MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CAPITAL CITY REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND THE NEW JERSEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), made as of <u>April 8, 2022</u>, will confirm the mutual understanding and intention between the Capital City Redevelopment Corporation ("CCRC") and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority ("NJEDA", and collectively, CCRC and NJEDA are the referred to as the "Parties") as to the following:

WHEREAS, CCRC was created pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:9Q-9 et seq. (the "CCRC Act") to plan, coordinate, and promote the public and private development within a capital district defined in the CCRC Act, consisting of those portions of the city of Trenton that serve as the commercial center of the community and in which public buildings and historic sites are located; and

WHEREAS, NJEDA was created pursuant to <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 34:lB-1 et seq. to issue tax exempt and taxable bonds, make direct loans and guarantees, operate a real estate development program, among other things, for the purpose of promoting employment and increasing tax ratables in the State of New Jersey (the "State"); and

WHEREAS, in support of the purposes of CCRC and in an effort to assist CCRC, NJEDA will provide office staff and support services required to carry out the policies set forth by CCRC; and

WHEREAS, NJEDA staff has expertise in financial analysis, loan review, loan closing, real estate project development, marketing services and other related activities necessary to CCRC carrying out its mission; and

WHEREAS, NJEDA staff has provided loan review, closing, and post-closing services from time to time to CCRC; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Parties to enter into this MOU regarding the provision of NJEDA staff and administrative services in support of CCRC; and

WHEREAS, it is CCRC's intent to continue its existing MOU with the State Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") under which Treasury provides accounting and financial reporting support to CCRC including, but not limited to procurement of an independent auditor and necessary insurance; and

WHEREAS, the Parties enter into this MOU as an inter-department governmental agreement pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14-1 et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, NJEDA and CCRC, in order to effectively and efficiently carry out their respective statutory mandates, agree to the following:

- 1. NJEDA will make available on an as-needed basis NJEDA staff who will utilize a portion of their time as follows:
 - a. Carrying out the policies and directions of CCRC with respect to activities for which CCRC has statutory authority, including, but not limited to, undertaking activities as a municipal redevelopment entity or redeveloper, and
 - b. Providing administrative and support services to meet the needs of CCRC, including but not limited to, corporate governance and public information support services such as CCRC Board meeting support, liaison with Governor's Office and Authority's Unit, records custodian and assistance with Open Public Records Act information requests, guidance on ethics matters and liaison with State Ethics Commission, media outreach and management, and legislative support.
- 2. As part of the services provided by NJEDA in paragraph 1 above, in addition to any Deputy Attorney General assigned to CCRC, NJEDA will provide legal services to CCRC from NJEDA-assigned Deputy Attorneys General.
- 3. NJEDA agrees to provide written reports as needed, and upon request, to the CCRC Board detailing any staff services provided for in paragraph 1 above. Both Parties anticipate that the CCRC Board will meet on a bi-monthly basis unless more frequent meetings become necessary.
- 4. It is the intent of the Parties that CCRC will not compensate NJEDA for the costs incurred on behalf of CCRC for the services provided for in paragraph l.b. above. Any compensation for NJEDA for the costs incurred on behalf of CCRC for the services provided for in paragraph 1.a will be mutually agreed upon in writing before beginning the activity. When NJEDA assists CCRC in undertaking real estate and/or project related work, it is understood and agreed that NJEDA shall be reimbursed for costs incurred including but not limited to title searches, insurance, marketing, appraisals, environmental studies, other required consultants or professionals, and legal costs as well as for NJEDA's administrative fees for managing the project related work and compliance with project related obligations.
- 5. NJEDA will cooperate with Treasury's accounting and financial reporting support for CCRC, including, but not limited to, completing all necessary audits of CCRC.
- 6. Staff services set forth in paragraph 1 will be conducted from NJEDA's main or satellite offices or as otherwise allowed by NJEDA policy for NJEDA personnel.

- 7. NJEDA will make available conference room(s) at NJEDA's main or satellite offices for regular and special meetings of the CCRC Board and will provide conference room space at NJEDA's main or satellite offices so that CCRC Board members may transact the business of CCRC.
- 8. NJEDA will identify a NJEDA staff who will be the primary contact staff for the public and the CCRC Board regarding CCRC matters.
- 9. The CCRC Board, as constituted by statute, will continue to function as the exclusive entity empowered to make discretionary decisions for CCRC, including the selection of independent auditors, except as delegated from time to time.
- 10. All expenses related to the Capital City Redevelopment Loan and Grant Fund and all other assets carried on the CCRC balance sheet will be paid for by CCRC and will be reflected in CCRC's financial statements.
- 11. This MOU shall not take effect unless approved by the Boards of the NJEDA and CCRC and executed by the authorized representatives of NJEDA and CCRC. This MOU becomes effective immediately upon execution by all parties and shall remain in effect for one (1) year, unless terminated sooner pursuant to Section 12 below. This MOU may subsequently be extended for one year at a time upon mutual written consent of the Parties.
- 12. The Parties are entering into this MOU for the sole purpose of evidencing the mutual understanding and intention of the Parties with respect to the provision of NJEDA support services to CCRC. It may be amended, modified, and supplemented at any time by mutual consent and in writing signed by the undersigned or their designees. This MOU may also be terminated by the Board of either Party upon 60 days prior written notice to the other. There are no third-party beneficiaries of this MOU.
- 13. The Parties acknowledge that they are both public entities of the State of New Jersey. Therefore, the Parties agree that each entity shall be liable for its own conduct and any claims against it without indemnification from the other.
- 14. All notices, demands or communications to any party to this MOU shall be sent to the addresses set forth below or as may be otherwise modified in writing:

NJEDA:	PO Box 990
	Trenton, NJ 08625-0990

CCRC:	PO Box 990
	Trenton, NJ 08625-0990

15. This MOU may be signed in counterparts, which, when taken as a whole, shall constitute one and the same document.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, NJEDA and CCRC have executed this MOU on the dates below:

For the New Jersey Economic Development Authority:

Name:	Tim Sullivan
Signature:	To Lead
Title:	CEO
Date:	April 8, 2022

For the Capital City Redevelopment Corporation:

Name: Peter Inverso

Signature: Peter A. Inverso

Chairman

Date: April 8, 2022