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**THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND  
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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**RESOLUTION  
NUMBER 2020-009**

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COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS SUPPORTING THE CLASS 8  
REAL ESTATE TAX ASSESSMENT CLASSIFICATION FOR  
INSTANT TRUCKING, INC. (13550 CHATHAM)**

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**WHEREAS**, the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois (the “City”) is a duly organized and existing municipal corporation created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois and under the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code, as from time to time supplemented and amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the President and Board of Commissioners of the County of Cook have enacted an ordinance known as the Cook County Real Property Assessment Classification Ordinance, as amended from time to time (the “*Classification Ordinance*”), which provides for a tax assessment incentive classification designed to encourage development throughout Cook County by offering a real estate tax incentive for the development of new facilities, the rehabilitation of existing structures and the utilization of abandoned buildings in order to create employment opportunities and expand the tax base; and

**WHEREAS**, Ramzi Akhras, owner of Instant Trucking, Inc (the “*Applicant*”) is the owner of a certain parcel of property within the City commonly known as 13550 Chatham, Blue Island, Illinois, identified by certain permanent index number (PIN)29-06-103-010-0000 and 29-06-104-003-0000 and hereinafter legally described on Exhibit A, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof (the “*Property*”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Applicant has requested that the Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Island (the “*Corporate Authorities*”) support and consent to the Cook County Class 8 Real

Estate Tax Assessment Classification for the Property, as said term is defined in the Classification Ordinance (the “*Class 8 Tax Assessment Classification*”); and

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of a resolution by the Corporate Authorities is required and must be filed by the applicant with its application with the County of Cook in order for the Property to receive the Class 8 Tax Assessment Classification; and

**WHEREAS**, the Applicant is proposing to use the property to provide custom same day or next day shipping which would employ approximately 45 employees, all of which is dependent on the approval and grant of the Class 8 Tax Assessment Classification; and

**WHEREAS**, the Applicant is seeking a Class 8 Tax Assessment Classification for new construction involving minor improvements such as paving, fencing and landscaping.

**WHEREAS**, the Corporate Authorities find that the redevelopment contemplated for the Property will serve the residents of the City and surrounding communities that are in need of the use proposed and that without a Class 8 Tax Assessment Classification for the Property it will remain vacant and exasperate blight in the area surrounding the Property; and

**WHEREAS**, to ensure the viability of the facility, the establishment of numerous employment positions in the City and to safeguard the tax base of the City, the Corporate Authorities have determined that it is necessary and in the best interests of the City to approve the Class 8 Real Estate Tax Assessment Classification for the Property for the redevelopment and revitalization of the Property, pursuant to the Classification Ordinance.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Blue Island, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1.** That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and

are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

**Section 2.** The Corporate Authorities find that the proposed redevelopment contemplated herein for the Property is necessary and appropriate and that without a Class 8 Tax Assessment Classification the Property will remain vacant and underutilized and cause the continued exasperation of blighted factors within the area surrounding the Property.

**Section 3.** The Corporate Authorities find that the Class 8 Tax Assessment Classification incentive program established by the County of Cook is necessary for the redevelopment herein contemplated to occur on the Property which is the subject of this Resolution.

**Section 4.** The Corporate Authorities support and consent to the filing of a Class 8 Tax Incentive Eligibility Application by the Applicant for the Property, which is herein legally described on Exhibit A.

**Section 5.** If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

**Section 6.** All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

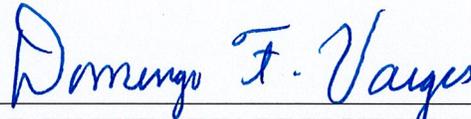
**Section 7.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

*(Intentionally left blank)*

**ADOPTED** this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020, pursuant to roll call as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSENT	PRESENT	ABSTAIN
Alderman JOHNSON	X				
Alderman ALEXANDER	X				
Alderman BILOTTO	X				
Alderman CAZARES	X				
Alderman RITA	X				
Alderman DONAHUE			X		
Alderman HAWLEY	X				
Alderman FAHRENWALD	X				
Alderman MECH			X		
Alderman HILL	X				
Alderman CANTELO-ZYLMAN	X				
Alderman CARR	X				
Alderman SLATTERY			X		
Alderman KLINKER	X				
Mayor DOMINGO F. VARGAS					
<b>TOTAL</b>	11		3		

**APPROVED:** this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.



**MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND,  
COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**ATTESTED** and Filed in my office this  
25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020.

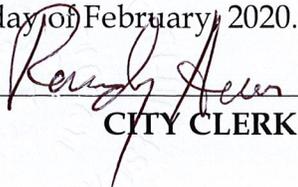
  
**CITY CLERK**

Exhibit A

*Legal Description*

THAT PART OF LOT 14 LYING SOUTHERLY OF RIGHT OF WAY OF CHICAGO AND CALUMET TERMINAL RAILROAD AND NORTHEASTERLY OF RIGHT OF WAY OF CHICAGO AND NORTHERN PACIFIC RAIL ROAD IN SUBDIVISION BY PETER ENGLAND OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, WITH PART OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT OF SAID SUBDIVISION RECORDED MAY 7, 1859, IN BLOCK 160 OF MAPS, PAGE 24, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

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LOTS 2 IN CHATHAM STREET SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JULY 25, 2007 AS DOCUMENT 0720615152, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

29-06-104-003-0000

STATE OF ILLINOIS        )  
  ) SS  
COUNTY OF COOK         )

**CERTIFICATION**

I, RANDY HEUSER, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I am the duly qualified and elected City Clerk of the City of Blue Island, Illinois and as such City Clerk of the City of Blue Island, Illinois, I am the keeper of the minutes and records of the proceedings of the City Council of said City and have in my custody the Resolutions and books of the records of said City.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the attached and foregoing is a true and correct copy of that certain RESOLUTION: **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BLUE ISLAND, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS SUPPORTING THE CLASS 8 REAL ESTATE TAX ASSESSMENT CLASSIFICATION FOR INSTANT TRUCKING, INC. (13550 CHATHAM).**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2020 – 009** Which was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Blue 11 Aldermen were present; that at said meeting, on motion duly made and seconded that said Resolution do pass and upon the roll being called the vote of each Alderman present on the question of the passage of said Resolution was duly and separately taken by Ayes and Nays and his name and vote recorded in the minutes of the Proceedings of said City Council; that it appears from such recorded that 11 Aldermen voted Aye, 0 Aldermen Abstain, 3 Aldermen Absent and 0 Aldermen voted Nay.

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that said Resolution was deposited in my Office on the **25th day of February, 2020.**

I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the original Resolution of which the foregoing is a true copy, is entrusted in my care for safe keeping, and that I am the lawful keeper of the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Corporate Seal of the City of Blue Island aforesaid, at the said City in the County and State aforesaid, the **25th day of February, 2020.**

CORPORATE SEAL

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City Clerk