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#### ORIGINAL CONTRACTOR'S CLAIM FOR MECHANICS LIEN

STATE OF ILLINOIS )

COUNTY OF C O O K )

The Claimant, Leopardo Comparies, Inc. ("Leopardo"), an Illinois corporation with an office at 5200 Prairie Stone Parkway, Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60192, hereby files its Original Contractor's Claim for Mechanics Lien on the Real Estate (as hereinafter described) and against the interest(s) of 55<sup>th</sup> & Pulaski LLC, an Illinois limited liability company ("Owner"), and against the interest of any person claiming an interest in the Real Estate (as hereinafter described), by, through or under Owner;

Leopardo states as follows:

1. Since prior to March 16, 2005, Owner owned interest(s) as fee simple owner and, possibly otherwise, in the Real Estate commonly known as 3948 through 3952 West 55<sup>th</sup> Street, Chicago, Illinois and legally described as follows ("Real Estate"):

Lots 20 and 28, both inclusive, in Block 3 in Simon Etlinger's Subdivision of the West ½ of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 11, Township 38 North, Range 13, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois.

 $The PIN \ Numbers \ of the Real E state are 19-11-326-040-0000, 19-11-326-041-0000, 19-11-326-042-0000, 19-11-326-043-0000, 19-11-326-044-0000, 19-11-326-045-0000, 19-11-326-046-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-11-326-0000, 19-1$ 

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326-047-0000 and 19-11-326-048-0000.

- 2. As of August 25, 2005, Leopardo entered into a written contract with Owner under which Leopardo agreed to provide labor, material and equipment to perform construction services as general contractor for construction of a bank facility to house a Banco Popular North America branch on the Real Estate in exchange for payment of an original stipulated sum of One Million Two Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$1,266,752) subject to increase for additional or changed work or differing site conditions (the "Contract").
- 3. At the special instance and request of Owner, Leopardo furnished extra and additional materials and extra and additional labor for the improvement of the Real Estate to the extent and value of One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars (\$175,464).
- 4. The Contract was entered into by Owner and the work was performed by Leopardo with the knowledge and consent of Owner or Owner's agent.
- 5. Leopardo completed Leopardo's Work under the Contract for which this lien is claimed on May 12, 2006.
- 6. As of the date hereof, after allowing all credits, there is presently due, unpaid and owing to Leopardo, the principal sum of Three Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Forty-One Dollars (\$333,041) for which, with interest, Leopardo claims a mechanics lien against the Real Estate.

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Leopardo hereby revokes any waiver of rights given in advance of payment for which 7. payment was not made.

Dated: September 11, 2006

LEOPARDO COMPANIES, INC.

Jóhn D. Ward, Jr.

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STATE OF ILLINOIS ) ss. COUNTY OF C O O K )

I, John D. Ward, Jr., being first duly sworn on oath, depose and state that I am Chief Financial Officer of Claimant, am authorized as agent to execute this Original Contractor's Claim for Mechanics Lien on behalf of Claimant, that I have read the foregoing Original Contractor's Claim for Mechanics Lien and know the contents thereof, and that the statements contained therein are true.

John D. Ward, Jr.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me this it day of September, 2006.

Notary Public

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