NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED PROJECT AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE RELATING THERETO

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing (the "Public Hearing") pursuant to Section 859-a(2) of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York (the "Act") will be held by the County of Otsego Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on the 24th day of March, 2021 at 11:00'clock a.m., local time, in connection with the Corning Property Management Corp Project, as described below. As a result of the (1) ban on large meetings or gatherings pursuant to Executive Order 202.1 issued on March 12, 2020, as supplemented, (2) ban on non-essential gatherings of individuals of any size for any reason pursuant to Executive Order 202.10 issued on March 23, 2020, as supplemented and (3) suspension of the Open Meetings Law relating to public hearings pursuant to Executive Order 202.15 issued on April 9, 2020, as supplemented, each as issued by Governor Cuomo in response to the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Public Hearing will be held electronically via conference call and video conference rather than in person. Members of the public may listen to, view and participate in the Public Hearing and comment on the Project and the financial assistance requested by the Project applicant from the Agency by dialing in by telephone number: +1 (872) 240-3412 and entering access code 285-122-061 or you can join this Public Hearing from your computer, tablet or smartphone via GoToMeeting video conference call by logging into https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/285122061. If you are new to GoToMeeting, you can get the app now and be ready when the Public Hearing starts: https://global.gotomeeting.com/install/285122061. Comments may also be submitted to the Agency in writing or electronically. Minutes of the Public Hearing will be transcribed and posted on the Agency's website.

The Company has submitted an application (the "Application") to the Agency, a copy of which Application is on file at the office of the Agency, requesting that the Agency consider undertaking a project (the "Project") for the benefit of Corning Incorporated, a New York business corporation, said Project consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest or interests in an approximately 18.72 acre parcel of land located at 275 River Street in the City of Oneonta, Otsego County, New York (Tax Map No. 299.15-1-10) (collectively, the "Land"), together with the existing improvements located thereon containing in the aggregate approximately 100,000 square feet of space (the "Existing Facility"), (2) the construction of an addition to the Existing Facility to contain approximately 13,000 square feet of space (the "Addition") (the Existing Facility and the Addition collectively referred to as the "Facility") and (3) the acquisition and installation thereon and therein of various machinery and equipment (the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be owned and operated by the Company for use as a facility for the manufacture of plastic lab ware and related products and other directly and indirectly related activities; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency.

The Agency is considering whether (A) to undertake the Project, and (B) to provide certain exemptions from taxation with respect to the Project, including (1) exemption from mortgage recording taxes with respect to any documents, if any, recorded by the Agency with respect to the Project in the office of the County Clerk of Otsego County, New York or elsewhere, (2) exemption from deed transfer taxes on any real estate transfers, if any, with respect to the Project, (3) exemption from sales taxes relating to the acquisition, construction, renovation and installation of the Project Facility, and (4) in the event that the Project Facility would be subject to real property taxation if owned by the Company but shall be deemed

exempt from real property taxation due to the involvement of the Agency therewith, exemption from real property taxes (but not including special assessments and special ad valorem levies), if any, with respect to the Project Facility, subject to the obligation of the Company to make payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Project Facility. If any portion of the Financial Assistance to be granted by the Agency with respect to the Project is not consistent with the Agency's uniform tax exemption policy, the Agency will follow the procedures for deviation from such policy set forth in Section 874(4) of the Act prior to granting such portion of the Financial Assistance.

If the Agency determines to proceed with the Project, the Project Facility will be acquired, constructed, reconstructed and installed by the Agency and will be leased (with an obligation to purchase) or sold by the Agency to the Company or its designee pursuant to a project agreement (the "Agreement") requiring that the Company or its designee make certain payments to the Agency.

The Agency has not yet made a determination pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law (the "SEQR Act") regarding the potential environmental impact of the Project.

The Agency will at said time and place hear all persons with views on either the location and nature of the proposed Project, or the Financial Assistance being contemplated by the Agency in connection with the proposed Project. A copy of the Application filed by the Company with the Agency with respect to the Project, including an analysis of the costs and benefits of the Project, is available for public inspection during business hours at the offices of the Agency. A transcript or summary report of the hearing will be made available to the members of the Agency.

Additional information can be obtained from, and written comments may be addressed to: Jody Zakrevsky, Chief Executive Officer, County of Otsego Industrial Development Agency, 189 Main Street, Suite 500, Oneonta, New York 13820; Telephone: (607) 267-4010.

Dated: March 9th, 2021.

COUNTY OF OTSEGO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

BY: <u>s/Jody Zakrevsky</u> Jody Zakrevsky, Chief Executive Officer