

RESOLUTION OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY DETERMINING THAT ACTION
TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RELATING TO A
PROJECT FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL SEASONINGS
INGREDIENTS, INC. WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT
EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT

WHEREAS, All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc., on behalf of itself and/or the principals of All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. and/or an entity formed or to be formed on behalf of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Company") has requested the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") assist with a project consisting of renovation of a 63,000± square foot building, loading docks and parking lot (collectively, the "Improvements") situated on a 7.24± acre parcel of land located at 102 East Seneca Street, Suite 715, City of Sherrill, Town of Vernon, Oneida County, New York (the "Land") and acquisition and installation of equipment in the Improvements (the "Equipment"), all to be used for the purpose of importing, manufacturing and distributing high quality spices and ingredients (the Land, the Improvements and the Equipment referred to collectively as the "Facility" and the acquisition, renovation and equipping of the Facility is referred to collectively as the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, ONX3 LLC ("ONX3") owns the Land and will construct the Improvements for the Company; and

WHEREAS, ONX3 will lease the Land and Improvements to the Company pursuant to a Lease Agreement dated February 6, 2024 (the "Operating Lease Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law, Chapter 43-B of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York, being 6 NYCRR Part 617, as amended (the "Regulations"), the Agency desires to determine whether the Project may have a "significant effect on the environment" (as said quoted term is defined in the SEQR Act and the Regulations) and therefore require the preparation of an environmental impact statement; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Agency in determining whether the Project may have a significant effect upon the environment, the Agency has reviewed documentation including a Short Environmental Assessment Form dated May 2023 prepared by ONX3, LLC and a Short Environmental Assessment Form dated March 2024 prepared by the Company (collectively, the "SEAFs"), both of which are on file at the office of the Agency, and such other documentation as the Agency deemed appropriate; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Regulations, the Agency has examined such documentation in order to make a determination as to the potential environmental significance of the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Based on an examination of the Application, the documentation referenced above, including the SEAFs, and based further upon the Agency's knowledge of the area surrounding the Facility and such further investigation of the Project and its environmental effects as the Agency has deemed appropriate, the Agency makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the Project:

- (A) The Project is as described in the Application;
- (B) The Project constitutes an "Unlisted Action" (as defined in the Regulations);
- (C) No potentially significant impacts on the environment are noted in the documents pertaining to the Project, including the SEAFs, and none are known to the Agency;
- (D) The Project will not result in (i) substantial adverse change in existing air quality; ground or surface water quality or quantity, traffic or noise levels; a substantial increase in solid waste production; or a substantial increase in potential for erosion, flooding, leaching or drainage problems; (ii) the removal or destruction of large quantities of vegetation or fauna; substantial interference with the movement of a resident or migratory fish or wildlife species; impacts on a significant habitat area; substantial adverse impacts on threatened or endangered species of animal or plant, or the habitat of such species; or (iii) other significant adverse impacts to natural resources;
- (E) The Project will not affect a critical environmental area as designated pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.14(g);
- (F) The Project will not conflict with the community's current plans or goals as officially approved or adopted;
- (G) The Project will not result in the impairment of the character or quality of important historical, archeological, architectural, or aesthetic resources or of existing community or neighborhood character;
- (H) The Project will not result in a major change in the use of either the quantity or type of energy;
- (I) The Project will not result in the creation of a hazard to human health;

(J) The Project will not result in a substantial change in the use, or intensity of use, of land including architectural, open space or recreational resources, or in its capacity to support existing uses;

(K) The Project will not result in encouraging or attracting of a large number of people to a place or places for more than a few days, compared to the number of people who would come to such place absent the action;

(L) The Project will not result in the creation of a material demand for other actions that would result in one or more of the above consequences;

(M) The Project will not result in changes in two or more elements of the environment, no one of which has a significant impact on the environment, but when considered together result in a substantial adverse impact on the environment; and

(N) The Project will not result in two or more related actions undertaken, funded or approved by an agency, none of which has or would have a significant impact on the environment, but when considered cumulatively would meet one or more of the criteria in 6 NYCRR Section 617.7(c).

Section 2. The Agency hereby determines that the Project will not have a significant impact on the environment and the Agency will not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement with respect to the Project. The Agency has prepared a negative declaration with respect to the Project which describes the basis for its decision that the Project will not have a significant impact on the environment.

Section 3. The Executive Director of the Agency is hereby directed to file in the Agency's records the negative declaration with respect to the Project.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

[Remainder of page left blank intentionally]

STATE OF NEW YORK)
 : SS.:
COUNTY OF ONEIDA)

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT:

I have compared the foregoing copy of a resolution of the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") with the original thereof on file in the office of the Agency, and the same is a true and correct copy of such resolution and of the proceedings of the Agency in connection with such matter.

Such resolution was passed at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Agency duly convened in public session on March 26, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. local time, at 584 Phoenix Drive, Rome, New York at which the following members were:

Members Present: Steve Zogby, David Grow, James Genovese, Aricca Lewis, Tim Reed.

Members Present Virtually: Franca Armstrong

EDGE Staff Present: Shawna Papale, Laura Cohen, Tim Fitzgerald, Bill Van Shufflin, Maureen Carney, Christian Mercurio.

EDGE Staff Present Virtually: Mark Kaucher

Others Present: Jenna Peppenelli, Levitt & Gordon.

Others Present Webex: Laura Ruberto and Linda Romano, Bond, Schoeneck & King; Gregg Evans and Erica Pawlewicz, Bonadio & Co., LLP; Paul Goldman, Goldman Attorneys PLLC.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to vote, which resulted as follows:

Voting Aye

Voting Nay

Steve Zogby
David Grow
Franca Armstrong
James Genovese
Aricca Lewis
Tim Reed

and, therefore, the resolution was declared duly adopted.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all directors of the Agency had due notice of said meeting, (ii) pursuant to Sections 103a and 104 of the Public Officers Law (Open Meetings Law), said meeting was open to the general public and public notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Sections 103a and 104, (iii) the meeting in all respects was duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as of February 21, 2025.


Tim Fitzgerald, Assistant Secretary

**Inducement Resolution
All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. Facility**

RESOLUTION OF THE ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TAKING OFFICIAL ACTION TOWARD APPOINTING ALL SEASONINGS INGREDIENTS, INC., THE PRINCIPALS OF ALL SEASONINGS INGREDIENTS, INC., AND/OR AN ENTITY FORMED OR TO BE FORMED ON BEHALF OF ANY OF THE FOREGOING AS AGENT OF THE AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A LEASE-LEASEBACK TRANSACTION, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INDUCEMENT AGREEMENT AND MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE PROJECT.

WHEREAS, All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc., on behalf of itself and/or the principals of All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. and/or an entity formed or to be formed on behalf of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Company") has requested the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") assist with a project consisting of renovation of a 63,000± square foot building, loading docks and parking lot (collectively, the "Improvements") situated on a 7.24± acre parcel of land located at 102 East Seneca Street, Suite 715, City of Sherrill, Town of Vernon, Oneida County, New York (the "Land") and acquisition and installation of equipment in the Improvements (the "Equipment"), all to be used for the purpose of importing, manufacturing and distributing high quality spices and ingredients (the Land, the Improvements and the Equipment referred to collectively as the "Facility" and the acquisition, renovation and equipping of the Facility is referred to collectively as the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, ONX3 LLC (the "Owner") owns the Land and will construct the Improvements for the Company; and

WHEREAS, the Owner leases the Land and Improvements to the Company pursuant to a Lease Agreement dated February 6, 2024 (the "Operating Lease Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Company will lease the Facility to the Agency pursuant to a Lease Agreement (the "Lease Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency will lease the Facility back to the Company for its operation pursuant to a Leaseback Agreement (the "Leaseback Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Act authorizes and empowers the Agency to promote, develop, encourage and assist projects such as the Project and to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Agency contemplates that it will provide financial assistance to the Company in connection with the Project in the form of exemptions from sales and use taxes and reduction in real property taxes relating to the Project for a period of ten years (the "Financial Assistance"), which financial assistance is consistent with the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy, and which will be more particularly set forth in a final authorizing resolution; and

WHEREAS, based upon representations made by the Company in the Application, the value of the Financial Assistance is described as follows:

- Sales and use tax exemption not to exceed \$70,153
- Exemptions from real property taxes valued at approximately \$484,704

WHEREAS, the Company currently operates a facility located at 1043 Freedom Drive, City of Oneida, Oneida County, New York (the "Oneida Facility") and has represented that the Project will help to expand and enhance operations at the Oneida Facility;

WHEREAS, the Company has committed to retain its existing 115 FTEs at the Oneida Facility for the term of the Leaseback Agreement and create an additional 15 FTEs at the Facility by the end of the third year of the Leaseback Agreement and maintain all for the term of the Leaseback Agreement as a result of undertaking the Project, and the Agency will condition the proposed Financial Assistance on the Company achieving the same (the "Employment Obligation"), or else be subject to recapture or termination of Financial Assistance relating to the Project; and

WHEREAS, prior to the closing of a lease-leaseback transaction, and the granting of any Financial Assistance, a public hearing (the "Hearing") will be held so that all persons with views in favor of or opposed to either the Financial Assistance contemplated by the Agency, or the location or nature of the Facility, can be heard; and

WHEREAS, notice of the Hearing will be given prior to the closing of a lease-leaseback transaction, and the granting of any Financial Assistance, and such notice (together with proof of publication) will be substantially in the form annexed hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the minutes of the Hearing are or will be annexed hereto as Exhibit B; and

WHEREAS, the Company has represented that the Project will not result in the removal or abandonment of an industrial facility in the State; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the application of the Company and to representations by the Company that the proposed lease-leaseback transaction is either an inducement to the Company to maintain and expand the Oneida Facility and the Facility or is necessary to maintain the competitive position of the Company in its industry; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the Department of Environmental Conservation of the State of New York (collectively, the "SEQR Act" or "SEQRA"), the Agency constitutes a "State Agency"; and

WHEREAS, prior to the granting of any Financial Assistance and following the determination of the lead agency, the Agency will complete its environmental review and make determinations for purposes of SEQRA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (a majority of the members thereof affirmatively concurring) that:

- Section 1. (a) The Project and the Agency's Financial Assistance therefor, will promote job opportunities, health, general prosperity and the economic welfare of the inhabitants of the County and the people of the State of New York and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act and the same is, therefore, approved.
- (b) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to enter into a lease-leaseback transaction for the purpose of providing financial assistance for the Project, as reflected in the Company's application to the Agency as may be amended from time to time prior to the closing of the lease-leaseback transaction.

Section 2. The form and substance of a proposed inducement agreement (in substantially the Agency's standard form containing the terms contemplated in this resolution) by and between the Agency and the Company setting forth the undertakings of the Agency and the Company with respect to the closing of the lease-leaseback

transaction, and the completion of the Project (the "Agreement") is hereby approved. The Chairman of the Agency is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver the Agreement, with such changes in terms and form as the Chairman shall approve. The execution thereof by the Chairman shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

Section 3.

The Agency shall assist the Company in the Project and will provide the Financial Assistance with respect thereto subject to (i) obtaining all necessary governmental approvals, (ii) approval of the directors of the Company, (iii) approval of the members of the Agency, (iv) satisfactory completion of the environmental review of the Facility by the Agency in compliance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act, (v) agreement by the Agency, the Owner and the Company upon mutually acceptable terms and conditions for the Leaseback Agreement and other documentation usual and customary to transactions of this nature, (vi) the condition that there are no changes in New York State Law which prohibit or limit the Agency from fulfilling its obligation and commitment as herein set forth to enter into the lease-leaseback transaction and (vii) payment by the Company of the Agency's transaction fee and the fees and disbursements of transaction counsel, more particularly described in the Inducement Agreement.

Section 4.

The Company is herewith and hereby appointed the agent of the Agency to acquire, renovate, equip and complete the Facility. The Company is hereby empowered to delegate its status as agent of the Agency to the agents, subagents, contractors, subcontractors, materialmen, suppliers, vendors and such other parties as the Company may choose in order to acquire, renovate, equip and complete the Facility. The terms and conditions for the appointment of the Company as agent of the Agency for the purposes described in this resolution are set forth in the form of the attached letter addressed to the Company, marked as Exhibit C to this resolution. The form of such letter is incorporated herein by reference and is approved and adopted by the Agency, and the Chairman or Executive Director of the Agency or any other duly authorized official of the Agency are authorized to execute and deliver such letter to the Company upon satisfaction of the conditions described in Section 3 hereof. The Agency hereby appoints the Company, the agents, subagents, contractors, subcontractors, materialmen, vendors and suppliers of the Company as agents of the Agency solely for purposes of making

sales or leases of goods, services, and supplies to the Facility, and any such transaction between any agent, subagent, contractor, subcontractor, materialmen, vendor or supplier, and the Company, as agent of the Agency shall be deemed to be on behalf of the Agency and for the benefit of the Facility. The Company shall indemnify the Agency with respect to any transaction of any kind between and among the Company, the Company, the agents, subagents, contractors, subcontractors, materialmen, vendors and/or suppliers and the Company, as agent of the Agency.

Section 5. The Agency is hereby directed to schedule the Hearing, so that the Agency may receive comments from all interested parties on the financial assistance contemplated by the Agency and the Financial Assistance requested by the Company.

Section 6. The law firm of Bond, Schoeneck & King, PLLC is appointed Transaction Counsel in connection with the lease-leaseback transaction.

Section 7. Counsel to the Agency and Transaction Counsel are hereby authorized to work with counsel to the Company, counsel to the Owner, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the lease-leaseback transaction.

Section 8. The Chairman of the Agency is hereby authorized and directed (i) to distribute copies of this resolution to the Company, (ii) to distribute copies of this resolution to the Oneida County Executive, the City of Sherrill Mayor, the Town of Vernon Supervisor, the Vernon-Verona-Sherrill Central School District Superintendent and the Vernon-Verona-Sherrill Central School District Clerk of the Board of Education; and (iv) to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this resolution.

Section 9. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting, (ii) the meeting was open for the public to attend and public notice of the date, time and location for the meeting was duly given, (iii) the meeting in all respects was duly held, and (iv) there was a quorum present throughout the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand on February 21, 2025.



Tim Fitzgerald, Assistant Secretary

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York State General Municipal Law, will be held by the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on the 9th day of May 2024 at 3:00 p.m., local time, at Sherrill City Court, 377 Sherrill Road, City of Sherrill, New York in connection with the following matters:

All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc., on behalf of itself and/or the principals of All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. and/or an entity formed or to be formed on behalf of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Company") has requested the Agency assist with a project consisting of renovation of a 63,000± square foot building, loading docks and parking lot (collectively, the "Improvements") situated on a 7.24± acre parcel of land located at 102 East Seneca Street, Suite 715, City of Sherrill, Town of Vernon, Oneida County, New York (the "Land") and acquisition and installation of equipment in the Improvements (the "Equipment"), all to be used for the purpose of importing, manufacturing and distributing high quality spices and ingredients (the Land, the Improvements and the Equipment referred to collectively as the "Facility" and the acquisition, renovation and equipping of the Facility is referred to collectively as the "Project"). The Project will be initially owned and/or operated by the Company.

ONX3-1.6, LLC owns the Land and the Improvements and leases them to the Company. The Company will lease the Facility to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, and the Agency will lease the Facility back to the Company for its operation pursuant to a leaseback agreement. At the end of the lease term, the Agency will terminate its leasehold interest in the Facility. The Agency is contemplating providing financial assistance in the form of reduction of real property taxes for a period of ten years and exemptions from sales tax on materials and equipment acquired and installed in connection with the Project, which financial assistance is consistent with the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy, to be more particularly described in a Final Authorizing Resolution to be adopted by the Agency prior to the closing of the transactions described herein.

A representative of the Agency will at the above-stated time and place hear and accept written comments from all persons with views in favor of or opposed to either the proposed financial assistance to the Company or the location or nature of the Facility. Comments may also be submitted to the Agency in writing or electronically prior to the hearing. Minutes of the Public Hearing will be transcribed and posted on the Agency's website. A copy of the Application for Financial Assistance filed by the Company with the Agency, including an analysis of the costs and benefits of the proposed Project, is available for public inspection at the offices of the Agency, 584 Phoenix Drive, Rome, New York and on the Agency's website.

ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Dated: April 22, 2024

By: /s/ Shawna M. Papale, Executive Director

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

Daily Sentinel
111 Langley Rd
(315) 337-4000

State of Pennsylvania, County of Lancaster, ss:

Tatiana Dorval, being first duly sworn, deposes and says: That (s)he is a duly authorized signatory of Column Software, PBC and duly authorized agent of Daily Sentinel, a Daily newspaper published in **Oneida County, New York**. A notice regarding All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. (449885) was published in said newspaper as set forth below, or in the annexed exhibit. This newspaper has been designated by the Clerk of **Oneida County**, as a newspaper of record in this county, and as such, is eligible to publish such notices.

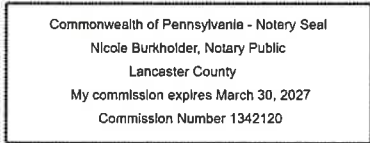
PUBLICATION DATES:
Apr. 25, 2024

NOTICE ID: xH6oZQRCydLslu0KKBxl
NOTICE NAME: All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. (449885)
Publication Fee: \$68.99

(Signed) Tatiana Dorval

VERIFICATION

State of Pennsylvania
County of Lancaster



Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me on this: 04/25/2024

Nicole Burkholder

Notary Public
Notarized remotely online using communication technology via Proof.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York State General Municipal Law, will be held by the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on the 9th day of May 2024 at 3:00 p.m., local time, at Sherrill City Court, 377 Sherrill Road, City of Sherrill, New York in connection with the following matters:

All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc., on behalf of itself and/or the principals of All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. and/or an entity formed or to be formed on behalf of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Company") has requested the Agency assist with a project consisting of renovation of a 63,000± square foot building, loading docks and parking lot (collectively, the "Improvements") situated on a 7.24± acre parcel of land located at 102 East Seneca Street, Suite 715, City of Sherrill, Town of Vernon, Oneida County, New York (the "Land") and acquisition and installation of equipment in the Improvements (the "Equipment"), all to be used for the purpose of importing, manufacturing and distributing high quality spices and ingredients (the Land, the Improvements and the Equipment referred to collectively as the "Facility" and the acquisition, renovation and equipping of the Facility referred to collectively as the "Project"). The Project will be initially owned and/or operated by the Company.

ONX3-1.6, LLC owns the Land and the Improvements and leases them to the Company. The Company will lease the Facility to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, and the Agency will lease the Facility back to the Company for its operation pursuant to a lease-back agreement. At the end of the lease term, the Agency will terminate its leasehold interest in the Facility. The Agency is contemplating providing financial assistance in the form of reduction of real property taxes for a period of ten years and exemptions from sales tax on materials and equipment acquired and installed in connection with the Project, which financial assistance is consistent with the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy, to be more particularly described in a Final Authorizing Resolution to be adopted by the Agency prior to the closing of the transactions described herein.

A representative of the Agency will at the above-stated time and place hear and accept written comments from all persons with views in favor of or opposed to either the proposed financial assistance to the Company or the location or nature of the Facility. Comments may also be submitted to the Agency in writing or electronically prior to the hearing. Minutes of

the Public Hearing will be transcribed and posted on the Agency's website. A copy of the Application for Financial Assistance filed by the Company with the Agency, including an analysis of the costs and benefits of the proposed Project, is available for public inspection at the offices of the Agency, 584 Phoenix Drive, Rome, New York and on the Agency's website.

ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By: /s/ Shawna M. Papale, Executive
Director

Dated: April 22, 2024

EXHIBIT B

MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING

Oneida County Industrial Development Agency
2025 Real Estate Lease
All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. Facility

1. Tim Fitzgerald, representing the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), called the hearing to order at 3:02 p.m.
2. Mr. Fitzgerald being the Assistant Secretary of the Agency recorded the minutes of the hearing.
3. Mr. Fitzgerald then described the proposed project and related financial assistance as follows:

All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc., on behalf of itself and/or the principals of All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. and/or an entity formed or to be formed on behalf of any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Company") has requested the Agency assist with a project consisting of renovation of a 63,000± square foot building, loading docks and parking lot (collectively, the "Improvements") situated on a 7.24± acre parcel of land located at 102 East Seneca Street, Suite 715, City of Sherrill, Town of Vernon, Oneida County, New York (the "Land") and acquisition and installation of equipment in the Improvements (the "Equipment"), all to be used for the purpose of importing, manufacturing and distributing high quality spices and ingredients (the Land, the Improvements and the Equipment referred to collectively as the "Facility" and the acquisition, renovation and equipping of the Facility is referred to collectively as the "Project"). The Project will be initially owned and/or operated by the Company.

ONX3-1.6, LLC owns the Land and the Improvements and leases them to the Company. The Company will lease the Facility to the Agency pursuant to a lease agreement, and the Agency will lease the Facility back to the Company for its operation pursuant to a leaseback agreement. At the end of the lease term, the Agency will terminate its leasehold interest in the Facility. The Agency is contemplating providing financial assistance in the form of reduction of real property taxes for a period of ten years and exemptions from sales tax on materials and equipment acquired and installed in connection with the Project, which financial assistance is consistent with the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy, to be more particularly described in a Final Authorizing Resolution to be adopted by the Agency prior to the closing of the transactions described herein.

4. Mr. Fitzgerald then opened up the hearing for comments from the floor for or against the proposed financial assistance and the location and nature of the Facility. Attached is a listing of the persons heard and a summary of their views.
5. Mr. Fitzgerald then asked if there were any further comments, and, there being none, the hearing was closed at 3:15 p.m.



Tim Fitzgerald, Assistant Secretary

Oneida County Industrial Development Agency

Minutes of Public Hearing for

All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. Expansion

3:00 PM, May 9, 2024

Sherrill City Court, 377 Sherrill Rd., Sherrill NY 13461

Representing the OCIDA: Mark Kaucher and Tim Fitzgerald

Others Present: Brendan Farnach, All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc.; Mike Holmes, City of Sherrill

T. Fitzgerald opened the public hearing at 3:02 PM

The reading of the public hearing notice was waived by consensus of those present.

With no further comments, the public hearing was closed at 3:15 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Tim Fitzgerald

STATE OF NEW YORK)
 : SS.:
COUNTY OF ONEIDA)

I, the undersigned Assistant Secretary of the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency, DO HEREBY CERTIFY:

That I have compared the foregoing copy of the minutes of a public hearing held by the Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on May 9, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. local time, at Sherrill City Court, 377 Sherrill Road, City of Sherrill, New York, with the original thereof on file in the office of the Agency, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the minutes in connection with such matter.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (i) the hearing was open for the public to attend and public notice of the date, time and location for said hearing was duly given, (ii) the hearing in all respects was duly held, and (iii) members of the public had an opportunity to be heard.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as of February 27, 2025.


Tim Fitzgerald, Assistant Secretary

EXHIBIT C

[To be printed on IDA letterhead and delivered to the Company when appropriate]

_____, 2024

All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc.
1043 Freedom Drive
Oneida NY 13421

RE: *Oneida County Industrial Development Agency Lease-Leaseback Transaction
(All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. Facility)*

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to a resolution duly adopted on March 26, 2024, the Agency appointed All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. (the "Company") its agent in connection with a transaction in which the Agency will assist in renovation of a 63,000± square foot building, loading docks and parking lot (collectively, the "Improvements") situated on a 7.24± acre parcel of land located at 102 East Seneca Street, Suite 715, City of Sherrill, Town of Vernon, Oneida County, New York (the "Land") and acquisition and installation of equipment in the Improvements (the "Equipment"), all to be used for the purpose of importing, manufacturing and distributing high quality spices and ingredients (the Land, the Improvements and the Equipment referred to collectively as the "Facility" and the acquisition, renovation and equipping of the Facility is referred to collectively as the "Project").

This appointment includes authority to purchase on behalf of the Agency all materials to be incorporated into and made an integral part of the Facility, and the following activities as they relate to any acquisition, renovation, equipping and completion of any buildings, whether or not any materials, equipment or supplies described below are incorporated into or become an integral part of such buildings: (i) all purchases, leases, rentals and other uses of tools, machinery and equipment in connection with acquisition, renovation and equipping; (ii) all purchases, rentals, uses or consumption of supplies, materials and services of every kind and description used in connection with acquisition, renovation and equipping; and (iii) all purchases, leases, rentals and uses of equipment, machinery, and other tangible personal property (including installation costs), installed or placed in, upon or under such building, including all repairs and replacements of such property.

The Agency will appoint the Company as its only direct agent for the Project. The agency appointment includes the power of the Company to delegate such agency appointment, in whole or in part, to agents, subagents, contractors, subcontractors, materialmen, suppliers and vendors of the Company and to such other parties as the Company chooses so long as they are engaged, directly or indirectly, in the activities hereinbefore described. Please advise the Executive Director of the Agency if you wish to appoint a contractor or other subagent, and the Agency will issue an ST-60 to that party.

In exercising this agency appointment, you and each of your properly appointed agents and subagents must claim the sales tax exemption for all purchases by giving your vendors New York State Form ST-123. The supplier or vendor should identify the Facility on each bill or invoice as the "**All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. Facility**" and indicate thereon that the Company, its agents, subagents, contractors and subcontractors acted as agent for the Agency in making the purchase.

You and each of your agents, subagents, contractors and/or subcontractors claiming a sales tax exemption in connection with the Facility must complete a New York State Department of Taxation and Finance Form ST-60. Original copies of each completed Form ST-60 must be delivered to the Agency within five (5) days of the appointment of each of your agents, subagents, contractors or subcontractors. Any agent, subagent, contractor or subcontractors of the Company which delivers completed Form ST-60 to the Agency will be deemed to be the agent, subagent, contractor or subcontractor of the Agency for purposes of constructing and equipping the Facility, and shall only then be authorized to use Form ST-123 as described above. Failure to comply with these requirements may result in loss of sales tax exemptions for the Facility.

It is important to note that contractors and subcontractors who have not been appointed subagent cannot use the sales tax exemption for equipment rental, tools, supplies and other items that do not become part of the finished project. Contractors and subcontractors must be appointed as agent or sub-agent of the Agency to use the Agency sales tax exemption for these purchases. Contractors and subcontractors who have not been appointed a subagent and are making purchases that would otherwise be exempt outside of the Agency's interest in the Facility must claim the sales tax exemption for construction materials by giving their vendors a completed "Contractor Exempt Purchase Certificate" (Form ST-120.1) checking box (a).

The aforesaid appointment of the Company as agent of the Agency to construct and equip the Facility shall expire at the earlier of (a) the completion of such activities and improvements, or (b) March 26, 2025, provided, however, such appointment may be extended at the discretion of the Agency, upon the written request of the Company if such activities and improvements are not completed by such time, and further provided that the Agency shall not unreasonably withhold its consent to the extension of such appointment.

The value of the sales tax to be abated relating to the construction and equipping of the Facility currently authorized by the Agency is not to exceed \$70,153. The Agency is required by law to recapture any New York State sales tax exemptions claimed by the Company that exceed \$70,153 for purchases made relating to the Project in the aggregate.

You should be aware that the New York State General Municipal Law requires you to file an Annual Statement (Form ST-340) with the New York State Department of Taxation and


Finance regarding the value of sales tax exemptions you, your agents, consultants or subcontractors have claimed pursuant to the authority we have conferred on you with respect to the Project. We are providing a form of a worksheet for you to track all exempt purchases made in completing the Project, using Forms ST-123 or Form ST-120.1. Please provide the Agency with a copy of Form ST-340 along with your annual report to the Agency and this worksheet. The penalty for failure to file such statement, or to provide a copy to the Agency, is the removal of your authority to act as an agent.

If, for some reason, this transaction never closes, you will be liable for payment of the sales tax, if applicable and you are not otherwise exempt, on all materials purchased.

Please sign and return a copy of this letter for our files. The Agency will issue and deliver Form ST-60 to you upon receipt of this signed agency appointment letter. The Agency reserves the right to issue a revised agency appointment letter with respect to the process for utilizing and reporting exemptions hereunder.

Very truly yours,

ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By: 
Name: *Timothy Fitzgerald*
Title: *Assistant Secretary*

ACCEPTED & AGREED:

ALL SEASONINGS INGREDIENTS, INC.

By: _____
Name:
Title:

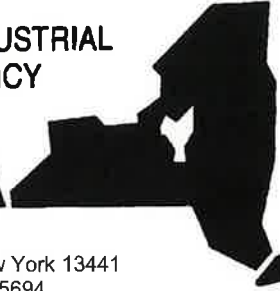
Anthony J. Picente Jr.
County Executive

Shawna Papale
Secretary/
Executive Director

Timothy Fitzgerald
Assistant Secretary

ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

OCIDA



584 Phoenix Drive, Rome, New York 13441
(315) 338-0393, fax (315) 338-5694
info@mvedge.org; www.mvedge.org

Stephen R. Zogby, Chairman
David C. Grow, Vice Chairman

Franca Armstrong
James Genovese
Aricca Lewis
Kristen Martin
Timothy Reed

April 22, 2024

VIA EMAIL
READ RECEIPT REQUESTED

Anthony J. Picente, Jr.
Oneida County Executive

William Vineall, Mayor
City of Sherrill

J. Randall Watson, Supervisor
Town of Vernon

Tamara Whooten, Clerk
Board of Education
Vernon-Verona-Sherrill School District

Martha K. Group, Superintendent
Vernon-Verona-Sherrill School District

Re: *Oneida County IDA 2024 Real Estate Lease*
(All Seasonings Ingredients, Inc. Facility)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On March 26, 2024 Oneida County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") adopted an inducement resolution granting preliminary approval for financial assistance in support of the above-referenced project. Enclosed is a copy of the inducement resolution that describes the project and the proposed financial assistance. The proposed financial assistance is consistent with the Agency's Uniform Tax Exemption Policy (the "Policy").

On May 9, 2024 at 3:00 p.m., at Sherrill City Court, 377 Sherrill Road, Sherrill, New York, the Agency will conduct a public hearing regarding this project. Enclosed is a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing, which has been submitted to the *Daily Sentinel*, Rome, New York for publication.

You are welcome to attend such hearing, at which time you will have an opportunity, both orally and in writing, to present your views with respect to the project and the proposed financial assistance. You are also welcome to submit your written comments to the Agency prior to the public hearing.

Anthony J. Picente, Jr.
William Vineall
J. Randall Watson
Tamara Whooten
Martha K. Group
April 22, 2024
Page 2

We are providing this notice to you, pursuant to Chapters 356 and 357 of the Laws of 1993 and Chapter 766 of the Laws of 2022, as the chief executive officer of an affected tax jurisdiction within which the project is located.

Should you desire to discuss this matter or if you have any questions concerning this notice please feel free to contact Shawna Papale at the Agency at telephone number 315-338-0393 or by email at spapale@mvedge.org .

Very truly yours,

ONEIDA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By:


Shawna M. Papale, Executive Director

Attachments: Inducement resolution, notice of public hearing