RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL OF AND AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY THE TOWN OF BABYLON INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO THOR 377 CARLLS PATH LLC, IN CONNECTION WITH THE AQCUISITION, DEMOLITION, CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING OF A WAREHOUSE AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITY

WHEREAS, the Town of Babylon Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") is authorized under the laws of the State of New York (the "State"), and in particular under the provisions of the New York State Industrial Development Agency Act and the Agency's enabling legislation, respectively constituting Article 18-A and Section 907-a of the General Municipal Law (Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Laws of New York), as amended (the "Act"), to assist in providing for manufacturing, warehousing, research, civic, commercial and industrial facilities in the Town of Babylon, New York (the "Town"); and

WHEREAS, representatives of Thor 377 Carlls Path LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware (on behalf of itself and/or the principals of Thor 377 Carlls Path LLC and/or any entity or entities formed on behalf of Thor 377 Carlls Path LLC or any of the foregoing (collectively, the "Company")) have filed or caused to be filed an application with the Agency concerning a project (the "Project") consisting of (i) the acquisition and demolition of an approximately 189,500 square foot existing building, and (ii) the construction and equipping thereon of an approximately 310,500 square foot warehouse and distribution facility to be located on that certain approximately 22.676 acre lot, piece or parcel of land generally known as 377 Carlls Path, in Deer Park, New York 11729 (the "Land") and the acquisition and installation of certain equipment, furnishings and personal property therefor (the "Facility Equipment"), all for use as a warehousing and distribution facility by one or more tenants yet to be determined (the Land, Improvements, including construction, renovation and reconstruction thereof, and the Facility Equipment, collectively the "Facility"); and

WHEREAS, in order to induce the Company to proceed with the Project and to provide the Town with new modern warehouse and distribution facilities thereby to promote job opportunities, health, general prosperity and the economic welfare of the inhabitants of the Town and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act, it appears necessary for the Agency to assist the Company by taking leasehold title to the Facility so as to afford the Company of certain relief from sales and use taxation and mortgage recording taxation with respect to the Facility; and

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that the Company will cause the lease of the Land and any improvements thereon to the Agency pursuant to a Company Lease Agreement (the "Company Lease") and the Agency will assist the Company to undertake the Project and will sublease the Facility to the Company pursuant to a Lease and Project Agreement (the "Lease Agreement"), by and between the Company and the Agency pursuant to which the Company agrees, among other things, to make lease payments in such amounts as specified in the Lease Agreement; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the Agency's evaluation of the Project for the provision of financial assistance, the Agency has (i) assessed all material information relating to the project included in the Company's project application (the "Project Application") in order to afford a reasonable basis for the decision of the Agency to provide financial assistance to the Project; (ii)

reviewed the Agency's written cost benefit analysis for the Project which identifies the extent to which (A) the Project will create or retain permanent, private sector jobs; (B) the estimated value of any tax exemption to be provided to the Project, (C) the amount of private sector investment generated or likely to be generated by the Project; (D) reviewed the likelihood of accomplishing the proposed project in a timely fashion; and (E) considered the extent to which the Project will provide additional sources of revenue for the Town and the school district where the Facility is located; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the adoption of this resolution the Agency has reviewed the Project Application and the Company has confirmed in such Project Application that as of the date of the Project Application, as amended, the Company is in substantial compliance with the Act; and

WHEREAS, it is desired that the Agency authorize the granting of certain financial assistance to the Company in connection with the Project and the Facility including exemption from New York State and local Sales and Use Taxes and mortgage recording taxes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DETERMINED, APPROVED AND RESOLVED by the members of the Agency as follows:

<u>Section 1</u>. With respect to the Agency's evaluation criteria for Manufacturing/Warehousing/Distribution Projects the Agency makes the following determinations:

- (a) It has reviewed the information in the Cost Benefit Analysis with respect to the Project.
- (b) The Company proposes a capital investment in the building acquisition, construction, machinery and equipment and capital improvements in the Facility of approximately \$112,000,000.
- (c) The annual salary range for the jobs to be created by one or more future tenants of the Facility yet to be determined is estimated to be \$50,000 75,000 per year for management positions, \$50,000 75,000 per year for professional positions, \$30,000 50,000 per year for administrative positions, \$30,000 50,000 per year for production positions, \$50,000 75,000 per year for supervisor positions and \$15 19 an hour for laborer positions. The Company expects approximately three hundred fifty (350) full time and one hundred (100) part time temporary construction jobs to be created during the first year of construction and fifty (50) full time and ten (10) part time temporary construction jobs to be created during the second year of construction.
- (d) The Project will not have significant impact from local labor construction in the Town.
- (e) The Project will not have a significant effect on in-region purchases or research and development.
 - (f) The Project will not have a significant effect on energy efficiency.

- (g) The Project will provide new modern warehouse and distribution facilities in the Town. If the Company does not receive financial assistance from the Agency the Company will pursue other opportunities for the development of warehouse and distribution facilities in other jurisdictions where building and operating costs are lower than in Suffolk County.
- Section 2. Based on the evaluation of the foregoing evaluation criteria, (a) the Agency hereby finds and determines that (i) the Project constitutes a "Project" within the meaning of the Act; (ii) the Project is necessary to provide new modern warehouse and distribution facilities in the Town; and (iii) the granting of sales and use tax abatements and mortgage recording tax abatements (collectively, the "Financial Assistance") by the Agency with respect to the Project and the Facility pursuant to the Act, will promote job opportunities, health, general prosperity and the economic welfare of the inhabitants of the Town and the State and improve their standard of living, and thereby serve the public purposes of the Act.
- (b) It is desirable and in the public interest for the Agency to grant the Financial Assistance to the Company with respect to the Project and the Facility.
- (c) The Agency shall grant Financial Assistance to the Company in the form of New York State and local Sales and Use Tax abatements in a maximum amount not to exceed \$4,398,750 as provided in Section 5.2 of the Lease Agreement and in the event of the occurrence of a recapture event under the Lease Agreement the Agency will pursue recapture of the Financial Assistance as provided in Section 5.4 of the Lease Agreement.
- <u>Section 3</u>. To accomplish the purposes of the Act, the Agency shall take leasehold title to the Facility pursuant to the Company Lease, assist the Company to undertake the Project and sublease the Facility to the Company pursuant to the Lease Agreement.
- <u>Section 4</u>. In order to provide the Company with Financial Assistance with respect to exemption from New York State and local Sales and Use Taxes with respect to the Project the Agency may issue one or more Sales Tax Agent Authorization Letters ("Sales Tax Authorization Letters") which shall be used pursuant to the terms contained therein and in the Lease Agreement.
- Section 5. In order to secure amounts to be loaned by any mortgage lender acceptable to the Chief Executive Officer ("CEO") or the Chief Financial Officer ("CFO") of the Agency to the Company with respect to the financing or refinancing of the Project and the Facility, the Agency hereby authorizes the execution of one or more mortgages (if any) (collectively, the "Mortgages") granted at the initial closing of the "straight lease" transaction or any time thereafter during the term of the Lease Agreement, from Company or the Agency and the Company to any mortgage lender acceptable to the CEO or the CFO of the Agency or any other authorized representative, in form acceptable to the CEO or CFO of the Agency or any other authorized representative and counsel to the Agency.
- <u>Section 6</u>. The form and substance of the Company Lease in substantially the form previously executed for other "straight lease" transactions is hereby approved.
- <u>Section 7</u>. The form and substance of the Lease Agreement in substantially the form previously executed for other "straight lease" transactions is hereby approved.

Section 8. Thomas E. Dolan, as CEO of the Agency or any successor CEO or any other Authorized Representative, is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to execute and deliver final forms of the Company Lease, Lease Agreement, Mortgages, Sales Tax Agent Authorization Letters, and any other agreements or certificates consistent herewith (hereinafter collectively called the "Agency Documents"), all in substantially the forms previously executed by the Agency for other "straight lease" transactions acceptable to Agency Counsel, with such changes, variations, omissions and insertions in the Agency Documents as the CEO or any other Authorized Representative of the Agency shall upon advice of counsel approve. The execution thereof by the CEO or any other Authorized Representative of the Agency shall constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

The CEO or CFO of the Agency or any other authorized representative are further hereby authorized, on behalf of the Agency, to designate any additional authorized representatives including the Chairman, the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Agency, to execute any Agency Documents or certificates of the Agency authorized pursuant to this resolution and determine the terms of the Agency Documents.

The Secretary, Assistant Secretary or Counsel to the Agency is hereby authorized to attest to the CEO's, the CFO's or any other authorized representative's signature on the foregoing documents and to impress or affix the seal or facsimile seal of the Agency thereto.

Section 9. The CEO of the Agency, the CFO of the Agency or any other authorized representative including the Chairman or the Secretary and any member of the Agency (as used in this resolution, the "Authorized Representatives") are hereby designated the authorized representatives of the Agency and each of them is hereby authorized and directed to cause the transactions as described in the Company Lease and the Lease Agreement to be undertaken and in relation thereto, to execute and deliver any and all papers, instruments, agreements, opinions, certificates, affidavits and other documents, and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out this resolution, and the Agency Documents including such changes or revisions in the forms of such documents as may be requested by counsel to the Agency.

Section 10. The officers, employees and agents of the Agency are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the Agency to do all acts and things required or provided for by the provisions of the Agency Documents, and to execute and deliver all such additional certificates, instruments, agreements and documents, pay all such fees, charges and expenses and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary, or in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolution and to cause compliance by the Agency with all of the terms, covenants and provisions of the Agency Documents binding upon the Agency.

Section 11. All covenants, stipulations, obligations and agreements of the Agency contained in this resolution, and the Agency Documents shall be deemed to be the covenants, stipulations, obligations and agreements of the Agency to the full extent authorized or permitted by law, and such covenants, stipulations, obligations and agreements shall be binding upon the Agency and its successors from time to time and upon any board or body to which any powers or duties, affecting such covenants, stipulations, obligations and agreements shall be transferred by

or in accordance with law. Except as otherwise provided in this resolution, all rights, powers and privileges conferred and duties and liabilities imposed upon the Agency or the members thereof by the provisions of this resolution, and the Agency Documents shall be exercised or performed by the Agency or by such members, officers, board or body as may be required by law to exercise such powers and to perform such duties.

Section 12. No covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement contained in this resolution, or the Agency Documents shall be deemed to be a covenant, stipulation, obligation or agreement of any member, officer, agent or employee of the Agency or the Town in his or their individual capacity and neither the members of the Agency nor any officer shall be liable personally on the Agency Documents or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the execution thereof.

<u>Section 13</u>. The law firm Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP is hereby appointed transaction counsel to the Agency for this transaction.

Section 14. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Agency will not grant any Financial Assistance to be granted hereunder in excess of \$100,000 to the Company until the Agency has held a public hearing with respect to the grant of financial assistance in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Section 15. The Planning Board of the Town of Babylon, as lead agency, pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) (Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation law) and implementing regulations contained in 6 N.Y.C.R,.R,. part 617 adopted the findings in Resolution No. 2024-023 with respect to the Facility and the Project as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto which are incorporated by reference herein. The Agency hereby adopts such findings.

<u>Section 16.</u> This resolution shall take effect immediately.