NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ON PROPOSED PROJECT
AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.
RELATING THERETO

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing pursuant to Section 859-a(2) of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the “Act”) will be held by Rensselaer County Industrial Development Agency (the “Agency”) on the 11th day of July, 2018 at 10:00 o’clock a.m., local time, at Rensselaer County Office Building, Economic Development Office, 5th Floor, 1600 Seventh Avenue, in the City of Troy, Rensselaer County, New York in connection with the following matters:

Finelli Development, LLC (the “Company”) has presented an application (the “Application”) to the Agency requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the “Project”) for the benefit of the Company consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 0.80 acre parcel of land located at 13 Cypress Street (tax map no. 101.79-1-12) in the City of Troy, Rensselaer County, New York (the “Land”) and the existing buildings located thereon (the “Existing Buildings”), (2) the demolition of the Existing Buildings, (3) the construction of a three-story approximately 21-unit student housing building, consisting of approximately 57 bedrooms with bathrooms for each bedroom, common areas on each floor, one professional office on the ground level and underground parking, together with related amenities and improvements and the construction of additional parking on adjacent property (collectively, the “Facility”), and (4) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of related fixtures, machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (collectively, the “Equipment”) (the Land, the demolition of the Existing Buildings, the Facility and the Equipment being collectively referred to as the “Project Facility”), all of the foregoing to constitute a student housing facility comprised of office and residential space and associated uses and other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain “financial assistance” (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the “Financial Assistance”); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency.

The Company will be the initial owner and operator of the Project Facility.

The Agency is considering whether (A) to undertake the Project, and (B) to provide certain exemptions from taxation with respect to the Project, including (1) exemption from mortgage recording taxes with respect to any documents, if any, recorded by the Agency with respect to the Project in the office of the County Clerk of Rensselaer County, New York or elsewhere, (2) exemption from real estate transfer taxes on any real estate transfers, if any, with respect to the Project, (3) exemption from sales taxes relating to the acquisition, construction, renovation and installation of the Project Facility, and (4) in the event that the Project Facility would be subject to real property taxation if owned by the Company but shall be deemed exempt from real property taxation due to the involvement of the Agency therewith, exemption from real property taxes (but not including special assessments and special ad valorem levies), if any, with respect to the Project Facility, subject to the obligation of the Company to make payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Project Facility. If any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project is not consistent with the Agency’s uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency will follow the procedures for deviation from such policy as set forth in Section 874(4) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.

If the Agency determines to proceed with the Project, the Project Facility will be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed by the Agency and will be leased (with an obligation to purchase) or sold by the Agency to the Company or its designee pursuant to one or more lease and project agreements (collectively, the “Agreement”) requiring that the Company or its designee make certain payments to the Agency.

The Agency has not yet made a determination pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law (the “SEQR Act”) regarding the potential environmental impact of the Project.

The Agency will at said time and place hear all persons with views on either the location and nature of the proposed Project, or the Financial Assistance being contemplated by the Agency in connection with the proposed Project. A copy of the Application filed by the Company with the Agency with respect to the Project, including an analysis of the costs and benefits of the Project, is available for public inspection during business hours at the offices of the Agency. A transcript or summary report of the hearing will be made available to the members of the Agency.

Additional information can be obtained from, and written comments may be addressed to: Robert L. Pasinella, Jr., Executive Director, Rensselaer County Industrial Development Agency, c/o Rensselaer County Department of Economic Development and Planning, County Office Building, 1600 Seventh Avenue, Troy, New York 12180; Telephone: (518) 270-2914.

Dated: June 22, 2018 RENSSELAER COUNTY INDUSTRIAL

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Robert L. Pasinella, Jr.

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