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Date February 22, 2016

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AN "IOWA STATE HISTORIC TAX CREDIT APPLICATION" TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS BY HARBACH LOFTS, LLC FOR A HOUSING REHABILITATION PROJECT AT 300 and 316 SW 5th STREET

WHEREAS, Harbach Lofts, LLC, represented by Kent Mauck and Davis Saunders, Members and Managers of Harbach Lofts, LLC, has requested City support for its application to the Iowa Department of Cultural Affairs ("DCA") for State Tax Incentives under the Historic Tax Credit Program for the creation of 103 housing units in the historic buildings located at 300 and 316 SW 5th Street (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the building was determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places and the Developer is eligible to pursue National and State Historic Tax Credits for the adaptive reuse of the building; and

WHEREAS, successful completion of the Project requires funding from a number of sources including an award of Iowa Historic Tax Credit benefits in the estimated amount of \$5,500,000; and

WHEREAS, the application requirements for the Historic Tax Credit Program include the submission of a resolution in support of the Project and documentation of financial support for the Project by the Community in which it is located, which requirement is intended to be satisfied by this Roll Call and resolution; and

WHEREAS, the buildings at 300 and 316 SW 5th Street are located in the Targeted Multiple-Family Residential Area within the Des Moines' City-wide Urban Revitalization Area; the proposed design of the project has been determined to have met the applicable Design Guidelines of the Third Restated Urban Revitalization Plan for the City-wide Urban Revitalization Area; and the project is eligible for a ten-year, 100% exemption from taxation (tax abatement) on the value-added by the housing improvements if completed in substantial compliance with the proposed design.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Des Moines, Iowa, as follows:

- 1. The City Council of the City of Des Moines does hereby express its support for the Harbach Lofts, LLC application to DCA seeking an award of Historic Tax Credit benefits in the amount of \$5.5 million in State Tax Credits and \$4.8 million in Federal Tax Credits.
- 2. The Project has been determined to be eligible for a ten-year, 100% exemption from taxation on the value-added by the housing improvements if completed in substantial compliance with the proposed design, which exemption has an estimated value of \$4.5 million.

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3.	ab	arbach Lofts, LLC, has not sought, and this action shall neatement for purposes of Iowa Code §404.4. An application and in conformance with Iowa Code §404.4 for the project	n for tax abatement must be timely		
3.	The Mayor and the City Manager are hereby authorized and directed to sign any forms required by the Administrative Rules of the DCA to evidence the City's support for the application.				
4.	The City's Office of Economic Development is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution and Roll Call to Harbach Lofts, LLC.				
5.		the event that any of the project characteristics mentioned hal award of historic tax credit benefits to Harbach Lofts,			
	a)	The City Manager or the City Manager's designee is authapplicable consent to any change determined by the Cit designee to be an unsubstantial change.			
	b)	Any substantial change shall be subject to approval by recommendation by the City Manager.	the City Council after report and		
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Roger K. Brown, Assistant City Attorney

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Mayor

CERTIFICATE

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.

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