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Resolution approving and authorizing a license to the Saint Paul Downtown Alliance for temporary use of an HRA owned parcel located at 355 Minnesota Street, District 17, Ward 2

**WHEREAS**, the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of the City of Saint Paul, Minnesota (the "HRA") is a public body corporate and politic established pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.001, et seq. (the "Act"); and

**WHEREAS**, the HRA has the power to engage in development or redevelopment activities under Minnesota law and the HRA is authorized to engage in activities relating to (a) housing projects and development, (b) removal and prevention of the spread of conditions of blight or deterioration, (c) bringing substandard buildings and improvements into compliance with public standards, (d) disposition of land for private redevelopment, and (e) improving the tax base and the financial stability of the community, and to engage in the aforementioned activities

when these needs cannot be met through reliance solely upon private initiative and which can also be undertaken in targeted neighborhoods; and is authorized to create redevelopment projects as defined in Minnesota Statutes, Section 469.002, Subdivision 14; and

**WHEREAS**, the HRA presently owns a vacant parcel located at 355 Minnesota Street, Saint Paul, Minnesota, adjacent to the METRO Green Line Central Station (the "Parcel"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Parcel will be included in future redevelopment in partnership with Metro Transit; and

**WHEREAS**, in the interim, the HRA and Metro Transit historically supported positive activity on the Parcel, led by The Musicant Group in 2017, and a partnership between the Saint Paul Downtown Alliance ("SPDA") and the Musicant Group in 2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the HRA wishes to similarly grant to SPDA a limited, temporary license with the terms and conditions described in the staff report submitted to the HRA Board with this Resolution for activities occurring during summer 2019 ("Proposal"); and

**WHEREAS**, by this resolution the HRA finds a public purpose for the Proposal in that it supports a vibrant, safe, and attractive downtown;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of the City of Saint Paul, Minnesota that:

1. The HRA Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Proposal and temporary license to the SPDA on the terms and conditions described in the staff report.
2. The HRA Executive Director is authorized and directed to finalize all documents and agreements necessary to effectuate the license to the SPDA.
3. The HRA Executive Director, staff and legal counsel for the HRA are further directed and authorized to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution. The HRA's Executive Director and staff are specifically authorized to execute any documents and instruments in connection with this Resolution.