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RESOLUTION GRANTING PRIOR APPROVAL OF TAX ABATEMENT FOR THE VALUE TO BE ADDED BY THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE GARAGE/MULTI-USE BUILDING FOR WELLMARK'S NEW HOME OFFICE FACILITY

WHEREAS, the Iowa Urban Revitalization Act, Chapter 404, Code of Iowa (the "Act"), provides for partial exemption from property tax for the actual value added by improvements to property located in a designated Urban Revitalization Area which are consistent with the Urban Revitalization Plan for such Area; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides that persons making improvements may apply to the City Council for prior approval of eligibility for tax abatement, and the City Council shall approve the application by resolution, if it finds (a) the proposed improvements are located in a designated Urban Revitalization Area; (b) the proposed improvements are in conformance with the Urban Revitalization Plan for such area; and (c) the proposed improvements are to be made during the time the area is so designated; and

WHEREAS, Wellmark, Inc., and its wholly-owned subsidiary Wellmark Holdings, Inc., (hereinafter collectively, "Wellmark") propose to construct a new home office facility for Wellmark within the three block area bounded by Grand Avenue, relocated High Street, 11th and 14th Streets, with a new Office Building containing approximately 500,000 square feet of floor area and approximately 450 structured parking spaces and a new Garage/Multi-use Building containing approximately 1,100 structured parking spaces and 30,000 square feet of finished area; and,

WHEREAS, Wellmark has made application pursuant to Iowa Code §404.4 for prior approval of the eligibility of the taxable value added by the construction of the new Garage/Multi-use Building for tax abatement pursuant to the City-wide Urban Revitalization Plan; and,

WHEREAS, the application have been received, reviewed and recommended for approval by City staff; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa that:

1) The application for prior approval of eligibility for tax abatement for the taxable value added by the construction of the Garage/Multi-use Building for Wellmark is hereby received.

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- The City Council hereby finds that the Garage/Multi-use Building proposed to be constructed within the block bounded by Grand Avenue, relocated High Street, and 11th and 12th Streets is a project located in the City-wide Urban Revitalization Area; such project is in conformance with the Urban Revitalization Plan for the City-wide Urban Revitalization Area; and the improvements described in such application are projected to be completed during the time the City-wide Urban Revitalization is so designated.
- The application for prior approval of eligibility for tax abatement is hereby approved, provided that the project is commenced by December 31, 2010, and is substantially completed by December 31, 2011, in conformance with the Zoning Ordinance and applicable building codes. The value added by the Garage/Multi-use Building shall be eligible for a 10 year partial exemption from taxation (tax abatement) under the schedule allowed by Iowa Code §404.3(2) and the corresponding provisions in the Restated Urban Revitalization Plan for the City-wide Urban Revitalization Area. As provided by Iowa Code §404.4, such prior approval shall not entitle the owners to exemption from taxation until the improvements have been completed and found to be qualified real estate.

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FORM APPROVED:

Roger K. Brown

Assistant City Attorney

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I, DIANE RAUH, City Clerk of said City hereby certify that at a meeting of the City Council of said City of Des Moines, held on the above date, among other proceedings the above was adopted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day and year first above written.

 City	Clerk	

Mayor

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Date	Received	:	

2008	Tax Abatement Application – Des Moines, Iowa
	Address: New parcel to be bounded by Grand Ave. & High, 11th & 12th Streets
	Legal description:
Property & Owner/	Polk Co. Assessor's District & Parcel #: Multiple parcels to be consolidated (Go to: http://www.assess.co.polk.ia.us/) district parcel #
Authorized Agent	Title holder or contract holder name: Wellmark Holdings, Inc.
Info	Address of owner if different than above: 636 Grand Ave., Des Moines, IA 50309
	Authorized Agent: Phone #: (515) 245-4677 if different than above Michael J. Crowley
Haa	[™] Commercial
Use Classification	「 Industrial
	□ Residential
	Owner-Occupied? Renter-Occupied?
	☐ Single Family ☐ Duplex or Triplex ☐ Duplex or Triplex
	Condo or Townhouse
•	Multi-Family
Project Type	New structure
On City Sewer	Γ _x _{Yes} ΓΙ _{No}
Describe Improvements	New mixed-use building containing approximately 1,100 parking spaces and approximately 30,000 square feet of finished area.
	12 2010 Estimated date Actual date
Completion Date	Your improvements will be assessed for tax abatement on Jan. 1, 2009 even if they are partially completed. This assessment will be reflected in your Sept. 2010 tax payment.
Est/ Cost of Improvements	\$ 46,000,000.00
Abatement Schedule	Г1 №2 Г3 Г4А ⊑4В See reverse side for schedule information
Tenant Information	If project was rehabilitation of residential property, were there tenants when project started? Yes X No
	If you answered yes, list the tenant's name, date the tenant occupancy began and relocation benefits paid to each tenant on the reverse side of this form

Return application to:

Questions:

City of Des Moines / Permit & Development Center 602 Robert Ray Dr. Des Moines, IA 50309 Phil Poorman at 515-283-4751 or prpoorman@dmgov.org

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