A regular meeting of the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") was convened in public session at the offices of the Agency located at 1100 Franklin Avenue, Suite 300, Garden City, County of Nassau, New York on March 8, 2006, at 6:00 p.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman and, upon roll being called, the following members of the Agency were:

## PRESENT:

Howard Fensterman Chairman

Gary Weiss

Vice Chairman

Peter J. Ruffner

Secretary

John E. Puckhaber

Treasurer

Mark Goldberg

Asst. Treasurer

# ABSENT:

### THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL PERSONS WERE PRESENT:

Joseph Gioino, Esq.

**Executive Director** 

Gerri-Ann Palermo

Administrative Director

Milan K. Tyler, Esq.

**Bond Counsel** 

Paul V. O'Brien, Esq.

**Bond Counsel** 

The attached resolution no. 2006-06 was offered by G. Weiss, seconded by P. Ruffner:

### Resolution No. 2006-06

# RESOLUTION TAKING PRELIMINARY ACTION TOWARD THE ISSUANCE OF TAXABLE BONDS FOR A CERTAIN PROJECT FOR BRUSH HOLLOW INN LLC (THE "APPLICANT") AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT WITH THE APPLICANT WITH RESPECT TO SUCH TRANSACTION

WHEREAS, the Nassau County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of Chapter 1030 of the 1969 Laws of New York, constituting Title I of Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act"), and Chapter 674 of the 1975 Laws of New York, as amended, constituting Section 922 of said General Municipal Law (said Chapter and the Enabling Act being hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Act") to promote, develop, encourage and assist in the acquiring, constructing, reconstructing, improving, maintaining, equipping and furnishing of civic, manufacturing, industrial and commercial facilities, among others, for the purpose of promoting, attracting and developing economically sound commerce and industry to advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of the State of New York, to improve their prosperity and standard of living, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration; and

WHEREAS, to accomplish its stated purposes, the Agency is authorized and empowered under the Act to acquire, construct, reconstruct and install one or more "projects" (as defined in the Act) or to cause said projects to be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed and to convey said projects or to lease said projects with the obligation to purchase; and

WHEREAS, on or about February 28, 2006, Brush Hollow Inn LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York (the "Applicant"), presented an application (the "Application") to the Agency, which Application requested that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in an approximately 1.27 acre parcel of land located at 4000 Brush Hollow Road, Westbury, Town of Oyster Bay, County of Nassau, New York (the "Land"), (2) the construction of an approximately 112 room hotel on the Land (the "Building"), together with related improvements to the Land, and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain furniture, fixtures, machinery and equipment (the "Equipment"), all of the foregoing to constitute a hotel and spa facility, together with associated parking areas (collectively, the "Project Facility"); (B) the financing of all or a portion of the costs of the foregoing by the issuance of taxable revenue bonds of the Agency in one or more series (the "Bonds"); (C) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions or partial exemptions from sales and use taxes, mortgage recording taxes and real property taxes (but not including special assessments and ad valorem levies) (together with the Bonds, collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (D) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Applicant or such other entity as may be designated by the Applicant and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Agency has given due consideration to the Application and to the representations made by the Applicant therein and at this meeting, including, without limitation, representations of the Applicant that: (A) the granting by the Agency of the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project will be an inducement to the Applicant to undertake the Project in Nassau County, New York; (B) the completion of the Project will not result in the removal of a facility or plant of the Applicant, any affiliate thereof, or any other occupant or user of the Project from one area of the State of New York (the "State") to another area of the State or in the abandonment of one or more plants or facilities of the Applicant, any affiliate thereof, or any other occupant or user of the Project located within the State; (C) although the Project Facility may constitute a project where facilities or property that are primarily used in making retail sales of goods and/or services to customers who personally visit such facilities constitute more than one-third of the total cost of the Project, the predominant purpose of the Project is to make available services (i.e., affordable hotel services) which would not, but for the Project, be reasonably accessible to the residents of the Town of Oyster Bay because of a lack of reasonably accessible retail trade facilities offering such services, (D) the Project is likely to attract a significant number of visitors from outside the economic development region in which the Project Facility is located and, therefore, is a "tourism destination project" as that term is used in the Act; (E) the Project will serve the public purposes of the Act by preserving permanent, private sector jobs and increasing the overall number of permanent, private sector jobs in the State; and (F) the granting of the Financial Assistance by the Agency will promote the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the inhabitants of Nassau County and improve their standard of living, and prevent unemployment and economic deterioration, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the granting of the Financial Assistance would represent a deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy with respect to the making of payments in lieu of real property taxes; and

WHEREAS, any approval of the Project is contingent upon, among other things, a final determination by the members of the Agency to proceed with the Project following determinations by the Agency that (i) the public hearing and notice requirements and other procedural requirements contained in Section 859-a of the Act relating to the Project have been satisfied, and (ii) the undertaking of the Project by the Agency and the granting of the Financial Assistance are and will be in compliance with all other applicable requirements of the Act, Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law (the "SEQR Act") and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto (the "Regulations" and together with the SEQR Act, collectively, "SEQRA"), and all other statutes, codes, laws, rules and regulations of any governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Project (collectively, the "Applicable Laws"); and

WHEREAS, the Agency desires to encourage the Applicant to preserve and advance the job opportunities, health, general prosperity and economic welfare of the people of Nassau County, New York, and to prevent unemployment and economic deterioration, by undertaking the Project in Nassau County, New York; and

WHEREAS, although a resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds and the undertaking of the Project has not yet been submitted for approval by the Agency, a preliminary agreement (the "Preliminary Agreement") relative to the proposed undertaking of the Project by the Agency has been presented for approval by the Agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE NASSAU COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The Agency hereby authorizes the Executive Director of the Agency, prior to the granting of any Financial Assistance with respect to the Project: (A) to establish a time, date and place for a public hearing (the "Public Hearing") of the Agency to hear all persons interested in the location and nature of the Project and the proposed Financial Assistance being contemplated by the Agency with respect to the Project, said Public Hearing to be held in the city, town or village where the Project Facility is or is to be located; (B) to cause notice of said Public Hearing to be given to the public by publishing a notice of said Public Hearing in a newspaper of general circulation available to residents of the governmental units where the Project Facility is to be located, such notice to comply with the requirements of Section 859-a of the Act; (C) to cause notice of said Public Hearing, pursuant to Section 859-a of the Act, to be given to the chief executive officer of Nassau County, New York and of each city, town, village, school district and other affected tax jurisdiction in which the Project Facility is or is to be located; (D) to establish a time, date and place for a meeting of the Agency (the "IDA Meeting") to consider whether to approve the proposed deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy pursuant to Section 874(4) of the Act; (E) to cause notice of the proposed deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy and of the IDA Meeting to be given to the chief executive officer of each affected tax jurisdiction in accordance with Section 874(4) of the Act; (F) to conduct the Public Hearing or to authorize a hearing officer to conduct the Public Hearing; (G) to cause a report of the Public Hearing fairly summarizing the views presented at said Public Hearing to be promptly prepared and cause copies of said report to be made available to the members of the Agency; and (H) to hold the IDA Meeting and to review and respond to any correspondence received from the affected tax jurisdictions regarding the proposed deviation from the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy.

Section 2. The Applicant is hereby authorized to conduct such environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning and budgetary processes necessary or convenient to enable the Agency to make its determination whether to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance; provided, however, that such authorization shall not entitle or permit the Applicant to commence the acquisition, construction, installation or equipping of the Project Facility unless and until the Agency shall determine that all requirements of Applicable Laws have been fulfilled. The officers, agents and employees of the Agency are hereby directed to proceed to do such things or perform such acts as may allow the Agency to proceed to its final consideration of the Project. This Resolution constitutes an authorization to conduct concurrent environmental, engineering, economic, feasibility and other studies and preliminary planning with respect to the Project within the meaning of Section

617.3(c)(2) of the Regulations and a determination of compliance with technical requirements within the meaning of Section 617.3(c)(2) of the Regulations and does not constitute, and shall not be deemed to constitute, either an approval by the Agency of the Project for the purposes of the Act or SEQRA or a commitment by the Agency to approve the Project or to grant the Financial Assistance.

Section 3. Any expenses incurred by the Agency with respect to the Project and the financing thereof (A) shall be reimbursed out of the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds, or (B) in the event such proceeds are insufficient after payment of other costs of the Project or the Bonds are not issued by the Agency due to inability of the Agency to, or the determination of the Agency not to, consummate the transactions herein contemplated, shall be paid by the Applicant as set forth in the Preliminary Agreement.

<u>Section 4</u>. The findings of the Agency set forth herein are expressly conditioned upon full compliance of the Applicant and the Project with all Applicable Laws, and the Applicant shall be required to provide evidence of the same satisfactory to the Agency prior to the issuance of the Bonds or the granting of any other Financial Assistance.

Section 5. If, following full compliance with all Applicable Laws, the Agency adopts a future resolution (the "Future Resolution") determining to proceed with the Project and to grant the Financial Assistance with respect thereto and the Applicant complies with all conditions set forth in the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution, then the Agency will (A) acquire an interest in the Project Facility from the Applicant pursuant to a deed, lease agreement, bill of sale and/or other documentation to be negotiated between the Agency and the Applicant (the "Acquisition Agreement"); (B) construct the Building and acquire and install the Equipment on the Land; (C) lease (with the obligation to purchase) or sell the Project Facility to the Applicant pursuant to a lease agreement or an installment sale agreement (the "Project Agreement") to be negotiated between the Agency and the Applicant; and (D) provide the Financial Assistance with respect to the Project, all as contemplated by the Preliminary Agreement and the Future Resolution.

Section 6. The form, terms and substance of the Preliminary Agreement (in substantially the form presented to this meeting and attached hereto) are in all respects approved, and the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Executive Director of the Agency are each hereby authorized, empowered and directed, acting individually or jointly, to execute and deliver said Preliminary Agreement in the name and on behalf of the Agency, with such changes therein as shall be approved by the officer executing same on behalf of the Agency, the execution thereof by such officer to constitute conclusive evidence of such officer's approval of any and all changes or revisions therein from the form now before this meeting.

<u>Section 7</u>. From and after the execution and delivery of the Preliminary Agreement, the officers, agents and employees of the Agency are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to proceed with the undertakings provided for therein on the part of the Agency, and are further

authorized to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary or convenient to carry out and comply with the terms and provisions of the Preliminary Agreement as executed.

Section 8. The law firm of Phillips Lytle LLP, Garden City, New York, is hereby appointed Bond Counsel to the Agency with respect to all matters in connection with the Project. Bond Counsel for the Agency is hereby authorized, at the expense of the Applicant, to work with the Applicant, counsel to the Applicant, and others to prepare, for submission to the Agency, all documents necessary to effect the transactions contemplated by this Resolution.

<u>Section 9</u>. The Chairman, Vice Chairman and Executive Director of the Agency are each hereby authorized and directed to distribute copies of this Resolution to the Applicant and to do such further things or perform such acts as may be necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 10. This Resolution shall take effect immediately and shall be effective for twelve (12) months from the date of its adoption.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Howard Fensterman	VOTING	Aye
Gary Weiss	VOTING	Aye
Peter J. Ruffner	VOTING	Aye
John E. Puckhaber	VOTING	Aye
Mark Goldberg	VOTING	Aye

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.