteria and desires to approve a grant (the "Grant") in the amount of \$10,000 to the Applicant for the Authorized Purposes;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency does hereby authorize and direct its Chief Executive Officer, with guidance from SLCIDA Counsel, to execute a COVID-19 Disaster Emergency Grant with the Applicant.

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Move:	LaBaff			
Second:	Morrill			
VOTE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Blevins	X			
Hall	X			
LaBaff	X			
McMahon	X			
Reagen	X			
Staples	X			
Morrill	X			

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared this copy of this Resolution with the original record in this office, and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

/s/

Lori Sibley December 18, 2020