

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION
IN ALBANY DISTRICT LINKS EVENT**

WHEREAS, the Albany District Chapter of the Links, Incorporated, a Section 501(c) (3) non-profit organization annually sponsors an event known as “Cooking With Jazz”, which is well attended by members of the business, industrial and financial communities of the Capital District; and

WHEREAS, participation in the event by a representative of the Rensselaer County Industrial Development Agency and/or Rensselaer County government provides an excellent opportunity to promote the advantages of bringing industrial and commercial development to Rensselaer County, and to promote vehicles for job growth in the county; and

WHEREAS, The Links organization plays an important role in promoting workforce development and a livable community through its programs in education and should be supported and encouraged by this Agency in its efforts, and

WHEREAS, the desirability of participating in the event has been evaluated by Agency staff using the attached evaluation sheet, in accordance with the Agency policy regulating participation in such outside events; and

WHEREAS, after said evaluation, agency staff recommends participation in the event at a cost not to exceed One Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Agency members have made an independent evaluation of the desirability of Agency participation in the event and do concur in the staff recommendation that participation in the aforesaid event would further the mission of the Agency; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Agency does hereby authorize a representative to participate in the event at a cost not to exceed One Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars.

Resolution ADOPTED by the following vote:

Ayes: 5

Nays: 1

Abstain: 0

October 12, 2017


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

I, the undersigned (Assistant) Secretary of Rensselaer County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency"), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the members of the Agency, including the Resolution contained therein, held on October 12, 2017 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all members of the Agency had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the "Open Meetings Law"), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the members of the Agency present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Agency this 12th day of October, 2017.



(Assistant) Secretary

(SEAL)



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August 2017

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Kathleen Jimino
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Dear Hon. Jimino:

On behalf of the Albany District Chapter of The Links, Incorporated (AD Links), we want to share our excitement as we plan for our 20th annual *Cookin' with Jazz* fundraiser and invite you to partner with us by becoming an Honorary Committee member.

In addition to celebrating twenty years of the *Cookin' with Jazz* fundraiser, the AD Links will also celebrate its 65th chapter anniversary. The chapter is indeed thankful for its sixty-five years of community service.

As is our charge, the AD Links continue to work toward improving the quality of life and enhancing the communities in which we live. With the support of persons such as yourself and with the assistance of businesses and institutions as corporate sponsors for our premier fundraiser, *Cookin' with Jazz*, the AD Links will continue to support community programs across the Capitol Region such as Bethesda House, Wellspring Domestic Violence House and Unity House in Troy and expand our award winning Believers and Achievers program.

In the fall of 2007, and in collaboration with the City School District of Albany, our chapter launched the **Believers and Achievers** program at the Schuyler Achievement Academy, which is designed to interrupt the high school drop-out pattern through mentoring and enrichment activities to help support academic and social development throughout the student's high school years. To date, 98% of the original cohort graduated from high school. The Chapter's commitment to the City of School District of Albany continued with the adoption of a new group of **Believers and Achievers** from Sheridan Preparatory Academy, who just graduated to the 9th grade.

This year's *Cookin' with Jazz* fundraiser will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Troy, NY on October 15, 2017. As with our tradition, the event will feature the cuisine of our Celebrity Chefs and the culinary creations of over 50 local community volunteers who commit their time and talents to serve as chefs. No one leaves *Cookin' with Jazz* with an empty stomach or heart. Everyone benefits from this event, especially the fundraiser beneficiaries!

The AD Links welcome your partnership as an honorary committee member of *Cookin' with Jazz XX* and are honored to have you join us as a collaborative partner and supporter. Enclosed is our brochure that further highlights our goals, chapter programs and collaborations. We look forward to your support and ask that you return the enclosed form with a check made payable to The Links Foundation, Inc. and that you have your commitment to us by **Monday, September 18, 2017**. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about the Albany District Links, please contact us at (518) 453-3520, or email us at: albanydistrictlinks52@gmail.com.

As proud members and supporters of the Capital District community, the AD Links would be privileged to have your support! Thank you for your thoughtful consideration. An invitation to *Cookin' with Jazz XX* will follow. We hope you'll join us at *Cookin' with Jazz 2017!*

Warm regards,

Kimberly Young Wilkins
President

Renee A. Powell
Event Co-chair

Sandra R. Powell
Event Co-chair

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