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Illinois Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity

Bruce Rauner, Governor

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CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to 20 ILCS 655/5.4 of the "Illinois Enterprise Zone Act," as amended, the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity hereby certifies, effective July 2, 2016, the attached Ordinance that adds Village of Beecher, City of Chicago Heights, Village of Crete, Village of Glenwood, Village of Olympia Fields, Village of South Chicago Heights, Village of Steger, County of Cook and County of Will, new units of government, to the existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone, which is re-named the "Lincoln & 394 Corridor" Enterprise Zone.

This certification is effective on July 2, 2016.

ATTEST:

Sean McCarthy
Acting Director
Illinois Department of Commerce
and Economic Opportunity

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Date

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VILLAGE OF BEECHER, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. 1233

AN ORDINANCE to amend the existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by altering its boundaries and including additional units of local governments, to establish new incentives and to rename the amended Enterprise Zone as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq.) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete,

The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will are organized and existing under the laws of that State of Illinois. Each have areas within their respective legal boundaries that are economically distressed and would benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of these Counties and Municipalities to establish an Enterprise Zone and encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois, under the Illinois Enterprise Act and is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Corridor Enterprise Zone involves The Village of Ford Heights and the Village of Sauk Village as its designating municipalities and affords an opportunity to expand in scope of territory and involvement of additional units of local governments.

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have joined in the collective pursuit to amend the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by the alteration of areas included within the Zone and the inclusion of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government. These efforts are subject to the respective approvals of the governing bodies of each of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties.

WHEREAS, prior to filing of an application for approval of the amendment to an existing Enterprise Zone, under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, it is required that the

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Counties and Municipalities adopt an Ordinance amending the existing Enterprise Zone; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF BEECHER, WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The above Recitals are incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein.

SECTION 2: AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING ENTERPRISE ZONE

The existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to include The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will as designated units of local government of said Enterprise Zone. Additionally, the area of this enterprise zone is also hereby altered to consist of the area described in the map **EXHIBIT A** and the legal description **EXHIBIT B**, attached hereto. This area of the amended zone is within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones that include more than 4 jurisdictions per the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4). **EXHIBITS A and B** are hereby incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein. This amended existing Enterprise Zone shall be named and known as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone. These amendments shall not be effective until and unless the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity upon application approves this amended designating Ordinance, issues an amended certification for the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone and record a certified copy of the amended Ordinance with Cook County Recorder of Deeds and file the same with the Illinois Secretary of State.

SECTION 3: TERM

The term of the amended Enterprise Zone remains unchanged and will expire on December 31, 2021, unless amended or otherwise lawfully changed.

SECTION 4: QUALIFICATIONS. The Counties and the Municipalities have declared and affirmed that the amended Enterprise Zone Area is qualified for designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and **FOUND** that

- a. The Zone Area is a contiguous area;

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- b. The Zone Area comprises an area larger than one-half square miles and not more than Fifteen square miles in total area;
- c. The Zone Area is a depressed area;
- d. The Zone Area addresses a reasonable need to encompass portions of more than one (1) municipality and adjacent unincorporated areas of the County;
- e. The Zone Area exceeds the minimum requirement of meeting 3 of the 10 criteria specified in the Illinois Enterprise Act (20ILCS 655/4 (f));
- f. On the 29th day of **October, 2015**, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to a Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation, within the Zone Area, not more than 20 days nor less than 5 days before the hearing date;
- g. The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria stated in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

All of the above stated **FINDINGS** are supported, sustained and consistent with the substantive materials contained in **EXHIBIT C**, attached here to, and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 5: INCENTIVES

The State of Illinois, Counties and Municipalities offer incentives designed to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within an Enterprise Zone, subject to terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations in the law:

STATE INCENTIVES

- **Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials to be used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
- **Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone is available. Eligibility is based on a business making an investment in an Enterprise Zone of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 fulltime-equivalent jobs, a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone and retaining at least 2,000 jobs, or a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone which causes the retention of at least 80 percent of the jobs existing on the date it is certified to receive the exemption.
- **Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption** - A state utility tax exemption on gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax is available to

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businesses located In Enterprise Zones. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois, an investment of \$20 million that retains at least 1,000 full-time-equivalent jobs, or an investment of \$175 million that creates 150 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located In the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.

- **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit** - A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in a Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent Investment tax credit, which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for increased employment over the previous year.
- **Contribution Deduction** - Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a Designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

LOCAL INCENTIVES AND FEES

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- a) Abatement or reimbursement of 50% of the municipal portion of property taxes on new improvements for industrial, commercial, or institutional properties during the first five years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit will not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for this property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatement provided by a unit of local government.
- b) Waiver of 50% of initial building permit fees for industrial, commercial, or institutional projects.
- c) The Enterprise Zone will provide officials of the Counties and the Municipalities that are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, which is Attachment D to this Ordinance, with certain written documentation and materials relative to additional incentives, including public or not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which municipal officials may make available to the project developer, and other interested individuals. There is no representation that the available documents and materials include all incentives and programs available to the project.

The Zone Administrator shall file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by April 1 of each year. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, provided that a maximum fee of no more than \$50,000 is permitted (20 ILCS 655/8.2 (c)).

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SECTION 6. ZONE ADMINISTRATOR:

The Zone Administrator will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the amended Enterprise Zone, including the following duties:

- (a) Supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.
- (b) Act as a liaison between the Counties, Municipalities, the Illinois Department of Commerce Economic Opportunity, Designated Zone Organizations, and other State, Federal and local agencies, whether public or private.
- (c) Conduct an ongoing evaluation of the Enterprise Zone Programs and submit evaluative reports at least annually to the Council.
- (d) Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including, but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone.
- (e) Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Enterprise Zone Governing Council (the Council).
- (f) Have other such duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

SECTION 7: AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Counties and Municipalities, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance by reference. The proposed amendments to said Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or part by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement was presented to the legislative body of THE Village of Beecher and its attorney for review. The President and Clerk are hereby directed to execute this Agreement, on behalf of the Village of Beecher. Further, the Village Administrator or his or her designee is directed to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Applications

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for said amended Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

SECTION 8: SEVERABILITY

This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section clause, paragraph, sentence or provision of this Ordinance will not affect the validity of any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 9: PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

The Village Clerk is hereby authorized to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage, approval and publication as subject to approval, certification and recording required by law.

PASSED and APPROVED this 9th day of November, 2015.

Yeas:	<u>6</u>	_____
Nays:	<u>0</u>	_____
Abstain:	<u>0</u>	_____
Present:	<u>0</u>	_____

Greg Szymanski, Village President

ATTEST:
Janett Conner
Janett Conner, Village Clerk

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AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS TO JOIN THE FORD HEIGHTS/SAUK VILLAGE ENTERPRISE ZONE AND APPROVING AN AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH A NEW ENTERPRISE ZONE KNOWN AS THE LINCOLN/I-394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE .

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will are organized and existing under the laws of that State of Illinois. Each have areas within their respective legal boundaries that are economically distressed and would benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

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WHEREAS, prior to filing of an application for approval of the amendment to an existing Enterprise Zone, under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, it is required that the Counties and Municipalities adopt an Ordinance amending the existing Enterprise Zone; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS, as follows:

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Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement was presented to the legislative body of the City of Chicago Heights and its attorney for review. The Mayor of the City of Chicago Heights, or his designee is hereby directed to execute this Agreement, on behalf of the City of Chicago Heights. Further, the Mayor or his or her designee is directed to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Applications for said amended Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

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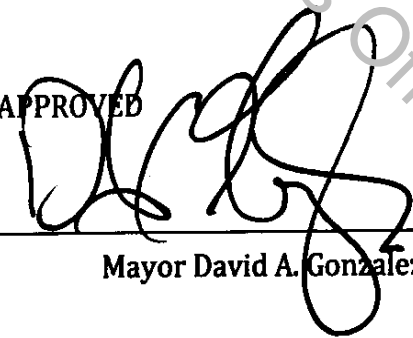
SECTION 9: PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

The City Clerk is hereby authorized to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage, approval and publication as subject to approval, certification and recording required by law.

Presented, passed and approved this 16th day of November, 2015.

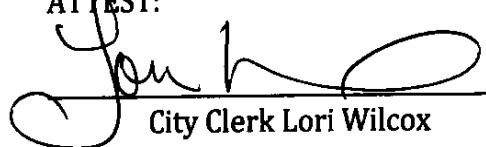
AYES: 6
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1

APPROVED



Mayor David A. Gonzalez

ATTEST:



City Clerk Lori Wilcox

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CITY CLERK LORI WILCOX

ROLL CALL VOTE RECORD

DATE November 16, 2015

RESOLUTION # 2015 - ____; or,

ORDINANCE # 2015 - 30; or,

MOTION TO: _____

ROLL CALL VOTE RECORD:

Ward #1

Alderman Walter Mosby: Yes x; No ____; Absent/abstain ____.

Ward #2

Alderman Sonia Perez: Yes x; No ____; Absent/abstain ____.

Ward #3

Alderman Wanda Rodgers Yes x; No ____; Absent/abstain ____.

Ward #4

Alderman Josh Deabel Yes x; No ____; Absent/abstain ____.

Ward 5

Alderman Richard Amadio Yes ____; No ____; ~~Absent/abstain ____~~.

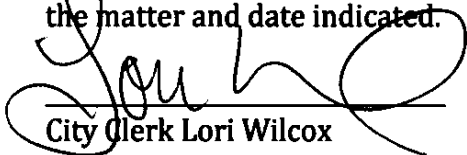
Ward 6

Alderman Vincent Zaranti Yes x; No ____; Absent/abstain ____.

Ward 7

Alderman Sylvia Torres Yes x; No ____; Absent/abstain ____.

I hereby certify that the above accurately reflects the individual record of the vote taken on the matter and date indicated.



City Clerk Lori Wilcox

November 16, 2015
Date

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NAME OF MUNICIPALITY OR COUNTY

LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE

ORDINANCE NUMBER # 2015-31

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- f. On the 29th day of **October, 2015**, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to a Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation, within the Zone Area, not more than 20 days nor less than 5 days before the hearing date;
- g. The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria stated in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity;

All of the above stated **FINDINGS** are supported, sustained and consistent with the substantive materials contained in **EXHIBIT C**, attached here to, and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 5: INCENTIVES

The State of Illinois, Counties and Municipalities offer incentives designed to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within an Enterprise Zone, subject to terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations in the law:

STATE INCENTIVES

- **Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials to be used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
- **Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone is available. Eligibility is based on a business making an investment in an Enterprise Zone of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 fulltime-equivalent jobs, a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone and retaining at least 2,000 jobs, or a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone which causes the

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retention of at least 80 percent of the jobs existing on the date it is certified to receive the exemption.

- **Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption** - A state utility tax exemption on gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax is available to businesses located in Enterprise Zones. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois, an investment of \$20 million that retains at least 1,000 full-time-equivalent jobs, or an investment of \$175 million that creates 150 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located in the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.
- **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit** - A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in a Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent Investment tax credit, which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for increased employment over the previous year.
- **Contribution Deduction** - Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a Designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

LOCAL INCENTIVES AND FEES

Local governments, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrators, may provide a variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within enterprise zones. The incentives offered are determined by counties and municipalities. The following local Enterprise Zone incentives are hereby offered:

- a) Abatement or reimbursement of 50% of the municipal portion of property taxes on new improvements for industrial, commercial, or institutional properties during the first five years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit will not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for this property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatement provided by a unit of local government.
- b) Waiver of 50% of initial building permit fees for industrial, commercial, or institutional projects.
- c) The Enterprise Zone will provide officials of the Counties and the Municipalities that are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, which is Attachment D to this Ordinance, with certain written documentation and materials relative to additional incentives, including public or not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which municipal officials may make available to the project developer, and other interested individuals. There is no representation that the

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available documents and materials include all incentives and programs available to the project.

The Zone Administrator shall file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by April 1 of each year. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, provided that a maximum fee of no more than \$50,000 is permitted (20 ILCS 655/8.2 (c)).

SECTION 6: ZONE ADMINISTRATOR:

The Zone Administrator will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the amended Enterprise Zone, including the following duties:

- (a) Supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.
- (b) Act as a liaison between the Counties, Municipalities, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, Designated Zone Organizations, and other State, Federal and local agencies, whether public or private.
- (c) Conduct an ongoing evaluation of the Enterprise Zone Programs and submit evaluative reports at least annually to the Council.
- (d) Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including, but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone.
- (e) Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Enterprise Zone Governing Council (the Council).
- (f) Have other such duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

SECTION 7: AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Counties

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and Municipalities, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance by reference. The proposed amendments to said Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or part by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement was presented to the legislative body of The Village of Crest and its attorney for review. The Village President is hereby directed to execute this Agreement, on behalf of the Village of Crest. Further, the Village President or his or her designee is directed to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Applications for said amended Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

SECTION 8: SEVERABILITY

This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section, clause, paragraph, sentence or provision of this Ordinance will not affect the validity of any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 9: PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

The Village Clerk is hereby authorized to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage, approval and publication as subject to approval, certification and recording required by law.

Presented, passed and approved this 9th day of Nov., 2015.

AYES: 6 (six) Trustees Desudoin, Gaffney, Harmon-Warren, Milburn, Johnson and Wister

NAYS: 0 (zero)

ABSENT: 0 (zero)

APPROVED this 9th day of November 2015

Michael Frick

VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:
Deborah S. Pachert
TITLE Village Clerk

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VILLAGE OF FORD HEIGHTS

LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE

ORDINANCE NUMBER 12-2-15-01

AN ORDINANCE to amend the existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by altering its boundaries and including additional units of local governments, to establish new incentives and to rename the amended Enterprise Zone as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will are organized and existing under the laws of that State of Illinois. Each have areas within their respective legal boundaries that are economically distressed and would benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of these Counties and Municipalities to establish an Enterprise Zone and encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois, under the Illinois Enterprise Act and is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Corridor Enterprise Zone involves The Village of Ford Heights and the Village of Sauk Village as its designating municipalities and affords an opportunity to expand in scope of territory and involvement of additional units of local governments.

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have joined in the collective pursuit to amend the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by the alteration of areas included within the Zone and the inclusion of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government. These efforts are subject to the respective approvals of the governing bodies of each of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties.

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WHEREAS, prior to filing of an application for approval of the amendment to an existing Enterprise Zone, under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, it is required that the Counties and Municipalities adopt an Ordinance amending the existing Enterprise Zone; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Board of Trustees of Village of Ford Heights, as follows:

SECTION 1: INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The above Recitals are incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein.

SECTION 2: AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING ENTERPRISE ZONE

The existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to include The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will as designated units of local government of said Enterprise Zone. Additionally, The area of this enterprise zone is also hereby altered to consist of the area described in the map **EXHIBIT A** and the legal description **EXHIBIT B**, attached hereto. This area of the amended zone is within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones that include more than 4 jurisdictions per the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4). **EXHIBITS A** and **B** are hereby incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein. This amended existing Enterprise Zone shall be named and known as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone. These amendments shall not be effective until and unless the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity upon application approves this amended designating Ordinance, issues an amended certification for the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone and record a certified copy of the amended Ordinance with Cook County Recorder of Deeds and file the same with the Illinois Secretary of State.

SECTION 3: TERM

The term of the amended Enterprise Zone remains unchanged and will expire on December 31, 2021, unless amended or otherwise lawfully changed.

SECTION 4: QUALIFICATIONS. The Counties and the Municipalities have declared and affirmed that the amended Enterprise Zone Area is qualified for designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and **FOUND** that

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- a. The Zone Area is a contiguous area;
- b. The Zone Area comprises an area larger than one-half square miles and not more than Fifteen square miles in total area;
- c. The Zone Area is a depressed area;
- d. The Zone Area addresses a reasonable need to encompass portions of more than one (1) municipality and adjacent unincorporated areas of the County;
- e. The Zone Area exceeds the minimum requirement of meeting 3 of the 10 criteria specified in the Illinois Enterprise Act (20ILCS 655/4 (f));
- f. On the 29th day of **October, 2015**, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to a Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation, within the Zone Area, not more than 20 days nor less than 5 days before the hearing date;
- g. The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria stated in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity;

All of the above stated **FINDINGS** are supported, sustained and consistent with the substantive materials contained in **EXHIBIT C**, attached here to, and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 5: INCENTIVES

The State of Illinois, Counties and Municipalities offer incentives designed to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within an Enterprise Zone, subject to terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations in the law:

STATE INCENTIVES

- **Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials to be used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
- **Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone is available. Eligibility is based on a business making an investment in an Enterprise Zone of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 fulltime-equivalent jobs, a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone and retaining at least 2,000 jobs, or a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone which causes the

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retention of at least 80 percent of the jobs existing on the date it is certified to receive the exemption.

- **Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption** - A state utility tax exemption on gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax is available to businesses located in Enterprise Zones. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois, an investment of \$20 million that retains at least 1,000 full-time-equivalent jobs, or an investment of \$175 million that creates 150 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located in the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.
- **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit** - A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in a Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent Investment tax credit, which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for increased employment over the previous year.
- **Contribution Deduction** - Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a Designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

LOCAL INCENTIVES AND FEES

Local governments, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrators, may provide a variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within enterprise zones. The incentives offered are determined by counties and municipalities. The following local Enterprise Zone incentives are hereby offered:

- a) Abatement or reimbursement of 50% of the municipal portion of property taxes on new improvements for industrial, commercial, or institutional properties during the first five years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit will not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for this property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatement provided by a unit of local government.
- b) Waiver of 50% of initial building permit fees for industrial, commercial, or institutional projects.
- c) The Enterprise Zone will provide officials of the Counties and the Municipalities that are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, which is Attachment D to this Ordinance, with certain written documentation and materials relative to additional incentives, including public or not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which municipal officials may make available to the project developer, and other interested individuals. There is no representation that the

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available documents and materials include all incentives and programs available to the project.

The Zone Administrator shall file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by April 1 of each year. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, provided that a maximum fee of no more than \$50,000 is permitted (20 ILCS 655/8.2 (c)).

SECTION 6. ZONE ADMINISTRATOR:

The Zone Administrator will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the amended Enterprise Zone, including the following duties:

- (a) Supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.
- (b) Act as a liaison between the Counties, Municipalities, the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, Designated Zone Organizations, and other State, Federal and local agencies, whether public or private.
- (c) Conduct an ongoing evaluation of the Enterprise Zone Programs and submit evaluative reports at least annually to the Council.
- (d) Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including, but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone.
- (e) Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Enterprise Zone Governing Council (the Council).
- (f) Have other such duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

SECTION 7: AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Counties

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and Municipalities, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance by reference. The proposed amendments to said Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or part by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement was presented to the legislative body of the Village of Ford Heights and its attorney for review. The Mayor is hereby directed to execute this Agreement, on behalf of the Village. Further, the Mayor or his designee is directed to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Applications for said amended Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

SECTION 8: SEVERABILITY

This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section, clause, paragraph, sentence or provision of this Ordinance will not affect the validity of any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 9: PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

Village Clerk is hereby authorized to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage, approval and publication as subject to approval, certification and recording required by law.

Presented, passed and approved this 2nd day of December, 2015.

AYES: _____ 6 _____

NAYS: _____ 0 _____

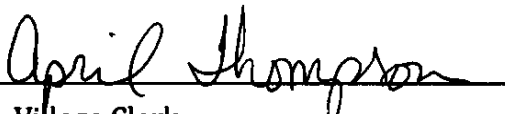
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APPROVED this 2nd day of December, 2015

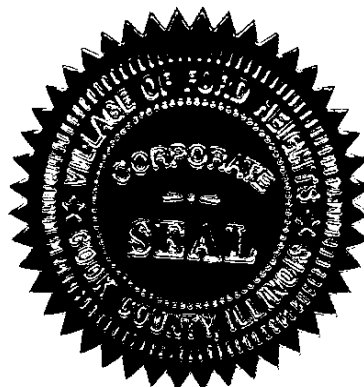


Mayor

ATTEST:



Village Clerk



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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) ss.
 COUNTY OF COOK)

CERTIFICATE

I, Ernestine T. Dobbins, certify that I am the duly elected and acting municipal clerk of the Village of Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois.

I further certify that on November 17, 2015, the Corporate Authorities of the Village of Glenwood passed and approved the attached Ordinance No. 2015 - 19 entitled,

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING FORD HEIGHTS/SAUK ENTERPRISE ZONE BY ALTERING ITS BOUNDARIES AND INCLUDING ADDITIONAL UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ESTABLISHING NEW INCENTIVES AND RENAMING THE AMENDED ENTERPRISE ZONE AS THE LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE

a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto.

Dated at Glenwood, Illinois, this 17th day of November, 2015.



Ernestine T. Dobbins
 Ernestine T. Dobbins,
 Municipal Clerk

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VILLAGE OF GLENWOOD

COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. 2015 - 19

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING FORD HEIGHTS/SAUK
ENTERPRISE ZONE BY ALTERING ITS BOUNDARIES AND
INCLUDING ADDITIONAL UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT,
ESTABLISHING NEW INCENTIVES AND RENAMING THE AMENDED
ENTERPRISE ZONE AS THE LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR
ENTERPRISE ZONE**

**ADOPTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
VILLAGE OF GLENWOOD
THIS 17TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015**

Published in pamphlet form
by authority of the President
and Board of Trustees of the
Village of Glenwood, Cook
County, Illinois this 17th day
of November, 2015

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ORDINANCE NO. 2015 - 19

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING FORD HEIGHTS/SAUK
ENTERPRISE ZONE BY ALTERING ITS BOUNDARIES AND
INCLUDING ADDITIONAL UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT,
ESTABLISHING NEW INCENTIVES AND RENAMING THE AMENDED
ENTERPRISE ZONE AS THE LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR
ENTERPRISE ZONE**

WHEREAS, the Village of Glenwood is a home rule unit of local government pursuant to the provisions of Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, 20 ILCS 655/1 *et al.*, provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Villages of Beecher, Crest, Ford Heights, Glenwood, Olympia Fields, Sauk Village, South Chicago Heights, and Steger, the City of Chicago Heights (the "Municipalities?"), and Cook and Will Counties (the "Counties?") are organized and exist under the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, each aforesaid Municipality and County have areas within their respective corporate boundaries that are economically distressed and will benefit from private sector investments under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is in the best interests of the citizens of these Municipalities and Counties to establish an Enterprise Zone and to encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, and which expires on

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December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Corridor Enterprise Zone consists of the Villages of Ford Heights and Sauk Village and affords an opportunity to expand its scope of territory and involvement of additional units of local government; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have joined in the collective pursuit of the existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by the altering the areas included within the Zone and including the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government; and

WHEREAS, the alteration of the areas included within the Zone and including the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government is subject to the respective approvals of the corporate authorities of each Municipality and County; and

WHEREAS, prior to the filing of an application for approval of the amendment to the existing Enterprise Zone, it is required pursuant to the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, that each Municipality and County adopt an ordinance amending the existing Enterprise Zone.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois, pursuant to its home rule power and its powers pursuant to the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, as follows:

SECTION 1: Recitals.

The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.\

SECTION 2: Amendment to the Existing Enterprise Zone.

The existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to include the Villages of Beecher, Crete, Ford Heights, Glenwood, Olympia Fields, Sauk Village, South

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Chicago Heights and Steger, the City of Chicago Heights, and Cook and Will Counties as designated units of local government of said Enterprise Zone. Furthermore, the area of this Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to consist of the area described in the map attached as Exhibit A and made a part hereof, and as legally described in Exhibit B, attached hereto and made a part hereof. The area of the amended Zone is within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones which include more than four (4) jurisdictions by the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4). This amended Enterprise Zone shall be known as the "Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone". These amendments shall become effective upon the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity's approval of the application for this amended designating ordinance, its issuance of an amended certification for the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone, the recordation of a certified copy of the amended ordinance with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds, and the filing of the same with the Illinois Secretary of State.

SECTION 3: Term.

The term of the amended Enterprise Zone shall expire on December 31, 2021, unless amended or otherwise lawfully changed.

SECTION 4: Qualifications.

The Municipalities and Counties hereby declare and affirm that the amended Enterprise Zone is qualified for such designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, as follows:

- a. The Zone Area is a contiguous area;
- b. The Zone Area comprises an area larger than one-half (2) square miles and not more than fifteen (15) square miles in total area;

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- c. The Zone Area is a depressed area;
- d. The Zone Area addresses a reasonable need to encompass portions of more than one (1) municipality and adjacent unincorporated areas of two (2) counties;
- e. The Zone Area exceed the minimum requirement of meeting three (3) of the ten (10) criteria set forth in Section 4 of the Illinois Enterprise Act (20 ILCS 655/4(f));
- f. On October 29, 2015, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Zone Area, not more than twenty (20) days nor less than fifteen (15) days before the public hearing date; and
- g. The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria set forth in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO).

The above findings are supported, sustained and consistent with the findings set forth in the "Illinois Enterprise Zone Program Application for New Designation?", attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit C.

SECTION 6: Incentives.

The following incentives are offered by the State of Illinois, the Municipalities and the Counties to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within the Enterprise Zone, subject to the terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations set forth in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act:

- a. **State Incentives:**
 - 1. **Sales Tax Exemption.** A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
 - 2. **Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption.** A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control

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facility within an Enterprise Zone. Eligibility for said exemption is based on a business making an investment in the Enterprise Zone of at least five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in qualified property that creates a minimum of two hundred (200) full-time equivalent jobs; a business investing at least forty million dollars (\$40,000,000.00) in the Enterprise Zone and retaining at least two thousand (2,000) jobs; or a business investing at least forty million dollars (\$40,000,000.00) in the Enterprise Zone which causes the retention of at least eighty percent (80%) of the jobs existing on the date the business is certified to receive the exemption.

3. **Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption.** A state utility tax exemption of gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax to eligible businesses located in the Enterprise Zone. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at least five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in qualified property that creates a minimum of two hundred (200) full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois; a business that invests twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000.00) and retains at least one thousand (1,000) full-time equivalent jobs; or a business that invests one hundred seventy-five million dollars (\$175,000,000.00) and creates one hundred fifty (150) full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located in the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.
4. **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit.** A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in the Enterprise Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five (5) years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent investment tax credit which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for an increase in employment over the previous year.
5. **Contribution Deduction.** Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

b. **Local Incentives and Fees:**

The Municipalities and Counties, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrators, may provide the following variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within the Enterprise Zone:

1. Abatement of fifty percent (50%) of the municipal portion of property taxes on improvements for industrial, commercial or institutional properties made

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during the first five (5) years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit shall not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for the property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatements provided by a unit of local government.

2. Waiver of fifty percent (50%) of initial building permits fees for industrial, commercial or industrial building.
3. The Enterprise Zone shall provide officials of the Municipalities and Counties, who are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit D, with certain written documentation and materials concerning additional incentives, including public and not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which the municipal and county officials may make available to the project developer and other interested individuals; provided, however, that such documentation and materials so provided may not include all incentives and programs available to a project.

SECTION 7: Zone Administrator

Upon the approval of the Enterprise Zone and certification by the DCEO, the Village shall appoint a representative to serve and participate in the Joint Enterprise Zone Governing Council ("Council"). The Council, among other things, will appoint a Zone Administrator, who must be an employee or officer of one of the participating Municipalities or Counties.

SECTION 8: Zone Administrator.

The Zone Administrator shall be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Enterprise Zone, including but not limited to the following duties:

a. General Duties:

1. Supervise the implementation of the provisions of the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act;
2. Act as a liaison between the Municipalities, Counties, the DCEO, the Designated Zone Organizations, and other federal, state and local agencies, whether public or private;

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3. Conduct ongoing evaluations of the Enterprise Zone programs and submit evaluation reports at least annually to the Joint Enterprise Zone Governing Council ("Council");
4. Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone;
5. Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Council; and
6. Have such other duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

b. **Project Cost Information:**

By April 1 of each year, file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the DCEO. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, with a maximum of no more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) (20 ILCS 655/8.2(c)).

SECTION 9: Amended Intergovernmental Agreement.

The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Municipalities and Counties. The proposed amendments to said amended Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or in part by DCEO, including certification and recordation as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.

The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement has been presented to the President and Village Board of the Village of Glenwood and its attorney for review. The Village President and Village Clerk are hereby directed to execute and attest the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement on behalf of the Village. Further, the Village Manager, or his/her designee is directed to sign all

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documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Application for the amended Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the DCEO.

SECTION 10: Home Rule.

This Ordinance, and each of its terms, shall be the effective legislative act of a home rule municipality without regard to whether such Ordinance should: (a) contain terms contrary to the provisions of current or subsequent non-preemptive state law; or (b) legislate in a manner or regarding a matter not delegated to municipalities by state law. It is the intent of the corporate authorities of the Village of Glenwood that to the extent that the terms of this Ordinance should be inconsistent with any non-preemptive state law, this Ordinance shall supersede state law in that regard within its jurisdiction.

SECTION 11: Severability.

This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section, clause, paragraph, sentence or provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other provision of this Ordinance.

SECTION 12: Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

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PASSED by a roll call vote this 17th day of November, 2015

AYES: Hopkina Slaughter Styles Washington Winston

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

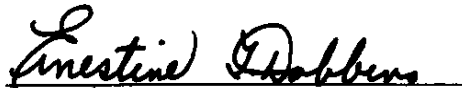
ABSTAIN: Beckman

APPROVED this 17th day of November, 2015



Ronald J. Gardiner, Village President

ATTEST:


Ernestine T. Dobbins, Village Clerk

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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF COOK)

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified deputy clerk of the Village of Olympia Fields, in the County and State aforesaid, and as such Clerk, I am the keeper of the official journal, records and files of the Board of Trustees of said Village.

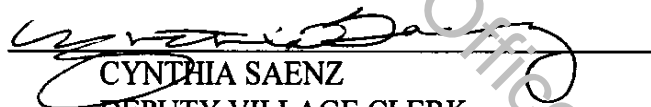
I do further certify that the attached and foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of an Ordinance entitled:

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-22

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING FORD HEIGHTS/SAUK ENTERPRISE ZONE BY ALTERING ITS BOUNDARIES AND INCLUDING ADDITIONAL UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ESTABLISHING NEW INCENTIVES AND RENAMING THE AMENDED ENTERPRISE ZONE AS THE LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE.

as adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Olympia Fields at its legally convened meeting held on November 23, 2015, and as signed by the President of said Village on the 23rd day of November 2015 and all as appears from the official records of said Village in my care and custody.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my official signature and the corporate seal of said Village of Olympia Fields, Cook County, Illinois, this 24TH day of November 2015.


CYNTIA SAENZ
DEPUTY VILLAGE CLERK,
VILLAGE OF OLYMPIA FIELDS

SEAL:

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VILLAGE OF OLYMPIA FIELDS

COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING FORD HEIGHTS/SAUK ENTERPRISE ZONE BY ALTERING ITS BOUNDARIES AND INCLUDING ADDITIONAL UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ESTABLISHING NEW INCENTIVES AND RENAMING THE AMENDED ENTERPRISE ZONE AS THE LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE

**ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE
PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES ON THE 23RD DAY OF
NOVEMBER, 2015**

Published in pamphlet form
by authority of the Village
President and Board of Trustees
of the Village of Olympia Fields
this 23rd day of November, 2015

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VILLAGE OF OLYMPIA FIELDS COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE EXISTING FORD HEIGHTS/SAUK ENTERPRISE ZONE BY ALTERING ITS BOUNDARIES AND INCLUDING ADDITIONAL UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ESTABLISHING NEW INCENTIVES AND RENAMING THE AMENDED ENTERPRISE ZONE AS THE LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE

WHEREAS, the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, 20 ILCS 655/1 *et al.*, provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the Villages of Beecher, Clete, Ford Heights, Glenwood, Olympia Fields, Sauk Village, South Chicago Heights, and Steger, the City of Chicago Heights (the "Municipalities"), and Cook and Will Counties (the "Counties") are organized and exist under the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, each aforesaid Municipality and County have areas within their respective corporate boundaries that are economically distressed and will benefit from private sector investments under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that it is in the best interests of the citizens of these Municipalities and Counties to establish an Enterprise Zone and to encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, and which expires on December 31, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, the existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Corridor Enterprise Zone consists of the Villages of Ford Heights and Sauk Village and affords an opportunity to expand its scope of territory and involvement of additional units of local government; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have joined in the collective pursuit of the existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by the altering the areas included within the Zone and including the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government; and

WHEREAS, the alteration of the areas included within the Zone and including the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government is subject to the respective approvals of the corporate authorities of each Municipality and County; and

WHEREAS, prior to the filing of an application for approval of the amendment to the existing Enterprise Zone, it is required pursuant to the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, that each Municipality and County adopt an ordinance amending the existing Enterprise Zone.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF OLYMPIA FIELDS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1: **Recitals Incorporated.** The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2: **Amendment to the Existing Enterprise Zone.** The existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to include the Villages of Beecher, Crete, Ford Heights, Glenwood, Olympia Fields, Sauk Village, South Chicago Heights and Steger, the City of Chicago Heights, and Cook and Will Counties as designated units of local government of said Enterprise Zone. Furthermore, the area of this Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to consist of the area described in the map attached as Exhibit A and made a part hereof, and as legally

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described in Exhibit B, attached hereto and made a part hereof. The area of the amended Zone is within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones which include more than four (4) jurisdictions by the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4). This amended Enterprise Zone shall be known as the "Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone". These amendments shall become effective upon the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity's approval of the application for this amended designating ordinance, its issuance of an amended certification for the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone, the recordation of a certified copy of the amended ordinance with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds, and the filing of the same with the Illinois Secretary of State.

Section 3: **Term.** The term of the amended Enterprise Zone shall expire on December 31, 2021, unless amended or otherwise lawfully changed.

Section 4: **Qualifications.** The Municipalities and Counties hereby declare and affirm that the amended Enterprise Zone is qualified for such designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, as follows:

- a. The Zone Area is a contiguous area;
- b. The Zone Area comprises an area larger than one-half (2) square miles and not more than fifteen (15) square miles in total area;
- c. The Zone Area is a depressed area;
- d. The Zone Area addresses a reasonable need to encompass portions of more than one (1) municipality and adjacent unincorporated areas of two (2) counties;
- e. The Zone Area exceed the minimum requirement of meeting three (3) of the ten (10) criteria set forth in Section 4 of the Illinois Enterprise Act (20 ILCS 655/4(f));
- f. On October 29, 2015, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Zone Area, not more than twenty (20) days nor less than fifteen (15) days before the public hearing date; and

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- g. The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria set forth in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO).

The above findings are supported, sustained and consistent with the findings set forth in the "Illinois Enterprise Zone Program Application for New Designation", attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit C.

Section 4: Incentives. The following incentives are offered by the State of Illinois, the Municipalities and the Counties to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within the Enterprise Zone, subject to the terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations set forth in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act:

a. **State Incentives:**

1. **Sales Tax Exemption.** A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
2. **Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption.** A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone. Eligibility for said exemption is based on a business making an investment in the Enterprise Zone of at least five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in qualified property that creates a minimum of two hundred (200) full-time equivalent jobs; a business investing at least forty million dollars (\$40,000,000.00) in the Enterprise Zone and retaining at least two thousand (2,000) jobs; or a business investing at least forty million dollars (\$40,000,000.00) in the Enterprise Zone which causes the retention of at least eighty percent (80%) of the jobs existing on the date the business is certified to receive the exemption.
3. **Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption.** A state utility tax exemption of gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax to eligible businesses located in the Enterprise Zone. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at

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least five million dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in qualified property that creates a minimum of two hundred (200) full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois; a business that invests twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000.00) and retains at least one thousand (1,000) full-time equivalent jobs; or a business that invests one hundred seventy-five million dollars (\$175,000,000.00) and creates one hundred fifty (150) full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located in the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.

4. **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit.** A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in the Enterprise Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five (5) years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent investment tax credit which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for an increase in employment over the previous year.
5. **Contribution Deduction.** Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

b. **Local Incentives and Fees:**

The Municipalities and Counties, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrators, may provide the following variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within the Enterprise Zone:

1. Abatement of fifty percent (50%) of the municipal portion of property taxes on improvements for industrial, commercial or institutional properties made during the first five (5) years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit shall not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for the property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatements provided by a unit of local government.
2. Waiver of fifty percent (50%) of initial building permits fees for industrial, commercial or industrial building.
3. The Enterprise Zone shall provide officials of the Municipalities and Counties, who are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit D, with certain written documentation and materials concerning additional incentives, including public and not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which the municipal and county officials may make

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available to the project developer and other interested individuals; provided, however, that such documentation and materials so provided may not include all incentives and programs available to a project.

Section 7: Zone Administrator. Upon the approval of the Enterprise Zone and certification by the DCEO, the Village shall appoint a representative to serve and participate in the Joint Enterprise Zone Governing Council ("Council"). The Council, among other things, will appoint a Zone Administrator, who must be an employee or officer of one of the participating Municipalities or Counties.

Section 8: Zone Administrator. The Zone Administrator shall be responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Enterprise Zone, including but not limited to the following duties:

a. **General Duties:**

1. Supervise the implementation of the provisions of the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act;
2. Act as a liaison between the Municipalities, Counties, the DCEO, the Designated Zone Organizations, and other federal, state and local agencies, whether public or private;
3. Conduct ongoing evaluations of the Enterprise Zone programs and submit evaluation reports at least annually to the Joint Enterprise Zone Governing Council ("Council");
4. Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone;
5. Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Council; and
6. Have such other duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

b. **Project Cost Information:**

By April 1 of each year, file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the

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DCEO. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, with a maximum of no more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) (20 ILCS 655/8.2(c)).

Section 9: Amended Intergovernmental Agreement. The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Municipalities and Counties. The proposed amendments to said amended Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or in part by DCEO, including certification and recordation as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.

The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement has been presented to the President and Village Board of the Village of Glenwood and its attorney for review. The Village President and Village Clerk are hereby directed to execute and attest the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement on behalf of the Village. Further, the Village Manager, or his/her designee is directed to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Application for the amended Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the DCEO.

Section 10: Severability. This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section, clause, paragraph, sentence or provision of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any other provision of this Ordinance.

Section 11: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

THIS ORDINANCE IS ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT AND VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF OLYMPIA FIELDS THIS 23rd DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015.

First Reading Waived.

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PASSED on second reading this 23rd day of November, 2015.


VILLAGE CLERK

Roll Call Vote:

Voting in Favor: Byrd, Waite, Pennington, Gibson, Hudson Nale

Voting Against: _____

Not Voting: _____

APPROVED this 23rd day of November, 2015.


VILLAGE PRESIDENT

PUBLISHED in pamphlet form this 23rd day of November, 2015.


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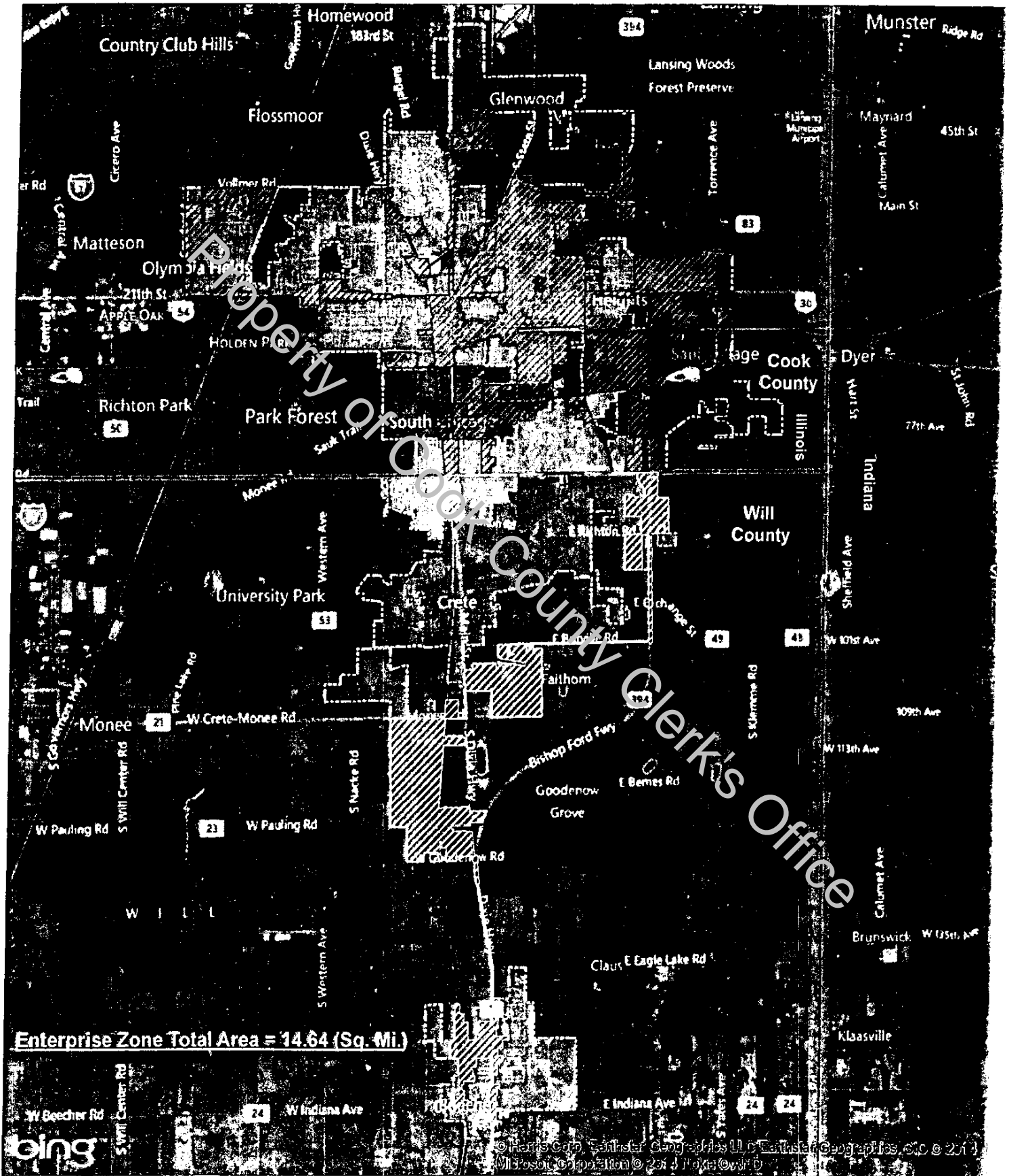
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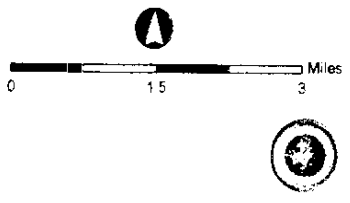
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Attachment A Lincoln-394 Enterprise Zone Map

Beecher/Chicago Heights/Crete/Ford Heights/Glenwood/Olympia Fields/
Sauk Village/South Chicago Heights/Steger/Unincorporated Cook County/Unincorporated Will County



Enterprise Zone In Cook County	Beecher	Olympia Fields
Enterprise Zone In Will County	Chicago Heights	Sauk Village
Unincorporated Cook County In Enterprise Zone	Crete	South Chicago Heights
Unincorporated Will County In Enterprise Zone	Ford Heights	Steger
County Boundary	Glenwood	



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LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE

ORDINANCE NUMBER 15-013

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AN ORDINANCE to amend the existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by altering its boundaries and including additional units of local governments, to establish new incentives and to rename the amended Enterprise Zone as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will are organized and existing under the laws of that State of Illinois. Each have areas within their respective legal boundaries that are economically distressed and would benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of these Counties and Municipalities to establish an Enterprise Zone and encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois, under the Illinois Enterprise Act and is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Corridor Enterprise Zone involves The Village of Ford Heights and the Village of Sauk Village as its designating municipalities and affords an opportunity to expand in scope of territory and involvement of additional units of local governments.

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have joined in the collective pursuit to amend the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by the alteration of areas included within the Zone and the inclusion of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government. These efforts are subject to the respective approvals of the governing bodies of each of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties.

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WHEREAS, prior to filing of an application for approval of the amendment to an existing Enterprise Zone, under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, it is required that the Counties and Municipalities adopt an Ordinance amending the existing Enterprise Zone; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE Mayor of the Village of Sauk Village , as follows:

SECTION 1: INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The above Recitals are incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein.

SECTION 2: AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING ENTERPRISE ZONE

The existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to include The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will as designated units of local government of said Enterprise Zone. Additionally, The area of this enterprise zone is also hereby altered to consist of the area described in the map **EXHIBIT A** and the legal description **EXHIBIT B**, attached hereto. This area of the amended zone is within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones that include more than 4 jurisdictions per the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4). **EXHIBITS A** and **B** are hereby incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein. This amended existing Enterprise Zone shall be named and known as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone. These amendments shall not be effective until and unless the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity upon application approves this amended designating Ordinance, issues an amended certification for the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone and record a certified copy of the amended Ordinance with Cook County Recorder of Deeds and file the same with the Illinois Secretary of State.

SECTION 3: TERM

The term of the amended Enterprise Zone remains unchanged and will expire on December 31, 2021, unless amended or otherwise lawfully changed.

SECTION 4: QUALIFICATIONS. The Counties and the Municipalities have declared and affirmed that the amended Enterprise Zone Area is qualified for designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and **FOUND** that

- a. The Zone Area is a contiguous area;

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- b. The Zone Area comprises an area larger than one-half square miles and not more than Fifteen square miles in total area;
- c. The Zone Area is a depressed area;
- d. The Zone Area addresses a reasonable need to encompass portions of more than one (1) municipality and adjacent unincorporated areas of the County;
- e. The Zone Area exceeds the minimum requirement of meeting 3 of the 10 criteria specified in the Illinois Enterprise Act (201LCS 655/4 (f));
- f. On the 2nd day of **October, 2015**, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to a Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation, within the Zone Area, not more than 20 days nor less than 5 days before the hearing date;
- g. The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria stated in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

All of the above stated **FINDINGS** are supported, sustained and consistent with the substantive materials contained in **EXHIBIT C**, attached here to, and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 5: INCENTIVES

The State of Illinois, Counties and Municipalities offer incentives designed to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within an Enterprise Zone, subject to terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations in the law:

STATE INCENTIVES

- **Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials to be used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
- **Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone is available. Eligibility is based on a business making an investment in an Enterprise Zone of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 fulltime-equivalent jobs, a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone and retaining at least 2,000 jobs, or a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone which causes the retention of at least 80 percent of the jobs existing on the date it is certified to receive the exemption.

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- **Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption** - A state utility tax exemption on gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax is available to businesses located in Enterprise Zones. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois, an investment of \$20 million that retains at least 1,000 full-time-equivalent jobs, or an investment of \$175 million that creates 150 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located in the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.
- **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit** - A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in a Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent Investment tax credit, which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for increased employment over the previous year.
- **Contribution Deduction** - Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a Designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

LOCAL INCENTIVES AND FEES

Local governments, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrators, may provide a variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within enterprise zones. The incentives offered are determined by counties and municipalities. The following local Enterprise Zone incentives are hereby offered:

- a) Abatement or reimbursement of 50% of the municipal portion of property taxes on new improvements for industrial, commercial, or institutional properties during the first five years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit will not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for this property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatement provided by a unit of local government.
- b) Waiver of 50% of initial building permit fees for industrial, commercial, or institutional projects.
- c) The Enterprise Zone will provide officials of the Counties and the Municipalities that are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, which is Attachment D to this Ordinance, with certain written documentation and materials relative to additional incentives, including public or not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which municipal officials may make available to the project developer, and other interested individuals. There is no representation that the available documents and materials include all incentives and programs available to the project.

The Zone Administrator shall file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by April 1 of each year.

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The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, provided that a maximum fee of no more than \$50,000 is permitted (20 ILCS 655/8.2 (c)).

SECTION 6. ZONE ADMINISTRATOR:

The Zone Administrator will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the amended Enterprise Zone, including the following duties:

- (a) Supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.
- (b) Act as a liaison between the Counties, Municipalities, the Illinois Department of Commerce Economic Opportunity, Designated Zone Organizations, and other State, Federal and local agencies, whether public or private.
- (c) Conduct an ongoing evaluation of the Enterprise Zone Programs and submit evaluative reports at least annually to the Council.
- (d) Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including, but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone.
- (e) Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Enterprise Zone Governing Council (the Council).
- (f) Have other such duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

SECTION 7: AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Counties and Municipalities, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance by reference. The proposed amendments to said Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or part by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement was presented to the legislative body of the Village of Sauk Village and its

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attorney for review. The Mayor is hereby directed to execute this Agreement, on behalf of the Village of Sauk Village. Further, the Mayor or his or her designee is directed to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Applications for said amended Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

SECTION 8: SEVERABILITY

This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section clause, paragraph, sentence or provision of this Ordinance will not affect the validity of any other portion of this Ordinance.

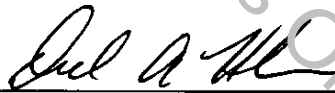
SECTION 9: PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

The Village Clerk is hereby authorized to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage, approval and publication as subject to approval, certification and recording required by law.

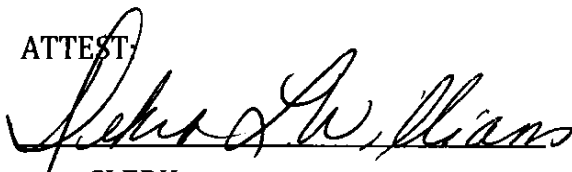
Presented, passed and approved this 10th day of November, 2015.

AYES:	_____
	Jones, Myers, Washington and Williams
NAYS:	_____
	Burgess and Tate
ABSENT:	_____
	None

APPROVED this 10th day of November 2015



 MAYOR

ATTEST


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NAME OF MUNICIPALITY OR COUNTY

LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE

ORDINANCE NUMBER - 2015-ORD-30

AN ORDINANCE to amend the existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by altering its boundaries and including additional units of local governments, to establish new incentives and to rename the amended Enterprise Zone as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will are organized and existing under the laws of that State of Illinois. Each have areas within their respective legal boundaries that are economically distressed and would benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of these Counties and Municipalities to establish an Enterprise Zone and encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois, under the Illinois Enterprise Act and is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Corridor Enterprise Zone involves The Village of Ford Heights and the Village of Sauk Village as its designating municipalities and affords an opportunity to expand in scope of territory and involvement of additional units of local governments.

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have joined in the collective pursuit to amend the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by the alteration of areas included within the Zone and the inclusion of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government. These efforts are subject to the respective approvals of the governing bodies of each of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties.

WHEREAS, prior to filing of an application for approval of the amendment to an existing Enterprise Zone, under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, it is required that

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the Counties and Municipalities adopt an Ordinance amending the existing Enterprise Zone; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES of THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS, as follows:

SECTION 1: INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The above Recitals are incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein.

SECTION 2: AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING ENTERPRISE ZONE

The existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to include The Village of Lecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will as designated units of local government of said Enterprise Zone. Additionally, The area of this enterprise zone is also hereby altered to consist of the area described in the map **EXHIBIT A** and the legal description **EXHIBIT B**, attached hereto. This area of the amended zone is within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones that include more than 4 jurisdictions per the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4). **EXHIBITS A and B** are hereby incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein. This amended existing Enterprise Zone shall be named and known as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone. These amendments shall not be effective until and unless the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity upon application approves this amended designating Ordinance, issues an amended certification for the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone and record a certified copy of the amended Ordinance with Cook County Recorder of Deeds and file the same with the Illinois Secretary of State.

SECTION 3: TERM

The term of the amended Enterprise Zone remains unchanged and will expire on December 31, 2021, unless amended or otherwise lawfully changed.

SECTION 4: QUALIFICATIONS. The Counties and the Municipalities have declared and affirmed that the amended Enterprise Zone Area is qualified for designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and **FOUND** that

- a. The Zone Area is a contiguous area;

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- b. The Zone Area comprises an area larger than one-half square miles and not more than Fifteen square miles in total area;
- c. The Zone Area is a depressed area;
- d. The Zone Area addresses a reasonable need to encompass portions of more than one (1) municipality and adjacent unincorporated areas of the County;
- e. The Zone Area exceeds the minimum requirement of meeting 3 of the 10 criteria specified in the Illinois Enterprise Act (20ILCS 655/4 (f));
- f. On the 29th day of **October, 2015**, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to a Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation, within the Zone Area, not more than 20 days nor less than 5 days before the hearing date;
- g. The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria stated in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity;

All of the above stated **FINDINGS** are supported, sustained and consistent with the substantive materials contained in **EXHIBIT C**, attached here to, and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 5: INCENTIVES

The State of Illinois, Counties and Municipalities offer incentives designed to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within an Enterprise Zone, subject to terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations in the law:

STATE INCENTIVES

- **Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials to be used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
- **Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone is available. Eligibility is based on a business making an investment in an Enterprise Zone of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 fulltime-equivalent jobs, a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone and retaining at least 2,000 jobs, or a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone which causes the retention of at least 80 percent of the jobs existing on the date it is certified to receive the exemption.

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- **Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption** - A state utility tax exemption on gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax is available to businesses located in Enterprise Zones. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois, an investment of \$20 million that retains at least 1,000 full-time-equivalent jobs, or an investment of \$175 million that creates 150 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located in the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.
- **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit** - A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in a Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent Investment tax credit, which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for increased employment over the previous year.
- **Contribution Deduction** - Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a Designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

LOCAL INCENTIVES AND FEES

Local governments, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrators, may provide a variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within enterprise zones. The incentives offered are determined by counties and municipalities. The following local Enterprise Zone incentives are hereby offered:

- a) Abatement or reimbursement of 50% of the municipal portion of property taxes on new improvements for industrial, commercial, or institutional properties during the first five years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit will not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for this property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatement provided by a unit of local government.
- b) Waiver of 50% of initial building permit fees for industrial, commercial, or institutional projects.
- c) The Enterprise Zone will provide officials of the Counties and the Municipalities that are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, which is Attachment D to this Ordinance, with certain written documentation and materials relative to additional incentives, including public or not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which municipal officials may make available to the project developer, and other interested individuals. There is no representation that the available documents and materials include all incentives and programs available to the project.

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The Zone Administrator shall file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by April 1 of each year. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, provided that a maximum fee of no more than \$50,000 is permitted (20 ILCS 655/8.2 (c)).

SECTION 6. ZONE ADMINISTRATOR:

The Zone Administrator will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the amended Enterprise Zone, including the following duties:

- (a) Supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.
- (b) Act as a liaison between the Counties, Municipalities, the Illinois Department of Commerce Economic Opportunity, Designated Zone Organizations, and other State, Federal and local agencies, whether public or private.
- (c) Conduct an ongoing evaluation of the Enterprise Zone Programs and submit evaluative reports at least annually to the Council.
- (d) Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including, but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone.
- (e) Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Enterprise Zone Governing Council (the Council).
- (f) Have other such duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

SECTION 7: AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Counties and Municipalities, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance by reference. The proposed amendments to said Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or part by the Illinois

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Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement was presented to the legislative body of THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS and its attorney for review. The VILLAGE PRESIDENT is hereby directed to execute this Agreement, on behalf of the VILLAGE OF SOUTH CHICAGO HEIGHTS. Further, the VILLAGE PRESIDENT or his or her designee is directed to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Applications for said amended Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

SECTION 8: SEVERABILITY

This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section clause, paragraph, sentence or provision of this Ordinance will not affect the validity of any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 9: PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

VILLAGE CLERK is hereby authorized to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage, approval and publication as subject to approval, certification and recording required by law.

Presented, passed and approved this 7TH day of DECEMBER, 2015.

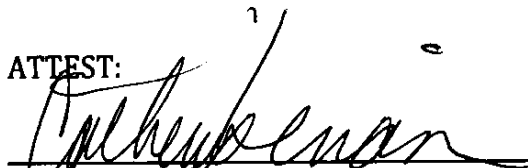
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APPROVED this 7TH day of DECEMBER 2015



DAVID L. OWEN, VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:


VILLAGE CLERK

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ORDINANCE NO. 1082

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
 COUNTIES OF COOK)
)
 AND WILL)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE EXISTING FORD HEIGHTS/SAUK VILLAGE ENTERPRISE ZONE BY ALTERING ITS BOUNDARIES AND INCLUDING ADDITIONAL UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, TO ESTABLISH NEW INCENTIVES AND TO RENAME THE AMENDED ENTERPRISE ZONE AS THE LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE.

WHEREAS, the Village of Steger, Counties of Cook and Will, State of Illinois (the "Village") is a duly organized and existing municipality and unit of local government created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois, and is operating under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, with full powers to enact ordinances and adopt resolutions for the benefit of the residents of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State, and

WHEREAS, The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will are organized and existing under the laws of that State of Illinois. Each have areas within their respective legal boundaries that are economically distressed and would benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of these Counties and Municipalities to establish an Enterprise Zone and encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

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WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois, under the Illinois Enterprise Act and is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Corridor Enterprise Zone involves The Village of Ford Heights and the Village of Sauk Village as its designating municipalities and affords an opportunity to expand in scope of territory and involvement of additional units of local governments.

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have joined in the collective pursuit to amend the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by the alteration of areas included within the Zone and the inclusion of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government. These efforts are subject to the respective approvals of the governing bodies of each of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties.

WHEREAS, prior to filing of an application for approval of the amendment to an existing Enterprise Zone, under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, it is required that the Counties and Municipalities adopt an Ordinance amending the existing Enterprise Zone;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Steger, Counties of Cook and Will, and the State of Illinois, as follows:

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

SECTION 1: Incorporation Clause.

The Corporate Authorities hereby find that all of the recitals hereinbefore stated as contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are full, true and correct and

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do hereby, by reference, incorporate and make them part of this Ordinance as legislative findings.

SECTION 2: Purpose.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to authorize the President to enter into the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement which will stimulate private sector investments in economically distressed areas pursuant to the Enterprise Zone Act.

ARTICLE II. AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING ENTERPRISE ZONE

SECTION 3: Amendment.

The existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to include The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will as designated units of local government of said Enterprise Zone. Additionally, the area of this enterprise zone is also hereby altered to consist of the area described in the map **EXHIBIT A** and the legal description **EXHIBIT B**, attached hereto. This area of the amended zone is within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones that include more than 4 jurisdictions per the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4). **EXHIBITS A** and **B** are hereby incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein. This amended existing Enterprise Zone shall be named and known as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone. These amendments shall not be effective until and unless the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity upon application approves this amended designating Ordinance, issues an amended certification for the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone and record a certified copy of the amended Ordinance

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with Cook County Recorder of Deeds and file the same with the Illinois Secretary of State.

SECTION 4: Term.

The term of the amended Enterprise Zone remains unchanged and will expire on December 31, 2021, unless amended or otherwise lawfully changed.

SECTION 5: Qualifications.

The Counties and the Municipalities have declared and affirmed that the amended Enterprise Zone Area is qualified for designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and FOUND that

- a. The Zone Area is a contiguous area;
- b. The Zone Area comprises an area larger than one-half square miles and not more than Fifteen square miles in total area;
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- d. The Zone Area addresses a reasonable need to encompass portions of more than one (1) municipality and adjacent unincorporated areas of the County;
- e. The Zone Area exceeds the minimum requirement of meeting 3 of the 10 criteria specified in the Illinois Enterprise Act (20ILCS 655/4 (f));
- f. On the 29th day of October, 2015, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to a Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation, within the Zone Area, not more than 20 days nor less than 5 days before the hearing date;
- g. The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria stated in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity;

All of the above stated FINDINGS are supported, sustained and consistent with the substantive materials contained in EXHIBIT C, attached here to, and incorporated herein by reference.

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SECTION 6: Incentives.

The State of Illinois, Counties and Municipalities offer incentives designed to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within an Enterprise Zone, subject to terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations in the law:

State Incentives

- (a) Sales Tax Exemption - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials to be used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
- (b) Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone is available. Eligibility is based on a business making an investment in an Enterprise Zone of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 fulltime-equivalent jobs, a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone and retaining at least 2,000 jobs, or a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone which causes the retention of at least 80 percent of the jobs existing on the date it is certified to receive the exemption.
- (c) Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption - A state utility tax exemption on gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax is available to businesses located in Enterprise Zones. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois, an investment of \$20

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million that retains at least 1,000 full-time-equivalent jobs, or an investment of \$175 million that creates 150 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located in the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.

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- (e) Contribution Deduction - Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a Designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

Local Incentives And Fees

Local governments, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrators, may provide a variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within enterprise zones. The incentives offered are determined by counties and municipalities. The following local Enterprise Zone incentives are hereby offered:

- (a) Abatement or reimbursement of 50% of the municipal portion of property taxes on new improvements for industrial, commercial, or institutional properties during the first five years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit will not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for this property under the terms of a tax

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increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatement provided by a unit of local government.

(b) Waiver of 50% of initial building permit fees for industrial, commercial, or institutional projects.

(c) The Enterprise Zone will provide officials of the Counties and the Municipalities that are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, which is Attachment D to this Ordinance, with certain written documentation and materials relative to additional incentives, including public or not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which municipal officials may make available to the project developer, and other interested individuals. There is no representation that the available documents and materials include all incentives and programs available to the project.

The Zone Administrator shall file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by April 1 of each year. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, provided that a maximum fee of no more than \$50,000 is permitted (20 ILCS 655/8.2 (c)).

SECTION 7: Zone Administrator.

The Zone Administrator will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the amended Enterprise Zone, including the following duties:

(a) Supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.

(b) Act as a liaison between the Counties, Municipalities, the Illinois Department of Commerce Economic Opportunity, Designated Zone

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Organizations, and other State, Federal and local agencies, whether public or private.

- (c) Conduct an ongoing evaluation of the Enterprise Zone Programs and submit evaluative reports at least annually to the Council.
- (d) Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including, but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone.
- (e) Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Enterprise Zone Governing Council (the Council).
- (f) Have other such duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

SECTION 8: Amended Intergovernmental Agreement.

The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Counties and Municipalities, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance by reference. The proposed amendments to said Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or part by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement was presented to the legislative body of the Village and its attorney for review. The Village President is hereby directed to execute this Agreement, on behalf of the Village. Further, the Village President or his or her designee is directed to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint

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Applications for said amended Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

ARTICLE III. HEADINGS, SAVINGS CLAUSES, PUBLICATION, EFFECTIVE DATE

SECTION 9: Headings.

The headings of the articles, sections, paragraphs and subparagraphs of this Ordinance are inserted solely for convenience of reference and form no substantive part of this Ordinance nor should they be used in any interpretation or construction of any substantive provision of this Ordinance.

SECTION 10: Severability.

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and should any provision of this Ordinance be determined to be in conflict with any law, statute or regulation by a court of competent jurisdiction, said provision shall be excluded and deemed inoperative, unenforceable and as though not provided for herein, and all other provisions shall remain unaffected, unimpaired, valid and in full force and effect.

SECTION 11: Superseder.

All code provisions, ordinances, resolutions, rules and orders, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby superseded.

SECTION 12: Publication.

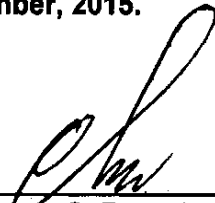
A full, true and complete copy of this Ordinance shall be published in pamphlet form or in a newspaper published and of general circulation within the Village as provided by the Illinois Municipal Code, as amended.

SECTION 13: Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall be effective and in full force immediately upon passage and approval.

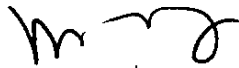
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PASSED this 16th day of November, 2015.



Carmen S. Recupito, Jr., Village Clerk

PASSED this 16th day of November, 2015.



Kenneth A. Peterson, Jr., Village President

Roll Call Vote:
Voting in favor:
Voting against:
Not voting:

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ORDINANCE****Sponsored by****THE HONORABLE TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT, STANLEY MOORE,
JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY AND DEBORAH SIMS, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS****LINCOLN AND 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE****AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE EXISTING FORD HEIGHTS/SAUK VILLAGE ENTERPRISE ZONE BY ALTERING ITS BOUNDARIES AND INCLUDING ADDITIONAL UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, TO ESTABLISH NEW INCENTIVES AND TO RENAME THE AMENDED ENTERPRISE ZONE AS THE LINCOLN & 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE.**

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steyer (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will are organized and existing under the laws of that State of Illinois. Each have areas within their respective legal boundaries that are economically distressed and would benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of these Counties and Municipalities to establish an Enterprise Zone and encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois, under the Illinois Enterprise Act and is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Corridor Enterprise Zone involves The Village of Ford Heights and the Village of Sauk Village as its designating municipalities and affords an opportunity to expand in scope of territory and involvement of additional units of local governments; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have joined in the collective pursuit to amend the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by the alteration of areas included within the Zone and the inclusion of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government. These efforts are subject to the respective approvals of the governing bodies of each of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties; and

WHEREAS, prior to filing of an application for approval of the amendment to an existing Enterprise Zone, under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, it is required that the Counties and Municipalities adopt an Ordinance amending the existing Enterprise Zone; and

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BE IT ORDAINED, by the Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Chapter 14, Community Development, Article VI, Lincoln and 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone, Sections 14-59 through 14-67 of the Cook County Code is hereby enacted as Follows:

ARTICLE VI. LINCOLN AND 394 CORRIDOR ENTERPRISE ZONE

Sec. 14-59. Establishment of enterprise zone and enterprise zone designation.

The existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village is hereby amended to include The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will as designated units of local government of said Enterprise Zone. Additionally, the area of this Enterprise Zone is also hereby altered to consist of the area described in the map EXHIBIT A and the legal description EXHIBIT B, attached hereto. This area of the amended zone is within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones that include more than 4 jurisdictions per the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4). EXHIBITS A and B are hereby incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein. This amended existing Enterprise Zone shall be named and known as the Lincoln and 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone. These amendments shall not be effective until and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity upon application approves this amended designating Ordinance, issues an amended certification for the Lincoln and 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone and record a certified copy of the amended Ordinance with Cook County Recorder of Deeds and file the same with the Illinois Secretary of State.

Sec. 14-60. Term.

The term of the amended Enterprise Zone remains unchanged and will expire on December 31, 2021, unless amended or otherwise lawfully changed.

Sec. 14-61. Description of zone.

The area of the designated Enterprise Zone is outlined in a map in EXHIBIT A and described in the legal description in EXHIBIT B, which exhibits are attached to this Ordinance and incorporated herein by reference.

Sec. 14-62. Qualifications.

The Counties and the Municipalities have declared and affirmed that the amended Enterprise Zone Area is qualified for designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and FOUND that:

- (a) The Zone Area is a contiguous area;
- (b) The Zone Area comprises an area larger than one-half square miles and not more than Fifteen square miles in total area;
- (c) The Zone Area is a depressed area;
- (d) The Zone Area addresses a reasonable need to encompass portions of more than one (1) municipality and adjacent unincorporated areas of the County;

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(e) The Zone Area exceeds the minimum requirement of meeting 3 of the 10 criteria specified in the Illinois Enterprise Act (20ILCS 655/4 (f));

(f) On the 29th day of October, 2015, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to a Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation, within the Zone Area, not more than 20 days nor less than 5 days before the hearing date;

(g) The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria stated in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity;

All of the above stated FINDINGS are supported, sustained and consistent with the substantive materials contained in EXHIBIT C, attached here to, and incorporated herein by reference.

Sec. 14-63. Incentives.

The State of Illinois, Counties and Municipalities offer incentives designed to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within an Enterprise Zone, subject to terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations in the law:

STATE INCENTIVES

(a) State Incentives

1. Sales Tax Exemption - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials to be used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
2. Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone is available. Eligibility is based on a business making an investment in an Enterprise Zone of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 fulltime-equivalent jobs, a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone and retaining at least 2,000 jobs, or a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone which causes the retention of at least 80 percent of the jobs existing on the date it is certified to receive the exemption.
3. Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption. A state utility tax exemption on gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission's administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax is available to businesses located In Enterprise Zones. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois, an investment of \$20 million that retains at least 1,000 full-time-equivalent jobs, or an investment of \$175 million that creates 150 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located In the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.

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4. **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit.** A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in a Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent Investment tax credit, which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for increased employment over the previous year.
5. **Contribution Deduction.** Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a Designated Zone Organization from taxable income.
- (b) **Local Incentives and Fees.**

Local government, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrators, may provide a variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within enterprise zones. The incentives offered are determined by counties and municipalities. The following local Enterprise Zone incentives are hereby offered:

1. **Abatement or reimbursement of 50% of the municipal portion of property taxes on new improvements for industrial, commercial, or institutional properties during the first five years following the completion of these improvements.** This benefit will not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for this property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatement provided by a unit of local government.
2. **Waiver of 50% of initial building permit fees for industrial, commercial, or institutional projects.**
3. **The Enterprise Zone will provide officials of the Counties and the Municipalities that are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, which is Attachment D to this Ordinance, with certain written documentation and materials relative to additional incentives, including public or not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which municipal officials may make available to the project developer, and other interested individuals. There is no representation that the available documents and materials include all incentives and programs available to the project.**

The Zone Administrator shall file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by April 1 of each year. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, provided that a maximum fee of no more than \$50,000 is permitted (20 ILCS 655/8.2 (c)).

Sec. 14-64. Zone administrator.

The Zone Administrator will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the amended Enterprise Zone, including the following duties:

- (a) **Supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.**

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(b) Act as a liaison between the Counties, Municipalities, the Illinois Department of Commerce Economic Opportunity, Designated Zone Organizations, and other State, Federal and local agencies, whether public or private.

(c) Conduct an ongoing evaluation of the Enterprise Zone Programs and submit evaluative reports at least annually to the Council.

(d) Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including, but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone.

(e) Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Enterprise Zone Governing Council (the Council).

(f) Have other such duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

Sec. 14-65. Intergovernmental agreement.

The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Counties and Municipalities, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance by reference. The proposed amendments to said Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or part by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement (EXHIBIT D) was presented to the legislative body of Cook County and its attorney for review. The President is hereby authorized to execute this Agreement, on behalf of the County of Cook. Further the President or his or her designee is authorized to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Application for said amended Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

Sec. 14-66. Severability.

This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section clause, paragraph, sentence or provision of this Ordinance will not affect the validity of any other portion of this Ordinance.

Sec. 14-67. Publication and effective date.

Cook County is hereby authorized to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage, approval and publication as subject to approval, certification and recording required by law.

Effective date: This Ordinance Amendment shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

Approved and adopted this 21st of December 2015.


TONI PRECKWINKLE, President
Cook County Board of Commissioners

(SEAL)

Attest: 
DAVID ORR, County Clerk

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF
COOK COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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State of Illinois
County of Will

I, **NANCY SCHULTZ VOOTS**, County Clerk and Clerk of the County Board of Will County and keeper of the records and files thereof, as provided by Statute, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance #15-359 approved by the County Board of Will County, at its Recessed September meeting held in Joliet on November 19, 2015 which became effective on November 25, 2015.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County at my office in Joliet in said County, this 30th day of November, 2015.

Nancy Schultz Voots

NANCY SCHULTZ VOOTS
WILL COUNTY CLERK

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**ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

An Ordinance to Amend the Existing Ford Heights/ Sauk Village Enterprise Zone by Altering its Boundaries and Including Additional Units of Local Governments, to Establish New Incentives and to Rename the Amended Enterprise Zone as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq.) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically depressed areas throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), The County of Cook, and the County of Will (the "Counties") are duly organized and existing under the laws of that State of Illinois. Each have areas within their respective legal boundaries that are economically depressed and would benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of these Counties and Municipalities to establish an Enterprise Zone and encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity of the State of Illinois, under the Illinois Enterprise Act and is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Corridor Enterprise Zone involves The Village of Ford Heights and the Village of Sauk Village as its designating municipalities and affords an opportunity to expand in scope of territory and involvement of additional units of local governments; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties joined in a collective pursuit to amend the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone, (Enterprise Zone) in order to alter areas included within the Enterprise Zone, include the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government, provide certain incentives and change the name of the existing Enterprise Zone to the Lincoln and 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone, ("amended Enterprise Zone"). These efforts are subject to the respective approvals of the governing bodies of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties and the certification of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and

WHEREAS, prior to filing of an application for approval of the amendment to an existing enterprise zone, under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, it is required that the Counties and

Municipalities adopt an Ordinance amending the existing enterprise zone; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD of the COUNTY OF WILL, as follows:

SECTION 1: INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The above Recitals are incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein.

SECTION 2: AMENDMENT TO THE EXISTING ENTERPRISE ZONE

The existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is hereby amended to include the Village of Beecher, the City of Chicago Heights, the Village of Crete, the Village of Ford Heights, the Village of Glenwood, the Village of Olympia Fields, the Village of Sauk Village, the Village of South Chicago Heights, the Village of Steger (the "Municipalities"), the County of Cook, and the County of Will, (the "Counties") as designated units of local government of said the amended Enterprise Zone. Additionally, the area of this Enterprise Zone is also hereby altered to consist of the area described in the map EXHIBIT A and the legal description EXHIBIT B, attached hereto. This area of the amended Enterprise Zone is within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones that include more than 4 jurisdictions, per the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4). EXHIBITS A and B are hereby incorporated herein by reference and become part of this Section as if fully stated herein. This amended Enterprise Zone shall be named and known as the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone. These amendments shall not be effective until and unless the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity upon application approves this amended designating Ordinance, issues an amended certification for the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone and record a certified copy of the amended Ordinances with the Cook County Recorder of Deeds and the Will County Recorder of Deeds, respectively, and file the same with the Illinois Secretary of State.

SECTION 3: TERM

The term of the amended Enterprise Zone remains unchanged and will expire on December 31, 2021, unless amended or otherwise lawfully changed.

SECTION 4: QUALIFICATIONS. The Counties and the Municipalities have declared and affirmed that the amended Enterprise Zone Area, (Zone Area) is qualified for designation as an enterprise zone in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and FOUND that

- a. The Zone Area is a contiguous area;

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- b. The Zone Area comprises an area larger than one-half square miles and not more than fifteen square miles in total area;
- c. The Zone Area is a depressed area;
- d. The Zone Area addresses a reasonable need to encompass portions of more than one (1) municipality and adjacent unincorporated areas of the Counties;
- e. The Zone Area exceeds the minimum requirement of meeting 3 of the 10 criteria specified in the Illinois Enterprise Act (20ILCS 655/4 (f));
- f. On the 29th day of October, 2015, a public hearing was conducted pursuant to a Notice duly published in a newspaper of general circulation, within the Zone Area, not more than 20 days nor less than 5 days before the hearing date;
- g. The Zone Area satisfies any additional criteria stated in the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act or established by the Rules of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity;

All of the above stated FINDINGS are supported, sustained and consistent with the substantive materials contained in EXHIBIT C, attached here to, and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 5: INCENTIVES

The State of Illinois, Counties and Municipalities offer incentives designed to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate or expand within an enterprise zone, subject to terms, conditions, rules and legal limitations in the law:

STATE INCENTIVES

- **Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials to be used in an Enterprise Zone. Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
- **Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption** - A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone is available. Eligibility is based on a business making an investment in an Enterprise Zone of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 fulltime-equivalent jobs, a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone and retaining at least 2,000 jobs, or a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone which

causes the retention of at least 80 percent of the jobs existing on the date it is certified to receive the exemption.

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- **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit** - A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in a Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent investment tax credit, which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for increased employment over the previous year.
- **Contribution Deduction** - Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a Designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

LOCAL INCENTIVES AND FEES

Local governments, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrators, may provide a variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within enterprise zones. The incentives offered are determined by counties and municipalities. The following local Enterprise Zone incentives are hereby offered:

- a) Abatement or reimbursement of 50% of the municipal portion of property taxes on new improvements for industrial, commercial, or institutional properties during the first five years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit will not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for this property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatement provided by a unit of local government.
- b) Waiver of 50% of initial building permit fees for industrial, commercial, or institutional projects.
- c) The Enterprise Zone will provide officials of the Counties and the Municipalities that are signatories to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, which is Attachment D to this Ordinance, with certain written documentation and materials relative to additional incentives, including public or

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not-for-profit financing and workforce development programs, which municipal officials may make available to the project developer, and other interested individuals. There is no representation that the available documents and materials include all incentives and programs available to the project.

The Zone Administrator shall file a copy of the amended Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by April 1 of each year. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% (one half of one percent) of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, provided that a maximum fee of no more than \$50,000 is permitted (20 ILCS 655/8.2 (c)).

SECTION 6. ZONE ADMINISTRATOR:

The Zone Administrator will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the amended Enterprise Zone, including the following duties:

- (a) Supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.
- (b) Act as a liaison between the Counties, Municipalities, the Illinois Department of Commerce Economic Opportunity, Designated Zone Organizations, and other State, Federal and local agencies, whether public or private.
- (c) Conduct an ongoing evaluation of the Enterprise Zone Programs and submit evaluative reports at least annually to the Council.
- (d) Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including, but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the amended Enterprise Zone.
- (e) Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Enterprise Zone Governing Council (the Council).
- (f) Have other such duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the amended Enterprise Zone.

SECTION 7: AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

The amended Enterprise Zone shall be governed, managed and operated in accordance with the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement between the Counties and Municipalities, which is attached hereto and incorporated into this Ordinance by reference. The proposed amendments to said Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone is binding only if approved in whole or part by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including

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certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act. The Amended Intergovernmental Agreement was presented to the legislative body of the County of Will and its attorney for review. The Will County Executive is hereby authorized to execute this Agreement, on behalf of Will County. Further, the Will County Executive or his or her designee is authorized to sign all documents reasonably necessary in the furtherance of the Joint Applications for said amended Enterprise Zone, to be filed with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

SECTION 8: SEVERABILITY

This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall be considered severable and the invalidity of any section clause, paragraph, sentence or provision of this Ordinance will not affect the validity of any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION 9: PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE

The County of Will is hereby authorized to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from after its passage, approval and publication as subject to approval, certification and recording required by law.

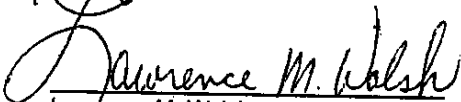
Adopted by the Will County Board this 19th day of November, 2015.

AYES:	Howard, Ogalla, Moustis, Singer, Moran, Rice, Harris, Traynere, Bennefield, Fritz, Freitag, Balich, Fricilone, Brooks Jr., Winfrey, Parker, Staley-Ferry, Bahich, Wilhelmi, Hart, Tuminello, Weigel, Collins, Ferry
LEFT MEETING:	Gould, Maher

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Approved this 25th day of November, 2015.


Nancy Schults Voots (SEAL)
Will County Clerk


Lawrence M. Walsh
Will County Executive

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State of Illinois
County of Will

NANCY SCHULTZ VOOTS, County Clerk and Clerk of the County Board of Will County and keeper of the records and files thereof, as provided by Statute, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Resolution #15-360 approved by the County Board of Will County, at its Recessed September meeting held in Joliet on November 19, 2015 which became effective on November 25, 2015.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said County at my office in Joliet in said County, this 30th day of November, 2015.

Nancy Schultz Voots

 NANCY SCHULTZ VOOTS
 WILL COUNTY CLERK

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**RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Authorizing the County Executive to Execute an Amended Intergovernmental Agreement for Lincoln & 394 Enterprise Zone

WHEREAS, the Village of Beecher, City of Chicago Heights, Village of Crete, Village of Ford Heights, Village of Glenwood, Village of Olympia Fields, Village of Sauk Village, Village of South Chicago Heights and, Village of Steger, are municipalities organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, ("Municipalities") and the County of Cook, and County of Will are Municipalities organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois (the "Municipalities") and the Counties bodies Politics and Corporates of the State of Illinois, ("Counties"); and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq.) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically depressedistressed areas throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have areas, within their respective legal boundaries, that are economically depressedistressed and will benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the Municipalities and Counties to establish an Eenterprise Zzone and encourage private sector investments within said Eenterprise Zzone; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS, Section 220/1 et seq., authorizes counties and municipalities to exercise jointly with any public agency of the State, including other units of local government, any power, privilege, or authority which may be exercised by a unit of local government individually, and to enter into contracts for the performance of governmental services, activities, and undertakings; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 7, Section 10 of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, the Municipalities and Counties are empowered to contract for the purposes set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone, ("Enterprise Zone") currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois, under the Illinois Enterprise Act and is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone involves The Village of Ford Heights and The Village of Sauk Village as its designating municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties joined in a collective pursuit to amend the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone in order to alter areas

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included within the Enterprise Zone, include the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government, provide certain incentives and change the name of the existing Enterprise Zone to the Lincoln and 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone, ("amended Enterprise Zone"). These efforts are subject to the respective approvals of the governing bodies of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties and the certification of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, and

WHEREAS, the term of the amended Enterprise Zone shall coincide with the current existing Enterprise Zone unless amended or otherwise legally changed; and

WHEREAS, the designated Successor amended Enterprise Zone Area is outlined in the map in EXHIBIT A and its boundaries are set down in the legal description in EXHIBIT B, which exhibits are attached to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the amended Enterprise Zone area exceeds the minimum requirement of meeting 3 of the 10 criteria specified in the Illinois Enterprise Act (20 ILCS 655/4 (f)); as demonstrated in the Enterprise Zone Qualifications Report, EXHIBIT C attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Counties and the Municipalities declared and affirmed that the amended Enterprise Zone area is qualified for designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Enterprise Zone Act,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Will County Board hereby authorizes the Will County Executive to execute an Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, in substantially the form attached hereto, in support of the Lincoln and 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Preamble of this Resolution is hereby adopted as if fully set herein. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

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Adopted by the Will County Board this 19th day of November, 2015.

AYES:	Howard, Ogalla, Moustis, Singer, Moran, Rice, Harris, Traynere, Bennefield, Fritz, Freitag, Balich, Fricilone, Brooks Jr., Winfrey, Parker, Staley-Ferry, Babich, Wilhelmi, Hart, Tuminello, Weigel, Collins, Ferry
LEFT MEETING:	Gould, Maher

Result: Approved - [Unanimous]

Nancy Schultz Voots
 Nancy Schultz Voots (SEAL)
 Will County Clerk

Approved this 25th day of November, 2015.

Lawrence M. Walsh
 Lawrence M. Walsh
 Will County Executive

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Village of Steger,
Cook/Will County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation

By: _____
President

ATTEST:

Village Clerk

Date

County of Cook
A Body Politic and Corporate
Of the State of Illinois

By: _____
President

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Date

County of Will
A Body Politic and Corporate
Of the State of Illinois

BY Laurence M. Wash

ATTEST:

Nancy Schultz
County Clerk

December 2, 2015
Date

Attachment: IGA Lincoln EZ October 28 2015 clean (15-360 : Amended IGA re: Lincoln & 394 Enterprise Zone)

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EXHIBIT D

AMENDED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

The Village of Beecher, The City of Chicago Heights, The Village of Crete, The Village of Ford Heights, The Village of Glenwood, The Village of Olympia Fields, The Village of Sauk Village, The Village of South Chicago Heights, The Village of Steger, The County of Cook, and the County of Will

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Villages and City are Municipalities organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois (the "Municipalities") and the Counties are body Politics and Corporates of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/1 et seq) provides for the creation of enterprise zones to encourage private sector investments in economically distressed areas throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, The aforesaid Municipalities and Counties have areas, within their respective legal boundaries, that are economically distressed and will benefit from private sector investments under the Enterprise Zone Act; and

WHEREAS, it is determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the Municipalities and Counties to establish an Enterprise Zone and encourage private sector investments within said Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS, Section 220/1 et seq, authorizes counties and municipalities to exercise jointly with any public agency of the State, including other units of local government, any power, privilege, or authority which may be exercised by a unit of local government individually, and to enter into contracts for the performance of governmental services, activities, and undertakings; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 7, Section 10 of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, the Municipalities are empowered to contract for the purposes set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone currently exists by virtue of certification by the State of Illinois, under the Illinois Enterprise Act and is scheduled to expire on December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone involves The Village of Ford Heights and The Village of Sauk Village as its designating municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties joined in a collective pursuit to amend the current existing Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone in order to alter areas included within the Zone, include the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties as designating units of local government, provide certain incentives and change the name of the existing Enterprise Zone.

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These efforts are subject to the respective approvals of the governing bodies of the aforesaid Municipalities and Counties, and

WHEREAS, the term of the amended Enterprise Zone shall coincide with the current existing Enterprise Zone unless amended or otherwise legally changed; and

WHEREAS, the designated Successor Enterprise Zone Area is outlined in the map in **EXHIBIT A** and its boundaries are set down in the legal description in **EXHIBIT B**, which exhibits are attached to the Amended Intergovernmental Agreement and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the Zone area exceeds the minimum requirement of meeting 3 of the 10 criteria specified in the Illinois Enterprise Act (20 ILCS 655/4 (f)); as demonstrated in the Enterprise Zone Qualifications Report, **EXHIBIT C** attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Counties and the Municipalities declared and affirmed that the Zone Area is qualified for designation as an Enterprise Zone in accordance with the provisions of the Enterprise Zone Act,

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL PROMISES CONTAINED HEREIN, THE RECITALS HEREIN ABOVE SET FORTH AND OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATIONS, RECEIPT OF WHICH IS HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED, IT IS HEREBY AGREED BETWEEN THE COUNTIES AND THE MUNICIPALITIES, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The Preamble to this Agreement and all Exhibits referred to in this Agreement and its Preamble are hereby incorporated herein as if fully set forth in this Section 1.

SECTION 2. AMENDING EXISTING ZONE

The Counties and Municipalities passed ordinances amending the Ford Heights/Sauk Village Enterprise Zone, subject to the approval, certification and recording requirement of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. The proposed amendments added additional units of local government as designating counties and municipalities, altered the territory or area of the Zone, while retaining this area within the 15 square mile limit required for enterprise zones that include more than 4 jurisdictions per the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act (20 ILCS 655/4), offered specific incentives and changed the name of the existing Enterprise Zone to the Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone.

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SECTION 3. DESIGNATION

The Municipalities and Counties have adopted such Ordinances as are convenient and necessary to designate and implement the amended Enterprise Zone, pursuant to the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act, to be named and known as the “**Lincoln & 394 Corridor Enterprise Zone**”.

SECTION 4. INCENTIVES

The State of Illinois, Counties and Municipalities offer incentives designed to encourage businesses in the private sector to locate and expand within Enterprise Zones, subject to terms, conditions, rules and limitations as legally provided.

STATE INCENTIVES

- **Sales Tax Exemption** – A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption is permitted on building materials to be used in an Enterprise Zone. The Materials must be permanently affixed to the property and must be purchased from a qualified retailer.
- **Enterprise Zone Machinery and Equipment Consumables/Pollution Control Facilities Sales Tax Exemption** – A 6.25 percent state sales tax exemption of purchases of tangible personal property to be used in the manufacturing or assembly process or in the operation of a pollution control facility within an Enterprise Zone is available. Eligibility is based on a business making an investment in an Enterprise Zone of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 fulltime-equivalent jobs, a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone and retaining at least 2,000 jobs, or a business investing at least \$40 million in a zone which causes the retention of at least 80 percent of the jobs existing on the date it is certified to receive the exemption.
- **Enterprise Zone Utility Tax Exemption** – A state utility tax exemption on gas, electricity and the Illinois Commerce Commission’s administrative charge and telecommunication excise tax is available to businesses located in Enterprise Zones. Eligible businesses must make an investment of at least \$5 million in qualified property that creates a minimum of 200 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois, an investment of \$20 million that retains at least 1,000 full-time-equivalent jobs, or an investment of \$175 million that creates 150 full-time equivalent jobs in Illinois. The majority of the jobs created must be located in the Enterprise Zone where the investment occurs.
- **Enterprise Zone Investment Tax Credit** – A state investment tax credit of 0.5 percent is allowed a taxpayer who invests in qualified property in a Zone. Qualified property includes machinery, equipment and buildings. The credit may be carried forward for up to five years. This credit is in addition to the regular 0.5 percent Investment tax credit, which is available throughout the state, and up to 0.5 percent credit for increased employment over the previous year.

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- **Contribution Deduction** - Businesses may deduct double the value of a cash or in-kind contribution to an approved project of a Designated Zone Organization from taxable income.

LOCAL INCENTIVES AND FEES

Local governments, through the assistance and coordination of the Enterprise Zone Administrator, may provide a variety of local incentives to further encourage economic growth and investment within enterprise zones. The incentives offered are determined by the Counties Municipalities. The following Enterprise Zone incentives are offered:

- Abatement of 50% of the municipal portion of property taxes on new improvements on industrial or commercial properties for the first five years following the completion of these improvements. This benefit will not be applicable if the project investor is also the recipient of tax relief for this property under the terms of a tax increment finance (TIF) agreement or other substantial property tax abatement provided by a unit of local government.
- Waiver of 50% of initial building permit or zoning application fees on industrial or commercial projects.
- The Enterprise Zone Administrator will provide officials of municipalities that are signatories to the Intergovernmental Agreement with certain written documentation and materials relative to additional incentives, including public or not for profit financing and workforce development programs, which municipal officials may make available to the project developer, and other interested individuals. There is no representation that the documents and materials provided by the Enterprise Zone include all incentives and programs available to the project.

The Zone Administrator shall file a copy of the Enterprise Zone's fee schedule with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity by April 1 of each year. The Zone Administrator may charge up to 0.5% of the cost of building materials of the project associated with the Enterprise Zone, provided that a maximum fee of no more than \$50,000 is permitted [20 ILCS 655/8.2 (c)] as to each project.

SECTION 5. ZONE MANAGEMENT:

Upon approval of the amended Enterprise Zone and certification by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity each of the Counties and Municipalities to this Agreement shall appoint a representative to serve and participate in a zone management organization that is hereby designated and to be known as the Joint Enterprise Zone Governing Council (the "Council"). The Council will by majority vote adopt rules and procedures for the

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management of the Enterprise Zone, including its financial matters. This Council is the governing body of the Enterprise Zone and will appoint the Zone Administrator. Decisions on appointment or removal of the Zone Administrator shall be made in the following manner:

- (a) Nominations shall be received from members of the Council for appointment of the Zone Administrator. Appointment of the Zone Administrator shall be by two-thirds vote of the Council.
- (b) The Zone Administrator may be removed by two-thirds vote of the Council.
- (c) The Zone Administrator must be an employee or officer of one of the Municipalities or of the Counties.

SECTION 6. ZONE ADMINISTRATOR:

The Zone Administrator is responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Enterprise Zone including the following duties:

- (a) Supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Intergovernmental Agreement and the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.
- (b) Act as a liaison between the Counties, Municipalities, the Illinois Department of Commerce Economic Opportunity, Designated Zone Organizations, and other State, Federal and local agencies, whether public or private.
- (c) Conduct an ongoing evaluation of the Enterprise Zone Programs and submit evaluative reports at least annually to the Council.
- (d) Promote the coordination of other relevant programs, including but not limited to, housing, community and economic development, small business, financial assistance and employment training within the Enterprise Zone.
- (e) Recommend qualified Designated Zone Organizations to the Council.
- (f) Have such other duties as specified by the Council, including the appointment of authorized personnel as appropriate, to assure the smooth operation of the Enterprise Zone.

SECTION 7. DESIGNATED ZONE ORGANIZATIONS:

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The Council, at its discretion, may select Designated Zone Organizations, pursuant to the qualifications enumerated in the Enterprise Zone Act 20 ILCS 655/3(d) and delegate the performance of permissible services or functions to said Designated Zone Organizations. Nothing herein shall be deemed to limit or restrict the right of the Council to delegate operational responsibilities to Designated Zone Organizations or other appropriate entities, permitted by law. Provided that no delegation including performance, services or functions, is effective until the proposed Designated Zone Organization is approved, pursuant to Application duly filed, by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

SECTION 8. APPLICATION TO EXISTING ENTERPRISE ZONE

The amended Enterprise Zone will be governed, managed and operated in accordance with this Amended Intergovernmental Agreement, provided that the proposed amendments to the existing Enterprise Zone are approved in whole or part by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, including certification and recording as required under the Illinois Enterprise Zone Act.

SECTION 9. DURATION AND AMENDMENTS:

This Agreement shall be in full force and effect during the legal existence of the amended Enterprise Zone unless duly terminated, amended, extended, renewed or revised by the mutual written agreement of the respective corporate authorities of the Municipalities and the Counties, subject to the requirements of law. Except as expressly set forth above, nothing contained within this paragraph shall be construed to bar or limit the rights of either the Counties or the Municipalities to enforce the terms of this Agreements.

SECTION 10. REPRESENTATION BY THE PARTIES:

The Parties represent, warrant, and agree, to and with each other, that each has taken all necessary corporate and legal action to authorize the execution, delivery, and performance on their part of this Agreement, and the performance hereto by each will not be in contravention of any resolutions, ordinances, laws, contracts, or agreements to which it is a party or to which it is subject. The Parties shall deliver to each other certified copies of all resolutions or ordinances authorizing the execution and performance of this Agreement.

SECTION 11. FAILURE TO ENFORCE:

The failure of any party hereto to enforce any of the provisions of this Agreement, or the waiver thereof in any instance, shall not be construed as a general waiver thereof in any instance,

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nor shall it be construed as a general waiver or relinquishment on its part of any such provision, but the same shall, nevertheless, be and remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 12. CAUSES BEYOND CONTROL:

No party to this Agreement shall be liable to another for failure, default or delay in performing any of its obligations hereunder, provided such failure, default or delay in performing any of its obligations specified herein is caused by strikes; by forces of nature; unavoidable accident; fire; acts of public enemy; or order of court. Should any of the foregoing occur, the parties hereto agree to proceed with diligence to do what is reasonable and necessary so that each party may perform its obligations under this Agreement.

SECTION 13. NOTICES:

Any notice required by this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be served by personal delivery on the municipal/county clerk or chief administrative officer of the receiving party. In lieu of personal service, required notices may be served by certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the municipal/county clerk or chief administrative officer of the receiving party. Notices shall be deemed served on the day of personal delivery or on the fourth day following mailing.

SECTION 14. RESERVATION OF RIGHTS:

Nothing in this Agreement is intended to confer a benefit or right of enforcement upon any third party. Further, both parties specifically reserve all rights, privileges and immunities conferred upon them by law.

SECTION 15. AGENCY:

Neither party neither is an agent of the other party nor shall neither incur any costs, expenses or obligations on behalf of the other.

SECTION 16. COMPLETE AGREEMENT:

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This Agreement sets forth the complete understanding between the parties relating to the terms and conditions hereof and any amendment hereto to be effective must be in writing and duly authorized and signed by the duly authorized representative of the parties.

SECTION 17. SEVERABILITY:

If any provision of this Agreement shall be declared invalid for any reason, such invalidation shall not affect other provisions of this Agreement, which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, and to this end the provisions of this Agreement are to be severable.

SECTION 18. CONSTRUCTION:

This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 19. EFFECTIVE DATE:

This Agreement shall be in full force and effect as of the date set forth below, subject to the aforesaid limitations.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed in their respective corporate names by their respective officers hereunto duly authorized and their respective corporate seals to be hereunto affixed and attested by their respective officers having custody thereof the day and year first above written.

Dated this 9th day of November, 2015

Village of Beecher,
Will County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation

By: [Signature]
Village President

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Village Clerk

11-9-15
Date

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**City of Chicago Heights,
Cook County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation**

ATTEST:

By: _____
Mayor

City Clerk

Date

**Village of Crete,
Will County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation**

ATTEST:

By: _____
Village President

Village Clerk

Date

**Village of Ford Heights,
Cook County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation**

ATTEST:

By: Charles Haffner
President

Apa Thompson
Village Clerk

12/2/15
Date

**Village of Glenwood,
Cook County, Illinois, an Illinois**

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**City of Chicago Heights,
Cook County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation**

By: _____
Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Date

**Village of Crete,
Will County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation**

By: *Michael J. Smith*
Village President

ATTEST:

Deborah J. Pachert
Village Clerk

November 9, 2015
Date

**Village of Ford Heights,
Cook County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation**

By: _____
President

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Date

**Village of Glenwood,
Cook County, Illinois, an Illinois**

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Municipal Corporation

ATTEST:

By: _____
Village President

Village Clerk

Date

**Village of Olyria,
Cook County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation.**

ATTEST:

By: _____
President

Village Clerk

Date

**Village of Sauk Village,
Cook/Will County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation**

ATTEST:

By: _____
President

Village Clerk

Date

**Village of South Chicago Heights,
Cook County, Illinois, an Illinois
Municipal Corporation**

ATTEST:

By: _____
President

Village Clerk

Date

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