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**The Board of Education of the City of Chicago
AS LANDLORD**

AND

**Equity-League Pension, Health and 401 (k) Trust Funds
AS TENANT**

FOR PREMISES IN

**125 South Clark Street
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

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OFFICE LEASE

This Office Lease is entered into as of the first day of June, 2002 between the Board of Education of the City of Chicago, a body politic and corporate (hereinafter referred to as "Landlord"), and Equity-League Pension, Health and 401 (k) Trust Funds, a tax exempt trust (hereinafter referred to as "Tenant");

W I T N E S S E T H:

For good and valuable consideration in hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, and for the mutual covenants and agreements herein contained, it is agreed by and between Landlord and Tenant as follows:

ARTICLE I BASIC LEASE TERMS

Section 1.1 Definitions. In addition to the other terms, which are elsewhere defined in this Lease, the following terms and phrases, whenever used in this Lease, shall have the meanings set forth in this Subsection, and only such meanings, unless such meanings are expressly contradicted, limited or expanded elsewhere herein.

- A. Building: See Section 2.1
- B. Calendar Year: A twelve (12) month period during the Lease Term commencing on January 1 and ending on December 31. Any portion of the Lease Term commencing prior to the first full Calendar Year and any portion of any Lease Year not containing twelve (12) consecutive calendar months shall be deemed a "Partial Calendar Year".
- C. Commencement Date: October 1, 2002.
- D. Date of this Lease: October 1, 2002.
- E. Landlord's Address: 125 South Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60603.
- F. Lease Term: Nine (9) Years and nine (9) months (October 1, 2002 to June 30, 2012).
- G. Monthly Fixed Minimum Rent (initially \$17.50 per rentable square foot and increased by four percent (4%) per annum as set forth below, with an abatement of one hundred percent (100%) of the Monthly Fixed Minimum Rent for the first nine (9) months of the Lease Term to reimburse Tenant for the cost of the Tenant Improvements to the Leased Premises made by the Tenant).

<u>Lease Year</u>	<u>Annual Fixed Minimum Rent</u>	<u>Monthly Fixed Minimum Rent</u>
10/1/02 to 6/30/03	\$13,912.47 (abated - 9 months)*	\$1,545.83 (abated - 9 months)*
7/1/03 to 6/30/04	\$19,292.04	\$1,607.67
7/1/04 to 6/30/05	\$20,065.80	\$1,672.15
7/1/05 to 6/30/06	\$20,871.36	\$1,739.28
7/1/06 to 6/30/07	\$21,698.16	\$1,808.18
7/1/07 to 6/30/08	\$22,567.44	\$1,880.62
7/1/08 to 6/30/09	\$23,468.40	\$1,955.70
7/1/09 to 6/30/10	\$24,411.84	\$2,034.32
7/1/10 to 6/30/11	\$25,386.96	\$2,115.58
7/1/11 to 6/30/12	\$26,404.56	\$2,200.38

* The abatement is made by the Landlord on the condition that Tenant is not in default under this Lease at the time the payment of Rent is due.

The Monthly Fixed Minimum Rent is a gross amount, which includes taxes, operating expenses, gas, common area electricity and water.

H. Rent: Fixed Minimum Rent, Additional Rent, and any other sums that have accrued under the terms of this Lease.

I. Security Deposit: \$3,091.66

J. Tenant's Mailing Address: Equity-League Pension, Health and 401 (k) Trust Funds
125 South Clark Street, Suite 1520
Chicago, Illinois 60603
Attn: Central Regional Office Manager

with a copy to: Equity-League Pension, Health and 401 (k) Trust Funds
165 W. 46th Street
Suite 402
New York, New York 10036
Attn: Stephen Roderick

K. Intentionally Omitted.

L. Tenant's Trade Name: None

M. Commencement Date: October 1, 2002

N. Termination Date: Defined in Section 2.3.

O. Total Fixed Minimum Rent: The aggregate of all Fixed Minimum Rent payable during the Lease Term.

P. Use: General office space and for no other purpose whatsoever

Section 1.2 Significance of Basic Lease Provisions. Each reference in this Lease to any of the Basic Lease Terms contained in Section 1.1 of this Article shall be deemed and construed to incorporate all of the terms provided under each such Basic Lease Term.

Section 1.3 Enumeration of Exhibits. The Fixed Minimum Rent Schedule and the Exhibits specified in this Section and attached to this Lease are incorporated in this Lease by this reference and are to be construed as a part of this Lease.

Exhibit "A" Depiction of Leased Premises.

ARTICLE II LEASED PREMISES AND TERM

Section 2.1 Building. Landlord is the owner of a leasehold interest in a parcel of real estate which is commonly known as 125 S. Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois and any and all improvements and appurtenances constructed on the Land (hereinafter referred to as the "Building").

Section 2.2 Leased Premises. Landlord hereby leases and demises to Tenant, and Tenant hereby accepts from Landlord, subject to and with the benefit of the terms and provisions of this Lease, the office space (sometimes herein referred to as the "Leased Premises") in the Building, commonly known as Suite 1520, consisting of approximately 1,060 rentable square feet located on the fifteenth (15th) floor of the Building, as depicted on said

Exhibit "A" together with the non-exclusive right and easement to use the other common facilities in or on the Building (including, without limitation, the sidewalks, lobbies, passenger elevators, and hallways) which may from time to time be furnished by Landlord, in common with Landlord and the tenants and occupants of the Building, and their respective agents, employees, customers and invitees. Tenant agrees that Tenant's consent shall not be required for any additions, reductions or modifications of such common facilities. Tenant acknowledges and agrees that Landlord shall have the right to make reasonable rules and regulations governing the location and use of all common facilities, and Tenant shall be governed thereby.

Section 2.3 Lease Term. The Lease Term shall commence on October 1, 2002 and the Lease Term shall end on June 30, 2012 unless sooner terminated (hereinafter referred to as the "Termination Date").

ARTICLE III DELIVERY OF LEASED PREMISES

Section 3.1 Delivery of the Leased Premises. Tenant acknowledges that the Leased Premises are in good order and satisfactory condition and that Landlord has made no promise to alter, remodel, or improve the Leased Premises or the Building and no representation respecting the Leased Premises or the Building have been made by the Landlord to the Tenant, the Tenant acknowledging that it accepts the Leased Premises in an "AS-IS" and "WHERE IS" condition.

Section 3.2 Tenant's Work.

A. The Tenant is hereby granted access rights in and to the Leased Premises, commencing upon execution hereof, for the purposes of making such inspections and measurements and testing as the Tenant deems necessary to enable the Tenant to prepare "Tenant's Plans" (as hereinbelow defined). However, the Tenant shall not commence actual construction within the Leased Premises until the Tenant has complied with the provisions below concerning submittal and receiving Landlord's prior approval to "Tenant's Plans" and the submittal to the Landlord of insurance and appropriate building permits and construction contracts. The rights of access granted in this Section 3.2 A shall not be deemed to permit Tenant to operate its business until the commencement of the Term.

B. The Tenant shall, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, cause to be prepared and submitted to the Landlord at such time as Tenant desires (but in no event later than June 1, 2002) plans and specifications (hereinafter referred to as the "Tenant's Plans"), including, but not limited to, all space plans, working drawings, mechanical and engineering drawings for Landlord's prior approval, disclosing all construction to be performed to build out the entire Leased Premises. The Landlord agrees to review and either approve or disapprove (and noting with such disapproval the specific items not approved and the reasons therefor) the Tenant's Plans within seven (7) business days of Landlord's receipt of a complete set of Tenant's Plans. If the Tenant's Plans are disapproved, the Tenant shall revise and resubmit Tenant's Plans expeditiously and Landlord shall review the same and notify the Tenant of its approval or disapproval within seven (7) business days thereafter in the same manner as required for the initial submittal. No change shall be made to the Tenant's Plans without, in each instance, the prior written consent of the Landlord. The Landlord agrees that it shall not unreasonably withhold, condition, or delay its approval rights under this Section 3.2 B.

C. The Tenant is hereby granted the right to utilize contractors of Tenant's own choice (hereinafter referred to as "Tenant's Contractor") to build out the Leased Premises in compliance with all applicable governmental laws, rules, statutes, ordinances and regulations (all of such work, installations and modifications are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Tenant's

Work"), subject to Landlord's reasonable approval as to the qualifications of any such contractor. Prior to commencing any work on or to the Leased Premises, Tenant shall submit all Tenant Plans and written contracts for such work, providing for a fixed cost for same by Tenant's Contractor, together with financial information regarding Tenant's Contractor, to Landlord for approval. All installations, alterations and additions shall be in accordance with the Tenant's Plans and shall be constructed in a good and workmanlike manner and only new and good grades of material shall be used. Such work performed by Tenant's Contractor shall comply with all applicable insurance requirements, all laws, statutes, ordinances and regulations of the City of Chicago, the State of Illinois and the United States of America. Tenant shall permit Landlord to observe all construction operations within the Leased Premises performed by Tenant's Contractor. Tenant shall, within thirty (30) days of invoice thereof, pay to the Landlord all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by the Landlord in reviewing and observing the construction operation, review of Tenant's Plans and any material or hoisting charges ("Reimbursable Expenses"). All such review and observation by the Landlord shall be solely and only for the benefit of the Landlord. The Tenant shall be required, at its sole cost and expense, to provide for its own supervision of the Tenant's Contractor. No silence or statement by the Landlord's supervisor shall be deemed or construed as an assumption by said supervisor or the Landlord of any responsibility for or in relation to the construction of the Leased Premises or any guarantee that the work completed within the Leased Premises complies with laws, complies with Tenant's Plans, or is suitable or acceptable to the Tenant for Tenant's intended business purposes. Tenant shall, prior to commencement of any installations, alterations or additions and Tenant's Work, furnish to Landlord, contractor's affidavits identifying all labor and material to be expended and used in constructing the Leased Premises.

D. The cost of all work necessary to construct the Tenant's Work (including, but not limited to, all labor, material, permits) and to pay architectural fees, permit fees, and engineering fees shall be the responsibility of the Tenant. The Tenant does hereby agree to deposit with an agent designated by the Landlord the sum of Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$50,000.00), which is hereinafter referred to as the "Construction Deposit" to be used solely for the Tenant's Work and the items described in the foregoing sentence. The Construction Deposit shall be paid in not more than three (3) installments as the Work progresses within thirty (30) days of Tenant's presentation of reasonable documentation evidencing (i) the amounts of payments previously made by Tenant, in relation to the work, to the general contractor and any subcontractors and materialmen, including, but not limited to, general contractor's statement and partial and final lien waivers, as the case may be, covering all Work (including Reimbursables) for which the Tenant is requesting payment; and (ii) the percentage of the Work completed. Tenant shall be responsible for obtaining and submitting to Landlord all documentation reasonably required by the Landlord in relation to Construction Deposit draw requests made by Tenant. Tenant shall present the final request for payment of the Construction Deposit, including all requisite waivers of lien and all other requisite documentation to Landlord not later than sixty (60) days after Tenant takes occupancy of the Leased Premises to conduct its business. Construction Deposit draw amounts shall never exceed, in the aggregate, the lesser of: (i) the remaining unpaid amount of the Construction Deposit, minus any then unpaid Reimbursables, or (ii) that amount equal to ninety (90%) percent of the cost of all Work completed in accordance with the Tenant's Plans and paid for by Tenant, as evidenced by the documentation furnished with such request (including lien waivers). Any unused portion of the Construction Deposit shall be refunded to the Tenant within thirty (30) days after Tenant has complied with the provisions of this Lease for the completion of the Work. If the costs of construction of the Tenant's Work including changes, as reasonably estimated by Landlord, exceeds the Construction Deposit, the Tenant shall, prior to the commencement of any construction work, deposit with the agent designated by Landlord an amount equal to such excess. Said amount shall be the first funds disbursed to pay construction draws in accord with the procedure provided above.

E. The Landlord reserves the right from time to time, but not more often than monthly, to require the Tenant to furnish partial or final lien waivers (as applicable) and sworn contractors' statements and all other reasonable information Landlord may request, in writing, so as to enable the Landlord to determine the status of (i) the preparation of Tenant Plans, (ii) all contracts let or to be let in relation to the Work; (iii) the cost of all Work, including the cost of any extras or modifications requested by the Tenant after Landlord's approval of Tenant's Plans; (iv) the status of completion of the Work; (v) the status of payment to all contractors, subcontractors and materialmen in relation to the Work; (vi) the status of Tenant's obligations to obtain partial and final lien waivers, as the situation may require, from all contractors, subcontractors and materialmen in relation to the Work; and (vii) the status of any adverse claims or disputes with contractors, subcontractors or materialmen in relation to the Work. The Tenant shall furnish such information as Landlord may reasonably require to evidence the foregoing no later than ten (10) days subsequent to the date the Landlord requests the same, in writing. If the Tenant shall fail to so furnish said information within the ten (10) day time period provided above, the Landlord shall have the right, without further notice and without any liability whatsoever to Tenant (including any claim by the Tenant that it should be entitled to an abatement of Rent or an extension of the occurrence of the Commencement Date) cause the agent to withhold disbursement of any further payment of the Construction Deposit until such time as the Tenant shall have furnished the information and documentation requested by Landlord pursuant to the above provisions.

F. Tenant, at its sole cost and expense, shall file all necessary plans with the appropriate governmental authorities having jurisdiction over Tenant's Work. Tenant shall be responsible for obtaining all permits, authorizations and approvals necessary to perform and complete Tenant's Work. Tenant shall not commence Tenant's Work until the required permits, authorizations and approvals for such work are obtained and delivered to Landlord.

G. Tenant and Tenant's Contractor shall work in harmony and shall not interfere with the performance of other work in the Building by Landlord, Landlord's contractors, other tenants or occupants of the Building (whether or not the terms of their respective leases have commenced) or their contractors. If any time Tenant or Tenant's Contractor shall cause or threaten to cause, such disharmony or interference, Landlord may terminate their access to the Leased Premises upon twenty-four (24) hours' written notice to Tenant, and thereupon, Tenant and Tenant's Contractor causing such disharmony or interference shall immediately withdraw from the Leased Premises and the Building until Landlord reasonably determines such disturbance no longer exists.

H. The Landlord and its agents and their representative shall, at all times, have access to the Tenant's Work wherever it is in preparation or progress for the purpose of observing and reviewing the same; provided, however, Landlord shall not unreasonably interfere with the performance of Tenant's Work in connection with any such observations or reviews. Tenant and Tenant's Contractors shall provide reasonable facilities for such access and for inspection.

I. The Tenant's Work shall be performed with a minimum of interference with other tenants and occupants of the Building. Tenant shall take all reasonable and customary precautionary steps to protect its facilities and the facilities of others affected by Tenant's Work and to properly police same. Construction equipment and materials are to be located in confined areas and delivery and loading of equipment and materials shall be done at such reasonable locations and at such time as Landlord shall direct so as not to interfere with the use or operation of the Building. Tenant shall at all times keep the Leased Premises and adjacent areas free from accumulations of waste materials or rubbish caused by its suppliers, contractors or workmen. Landlord may require daily clean-up and reserves the right to do clean-up at the expense of Tenant if Tenant fails to comply with Landlord's reasonable cleanup requirements. At the completion of Tenant's Work, Tenant's Contractor shall

forthwith remove all rubbish and all tools, equipment and surplus materials from and about the Leased Premises and Building. Any damage caused by Tenant's Contractor to any portion of the Building or to any property of Landlord or other tenants shall be repaired forthwith, after written notice from Landlord, to its condition prior to such damage by Tenant at Tenant's expense.

J. Tenant and Tenant's Contractor shall assume responsibility for the prevention of accidents to its agents and employees and shall take all reasonable safety precautions with respect to the work to be performed and shall comply with all reasonable safety measures initiated by the Landlord and with all applicable laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and orders applicable to the Tenant's Work including those of any public authority for the safety of persons or property. Tenant shall advise Tenant's Contractor to report to the Landlord any injury to any of its agents or employees and shall furnish Landlord a copy of the accident report filed with its insurance carrier within three (3) days of its occurrence.

K. Tenant shall, or shall cause Tenant's Contractor to, secure, pay for, and maintain during the performance of Tenant's Work, insurance in the following minimum coverages and limits of liability.

(1) Workmen's Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance with limits of not less than \$500,000 and as required by any Employee Benefit Acts or other statutes applicable where the work is to be performed as will protect Tenant's Contractors from liability under the aforementioned acts.

(2) Comprehensive General Liability Insurance (including Owner's and Contractor's Protective Liability) in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, whether involving bodily injury liability (or death resulting therefrom) or property damage liability or a combination thereof with a minimum aggregate limit of \$5,000,000. Such insurance shall provide for explosion and collapse, completed operations coverage with a two-year extension after completion of the work, and broad form blanket contractual liability coverage and shall insure Tenant's Contractor against any and all claims for bodily injury, including death resulting therefrom and damage to the property of others and arising from its operations under the contracts whether such operations are performed by Tenant's Contractor, or by anyone directly or indirectly employed by them.

(3) "All-risk" builder's risk insurance upon the entire Tenant's Work to the full insurance value thereof. Such insurance shall include the interest of Landlord and Tenant (and their respective contractors and subcontractors of any tier to the extent of any insurable interest therein) in Tenant's Work and shall insure against the perils of fire and extended coverage and shall include "all-risk" builder's risk insurance for physical loss or damage including, without duplication of coverage, theft, vandalism, and malicious mischief. If portions of Tenant's Work are stored off the site of the Building or in transit to such site are not covered under such "all-risk" builder's risk insurance, then Tenant shall effect and maintain similar property insurance on such portions of Tenant's Work. The waiver of subrogation provisions contained in the Lease shall apply to the "all-risk" builder's risk insurance policy to be obtained by Tenant pursuant to this paragraph.

All policies (except the workmen's compensation policy) shall be endorsed to include as additional named insureds Landlord and its agents, board members, officers, employees, contractors, architect, and such additional persons as Landlord may designate. Such endorsements shall also provide that

all additional insured parties shall be given thirty (30) days' prior written notice of any reduction, cancellation, or non-renewal of coverage by certified mail, return receipt requested (except that ten (10) days' notice shall be sufficient in the case of cancellation for non-payment of premium) and shall provide that the insurance coverage afforded to the additional insured parties thereunder shall be primary to any insurance carried independently by such additional insured parties.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Tenant shall indemnify and hold harmless the Landlord, its agents and employees, from and against all claims, damages, liabilities, losses and expenses of whatever nature, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees, the cost of any repairs to the Leased Premises or Building necessitated by activities of the Tenant or Tenant's Contractor, bodily injury to persons or damage to property of the Landlord, its employees, agents, invitees, licensees, or others, arising out of or resulting from the violation by Tenant of any of the terms and provisions of this Section 3.2 and/or the performance of the Tenant's Work by the Tenant or Tenant's Contractor. The foregoing indemnity shall be in addition to the insurance requirements set forth above and shall not be in discharge or substitution of the same, and shall not be limited in any way by any limitations on the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for Tenant's Contractor under Workers' or Workmen's compensation Acts, Disability Benefit Acts or other Employee Benefit Acts.

L. Utility costs or charges for any service (including HVAC) to the Leased Premises during performance of Tenant's Work shall be the responsibility of Tenant from the date Tenant commences Tenant's Work. Tenant shall apply and pay for all utility meters required in connection with Tenant's Work.

M. Upon completion of Tenant's Work, Tenant shall furnish Landlord with "as-built" plans identifying the Tenant's Work as same has been constructed, final waivers of lien and contractors affidavits for Tenant's Work, a detailed breakdown of the costs of Tenant's Work and evidence of payment reasonably satisfactory to Landlord, and an occupancy permit for the Leased Premises.

ARTICLE IV METHOD OF RENT PAYMENT

Section 4.1 The Rent, Fixed Minimum. Tenant agrees to pay Rent to Landlord at the address set forth in Article I hereof, without set-off or demand (or to such other person as Landlord may direct or at such other place as Landlord may direct by notice in writing to Tenant, from time to time), the following:

A. Monthly Fixed Minimum Rent, payable in advance, on the first day of each calendar month or portion thereof included in the Lease Term. For any portion of a calendar month included at the beginning of the Lease Term, one-thirtieth (1/30) of such a monthly payment for each day of such portion shall be due and payable on the first day of such portion;

B. All other charges as are herein set forth including, but not limited to, Additional Rent, as herein described.

ARTICLE V INTENTIONALLY OMITTED

ARTICLE VI UTILITY SERVICES

Section 6.1 Utilities. The parties agree that, in addition to the Monthly Fixed Minimum Rent, Tenant shall annually pay, as Additional Rent, the sum of \$1.05 per rentable square foot for electricity. Said amount shall initially be payable in equal monthly installments of \$92.75 beginning on the Commencement Date and shall increase, on a cumulative basis, by three percent (3%) per annum commencing June 1, 2003.

Landlord shall not be liable to Tenant for damages or otherwise if water, gas, electric, or sewer service is interrupted or terminated because of necessary repairs, installations, improvements, or any cause beyond the control of Landlord. Landlord may, upon notice to Tenant, cease to furnish any one or more of said services without any responsibility to Tenant.

Section 6.2 Heating, Ventilating and Cooling. If separate heating and air conditioning systems are installed, Tenant, at its sole cost and expense, shall heat and air condition the Leased Premises to meet its requirements. During the Lease Term, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, Tenant shall keep the heating and air conditioning systems in good order, repair and condition, and shall replace any parts which may require replacement with parts of equal or superior quality to those now in use in the systems. If the heating and air conditioning systems service areas of the Building in addition to the Leased Premises, Tenant shall keep all portions located within the Leased Premises in good order, repair and condition.

ARTICLE VII LANDLORD'S ADDITIONAL COVENANTS

Section 7.1 Repairs by Landlord. Landlord covenants, at its sole cost and expense, to keep the foundations and roof of the Building, and the structural soundness of the concrete floors and exterior walls thereof, in good order, repair and condition, unless any necessary work is required because of damage caused by any act, omission or negligence of Tenant, any permitted concessionaire or their respective employees, agents, invitees, licensees or contractors. Landlord shall not be required to commence any such repair until a reasonable time after written notice from Tenant that the same is necessary. The provisions of this Section shall not apply in the case of damage or destruction by fire or other casualty or a taking under the power of eminent domain, in which events the obligations of Landlord shall be controlled by Article IX. Except as provided in this Section 7.1, Landlord shall not be obligated to make repairs, replacements or improvements of any kind upon the Leased Premises, or any equipment, facilities or fixtures contained therein, which shall be the responsibility of Tenant.

Section 7.2 Quiet Enjoyment. Landlord covenants and agrees that, so long as Tenant promptly pays the Fixed Minimum Rent, the Additional Rent and all other sums due hereunder and keeps, performs and observes all the other terms, covenants, provisions, agreements and conditions herein contained on the part of Tenant to be performed, kept and observed, all of which obligations of Tenant are independent of Landlord's obligations hereunder, Tenant's peaceful and quiet possession of the Leased Premises during the Lease Term shall not be disturbed by Landlord or by anyone claiming by, through or under Landlord.

ARTICLE VIII TENANT'S ADDITIONAL COVENANTS

Section 8.1 Affirmative Covenants. Tenant covenants, at its sole cost and expense, at all times during the Lease Term and such further time as Tenant occupies the Leased Premises or any part thereof:

A. Lease Obligations. To perform promptly all of the obligations of Tenant set forth in this Lease; and to pay when due the Rent and all other charges, rates and other sums which by the terms of this Lease are to be paid by Tenant, without any set-offs or counterclaims whatsoever.

B. Use. To use the Leased Premises only for the Use.

C. Sprinklers. If the "sprinkler system" installed in the Building or any of its appliances shall be damaged or injured or not in proper working order by reason of any negligent act or omission of Tenant, Tenant's agents, servants, employees, licensees or visitors, Tenant shall forthwith restore the same to good working condition at its sole cost and expense; and if the Board of Fire Underwriters or Fire Insurance Exchange or any bureau, department or official of the state or city government, requires or recommends that any changes, modifications, alterations or additional sprinkler heads or other equipment be made or supplied by reason of Tenant's business or the location of partitions, trade fixtures, or other contents of the Premises, Tenant shall, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, promptly make and supply such changes, modifications, alterations, additional sprinkler heads or other equipment.

D. Licenses and Permits. To apply for, secure, maintain and comply with all licenses or permits which may be required for the conduct by Tenant of the business herein permitted to be conducted in the Leased Premises and to pay, if, as and when due, all license and permit fees and charges of a similar nature in connection therewith.

E. Refuse. To keep all drains inside the Leased Premises clean; to receive and deliver goods and merchandise only in the manner and at such times and in such areas as may be designated by Landlord; to conform to all rules and regulations of any applicable governmental authority and any reasonable non-discriminatory rules and regulations which Landlord may make in the management and use of the Building requiring such conformance by Tenant's employees; and to store all trash and garbage in adequate containers within the Leased Premises, which Tenant shall maintain in a neat and clean condition so as not to be visible to members of the public and so as not to create any health or fire hazard. Tenant shall not burn any trash or garbage at any time in or about the Building and Tenant shall, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, attend to the daily disposal thereof in the manner designated by Landlord. If Landlord shall provide any services or facilities for such pickup, upon notice, the Tenant shall be obligated to use the same and shall pay the tenant's proportion of the actual reasonable cost thereof within ten (10) days after being billed therefor. Tenant agrees to pay tenant's proportion, promptly after being billed therefor, of any reasonable costs incurred by Landlord for pest control service, which Landlord may reasonably determine is necessary to employ for the Leased Premises.

F. Maintenance of Leased Premises. To keep the entire Leased Premises in good repair, maintaining the Leased Premises at all times in a first class manner, including, but not limited to, the fire protection system, pipes, plumbing, conduit, all glass, electric wiring, air conditioning and heating equipment, boilers, motors, engines, tanks, machinery, equipment, fixtures, appliances, furniture, floor coverings, walls, wall coverings, ceilings, decor, partitions, doors, entrance-ways, bathrooms, dressing rooms and appurtenances belonging thereto installed for the use or used exclusively in connection with the Leased Premises and, at Tenant's sole cost and expense, by contractors or mechanics approved by Landlord, to make as and when needed all repairs in or about the Leased Premises and in and to all such equipment, fixtures, appliances and appurtenances necessary to keep the same in good order and condition.

When used in this Lease, the term "repairs" shall include all replacements, renewals, alterations, additions and betterments. All repairs made by Tenant shall be of new first class material and workmanship and at least equal to the original work.

As used in this Article and Article VIII, the expression "exterior walls" shall not be deemed to include interior walls, drywall, partitions, studs, framing, plate glass, window cases, or

window frames, doors or door frames. It is understood and agreed that the Landlord shall be under no obligation to make any repairs, alterations, renewals, replacements or improvements to and upon the Leased Premises or the mechanical equipment exclusively serving the Leased Premises at any time except as in this Lease expressly otherwise provided, all such repairs, alterations, additions and improvements to be made by and at the sole cost and expense of Tenant.

G. Extermination. To cause the infestation of vermin in the Leased Premises to be exterminated from time to time to the satisfaction of Landlord and to employ such exterminators and such exterminating company or companies as shall be reasonably approved by Landlord.

H. Repairs, Alterations and Additions. At Tenant's sole cost and expense, to make any and all repairs, alterations, additions or replacements to the Leased Premises required by any law or ordinance or any order or regulation of any public authority, or fire underwriters or underwriters' fire prevention engineers; to keep the Leased Premises equipped with all safety appliances so required because of the Use; to procure any licenses and permits required for any Use; and to comply with the orders and regulations of all governmental authorities. Tenant shall pay promptly when due the entire cost of any work, including the Tenant's Work, in the Leased Premises undertaken by Tenant in order that the Leased Premises shall at all times be free of liens for labor and materials and shall to procure all necessary permits before undertaking such work. All such work performed in the Leased Premises shall be performed in a good and workmanlike manner, employing materials of good quality and in compliance with all governmental requirements. All work performed by Tenant within the Leased Premises shall be accomplished only by contractors and pursuant to contracts and plans, all of which shall first be approved by Landlord, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed. Tenant does hereby indemnify, defend and agree to save and hold Landlord and its mortgagees and agents and their respective successors and assigns harmless from and against all liability, injury, loss, claims, cost, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) with respect of any injury to, or death of, any person, or damage to, or loss or destruction of, any property occasioned by or growing out of any such work. Landlord shall have no liability whatsoever for loss or damage to any such work performed by Tenant or to fixtures, equipment or other property of Tenant or Tenant's contractors, unless caused by the negligence of the Landlord. Tenant shall not commence any such work until Landlord has been provided with insurance certificates evidencing that the contractors and subcontractors performing such work have in full force and effect adequate workmen's compensation insurance as required by the laws of the State of Illinois, public liability and builders risk insurance in such amounts and according to terms reasonably satisfactory to Landlord. The interest of the Landlord in and to the Leased Premises and the Building shall not be subject to liens for improvements made in or to the Leased Premises by Tenant or by Tenant's employees, contractors or agents.

I. Indemnity; Insurance. To indemnify, defend and save Landlord and its mortgagees, agents, board members, officers and employees harmless from and against all liability, injury, loss, cost, damage and expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) in respect of any injury to, or death of, any person, and from any damage to, or loss or destruction of any property while on the Leased Premises or any other part of the Building occasioned by any act or omission of Tenant, or anyone claiming by, through or under Tenant. The foregoing covenants are intended to survive the expiration of the Lease Term or earlier termination of this Lease. To maintain, at all times during the Lease Term, in responsible companies approved by Landlord, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld, general liability insurance, insuring Landlord and its mortgagees, agents and Tenant, as their interests may appear, against all claims, demands or actions for injury to or death of any one person in an amount of not less than \$1,000,000.00 and for injury or death of more than one person in any one occurrence in an amount of not less than \$1,000,000.00 and for damage to property in an amount not less than \$500,000.00 made by or on behalf of any persons, firm

or corporation, arising from, related to, or connected with the conduct and operation of Tenant's business in the Leased Premises (Landlord shall have the right to direct Tenant to increase said amounts whenever it reasonably considers them inadequate) and, in addition, and in like amounts, covering Tenant's contractual liability under the aforesaid hold harmless provision; to carry like coverage against loss or damage by boiler or compressor or internal explosion of boilers or compressors, if there is a boiler or compressor in the Leased Premises; to maintain plate glass insurance covering all plate glass in the Leased Premises; to carry business interruption insurance covering a one (1) year period; and to carry special perils property insurance with extended coverage endorsements including, but not limited to, vandalism and malicious mischief and sprinkler leakage endorsements, covering all of Tenant's stock in trade, trade and lighting fixtures, furniture, furnishings, floor and wall coverings, ceiling and equipment or any other personal property of Tenant in the Leased Premises and the Landlord's interest in any leasehold improvements on a full replacement cost basis (no deduction for depreciation). All of said insurance shall be in form, and carried with responsible companies, each satisfactory to Landlord and shall provide that it will not be subject to cancellation, termination or change except after at least thirty (30) days prior written notice to Landlord and its mortgagees. The policies or duly executed certificates for the same (which shall evidence the insurer's waiver of subrogation) together with satisfactory evidence of the payment of the premium thereon, shall be deposited with Landlord on or before the Commencement Date and upon renewals of such policies, not less than thirty (30) days prior to expiration of the term of such coverage. If Tenant fails to comply with such requirements, Landlord may obtain such insurance and keep the same in effect, and Tenant shall pay Landlord the premium cost thereof upon demand. Each such payment shall constitute Additional Rent payable by Tenant under this Lease, and Landlord shall not be limited in the proof of any damages which Landlord may claim against Tenant arising out of or by reason of Tenant's failure to provide and keep the insurance in force, as aforesaid, to the amount of insurance premium or premiums not paid or incurred by Tenant and which would have been payable upon such insurance, but Landlord, in addition to any and all other rights and remedies provided Landlord under the terms of this Lease, shall also be entitled to recover as damages for such breach the uninsured amounts of any loss, to the extent of any deficiency in the insurance required by the provisions of this Lease.

J. Waiver. Landlord and its mortgagees and their respective agents, board members, and employees shall not be liable for, and to the extent permissible by law, Tenant waives all claims for damage to person or property sustained by Tenant or any person claiming by, through or under Tenant resulting from any accident or occurrence in or upon the Leased Premises or the Building, or any part thereto, including, but not limited to, claims for damage resulting from: (i) any equipment or appurtenances becoming out of repair; (ii) Landlord's failure to keep the Building in repair; (iii) injury done or occasioned by wind, water or other natural element; (iv) any defect in or failure of plumbing, heating or air conditioning equipment, electric wiring, gas, water, steam pipes, stairs, railings, elevators, escalators or walks (including, but not limited to, the installation of any of the foregoing); (v) broken glass; (vi) the backing up of any sewer pipe or downspout; (vii) the discharge from any automatic sprinkler system; (viii) the bursting, leaking or running of any tank, tub, washstand, water closet, waste pipe, drain or any other pipe or tank in, upon or about the Building or the Leased Premises; (ix) the escape of steam or hot water; (x) water, snow or ice being upon or coming through the roof, skylight, trapdoor, stairs, walks or any other place upon or near the Building or the Leased Premises or otherwise; (xi) the falling of any fixture, plaster or stucco; (xii) any act, omission or negligence of any other tenant, licensee or invitee or of any other persons or of other occupants of the Building or of adjoining or contiguous buildings or of owners of adjacent or contiguous property; (xiii) any interruption of utility or heat or air conditioning service; and (xiv) any temporary blockage of direct access of or visibility to, from or of the Leased Premises other than claims for damage resulting from the neglect, acts or omissions of Landlord.

K. Entry. To permit Landlord and its mortgagees or agents, at reasonable times, to enter the Leased Premises for the purpose of inspecting the same, of making repairs, additions or alterations thereto or to the Building and, for the six (6) month period prior to the expiration of the Lease Term, to show the Leased Premises to prospective purchasers, lenders and tenants, and other persons having a legitimate interest in inspecting the same. Landlord shall have the right to place "For Rent" signs upon the Leased Premises six (6) months prior to the expiration of the Lease Term. Tenant agrees that any such entry, inspection and repairs, additions or alterations, shall not constitute eviction of Tenant in whole or in part and Rent shall not abate.

L. Removal. At the expiration or termination of this Lease, due to the lapse of time or otherwise: (a) to remove as Landlord may request: (i) all of Tenant's goods and effects which are not permanently affixed to the Leased Premises; (ii) Tenant's sign; (iii) all carpet; and (iv) all of the alterations and additions made by Tenant; (b) to repair any damage caused by such removals; (c) to deliver all keys for and all combinations on all locks, safes and vaults in the Leased Premise to Landlord; and (d) to peaceably yield up the Leased Premises and all alterations, additions, floor covering and carpeting thereto (except such as Landlord has requested Tenant to remove) and all decorations, fixtures, furnishings, partitions, heating, ventilating and cooling equipment and other equipment, which are permanently affixed to the Leased Premises, which (if not then the property of Landlord) shall thereupon become the property of Landlord without any payment to Tenant, in clean and good order, repair and condition, damage by fire or other casualty and reasonable wear and tear excepted. Any personal property of Tenant not removed within five (5) days following such expiration or termination shall, at Landlord's option, become the property of Landlord without payment to Tenant. Tenant waives all rights to notice and all common law and statutory claims and causes of action against Landlord subsequent to such five (5) day period. The foregoing covenants shall survive the expiration or termination of this Lease due to the lapse of time or otherwise.

M. Subordination. That Landlord reserves the right to subordinate this Lease, at all times, to the lien of any mortgage, mortgages, trust deed or trust deeds now or hereafter placed upon its interest in the Premises or on all or any part of its interest in the Building, which includes the Leased Premises, and Tenant covenants and agrees to execute and deliver, upon demand, such further instruments subordinating this Lease to the lien of any such mortgage, mortgages, trust deed or trust deeds as shall be desired by Landlord, or any mortgagees or proposed mortgagees or trustees under trust deeds. If the mortgagee or trustee named in any first mortgage or trust deed hereafter placed upon Landlord's interest in the Building or any part thereof, or upon any portion or all of the Building and other property shall elect by written notice to Tenant to subject and subordinate the rights and interests of the Tenant under this Lease (in whole or in part) to the lien of its mortgage or trust deed, the rights and interests of Tenant under this Lease shall be so subject and subordinate, provided that the mortgagee or trustee shall agree in said notice to recognize this Lease of Tenant in the event of, but only upon, foreclosure if Tenant is not in default. In the alternative, any mortgagee or trustee may elect to give some or all of the rights and interest of Tenant under this Lease priority over the lien of its mortgage or trust deed. The election of such mortgagee or trustee shall be binding upon Tenant whether this Lease is dated prior to or subsequent to the date of said mortgage or trust deed. Tenant further waives the provisions of any statute or rule of law, now or hereafter in effect, which may give or purport to give Tenant any right or election to terminate or otherwise adversely affect this Lease and the obligation of Tenant hereunder in the event any such foreclosure proceeding is brought, prosecuted or completed. Tenant shall execute and deliver whatever instruments may be required for such purposes, and, if Tenant fails so to do within ten (10) days after demand in writing, Tenant does hereby make, constitute and irrevocably appoint Landlord as its attorney in fact and in its name, place and stead so to do. At Tenant's request, Landlord shall use its best efforts to provide Tenant with an agreement of any existing mortgagee that such mortgagee shall not disturb Tenant's possession of the Leased Premises so long as Tenant is not in default hereunder.

N. Financial Statements. Prior to the execution of this Lease, to have furnished Landlord financial statements which accurately reflect Tenant's current financial condition.

O. Notice of Casualty. To give Landlord prompt written notice of any accident, casualty, damage or other similar occurrence in or to the Leased Premises or the Common Areas of which Tenant has knowledge.

P. Enforcement Expenses. To pay on demand Landlord's reasonable expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, expenses and administrative hearing and court costs incurred either directly or indirectly in enforcing any obligation of Tenant under this Lease, in connection with appearing, defending or otherwise participating in any action or proceeding arising from the filing, imposition, contesting, discharging or satisfaction of any lien or claim for lien; in defending or otherwise participating in any legal proceedings initiated by or on behalf of Tenant wherein Landlord is not adjudicated to be in default under this Lease; or in connection with any investigation or review of any conditions or documents, if Tenant requests Landlord's approval or consent to any action of Tenant which may be desired by Tenant or required hereunder.

Q. Compliance with Rules and Regulations. To substantially comply with: (i) all present and future laws, ordinances, orders, rules, regulations and requirements of all federal, state, municipal and local governmental departments, commissions, boards and officers; (ii) all orders, rules and regulations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, Illinois Inspection and Rating Bureau, the local Board of Fire Underwriters, or any other body or bodies exercising similar functions, foreseen or unforeseen, ordinary as well as extraordinary, which may be applicable to the Leased Premises; (iii) all insurance policies and the recommendations of all insurance inspections and insurance carriers with respect thereto at any time in force with respect to the Leased Premises, the Building or any part thereof; and (iv) all present or future non-discriminatory rules and regulations for the use and occupancy of the Building as Landlord, in its reasonable discretion, from time to time promulgates, provided Landlord shall have no liability for violation by any other tenant or tenants, their agents, employees, customers or invitees of the Building, of any rules or regulations, nor shall such violation or the waiver thereof excuse Tenant from full and complete compliance therewith, all as any of the foregoing may now be or hereafter become applicable to the Leased Premises and to all or any parts thereof and any and all facilities used in connection therewith or, as applicable, to the use or manner of use of the Leased Premises, or to the owners, tenants or occupants thereof, whether or not any such law, ordinance, order, rule, regulation or requirement shall interfere with the use and enjoyment of the Leased Premises.

R. Labor Relations. To conduct its labor relations and its relations with its employees and agents in such a manner as to avoid all strikes, picketing and boycotts of, on or about the Building.

S. Payment for Violations. To pay all costs, expenses, claims, fines, penalties and damages that may in any manner arise out of or be imposed because of the failure of Tenant to comply with the provisions of this Article VIII, and in any event Tenant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Landlord and its mortgagees, agents, board members, and employees against all liability, damages, costs and expenses including reasonable attorneys' fees arising therefrom. Tenant shall promptly give written notice to Landlord of any notice of violation received by Tenant.

Section 8.2 Negative Covenants. At all times during the Lease Term and such further time as Tenant occupies the Leased Premises or any part thereof, Tenant covenants:

A. Prohibited Operations. (i) Not to solicit business nor to distribute

advertising matter in the Common Areas (ii) not to conduct any auction, distress, fire or bankruptcy sale or any going out of business sale; (iii) not to represent or advertise that it regularly or customarily sells merchandise at manufacturer's, distributor's, wholesale warehouse discount, fire sale, bankruptcy sale or similar price other than at retail, but nothing contained herein shall restrict Tenant from determining the selling price of its own merchandise or preclude the conduction of periodic, seasonal, promotional or clearance sales; and (iv) not to install any radio, telephone, phonograph or other similar devices, or aerial attached thereto (inside or outside the Leased Premises) without first obtaining, in each instance, the Landlord's written consent (which shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed), and if such consent be given, no such device shall be used in a manner so as to be heard or seen outside of the Leased Premises.

B. Prohibited Actions. Not to injure, overload, deface or otherwise harm the Leased Premises; nor commit any nuisance; nor unreasonably annoy owners or occupants of neighboring property; nor use the Leased Premises for any extra-hazardous purpose or in any manner that will suspend, void or make inoperative any policy or policies of insurance of the kind generally in use in the State of Illinois at any time carried on any improvement within the Building or in any manner which will increase the cost of any of Landlord's insurance; nor burn any trash or refuse within the Building; nor sell, imbibe, display, distribute or give away any alcoholic liquors or beverages; nor sell, distribute or give away any product which tends to create a nuisance in the Building; nor make any use of the Leased Premises which is improper, offensive or contrary to any law or ordinance or any regulation of any governmental authority; nor use any advertising medium such as hand bills, flashing lights, searchlights, loud speakers, phonographs, sound amplifiers or radio or television receiving equipment in a manner to be seen or heard outside the Leased Premises; nor place any structure, barricade, building, improvement, division rail or obstruction of any type or kind on any part of the Common Areas; nor install or use any sign or other advertising device other than an identity sign approved by Landlord at the location approved by Landlord; nor use or permit the use of any portion of the Leased Premises as living quarters, sleeping apartments or lodging rooms; nor do any unreasonable act tending to injure the reputation of the Building. If Tenant unreasonably does any act or uses the Leased Premises in such a manner as will increase the cost of any of Landlord's insurance, then, without prejudice to any other remedy of Landlord for such breach, Landlord shall have the right to require Tenant to pay as Additional Rent hereunder the amount by which Landlord's insurance premiums are increased as a result of such use.

C. Changes in Leased Premises. Not to make any alterations or additions, nor permit the making of any holes in the walls, partitions, ceilings, or floors, nor permit the painting or placing of any exterior signs, placards or other advertising media, awnings, aerials, antennas, or the like, without on each occasion obtaining the prior written consent of Landlord (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed) and on each occasion complying with all applicable statutes, ordinances, regulations and codes.

D. Machines. Not to operate any coin or token operated vending machine or similar device for the sale of any goods, wares, merchandise, newspapers, magazines or other publications, postage stamps, food, beverages, or services including, but not limited to, pay telephones, pay lockers, pay toilets, scales, amusement devices and machines for the sale of beverages, foods, candy, cigarettes or other commodities.

E. Alienation. Not, without Landlord's prior written consent which, in each instance, may be withheld only at the reasonable discretion of Landlord, to: (i) assign, transfer, hypothecate, mortgage, encumber, or convey this Lease or any interest under it or subject or permit any lien or charge to exist upon this Lease or any interest under it; (ii) allow any transfer of, or any lien upon, Tenant's interest in this Lease by operation of law or otherwise; (iii) sublet the Leased

Premises in whole or in part; or (iv) allow the use or occupancy of any portion of the Leased Premises for a use other than the Use or by anyone other than Tenant or Tenant's employees. Tenant shall pay, as Additional Rent, to Landlord all of Landlord's costs which are incurred in reviewing Tenant's request for such consent (not to exceed the sum of \$2,500.00), including, but not limited to, Landlord's reasonable attorney's fees and expenses. If Landlord consents to any assignment or sublease, Tenant shall pay Landlord, as Additional Rent in the case of each and every assignment or sublease, fifty percent (50%) of all sums, including Rent, additional charges or other consideration whatsoever payable to Tenant (and/or Landlord in the case of an assignment) by the subtenant or assignee which exceed all Rent under this Lease accruing during the term of the sublease or assignment in respect of the subleased or assigned space (i.e., allocated in proportion to the space demised, as reasonably computed by Landlord) pursuant to the terms hereof (including, but not limited to, sums paid for the sale or rental of Tenant's fixtures, leasehold improvements, equipment, furniture or furnishings or other personal property, less, in the case of a sale thereof, the then net unamortized or undepreciated cost thereof determined on the basis of Tenant's federal income tax returns). Tenant shall pay Landlord all amounts due under this Section 8.2E as and when payable by the assignee or subtenant to Tenant. If Tenant requests Landlord's consent to an assignment of the Lease or to a sublease of all or a substantial portion of the Leased Premises, Landlord may, in lieu of granting such consent or withholding the same, terminate this Lease, effective on the proposed effective date of said assignment or on the proposed commencement date specified in the sublease, as the case may be, to which Landlord's consent was requested, and Landlord may, at its option and without liability, rent any or all of the Leased Premises or another portion of the Building to any proposed assignee or subtenant of Tenant. The consent by Landlord to an assignment or subletting shall not in any way be construed to relieve Tenant from obtaining the express consent in writing of Landlord to a further assignment or subletting, or relieve Tenant from primary liability under the terms of this Lease. Tenant shall remain fully obligated under this Lease notwithstanding any assignment or sublease or any indulgence granted by Landlord.

If Tenant is an entity whose ownership is not publicly held, and if during the Term, the ownership of the control of Tenant changes, Tenant shall notify Landlord of such change within five (5) days thereof, and Landlord, at its option, may at any time thereafter terminate this Lease by giving Tenant written notice of said termination at least sixty (60) days prior to the date of termination stated in the notice. The term "control" as used herein means the power to directly or indirectly direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of the Tenant. A change or series of changes in ownership of stock or membership interests which would result in direct or indirect change in ownership by the stockholders or an affiliated group or stockholders or members of less than fifty (50%) percent of the outstanding stock or membership interests shall not be considered a change of control.

F. Liens. Not to suffer any mechanics', laborers' or materialmen's liens to be filed against the Building or any portion thereof or any interest therein by reason of any work, labor, services performed at, or materials furnished to, or claimed to have been performed at, or furnished to, the Leased Premises, by, or at the direction or sufferance of, Tenant, or anyone holding the Leased Premises by, through or under the Tenant; provided, however, that if any such liens shall, at any time, be filed or claimed, Tenant shall have the right to contest, in good faith and with reasonable diligence, any and all such liens, provided reasonable security satisfactory to Landlord is deposited with Landlord to insure payment thereof and to prevent any sale, foreclosure or forfeiture of the Building or any portion thereof by reason of nonpayment thereof. On final determination of the lien or claim for lien, Tenant shall immediately pay any judgment rendered, with all proper costs and charges, and shall have the lien released of record and any judgment satisfied. If Tenant shall fail to contest the same with due diligence (having secured Landlord's consent as herein provided) or shall fail to cause such lien to be discharged within thirty (30) days after being notified of the filing thereof and in any

case, before judgment of sale, foreclosure or forfeiture thereunder, then, in addition to any other right or remedy of Landlord, Landlord may, at its option, discharge the same by paying the amount claimed to be due or by bonding or other proceeding deemed appropriate by Landlord, and the amount so paid by Landlord and/or all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, expenses and court costs, incurred by Landlord in procuring the discharge of such lien or judgment shall be deemed to be Additional Rent and, together with interest thereon as provided in Section 10.2, shall be due and payable by Tenant to Landlord on the first day of the next following month. Nothing in this Lease contained shall be construed as a consent on the part of the Landlord to subject Landlord's estate in the Leased Premises to any lien or liability under the Mechanic's Lien Law of the State of Illinois.

G. Intentionally Omitted.

Section 8.3 Signs. Tenant shall not affix, maintain or locate (1) upon the glass panes and supports of any window (or within less than 24 inches of any window), or (2) upon doors or all exterior walls including the rear of the Leased Premises, any merchandise, inventory, fixtures, equipment, signs, advertising placards, names, insignia, trademarks, descriptive material or any other such like item or items except such as shall have first been approved by Landlord, in writing, as to size, type, color, location, copy, nature and display qualities. All signs, placards or other advertising material permitted hereunder shall be professionally prepared. Anything to the contrary in the Lease notwithstanding, Tenant shall not affix any sign to the roof of the Building. Tenant shall not locate any fixtures, equipment, inventory, signs, placards or any other kind of advertising material, outside windows without the prior written approval of Landlord. Landlord may, without notice, and without any liability therefor, enter the Leased Premises and remove any items installed or maintained by Tenant in violation of this Section 8.3.

Section 8.4 Environmental. Tenant agrees that it will not use, handle, generate, treat, store or dispose of, or permit the use, handling, generation, treatment, storage or disposal of any Hazardous Materials (hereinafter defined) in, on, under, around or above the Leased Premises now or at any future time and will indemnify, defend and save Landlord harmless from and against any and all actions, proceedings, claims, costs, expenses and losses of any kind, including, but not limited to, those arising from injury to any person, including death, damage to or loss of use or value of real or personal property, and costs of investigation and cleanup or other environmental remedial work, which may arise in connection with the existence of Hazardous Materials in the Leased Premises during the term hereof. The term "Hazardous Materials," when used herein, means without limitation, above or underground storage tanks, flammables, explosives, radioactive materials, radon, asbestos, urea formaldehyde foam insulation, methane, lead-based paint, polychlorinated biphenyl compounds, hydrocarbons or like substances and their additives or constituents, pesticides and toxic or hazardous substances or materials of any kind, including without limitation, substances now or hereafter defined as "hazardous substances," "hazardous materials," "toxic substances" or "hazardous wastes" in the following statutes, as amended: the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. §9601, et seq.); the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (42 U.S.C. §9671 et seq.); the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. §1801, et seq.); the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. §2601, et seq.); the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. §6901, et seq.); the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. §7401 et seq.); the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1251, et seq.); the Rivers and Harbors Act (33 U.S.C. §401 et seq.); and any so-called "Superlien Law"; and the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, and any other applicable federal, state or local law, common law, code, rule, regulation, order, policy or ordinance, presently in effect or hereafter enacted, promulgated or implemented imposing liability or standards of conduct concerning any hazardous, toxic or dangerous substances, waste or material, now or hereafter in effect.

Tenant does hereby indemnify, defend and hold harmless Landlord and its mortgagees, agents, board members, officers, directors, beneficiaries, shareholders, partners, agents and employees from and against all fines, suits, procedures, claims and actions of every kind, and all costs associated therewith (including reasonable attorneys' and consultants' fees) arising out of or in any way connected with any deposit, spill, treatment, discharge or other release of Hazardous Materials that occurs during the Lease Term, at or from the Leased Premises, or which arises at any time due to the act of Tenant or Tenant's employees, agents or invitees, or from Tenant's failure to provide all information,

make all submissions, and take all steps required by all applicable governmental authorities. Tenant's obligations and liabilities under this Section 8.4 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Lease.

ARTICLE IX DAMAGE OR TAKING AND RESTORATION

Section 9.1 Fire, Explosion or Other Casualty. If the Leased Premises are damaged by fire, explosion or any other casualty or cause to an extent which is less than fifty (50%) percent of the cost of replacement of the Leased Premises, the damage shall promptly be repaired by Landlord at Landlord's expense, provided that Landlord shall not be obligated to expend for such repair an amount in excess of the insurance proceeds recovered as a result of such damage and that in no event shall Landlord be liable for or be required to repair or replace (i) Tenant's stock in trade, (ii) lighting, trade or other fixtures, furniture, furnishings, wall and floor coverings, ceiling, and equipment, (iii) any improvements to the Leased Premises made by Tenant, and (iv) any personal property of Tenant. In the event of any such damage and (a) Landlord is not required to repair as above provided, or (b) the Leased Premises shall be damaged to the extent of fifty (50%) percent or more of the cost of replacement, or (c) the Building is damaged to the extent of twenty-five (25%) percent or more of the cost of replacement, Landlord may elect either to repair or rebuild the Leased Premises or the Building or to terminate this Lease upon giving notice of such election in writing to Tenant within ninety (90) days after the occurrence of the event causing the damage. If the casualty, repairing, or rebuilding shall render the Leased Premises untenable, in whole or in part, and the damage shall not have been due to the default or neglect of Tenant, a proportionate abatement of the Fixed Minimum Rent shall be allowed from the date when the damage occurred until the date Landlord completes its work, said proportion to be computed on the basis of the relation which the rentable square foot area of the space rendered untenable bears to the rentable floor space of the Leased Premises. If Landlord is required or elects to repair the Leased Premises as herein provided, Tenant shall, at its sole cost and expense, repair or replace its stock in trade, fixtures, furniture, furnishings, floor and wall coverings, ceiling and equipment. If such damage is not due to the default or neglect of Tenant and the Landlord does not complete the repairs within one-hundred eighty (180) days of the occurrence, the Tenant shall have the right to terminate this Lease.

Section 9.2 Eminent Domain. If the entire Leased Premises shall be taken by any public authority by the exercise, or under the threat of the exercise of the power of eminent domain, the Lease Term shall cease as of the day the right to possession shall be taken by such public authority, and Tenant shall pay Rent up to that date with an appropriate refund by Landlord of such Rent as may have been paid in advance for any period subsequent to the date the right to possession is taken. If less than all of the floor area of the Leased Premises shall be so taken, the Lease Term shall cease only for the parts so taken as of the day the right to possession shall be taken by such public authority, and Tenant shall pay Rent up to that day with appropriate refund by Landlord of such Rent as may have been paid in advance for any period subsequent to the date the right to possession is taken and thereafter the Fixed Minimum Rent shall be equitably adjusted. Landlord shall, at its expense, make all necessary repairs or alterations to the basic building and exterior work so as to constitute the remaining premises a complete architectural until, provided that Landlord shall not be obligated to undertake any such repairs and alterations if the cost thereof exceeds the award received by Landlord. If the floor area of the Leased Premises so taken leaves space no longer suitable for the Use, then the Lease Term shall cease and Tenant shall pay Rent up to the day the right to possession is taken, with an appropriate refund by Landlord of such Rent as may have been paid in advance for any period subsequent to the date of the taking. If more than twenty-five (25%) percent of the floor area of the Building shall be taken by the exercise, or under the threat of the exercise of the power of eminent domain, Landlord may, by written notice to Tenant delivered on or before the date of surrendering the right to possession to the public authority, terminate this Lease and Rent shall be paid or refunded as of the date of termination. All compensation awarded for any taking under the power of eminent domain, whether for the whole or a part of the Leased Premises, shall be the property of Landlord, whether such damages shall be awarded as compensation for diminution in the value of the leasehold or the fee of the Leased Premises or otherwise and Tenant hereby assigns to Landlord all of the Tenant's right, title and interest in and to any and all such compensations; provided, however, that Landlord shall not be entitled to any separate award specifically made to Tenant for the taking of Tenant's trade fixtures, furniture or leasehold improvements which do not diminish Landlord's award.

ARTICLE X
DEFAULTS BY TENANT AND REMEDIES

Section 10.1 Defaults by Tenant.

A. Events of Default. Each of the following shall constitute a breach of this Lease by Tenant and a default by Tenant hereunder: (i) Tenant fails to pay any installment or other payment of Fixed Minimum Rent, Additional Rent, or other charges payable by Tenant hereunder within five (5) days of written notice from Landlord that same is past due when due; (ii) Tenant fails to observe or perform any of the other covenants, conditions or provisions of this Lease to be observed or performed by Tenant and fails to cure such default within fifteen (15) days after written notice thereof to Tenant, or if such default cannot be cured within said fifteen (15) days then provided Tenant commences such cure within said fifteen (15) days and diligently and continuously prosecutes the cure for same, then within said additional time, not to exceed sixty (60) days, as is necessary to cure such default; (iii) the interest of Tenant in this Lease is levied upon under execution or other legal process; (iv) a petition is filed by or against Tenant to declare Tenant bankrupt or seeking a plan of reorganization or arrangement under any Chapter of the Bankruptcy Act, or any amendment, replacement or substitution therefor, or to delay payment of, reduce or modify Tenant's debts, or any petition is filed or other action is taken to reorganize or modify Tenant's capital structure or upon the dissolution of Tenant; (v) Tenant is declared insolvent by law or any assignment of Tenant's property is made for the benefit of creditors or a receiver is appointed for Tenant or Tenant's property; (vi) Tenant abandons the Leased Premises; (vii) if Tenant ceases operation prior to the Termination Date for more than ten (10) days; or (viii) Tenant shall repeatedly be more than five (5) business days late in the payment of Rent or other charges to be paid hereunder or shall repeatedly default in the keeping, observing or performing of any other covenants or agreements herein contained to be kept, observed or performed by Tenant (provided notice of such late payment or other defaults shall have been given to Tenant, but whether or not Tenant shall have timely cured any such late payment or other defaults of which notice was given). The term "repeatedly" as used in the foregoing sentence shall mean the occurrence of three (3) or more of the foregoing events (and regardless of whether or not the Tenant shall have timely cured the same) within any twelve (12) consecutive month period.

B. Termination. Upon the happening of any one or more of the above-mentioned events, Landlord may, upon notice, terminate this Lease. Upon such termination of the Lease, Landlord may re-enter the Leased Premises, with or without process of law, using such force as may be necessary, and remove all persons, fixtures and chattels therefrom. Landlord shall be entitled to recover as damages all Rents and other sums payable by Tenant on the date of termination plus (1) a sum of money equal to the value of the Fixed Minimum Rent, Additional Rent and other sums provided herein to be paid by Tenant to Landlord for the remainder of the Lease Term, less the fair rental value of the Leased Premises for said period, and (2) the cost of performing any other covenants to be performed by Tenant.

C. Repossession. Upon the happening of any one or more of the above-mentioned events, Landlord may repossess the Leased Premises by forcible entry or detainer suit, or otherwise, without demand or notice of any kind to Tenant (except as above expressly provided for) and without terminating this Lease, in which event Landlord may, but shall be under no obligation so to do, relet all or any part of the Leased Premises for such Rent and upon such terms as shall be satisfactory to Landlord (including the right to relet the Leased Premises for a term greater or lesser than that remaining under the Lease Term, the right to relet the Leased Premises as a part of a larger area, and the right to change the character or use made of the Leased Premises). For the purpose of such reletting, Landlord may decorate and make any repairs, changes, alterations or additions in or to the Leased Premises that may be necessary or convenient. If Landlord does not relet

the Leased Premises, Tenant shall pay to Landlord, on demand, as damages, all Rents and other sums payable by Tenant on the date Landlord repossesses the Leased Premises, plus (1) a sum equal to the amount of the Fixed Minimum Rent, Additional Rent, and other sums provided herein to be paid by Tenant for the remainder of the Lease Term, and (2) the cost of performing any other covenants to be performed by Tenant. If the Leased Premises are relet and a sufficient sum shall not be realized from such reletting (after paying all of the expenses of such decorations, repairs, changes, alterations, additions, the expenses of such reletting, including, without limitation, broker's commissions and attorneys' fees and expenses, and the collection of the Rent accruing therefrom) to satisfy the Rent herein provided to be paid for the remainder of the Lease Term, Tenant shall pay to Landlord on demand any deficiency and Tenant agrees that Landlord may file suit from time to time to recover any sums falling due under the terms of this Section 10.1.

D. Repeated Default. If Tenant fails to comply with the covenants or agreements in this Lease pertaining to the appearance, maintenance, repair or operation of the Leased Premises or the Building, then, whether or not Tenant shall have timely cured such default, if such default recurs, or a substantially similar default occurs repeatedly (such recurrence of default or similar default which occurs three (3) times or more during any twelve (12) month period being referred to collectively as "Repeated Default"), the Fixed Minimum Rent (pro rated on a daily basis) shall be increased by fifty (50%) percent for each day such Repeated Default occurs and/or continues. This increase in Fixed Minimum Rent shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for or diminution of, any other rights and remedies under this Lease or pursuant to law or equity, to which Landlord may be entitled. This increase in Fixed Minimum Rent shall be treated as liquidated damages and not as a penalty.

E. Insolvency. If Tenant or any Guarantor of this Lease shall become bankrupt or insolvent or unable to pay its or their debts as such become due, or file any debtor proceedings, or if Tenant or any guarantor shall take or shall have taken against either party, in any court, pursuant to any statute either of the United States or of any State, a petition in bankruptcy or insolvency or for reorganization or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee of all or a portion of Tenant's or any such guarantor's property, or if Tenant or any such guarantor makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or petitions for or enters into an arrangement, then the occurrence of any one of such events shall constitute a breach of this Lease and this Lease shall thereupon terminate and Landlord may exercise any of the remedies for breach of this Lease herein provided or provided at law, in equity or by statute and, in addition thereto, Landlord shall have the immediate right of reentry and may remove all persons and property from the Leased Premises and such property may be removed and stored in a public warehouse or elsewhere at the cost of, and for the account of Tenant, all without service of notice or resort to legal process and without being deemed guilty of trespass, or becoming liable for any loss or damage which may be occasioned thereby.

Section 10.2 Interest on Late Payment. All amounts (unless otherwise provided herein, and other than the total Fixed Minimum Rent, which shall be due as hereinbefore provided) owed by the Tenant to the Landlord hereunder shall be deemed Additional Rent and be paid when due hereunder. All such amounts (including total Fixed Minimum Rent) shall bear interest after five (5) days from the due date thereof until the date paid at the rate of four (4%) percent above the corporate base rate of interest as announced by the Chicago office of Bank One (or its successor) on the date that any payment is due (said interest rate is herein defined as the "Lease Interest Rate"). In addition, Tenant shall pay a late payment fee equal to five (5%) percent of the amount due if any payment of Rent is paid more than five (5) days after the date that same is due.

Section 10.3 Holdover by Tenant. Any holding over by Tenant of the Leased Premises after the expiration of this Lease shall operate and be construed to be a tenancy from month-to-month only, at a monthly rate equal to twice the Fixed Minimum Rent calculated for the month immediately prior to the expiration of this Lease, for

each month or part thereof (without reduction for any such partial month) that Tenant thus remains in possession, and in addition thereto, Tenant shall pay Landlord all damages, consequential as well as direct, sustained by reason of Tenant's retention of possession. Alternatively, at the election of Landlord expressed in a written notice to Tenant, and not otherwise, such holding over shall constitute a renewal of this Lease for one (1) year at a monthly rate equal to one and one-half (1 ½) times the Fixed Minimum Rent calculated for the month immediately prior to the expiration of this Lease. In all events, Tenant shall remain liable for all other charges payable hereunder. Any such extension or renewal shall be subject to all of the other terms and conditions of this Lease. Nothing in this Section 10.3 shall be construed to give Tenant the right to hold over after the expiration of this Lease, and Landlord may exercise any and all remedies at law or in equity to recover possession of the Leased Premises.

Section 10.4 Landlord's Right to Cure Defaults. Landlord may, but shall not be obligated to, at any time, without notice, cure any default by Tenant under this Lease, and whenever Landlord so elects, all reasonable costs and expenses paid by Landlord in curing such default, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses, shall be Additional Rent due on the next Rent date after such payment, together with interest (except in the case of attorneys' fees) at the Lease Interest Rate set forth in Section 10.3 hereof.

Section 10.5 Effect of Waivers of Default. No consent or waiver, expressed or implied, by Landlord to or of any breach of any covenant, condition or duty of Tenant shall be construed as a consent or waiver to or of any other breach of the same or any other covenant, condition or duty.

Section 10.6 Remedies Cumulative. No remedy herein or otherwise conferred upon or reserved to Landlord shall be considered to exclude or suspend any other remedy but the same shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder, or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or by statute, and every power and remedy given by this Lease to Landlord may be exercised from time to time and so often as occasion may arise or as may be deemed expedient. Except as otherwise provided in this Lease, Tenant waives the service of any notice of intention to terminate this Lease or to re-enter the Leased Premises and waives the service of any demand for payment of Rent or possession and the service of any and every other notice or demand prescribed by any statute or other law and agrees that the breach of any of the covenants of this Lease shall constitute a forcible detainer by Tenant within the meaning of the statutes of the State of Illinois without the service of any notice or demand whatever.

Section 10.7 Security Deposit. To secure the faithful performance by Tenant of all of the covenants, conditions and agreement in this Lease set forth and contained on the part of the Tenant to be fulfilled, kept, observed and performed, including, but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, such covenants, conditions and agreements in this Lease which become applicable upon the termination of the same by re-entry or otherwise, Tenant has deposited herewith the Security Deposit as a security deposit on the understanding: (a) that such deposit or any part or portion thereof not previously applied (or from time to time such one or more parts or portions thereof) may be applied to the curing of any default that may then exist, without prejudice to any other remedy or remedies which the Landlord may have on account hereof, and upon such application Tenant shall pay Landlord, on demand, the amount so applied which shall be added to the Security Deposit so the same may be restored to its original amount; (b) that should Landlord's interest in the Leased Premises be conveyed by Landlord, the deposit or any portion thereof not previously applied may be turned over to Landlord's grantee, and if the same be turned over as aforesaid, the Tenant hereby releases Landlord and Landlord's Agent from any and all liability with respect to the deposit and/or its application or return, and the Tenant agrees to look to such grantee or agent, as the case may be for such application or return; (c) that Landlord or its successor shall not be obligated to hold said deposit as a separate fund, but on the contrary may commingle the same with its other funds and that no interest shall be paid to Tenant with respect to such funds; (d) that, if Tenant shall faithfully fulfill, keep, perform and observe all of the covenants, conditions, and agreements in this Lease set forth and contained on the part of Tenant to be fulfilled, kept, performed and observed, the sum deposited or the part or portion thereof not previously applied, shall be returned to the Tenant without interest no later than thirty (30) days after the expiration of the term of this Lease or any renewal or extension thereof, provided Tenant has vacated the Leased Premises and surrendered possession thereof to the Landlord at the expiration of said term or any extension or renewal thereof as provided herein; and (e) that Landlord reserves the right, at its sole option, to return to Tenant said

deposit or what may then remain thereof, at any time prior to the date when Landlord or its successors is obligated hereunder to return the same, but said return shall not in any manner be deemed to be a waiver of any default of the Tenant hereunder then existing nor to limit or extinguish any liability of Tenant hereunder.

Section 10.8 Bankruptcy. If Landlord shall not be permitted to terminate this Lease, as provided in this Article X because of the provisions of the United States Code relating to Bankruptcy, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Bankruptcy Code"), then Tenant as a debtor-in-possession or any trustee for Tenant agrees promptly, within no more than thirty (30) days upon request by Landlord to the Bankruptcy Court, to assume or reject this Lease, and Tenant on behalf of itself and any trustee agrees not to seek or request any extension or adjournment of any application to assume or reject this Lease by Landlord with such Court. In such event, Tenant or any trustee for Tenant may only assume this Lease if: (a) it cures or provides adequate assurances that the trustee will promptly cure any default hereunder; (b) compensates or provides adequate assurance that Tenant will promptly compensate Landlord of any actual pecuniary loss to Landlord resulting from Tenant's default; and (c) provides adequate assurance of performance during the fully stated term hereof of all of the terms, covenants, and provisions of this Lease to be performed by Tenant. After the assumption of this Lease, no then existing default shall remain uncured for a period in excess of the earlier of ten (10) days or the time period set forth herein. Adequate assurance of performance of this Lease, as set forth above, shall include, without limitation, adequate assurance: (i) of the source of Rent reserved hereunder and (ii) that the assumption of this Lease will not breach any provision hereunder.

If Tenant assumes this Lease and proposes to assign the same pursuant to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code to any person or entity who shall have made a bona fide offer to accept an assignment of this Lease on terms acceptable to Tenant, then notice of such proposed assignment, setting forth: (i) the name and address of such person; (ii) all of the terms and conditions of such offer, and (iii) the adequate assurance to be provided Landlord to assure such person's future performance under the Lease, shall be given to Landlord by the Tenant no later than twenty (20) days after receipt by the Tenant, but in any event no later than ten (10) days prior to the date that the Tenant shall make application to a court of competent jurisdiction for authority and approval to enter into such assignment and assumption, and Landlord shall thereupon have the prior right and option, to be exercised by notice to the Tenant given at any time prior to the effective date of such proposed assignment, to accept an assignment of this Lease upon the same terms and conditions and for the same consideration, if any, as the bona fide offer made by such person, less any brokerage commissions which may be payable out of the consideration to be paid by such person for the assignment of this Lease.

If this Lease is assigned to any person or entity pursuant to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, any and all monies or other considerations payable or otherwise to be delivered to Landlord shall be and remain the exclusive property of Landlord and shall not constitute property of Tenant or of the estate of the Tenant within the meaning of the Bankruptcy Code. Any and all monies or other considerations constituting the Landlord's property under the preceding sentence not paid or delivered to the Landlord shall be held in trust for the benefit of Landlord and shall be promptly paid to the Landlord.

Any person or entity to which this Lease is assigned pursuant to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code shall be conclusively deemed without further act or deed to have assumed all of the obligations arising under this Lease on and after the date of such assignment. Upon demand, any such assignee shall execute and deliver to Landlord an instrument confirming such assumption. Any such assignee shall be permitted to use the Leased Premises only for the Use.

Nothing contained in this Section shall, in any way, constitute a waiver of the provisions of Paragraph 8.2E of this Lease relating to alienation. Tenant shall not, by virtue of this Section, have any further rights relating to assignment other than those granted in the Bankruptcy Code. Notwithstanding anything in this Lease to the contrary, all amounts payable by Tenant to or on behalf of Landlord under this Lease, whether or not expressly denominated as Rent, shall constitute Rent for the purpose of Section 501(b)(6) or any successor section of the Bankruptcy Code.

**ARTICLE XI
RESERVED**

**ARTICLE XII
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

Section 12.1 Mutual Waiver of Subrogation Rights. Whenever (a) any loss, cost, damage or expense resulting from fire, explosion or any other casualty or occurrence is incurred by either of the parties to this Lease or anyone claiming by, through or under them in connection with the Leased Premises and (b) such party is then either covered in whole or in part by insurance with respect to such loss, cost, damage or expense, or required under this Lease to be so insured, then the party so insured (or so required) hereby releases the other party from any liability said other party may have on account of such loss, cost, damage or expense to the extent of any amount recovered by reason of such insurance (or which could have been recovered, had insurance been carried as so required) and waives any right of subrogation which might otherwise exist in or accrue to any person on account thereof, provided that such release of liability and waiver of the right to subrogation shall not be operative in any case where the effect thereof is to invalidate such insurance coverage or increase the cost thereof (provided that in the case of increased cost the other party shall have the right, within thirty (30) days following written notice, to pay such increased cost thereupon keeping such release and waiver in full force and effect).

Section 12.2 Notices from One Party to the Other. Any notice or demand from Landlord to Tenant or from Tenant to Landlord shall be in writing and shall be personally delivered or delivered by expedited messenger service, with evidence of receipt, addressed, if to Tenant, to the address of Tenant set forth in Section 1.1, or such other address as Tenant shall have last designated by notice in writing to Landlord, and, if to Landlord, to the place then established for the payment of Rent, or such other address as Landlord shall have last designated by notice in writing to Tenant. All notices shall be deemed received: (i) the date of delivery, if personally delivered or (ii) one (1) day after deposit with a commercial express courier specifying next day delivery, with written verification of delivery. Either party may change the address to which notices shall be sent by notice to the other party as provided above.

Section 12.3 Brokerage. Tenant warrants that it has had no dealings with any broker or agent in connection with this Lease, except for U. S. Equities Realty, Inc. and Marc Realty and Tenant covenants to pay, hold harmless and indemnify Landlord from and against any and all cost (including reasonable attorneys' fees), expense or liability for any compensation, commissions and charges claimed by any other broker or other agent or finder with respect to this Lease or the negotiation thereof.

Section 12.4 No Lesser Payment. No payment by Tenant or receipt by Landlord of a lesser amount than any installment or payment of Rent due shall be deemed to be other than a payment on account of the amount due and no endorsement or statement on any check or any letter accompanying any check or payment of Rent shall be deemed an accord and satisfaction, and Landlord may accept such check or payment without prejudice to Landlord's right to recover the balance of such installment or payment of Rent or pursue any other remedies available to Landlord. No receipt of money by the Landlord from the Tenant after the termination of this Lease or after the service of any notice or after the commencement of any suit, or after final judgment for possession of the Leased Premises shall reinstate, continue or extend the term of this Lease or affect any such notice, demand or suit.

Section 12.5 Relationship of the Parties. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed or construed by the parties hereto nor by any third party, as creating the relationship of principal and agent or of partnership or of joint venture between the parties hereto or any other relationship, other than the relationship of Landlord and Tenant. Whenever herein the singular number is used, the same shall include the plural and the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter genders.

Section 12.6 Estoppel Certificate. Within ten (10) days after Landlord's request, or in the event that upon any sale, assignment or hypothecation of the Building or any portion thereof or interest therein, an Estoppel

Certificate shall be required from Tenant, Tenant shall deliver, executed in recordable form, a declaration to any person designated by Landlord: (a) ratifying this Lease; (b) stating the Commencement and Termination Dates; and (c) certifying: (i) that this Lease is in full force and effect and has not been assigned, modified, supplemented or amended (except by such writings as shall be stated); (ii) that all conditions under this Lease to be performed by Landlord have been satisfied (stating exceptions, if any); (iii) no defenses or offsets against the enforcement of this Lease by Landlord exist (or stating those claimed); (iv) advance Rent, if any, paid by Tenant; (v) the date to which Rent has been paid; (vi) the amount of security deposited with Landlord; and (vii) such other information as Landlord or its mortgagee or Purchaser requires. Persons or entities receiving such statement shall be entitled to rely upon it.

Section 12.7 Applicable Law and Construction. The laws of the State of Illinois shall govern the validity, performance and enforcement of this Lease. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Lease shall not affect or impair any other provision. The headings of the several articles and sections contained herein are for convenience only and do not define, limit or construe the contents of such articles or sections. Time shall be of the essence hereof. Notwithstanding anything in this Lease to the contrary, with respect to any provision of this Lease which requires Landlord's consent or approval, Tenant shall not be entitled to make, nor shall Tenant make, any claim for, (and Tenant hereby waives any claim for) money damages as a result of any claim by Tenant that Landlord has unreasonably withheld or unreasonably delayed any consent or approval, but Tenant's sole remedy shall be an action or proceeding to enforce such provision, or for specific performance, injunction or declaratory judgment.

Section 12.8 Passageways, etc. No permanent or temporary revocations or modifications of any license, permit, or privilege to occupy or use or maintain any passageway or structure in, over or under any street or sidewalk, nor any permanent or temporary deprivation of any existing right, privilege or easement appurtenant to the Leased Premises, shall operate as or be deemed an eviction of the Tenant or in any way terminate, modify, diminish or abate the obligation of the Tenant to pay the full Rent as in this Lease provided, and to perform each and every covenant thereof. Landlord shall have the right to grant any easements on, over, under and above the Leased Premises, superior to Tenant's estate created hereby, for such purposes as Landlord determines, provided that such easements will not materially interfere with the Use.

Section 12.9 Execution of Lease by Landlord. The submission of this document for examination and negotiation does not constitute an offer to lease, or a reservation of, or option for, the Leased Premises and this document becomes effective and binding only upon the execution and delivery hereof by Landlord and by Tenant. All negotiations, considerations, representations and understandings between Landlord and Tenant are incorporated herein and may be modified or altered only by agreement in writing between Landlord and Tenant, and no act or omission of any employee or other agent of Landlord or of Landlord's broker shall alter, change or modify any of the provisions hereof. The submission of an executed copy of this Lease by Tenant constitutes Tenant's offer to Landlord to enter into this Lease.

Section 12.10 Binding Effect of Lease. The covenants, agreements and obligations herein contained, except as herein otherwise specifically provided, shall extend to, bind and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective personal representatives, heirs, successors and permitted assigns. Landlord, at any time and from time to time, may make an assignment of its interest in this Lease. Upon such assignment and the assumption by the assignee of the covenants and agreements to be performed by Landlord herein, Landlord and its successors and assigns (other than the assignee of this Lease) shall be released from any and all liability hereunder.

Section 12.11 Agency or Independent Contractor. Any service which Landlord is required or elects to furnish under this Lease may be furnished by any agent employed by Landlord or by an independent contractor.

Section 12.12 Air Rights. This Lease does not grant any rights to light or air over or about the Building. Landlord specifically excepts and reserves to itself the use of any roofs, the exterior portions of the Building, all rights to the land and improvements below the improved floor level of the Building, to the air rights above the Building and to the air rights located outside the demising walls of the Building and to such areas within the Building

required for installation of utility lines and other installations required to serve any occupants of the Building and to maintain and repair same, and no rights with respect thereto are conferred upon Tenant, unless otherwise specifically provided herein.

Section 12.13 Lease Preparation. The preparation of this Lease has been a joint effort of the parties hereto and the resulting documents shall not, solely as a matter of judicial construction, be construed more severely against one of the parties than the other.

Section 12.14 Invalidity/Unenforceability. If any term, covenant or condition of this Lease or the application thereof to any person or circumstance shall, to any extent, be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Lease, or the application of such term, covenant or condition to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid or unenforceable, shall not be affected thereby and each term, covenant or condition of this Lease shall be valid and be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Section 12.15 Authority. Tenant warrants and represents that it has full power and authority to execute this Lease. If Tenant is a general partnership or consists of two or more individuals, all present and future partners or individuals, as applicable, shall be jointly and severally liable hereunder.

Section 12.16 Complete Lease. This Lease sets forth all the covenants, promises, agreements, conditions and understandings between Landlord and Tenant, concerning the Leased Premises and there are no covenants, promises, agreements, conditions, or understandings, either oral or written, between them other than herein set forth. Except as herein otherwise provided, no subsequent alteration, amendment, change or addition to this Lease shall be binding upon Landlord or Tenant unless reduced to writing and signed by them. This Lease shall not be recorded by Tenant.

Section 12.17 Lender's Requirements. If any mortgage, leasehold or otherwise, of the Building or any portion thereof, or any interest therein, requires a modification or modifications of this Lease, which modification or modifications will not bring about any increased cost or expense to Tenant or in any other way substantially change the rights and obligations of Tenant hereunder, then and in such event, Tenant agrees that, upon ten (10) days advance written notice, this Lease shall be so modified.

Section 12.18 Adjacent Excavation Shoring. If an excavation shall be made upon land adjacent to the Building, or shall be authorized to be made, Tenant shall afford to the person causing or authorized to cause such excavation a license to enter upon the Leased Premises for the purpose of doing such work as said person shall deem necessary to preserve the wall or the building of which the Leased Premises form a part from injury or damages and to support the same by proper foundations without any claim for damage or indemnity against Landlord, or diminution or abatement of Rent.

Section 12.19 Indemnity for Litigation. Tenant agrees to pay all reasonable costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, which may be incurred by or imposed on Landlord, either in enforcing this Lease or in any litigation which Landlord, without fault on its part, may be a party as result of this Lease, and if paid by Landlord, shall be so much Additional Rent due on the next Rent date after such payment together with interest at the Lease Interest Rate.

Section 12.20 Limitation of Liability. Anything to the contrary herein contained notwithstanding, there shall be absolutely no personal liability on persons, firms or entities who constitute Landlord or its agents or board members or beneficiaries with respect to any of the terms, covenants, conditions and provisions of this Lease, and Tenant shall, subject to the rights of any mortgage, look solely to the interest of Landlord, its successors and assigns in the Building for the satisfaction of each and every remedy of Tenant if default by Landlord hereunder; such exculpation of personal liability is absolute and without any exception whatsoever.

Section 12.21 105 ILCS 5/34 Provisions. Each party to this Lease hereby acknowledges that, in accordance with 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1, the Inspector General of the Chicago Board of Education has the authority to conduct certain investigations and that the Inspector General shall have access to all information and personnel necessary to conduct those investigations.

Section 12.22 Reserved.

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Section 12.24 Contingent Liability. Any expenditure by Landlord beyond the then fiscal year of Landlord shall be deemed a contingent liability of Landlord, subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year of Landlord.

Section 12.25 Landlord's Title. The Landlord's title is and shall always be paramount to the title of the Tenant, and nothing herein contained shall empower the Tenant to do any act which can, shall or may encumber the title of the Landlord.

Section 12.26 Certain Rights Reserved to Landlord. The Landlord reserves the following rights on ten (10) days prior written notice to the Tenant: (a) to change the name or the street address of the Building without liability of the Landlord to the Tenant; (b) to install and maintain a sign or signs on the exterior of the Building; (c) to have access for the Landlord and the other tenants of the Building to any mail chutes located in the Leased Premises according to the rules of the United States Post Office; (d) to designate all sources furnishing sign painting and lettering; (e) during the last ninety (90) days of the Lease Term or any part thereof, if during or prior to that time the Tenant has vacated the Premises, to decorate, remodel, repair, or otherwise prepare the Premises for reoccupancy; (f) to constantly have pass keys to the Leased Premises; (g) to grant to anyone the exclusive right to conduct any particular business or undertaking in the Building; (h) to exhibit the Leased Premises to others and to display "For Rent" signs on the Premises; and (i) to take all measures, including inspections, repairs, alterations, additions, and improvements to the Premises or the Building, as may be necessary or desirable for the safety, protection, or preservation of the Premises or Building or Landlord's interests, or as may be necessary or desirable in the operation of the Building.

Section 12.27 Default Under Other Lease. If the term of any lease, other than this Lease, made by the Tenant for any premises in the Building shall be terminated or terminable after the making of this Lease because of any uncured monetary default or any other uncured non-monetary material default by the Tenant under such other lease, such fact shall empower the Landlord, at the Landlord's sole option, to terminate this Lease by notice to the Tenant.

Section 12.28. Landlord's Termination Rights. The Landlord shall have the right to terminate this Lease as of a date not less than sixty (60) days prior to a notice to the Tenant in any year if Landlord proposes or is required, for any reason, to remodel, remove, or demolish the Building or any substantial portion of it. No money or other consideration shall be payable by the Landlord to the Tenant for this right and the right hereby reserved to the Landlord shall inure to all purchasers, assignees, lessees, transferees and ground lessees, as the case may be, and is in addition to all other rights of the Landlord under this Lease.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Landlord and Tenant have executed this Lease the day and year first above written.

LANDLORD:

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
THE CITY CHICAGO

Michael W. Scott
By: Michael W. Scott, President

Attest: Estela M. Beltran
Estela Beltran, Secretary

Board Report Number: 02-0925-0P02

Approved as to legal form: for
Marilyn F. Johnson
Marilyn F. Johnson, General Counsel

TENANT:

EQUITY-LEAGUE PENSION, HEALTH AND
401 (k) TRUST FUNDS

By: Stephen R. Rosenick

Name: Stephen R. Rosenick

Title: Board Member

Attest: Carol Harms

By: Carol Harms

Name: CAROL HARMS

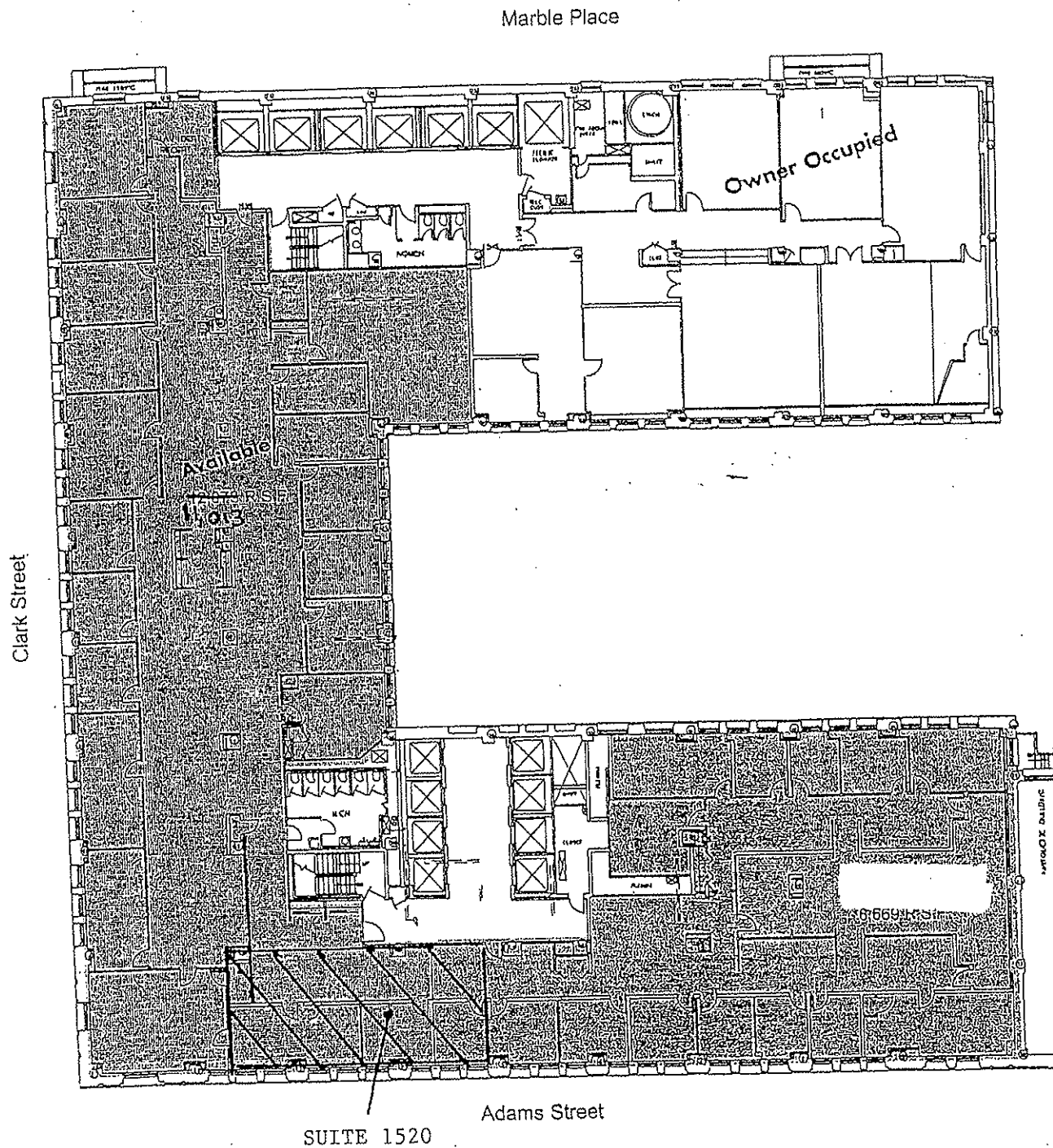
Title: CHAIRMAN

EXHIBIT "A"

DEPICTION OF LEASED PREMISES

125 South Clark Street

15th floor plan



U.S. Equities Realty

Thomas R. Bennett
312-654-1585
tbennett@usequities.com

December 20, 2006

**APPROVE THE ASSIGNMENT OF THE LEASE WITH EQUITY-LEAGUE PENSION,
HEALTH AND 401 (K) TRUST FUNDS TO ACTORS' EQUITY ASSOCIATION FOR
RENTAL OF SPACE AT 125 SOUTH CLARK STREET**

THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Approve the assignment of the lease with Equity-League Pension, Health and 401(k) Trust Funds for rental of space at 125 South Clark Street, 15th Floor, Suite 1520. The Office Lease (authorized by Board Report 02-0925-OP02) is for a term commencing October 1, 2002 and ending June 30, 2012. An Assignment of Lease and the Board's consent thereto is currently being negotiated. Information pertinent to this assignment is stated below.

TENANT/ASSIGNOR: Equity-League Pension, Health and 401(k) Trust Funds
165 West 46th Street
NY, NY 10036
Contact: Arthur Drechsler, Executive Director
Phone: 212-869-9300

TENANT/ASSIGNEE: Actors' Equity Association
125 S. Clark St., Suite 1500
Chicago, IL 60603
Contact: Kathryn Lamkey, Central Region Director
Phone: 312-641-0393

LANDLORD: Board of Education of the City of Chicago

PREMISES: 125 S. Clark Street, 15th Floor, Suite 1520, consisting of approximately 1,060 rentable square feet.

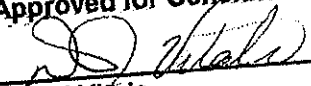
AUTHORIZATION: Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the Assignment of Lease and the Board's Consent to the Assignment. Authorize the President and Secretary to execute the Consent to the Assignment.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: Exempt.

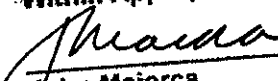
LSC REVIEW: Local School Council approval is not applicable to this report.

FINANCIAL: No cost to the Board (Credit Income to the General Fund)

Approved for Consideration:


David Vitale
Chief Operating Officer

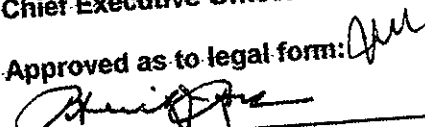
Within Appropriation:


John Maiorca
Chief Financial Officer

Approved:


Arne Duncan
Chief Executive Officer

Approved as to legal form:


Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel



Board of Education of the City of Chicago
Law Department

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Patrick J. Rocks
General Counsel

February 9, 2007

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Mr. Arthur Drechsler
Executive Director
Equity-League Pension, Health and 401 (k) Trust Funds
165 W. 46th Street
New York, NY 10036

Ms. Kathryn Lamkey, Central Region Director
Actors' Equity Association
125 South Clark Street, Suite 1500
Chicago, Illinois 60603

Re: *Assignment and Assumption of Lease and Landlord's Consent for Suite 1520, 125 S. Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois*

Dear Mr. Drechsler and Ms. Lamkey:

Enclosed please find one (1) original fully executed copy of the above captioned Assignment and Assumption of Lease and one (1) copy. I have forward the original to Mr. Drechsler and the copy to Ms. Lamkey. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Stuart C. Unger
Assistant General Counsel
Writer's direct 773-553-1742

scu/scu
w/out enc.

cc: Lori Woodman, Manager of Real Estate
Gail M. Cernauske, Office of the Building

ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF LEASE AND LANDLORD'S CONSENT

This **Assignment and Assumption of Lease and Landlord's Consent** is made as of the 1st day of ~~December~~ ^{January}, 2007, by and between **Equity-League Pension, Health and 401(k) Trust Funds**, a tax exempt trust (hereinafter referred to as the "Assignor"); **Actors' Equity Association**, an unincorporated labor organization (hereinafter referred to as the "Assignee"); and the **Board of Education of the City of Chicago** (hereinafter referred to as the "Landlord").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Assignor is the tenant under a Lease with the Landlord dated October 1, 2002 (the "Lease") for Suite 1520, consisting of approximately 1060 rentable square feet of space in the 125 South Clark Street Building, located at 125 South Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

WHEREAS, the Assignor desires, under the terms and conditions set forth below, to assign (the "Assignment") all of its right, title and interest in the Lease to the Assignee and Assignee desires to accept said Assignment (the "Assumption") under the terms and conditions set forth below.

WHEREAS, the Landlord is willing to give its consent to the foregoing Assignment and Assumption on the terms and conditions set forth below, which terms and conditions are acceptable to the Assignor and the Assignee.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the forgoing Recitals, which are incorporated herein as though set forth in full, and for Ten and no/100 (\$10.00) Dollars and for other good and valuable consideration hand paid, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, it is hereby agreed as follows:

1. The Assignor hereby transfers, assigns and sets over to the Assignee all of its entire right, title and interest in and to the Lease, together with all of its rights and benefits thereunder (the "Assignment"); to have and to hold the same from and after January 1, 2007 (the "Effective Date").
2. The Assignee hereby accepts said Assignment and assumes the performance of all of the covenants, agreements, provisions and conditions contained in the Lease required to be performed under the Lease from and after the Effective Date (the "Assumption").
3. The Landlord hereby grants its consent to the Assignment and the Assumption.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have duly executed and delivered this Assignment and Assumption of Lease and Landlord's Consent as of January 1, 2007.

LANDLORD:

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
THE CITY CHICAGO**

By: Rufus Williams
By: Rufus Williams

Attest: Estela G. Beltran 2/6/07
Estela G. Beltran, Secretary

Board Report Number: 06-1220-OP1

Approved as to legal form: AC

Patrick J. Rocks
Patrick J. Rocks, General Counsel

ASSIGNOR:

**EQUITY-LEAGUE PENSION, HEALTH,
AND 401 (k) TRUST FUNDS**

By: Arthur Drechsler

Name: Arthur Drechsler

Title: Executive Director

Attest:

By: Vincent Cinelli

Name: Vincent Cinelli

Title: Director of Operations

ASSIGNEE:

ACTORS' EQUITY ASSOCIATION

By: Steven D. Paola

Name: Steven D. Paola

Title: Nat'l Director of Finance & Admin

Attest:

By: JD DeTienne

Name: JD DeTienne

Title: Comptroller