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The City Council Niagara Falls, New York

RE: Approval of Consultant Selection – Mark Cerrone Inc. (Environmental Remediation at 5627 Niagara Falls Blvd.)

Council Members:

The City of Niagara Falls is the owner of the former Junior's Truck Stop property located at 5627 Niagara Falls Boulevard. There are plans to redevelop the property for job training purposes for local residents by a nonprofit organization. However a complete Environmental Remediation must be undertaken at the property before this can take place.

The environmental remediation will consist of the excavation and disposal of residual soil contamination in the area of former underground storage tanks, as required by a New York State Department of Conservation. Additionally, the remediation will also include asbestos and mold abatement within the vacant building formerly used as a restaurant and motel. The consultant selected for this project will also develop a remedial action plan (RAP) and other required plans, prepare close-out reports, and perform services that may be required to meet local, state, and federal regulations.

Through a competitive procurement, the City has selected Mark Cerrone Inc. as the preferred consulting firm to perform the work. This project will be funded by a grant from the Niagara County Brownfield Cleanup Revolving Loan Fund Program (BCRLF), which is managed by the Niagara County Brownfield Development Corporation and funded through grants from the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). The City applied for and successfully secured a \$125,000 grant for this work which was subsequently approved by the City Council earlier this year.

Will the Council so approve and authorize the Mayor to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the same, provided that they are acceptable to the office of the Corporation Counsel?

Respectfully submitted,

Robert M. Restaino Mayor

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