## ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Res. No. IDA-21-03-01 Governance Committee Review: March 16, 2021 March 30, 2021

**WHEREAS,** the members of the Board and employees of the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency (the "Authority") are bound by the provisions of, among others, Public Authorities Law and Public Officers Law, and

WHEREAS, the Authority has caused to be conducted a review of its Code of Ethics, and

WHEREAS, after review, the Code has been updated, and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development authorizes the following policy:

## **Code of Ethics**

This Code of Ethics shall apply to all board members, officers and employees of the [St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency (hereinafter the "Authority")]. These policies shall serve as a guide for official conduct and are intended to enhance the ethical and professional performance of the Authority board members, officers and employees, and to preserve public confidence in the Authority's mission.

- 1. No board member, officer, or employee of the Authority shall accept other employment which will impair his or her independence of judgment in the exercise of his/her official duties.
- 2. No board member, officer, or employee of the Authority shall accept employment or engage in any business or professional activity which will require him/her to disclose confidential information which he/she has gained by reason of his/her official position of authority.
- 3. No board member, officer, or employee of the Authority shall disclose confidential information acquired by him/her in the course of his/her official duties nor use such information to further his/her personal interests.
- 4. No board member, officer, or employee of the Authority shall use or attempt to use his/her official position to secure unwarranted privileges or exemptions for himself/herself or others.
- 5. No board member, officer, or employee of the Authority shall engage in any transaction as a representative or agent of Authority with any business entity in which he/she has a direct or indirect financial interest that might reasonably tend to conflict with proper discharge of his/her official duties.
- 6. A board member, officer, or employee of the Authority shall not by his/her conduct give reasonable basis for the impression that any person can improperly influence him/her or unduly enjoy his/her favor in the performance of his/her official duties, or that he/she is affected by the kinship, rank, position or influence of any party or person.
- 7. Board members and employees shall not accept or receive any gift or gratuities where the circumstances would permit the inference that: (a) the gift is intended to influence the individual in the performance of official business or (b) the gift constitutes a tip, reward, or sign of appreciation for any official act by the individual. This prohibition extends to any

- form of financial payments, services, loans, travel reimbursement, entertainment, hospitality, thing or promise form any entity doing business with or before the Authority.
- 8. A board member, officer, or employee of the Authority should abstain from making personal investments in enterprises which he/she has reason to believe may be directly involved in decisions to be made by him/her or which will otherwise create substantial conflict between his/her duty in the public interest and his/her private interest.
- 9. A board member, officer, or employee of the Authority shall endeavor to pursue a course of conduct which will not raise suspicion among the public that he/she is likely to be engaged in acts that are in violation of his/her trust.
- 10. Board members and employees shall not use Authority property, including equipment, telephones, vehicles, computers or other resources, or disclose information acquired in the course of their official duties in a manner inconsistent with State or local law or policy and the Authority's mission and goals.
- 11. Board members and employees are prohibited from appearing or practicing before the Authority for two (2) years following employment with the Authority, consistent with the provisions of Public Officers Law.

Any and all previously-approved Code of Ethics of the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency are hereby rescinded.

Move:	LaBaff			
Second:	Staples			
VOTE	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Blevins				X
Hall	X			
LaBaff	X			
McMahon	X			
Morrill	X			
Reagen	X			
Staples	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 March 30, 2021