

Unsecured Promissory Note,

Private Owner

**BUILDING REUSE PROGRAM**

For VALUE RECEIVED and subject to the terms of and secured by the Rural Economic Development Loan Agreement and Legally Binding Commitment – Private-Owner Building Reuse Program, Reference Number \_\_\_\_\_ (“LBC,” which is incorporated by reference herein), the undersigned borrower[s] (the “Owner”) jointly and severally promise[s] to pay to lender \_\_\_\_\_ or its assigns (together, the “Governmental Unit”) or to the intended third-party beneficiary of this Promissory Note, the North Carolina Department of Commerce (“Commerce”), upon demand and as directed by either the Governmental Unit or Commerce, an amount of principal loan (“Loan”) funds under the LBC up to and including \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars but which amount shall not exceed the amount of Loan funds the Owner has actually received under the LBC, plus interest and attorney’s fees as addressed below. Unless otherwise specified herein, capitalized terms in this Promissory Note shall have the same meaning as those set forth in the LBC.

The Owner acknowledges and represents that: (i) the undersigned is or are the only person(s), entity or entities who or that have any ownership interests in the certain real property located at:

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in \_\_\_\_\_ County, North Carolina (the “Property”); and (ii) the undersigned shall be jointly and severally liable for any and all debts secured by this Promissory Note.

The Owner further acknowledges that: (i) in order for the Owner to receive the Loan, the LBC requires the Owner to complete a “Project”; (ii) in order for the Owner to receive the Loan, what the LBC identifies as the “Business” must maintain certain jobs and create and maintain certain other jobs in working with the Owner to complete the Project; (iii) the Loan from the Governmental Unit to the Owner under the LBC consists entirely of a grant from the State of North Carolina to the Governmental Unit, subject to certain clawback provisions; (iv) Commerce is an intended third-party beneficiary to the LBC and to this Promissory Note; and (v) the LBC specifies those circumstances in which the Governmental Unit or Commerce can terminate the LBC and require the Owner to repay an amount of Loan funds according to a formula or else in an amount to be determined in the sole discretion of the Governmental Unit or Commerce but which amount shall not exceed the amount of Loan funds the Owner has actually received under the LBC.

Upon default, the Governmental Unit and/or Commerce may employ attorneys to enforce their rights and remedies under this Promissory Note and the LBC, and the Owner agrees to pay their reasonable attorneys’ fees, plus all other reasonable expenses they incur in exercising their rights and remedies upon default. The rights and remedies of the Governmental Unit and Commerce, as described in this Promissory Note and the LBC, shall be cumulative and may be

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pursued singly, successively or together against the Owner (including each of the undersigned), the Property, or any other funds, property or security held by the Owner for payment or security, in the sole discretion of the Governmental Unit and Commerce. The failure to exercise any such right or remedy shall not be a waiver or release of such rights or remedies or the right to exercise any of them at another time.

The Owner hereby waives protest, presentment, notice of dishonor and notice of acceleration and maturity and agrees to remain bound for the payment of principal, interest and all other sums due under this Promissory Note and the LBC, notwithstanding any change or changes by way of release, surrender, exchange, modification or substitution of any security for this Promissory Note, or by way of any extension or extensions of time for the payment of principal and interest; and the Owner waives all and every kind of notice of such change or changes and agrees that the same may be made without notice of or consent to any of them.

This Promissory Note may not be amended, changed or altered except in writing executed by the Owner, the Governmental Unit and Commerce.

If not repaid within 30 days following demand hereunder, the Loan funds demanded by the Governmental Unit or Commerce under this Promissory Note shall bear interest at the rate of 10% per annum after demand until repaid. If either the Governmental Unit or Commerce initially demands Loan repayment from the Owner ("First Demand") in an amount less than the Loan funds the Owner has actually received under the LBC but, failing to receive repayment and, in its discretion under the LBC, increases the Loan repayment demand ("Second Demand") to the full amount the Owner has received under the LBC, then such interest on the difference between the First and Second Demands shall begin to accrue as of the date of the Second Demand.

For example, if under the terms of the LBC, a Business engages in an improper expenditure of Loan funds, the Governmental Unit has the discretion to require in a First Demand the partial repayment of Loan funds received by the Owner. Interest will begin to accrue at 10% per annum on whatever portion of the sum is not repaid as of the 31<sup>st</sup> day after the First Demand. Further, if the Owner fails to repay the First Demand in full, the Governmental Unit retains the discretion under the LBC to terminate the LBC and issue a Second Demand for the full repayment by the Owner of all Loan funds. Interest will continue accruing at 10% per annum on the original principal amount still unpaid from the First Demand and, following the expiration of 30 days from the Second Demand, interest will begin to accrue at 10% per annum on the additional unpaid principal Loan amount in the Second Demand.

Payment shall be made in lawful money of the United States of America via United States Mail First Class, Federal Express or UPS to the attention of the person at the address or in person at the address of the Governmental Unit or Commerce as directed in writing.

This Note shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of North Carolina.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has (have) caused these presents to be executed under seal, pursuant to authority duly given, the day and year first above written.

EVERY SIGNATORY BELOW EXPRESSLY REPRESENTS THAT ALL INDIVIDUALS OR ENTITIES WITH ANY OWNERSHIP INTERESTS IN THE PROPERTY HAVE EXECUTED THIS PROMISORY NOTE.

Dated as of: \_\_\_\_\_ , 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ [SEAL]

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dated as of: \_\_\_\_\_ , 20 \_\_\_\_\_

Individual Entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ [SEAL]

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Limited Waiver of Confidentiality  
Unemployment Tax and Wage Records  
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Name of Taxpayer \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

NC Unemployment Insurance Acct #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fed Tax ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby waive any right to confidentiality, as found in N.C.G.S. 96-4 or otherwise, for the limited purpose of authorizing disclosure of certain information contained in the quarterly unemployment insurance tax records of the above-named taxpayer (hereinafter, "Company") filed with the Division of Employment Security ("DES") of the North Carolina Department of Commerce to \_\_\_\_\_ ("Governmental Unit") and to the employees of the Rural Economic Division of the North Carolina Department of Commerce ("Rural Division") and members of the North Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority ("Rural Authority") for the limited purpose of evaluating the issuance of and, in the event of such issuance, administering and ensuring compliance with, a grant and loan pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143B-472.127 and .128.

I recognize that DES is authorized to provide this information to the public officials of the Governmental Unit, the Rural Division and the Rural Authority in the performance of their public duties and that the verification of employment information for the purpose of administering the grant and loan at issue is within the scope of the public duties of the Governmental Unit, the Rural Division and the Rural Authority. I hereby authorize DES to disclose information contained in the Company's quarterly unemployment insurance tax records (the NCUI-101 or successor form) to the Governmental Unit, the Rural Division and/or the Authority for these purposes.

I recognize that unemployment insurance tax information provided in the aggregate to DES and disclosed to the Governmental Unit, the Rural Division and/or the Authority, and the Company's aggregated tax and wage information provided to or otherwise in possession of the Governmental Unit, the Rural Division and/or the Authority, may be treated as public information. This waiver is not intended to release the Governmental Unit, the Rural Division and/or the Authority from any obligation they may have under North Carolina law to maintain the confidentiality of any and all information which could reveal or permit someone to ascertain the identity of any individual employee or that employee's line item unemployment insurance tax or other tax or wage information.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Chief Financial Officer or Other Authorized Company Official

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Print Name

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Title

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Date