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A RESOLUTION

Affirming the City of Evanston’s Commitment to Reimburse Evanston/Skokie School District 65 and Evanston Township High School District 202 of Their Respective Shares of Northwestern University’s Payment in Lieu of Taxes

WHEREAS, Northwestern University is the owner of real property located at 1840 Oak Avenue, 2522 Orrington Avenue, and 630 Clinton Place (collectively, the “Properties”); and

WHEREAS, the Properties lie within the following taxing districts: the City of Evanston (“City”), Evanston/Skokie School District 65 (“District 65”), and Evanston Township High School District 202 (“District 202”) (collectively, the “Taxing Entities”); and

WHEREAS, due to Northwestern University’s acquisition of the Properties as a tax-exempt entity, the Properties are exempt from paying property taxes to the Taxing Entities; and

WHEREAS, to protect and preserve City revenues stemming from property taxes, Northwestern University agrees to make annual voluntary payments in lieu of taxes (“PILOT Payments”) to the City on behalf of all taxing entities in the amount of three hundred fifty thousand dollars ($350,000.00) per year for the Properties; and
WHEREAS, the City agrees to process and pay District 65 and District 202 their respective shares of PILOT Payments from Northwestern University; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to commit to and memorialize in writing the reimbursement to District 65 and District 202 in a Memorandum of Understanding and corresponding Ordinance to be adopted at a subsequent City Council date;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1: The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City, District 65, and District 202 in relation to the distribution of the annual PILOT Payments from Northwestern Universities for the real properties located at 1840 Oak Avenue, 2522 Orrington Avenue, and 630 Clinton Place, Evanston Illinois, as approved by the Corporation Counsel and adopted as a subsequent Ordinance by the City Council.

SECTION 2: That this Resolution 23-R-17 shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

Attest:

Rodney Greene, City Clerk

Adopted: March 13, 2017

Elizabeth B. Tisdahl, Mayor