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TO THE HONORABLE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF CHICAGO

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the request of the Commissioner of Planning and Development, I transmit herewith ordinances amending various TIF Plans.

Your favorable consideration of these ordinances will be appreciated.

Very truly yours.

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, pursuant to ordinances adopted on July 8, 1998, and published in the Journal of Proceedings of the City Council of the City of Chicago (the "Journal") for such date at pages 72439 to 72510, and under the provisions of the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act, 65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-1 et seq., as amended (the "Act"), the City Council (the "Corporate Authorities") of the City of Chicago (the "City"): (i) approved a redevelopment plan and project (the "Plan") for a portion of the City known as the "79th Street Corridor Redevelopment Project Area" (the "Area") (the "Plan Ordinance"); (ii) designated the Area as a "redevelopment project area" within the requirements of the Act (the "Designation Ordinance"); and (iii) adopted tax increment financing for the Area (the "TIF Adoption Ordinance" and together with the Plan Ordinance and the Designation Ordinance, the "TIF Ordinances"); and

WHEREAS, the Plan established the estimated dates of completion of the redevelopment project

described in the Plan and of the retirement of obligations issued to finance redevelopment project costs to be not more than twenty-three (23) years from the date of the adoption of the Plan Ordinance, such ultimate retirement date occurring in the year 2021, and the Corporate Authorities made a finding in the Plan Ordinance that such dates were not more than twenty-three (23) years from the date of the adoption of the Designation Ordinance in accordance with the provisions of Section 11-74.4-3(n)(3) of the Act in effect on the date of adoption of the TIF Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Public Act 91-478 (the "Amendatory Act"), which became effective November 1, 1999, amended Section 11-74.4-3(n)(3) of the Act, among other things, to: (i) provide that the estimated dates of completion of certain redevelopment projects and retirement of obligations issued to finance redevelopment project costs shall not be later than December 31 of the year in which the payment to the municipal treasurer as provided in Section 11-74.4-8(b) of the Act is to be made with respect to ad valorem taxes levied in the twenty-third calendar year after the year in which the ordinance approving a redevelopment project area is adopted; and (ii) provide that a municipality may by municipal ordinance amend an existing redevelopment plan to conform such redevelopment plan to Section 11-74.4-3(n)(3) of the Act, as amended by the Amendatory Act, which ordinance may be adopted without further hearing or notice and without complying with the procedures provided in the Act pertaining to an amendment to or the initial approval of a redevelopment plan and project and designation of a redevelopment project area; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities desire to amend the Plan to conform the Plan to Section 11-74.4-3(n)(3) of the Act, as amended by the Amendatory Act, in accordance with the procedures set forth in amended Section 11-74.4-3(n)(3); now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The above recitals are incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

SECTION 2. Approval of Amendment to Plan. "Amendment Number 1 to 79th Street Corridor Redevelopment Project and Tax Increment Financing Plan", a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Plan Amendment"), is hereby approved. As amended hereby, the Plan shall remain in full force and effect.

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SECTION 3. Finding. The Corporate Authorities hereby find that the estimated dates of completion of the redevelopment project described in the Plan, as amended by the Plan Amendment, and the retirement of obligations issued to finance redevelopment project costs set forth in the Plan, as amended by the Plan Amendment, conform to the provisions of Section 11-74.4-3(n)(3) of the Act, as amended by the Amendatory Act.

SECTION 4. Invalidity of Any Section. If any provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 5. Superseder. All ordinances (including, without limitation, the TIF Ordinances), resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflicts.

SECTION 6. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its

passage and approval.

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EXHIBIT A

AMENDMENT NUMBER 1 TO 79th STREET CORRIDOR REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN

1. In Section 1 entitled, "Introduction," Sub-section entitled "Tax Increment Financing," the first sentence in the second paragraph shall be deleted and replaced with the following:

The Act permits municipalities to use tax increment financing to improve eligible "conservation" or "blighted" areas in accordance with an adopted Redevelopment Plan that is no later than December 31 of the year in which the payment to the City treasurer as provided in the Act is to be made with respect to ad valorem taxes levied in the twenty-third calendar year following the year in which the ordinance approving the area

was adopted.

2. In Section V entitled, "Redevelopment Project," Sub-section entitled, "Nature and Term of Obligations to be Issued," the first paragraph shall be deleted and replaced with the following:

Under the Act, the City may issue tax increment revenue obligation bonds and other obligations secured by incremental property taxes generated in the Project Area pursuant to the Act for a term not to exceed 20 years. All such obligations shall be retired no later than December 31 of the year in which the payment to the City treasurer as provided in the Act is to be made with respect to ad valorem taxes levied in the twenty-third calendar year following the year in which the ordinance approving the Project Area was adopted, such ultimate retirement date occurring on December 31, 2022. The City may also issue general obligation bonds.

3. In Section VIII entitled, "Other Elements of the Development Plan," Sub-section entitled, "Date of Completion," the paragraph shall be deleted and replaced with the following:

The estimated date of completion of the Redevelopment Project shall under no circumstances extend beyond December 31 of the year in which the payment to the City treasurer as provided in the Act is to be made with respect to ad valorem taxes levied in the twenty-third calendar year following the year in which the ordinance approving the Project Area was adopted, such ultimate completion date occurring on December 31, 2022.

4. In Section VIII entitled, "Other Elements of the Development Plan," Sub-section entitled, "Implementation Schedule," the last sentence in the paragraph shall be deleted and replaced with the following:

The estimated date for completion of Redevelopment Projects is no later than December 31 of the year in which the payment to the City treasurer as provided in the Act is to be made with respect to ad valorem taxes levied in the twenty-third calendar year following the year in which the ordinance approving the Project Area was adopted, such ultimate completion date

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occurring on December 31, 2022

