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ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BAYONNE, COUNTY OF HUDSON, NEW JERSEY AUTHORIZING FIVE (5) YEAR TAX EXEMPTION ON THE ASSESSED VALUE OF NEW IMPROVEMENTS ONLY FOR NEWLY CONSTRUCTED IMPROVEMENTS WITH RESPECT TO THE PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT **191 BROADWAY (BLOCK 318, LOT 20)** ON THE TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF BAYONNE.

WHEREAS, the City of Bayonne, in the County of Hudson, New Jersey (the “City”), a public body corporate and politic of the State of New Jersey, is authorized pursuant to the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, *N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.* (the “Redevelopment Law”) to determine whether certain parcels of land within the City constitute an area in need of rehabilitation or an area in need of redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, on **February 4, 1998** by resolution **No. 98-02-04-040** the entire City was designated as an area in need of rehabilitation pursuant to the Redevelopment Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Five Year Exemption and Abatement Law, *N.J.S.A. 40A:21-1 et seq.* (the “Five Year Law”) improvements to property located within an area in need of rehabilitation or redevelopment may qualify for short term tax exemptions; and

WHEREAS, on **December 10, 2014** the Municipal Council adopted Ordinance No. **O-14-42** authorizing tax exemptions for the construction of ‘multiple dwellings’ (as defined in the Hotel and Multiple Dwelling Law, *N.J.S.A. 55:13A-1 et seq.*) in the City as authorized under *N.J.S.A. 40A:21-8* of the Five Year Law; and

WHEREAS, **191 BROADWAY LLC**, is the owner of and has developed parcels of land located at **BLOCK 318, LOT 20**, (with a property address commonly known as "**191 BROADWAY**" which is also known as the "Project Area") on the tax map of the City and constructed or will cause to be constructed thereon certain real estate improvements consisting of **mixed use development containing four stories, with 5 residential units consisting of 1 ground floor rear studio apartment; two 1 bedroom apartments, two duplex 2 bedroom apartments on the third and fourth floors, and approximately 1,121 square feet of commercial space** (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, **191 BROADWAY LLC** has submitted an application to the City requesting a tax exemption under the Five Year Law for itself and/or on behalf of the new owners of the **residential/ commercial units** seeking a 5 year exemption agreement on the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council has determined that the authorization of a tax exemption for the aforesaid Project is in the best interests of the City and facilitates the goals of rehabilitation and productive use;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Municipal Council of the City of Bayonne, in the County of Hudson, New Jersey, as follows:

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Section 1. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.

Section 2. The Municipal Council hereby approves an individual tax agreement for the exemption of real estate taxes on the improvements to be made on the parcels set forth above and any future lot(s) created or designated by virtue of the development thereof in the Project Area allowing for a 5 Year exemption on the improvements, but not the land, as provided in the TAX AGREEMENT attached hereto. Each such agreement is intended to apply to the individual parcel involved for the five years following substantial completion of the property provided that the terms of the agreement are met and shall be executed with respect to each such parcel by the owner of that parcel following the effective date of this ordinance. Each such Tax Agreement shall be for no longer than five (5) years and only applicable to the assessed value of the new improvement (building) constructed on that parcel as such value is determined by the City Tax Assessor. Each such Tax Agreement shall also provide that; at all relevant times herein, the land values (land assessment) for the Project will NOT be subject to any Exemption or Abatement and that Land Taxes paid in full throughout any period of exemption on the improvement. If the effective date of this ordinance is subsequent to the date of substantial completion, the exemption shall nonetheless be credited from the first day of the Tax Year following substantial completion provided that the application was timely filed within 30 days of substantial completion and all other terms of the agreement are met. If the date of substantial completion should be prior to the effective date of this ordinance, the Mayor, in consultation with legal counsel to the City, is hereby authorized to execute each of these Tax Agreements, with such modifications or revisions deemed necessary by the Mayor, and to prepare, amend or execute any other agreements necessary to effectuate the Tax Agreement and this Ordinance.

Section 3. Within thirty (30) days of its execution, the City Clerk shall forward a copy of the Tax Agreement to the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs as prescribed by *N.J.S.A. 40A:21-11(d)*.

Section 4. If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereby shall not affect the remaining parts of this Ordinance.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect in accordance with all applicable laws.

EXHIBIT A