AGREEMENT REGARDING THE HARBOR CENTER PROJECT
AND KINCAID’S RESTAURANT LEASE

This Agreement Regarding the Harbor Center Project and Kincaid’s Restaurant Lease (Agreement) is entered into by and between the City of Redondo Beach, acting by and through its City Council (City) and the State of California, acting by and through the California State Lands Commission (Commission).

WHEREAS, the City acquired legal title as trustee to certain tidelands and submerged lands located within its boundaries through a series of statutory grants from the State of California, commencing with Chapter 57, Statutes of 1915 (the Granted Trust Lands); and

WHEREAS, the Granted Trust Lands are subject to constitutional, statutory, and common law requirements that impose certain public trust restrictions on their use and the use of the revenues derived from these lands, which public trust restrictions are referred to as the “Trust;” and

WHEREAS, the fundamental purpose of the Trust is to protect and preserve the tidelands and submerged lands of the State of California for the benefit of all of the citizens of the State and to that end the Trust restricts the use of the Granted Trust Lands and revenues derived from these lands to purposes connected with or that promote and accommodate marine oriented commerce, navigation, fisheries, recreation and ecological preservation; and

WHEREAS, the statutory grants of the Granted Trust Lands confer the status of trustee on the City with respect to the Granted Trust Lands and the revenues derived from them; and

WHEREAS, applicable law imposes a fiduciary responsibility on the trustee to all citizens of the State of California, who are the Trust beneficiaries, and requires, among other things, that the trustee administer the Trust property in accordance with the requirements and restrictions of the Trust and solely in the interests of the Trust beneficiaries; and

WHEREAS, under state law, property purchased with Trust assets becomes Trust property and is subject to the provisions of the Trust; and

WHEREAS, the City administers the Trust on a day-to-day basis and may enter into contracts and acquire property beneficial to and consistent with the Trust; and

WHEREAS, the City and the Commission desire a stable, reliable basis for determining how to resolve disputes that have arisen between them regarding the Harbor Center Project and Kincaid’s Restaurant Lease;
NOW, THEREFORE, the City and the Commission agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS**

"Authorized Representative" means with respect to the City, the City Manager or his or her duly authorized designee, and with respect to the Commission, the Executive Officer of the Commission or his or her duly authorized designee.

"Harbor Center Project" means the hotel, retail and parking complex on lands acquired by the City using Trust funds and uplands that was developed by the City's Redevelopment Agency pursuant to the Harbor Center Redevelopment Plan originally adopted on December 1, 1980.

"Kincaid's Restaurant Lease" means the agreement entered into in 1997 between the Redondo Beach Public Finance Authority (PFA) and the City for the construction of a restaurant on the "Horseshoe" portion of the Redondo Beach pier on the Granted Trust Lands and later subleased by the PFA to Kincaid's for the operation of Kincaid's Restaurant.

**ARTICLE 2. ACTIVITIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN**

A. **Harbor Center Project**
   a. The City shall apply annually to the repayment of the tidelands debt, the Harbor Center area tax increment revenues in excess of those needed for debt service of existing bonded indebtedness and regular operating expenses, unless otherwise approved by the Commission.
   b. The City shall begin within 90 days of the effective date of this Agreement and proceed expeditiously and in a commercially reasonably manner with negotiations for a land exchange of the Trust parcel in the Harbor Center Project area for a parcel more useful to the Trust.

B. **Kincaid's Restaurant Lease**
   a. The City shall submit annually to the Commission within five business days of each anniversary date of this Agreement, a detailed accounting of the income and expenditures relating to the Kincaid's Restaurant Lease, in addition to its responsibilities under the Public Resources Code Section 6306.

C. **Miscellaneous Activities**
   a. The City shall notify the Commission staff of proposed leases in excess of five years involving Trust property no later than fourteen days prior to City Council consideration.
   b. The City shall provide funding or reimbursement for Commission staff review and monitoring of future activities involving Trust lands and
assets submitted to the Commission by the City for review, consistent with the reimbursement requirements applicable to other tidelands trustees. Such reimbursement shall be reasonably determined by Commission staff and the City prior to commencement of work by Commission staff on any particular project.

c. The City shall seek Commission approval before committing to any capital improvement expenditure in excess of $250,000, pursuant to Chapter 1555, Statutes of 1971, directly or indirectly from debt proceeds secured by a pledge of Trust revenues or assets as collateral, consistent with the requirements applicable to other tideland trustees.

ARTICLE 3. RELEASE

For the sole consideration of the mutual promises, agreements, commitments and covenants in this Agreement, the receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the City and the Commission release and forever discharge and hold harmless one another and all of their boards, bureaus, officers, commissioners, agents, employees, attorneys and all persons that acted on its or their behalf with relation to the Harbor Center Project and Kincaid's Restaurant Lease, of and from any and all matters, claims and suits of every kind whatsoever, including, but without limitation, any relating to any and all known or unknown breach of duty, damage, loss, cost or expenses of every nature whatsoever resulting or to result from the events connected with the City's and the Commission's actions or omissions in relation to the Harbor Center Project and Kincaid's Restaurant Lease as of the effective date of this Agreement. The release shall be effective only upon full compliance by the City with all of its obligations under this Agreement.

ARTICLE 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

The effective date of this Agreement shall be the date when this Agreement has been executed by the Authorized Representatives of both the City and the Commission.

ARTICLE 5. ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

A. If a dispute arises between the City and the Commission relating to this Agreement, the City and the Commission shall notify each other promptly and use, to the fullest extent permitted by law, negotiation to resolve the dispute. No legal action may be brought in connection with this Agreement until the City and the Commission have met and conferred in person through their respective staffs to seek an amicable resolution to the dispute.

B. The City and the Commission understand that the full implementation of this Agreement will require the execution of further agreements, the full nature of
which are not currently known. In the event that such agreements cannot be executed, the City and the Commission will meet and confer in order to seek a mutually agreeable outcome.

ARTICLE 6. NOTICES

The Authorized Representatives for receipt of all notices and correspondence related to this Agreement are:

City Manager
City of Redondo Beach
415 Diamond Street
Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Executive Officer
California State Lands Commission
100 Howe Avenue, Suite 100-South
Sacramento, CA 95825-8202

ARTICLE 7. MISCELLANEOUS

A. **Entire Agreement**

This Agreement contains the entire understanding of the City and the Commission with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement and supersedes all prior oral and written agreements and understandings with respect to this subject matter to the extent those prior agreements and understandings are inconsistent with this Agreement.

B. **Headings**

The headings in this Agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not in any way affect the meaning or interpretation of the terms of this Agreement.

C. **Non-Admission**

This Agreement is not an admission by either the City or the Commission with respect to any matter addressed in it. This Agreement shall not be admissible in any proceeding as evidence of or an admission by either the City or the Commission of any violation of any law or regulation or wrongful act. This Agreement may not be used a precedent with respect to any dispute that may arise after its effective date.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the City and the Commission have executed this Agreement on the date set forth to the left of their signatures.

THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH

Dated: March 17, 2009

By: 

Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney's Office

ATTEST:

City Clerk

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