BYLAWS OF THE BATTERY PARK CITY AUTHORITY (as amended through January 25, 2023)

ARTICLE I - THE AUTHORITY

Section 1. <u>Description</u>. The Battery Park City Authority ("Authority") is a body corporate and politic of the State of New York, constituting a public benefit corporation, created by and having the powers and functions set forth in the Battery Park City Authority Act as amended (the "Act").

Section 2. <u>Seal of Authority</u>. The seal of the Authority shall be in the form of seal mandated by the State of New York and shall bear the name of the Authority.

Section 3. Office of the Authority. The office of the Authority shall be located at One World Financial Center, (200 Liberty Street), in the City of New York, State of New York, or at such other location as the Members of the Authority may determine. The Authority may have offices at such other place or places within The City of New York as it may from time to time designate by resolution.

<u>ARTICLE II – MEMBERS AND OFFICERS</u>

Section 1. <u>Members</u>. The affairs of the Authority shall be managed by the Members, who shall be appointed and shall serve as provided in the Act. Members shall serve without salary or other compensation.

Section 2. Officers. The officers of the Authority shall be a Member who shall serve as Chair; a Member who shall serve as Vice Chair; a Chief Executive Officer; a President; a General Counsel; a Chief Operating Officer; a Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer; one or more Vice Presidents; a Controller; a Corporate Secretary and Assistant Corporate Secretaries and such other officers as may be designated by resolution of the Authority; and any officer may hold more than one of these offices.

Section 3. <u>Chair.</u> The Chair of the Authority (hereinafter referred to as "Chair") shall be elected from among the Members of the Authority and shall hold office until his/her

successor is elected and qualified. The Chair shall have primary responsibility for overseeing the development, management and implementation of corporate strategy, policies and procedures that facilitate achievement of the Authority's mission. In keeping with this responsibility, the Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Members of the Authority and shall have such other duties as the Members may direct. Nothing herein shall prevent the Chair from concurrently serving as an officer of the Authority, in a position to which he is appointed by the Members.

Section 4. <u>Vice Chair</u>. The Vice Chair of the Authority shall be elected from among the Members of the Authority at each annual meeting of the Authority, and shall hold office until his/her successor is elected and qualified. Upon written designation of the Chair from time to time and for the period specified in any such designation, the Vice Chair of the Authority shall serve as acting Chair. In the absence of the Chair from a meeting of the Members of the Authority the Vice Chair shall preside thereat. The Vice Chair shall have such other duties as the Members may direct.

Section 5. <u>Chief Executive Officer</u>. The Chief Executive Officer, who shall serve as the chief executive of the Authority, shall be elected by the Members of the Authority and shall hold office until his/her successor is elected and qualified.

Section 6. <u>President.</u> The President of the Authority shall be elected by the Members of the Authority. The President shall have general responsibility for the day-to-day administration and management of the Authority, within the framework established by federal, state and local laws and in accordance with the rules and policies adopted by the Members of the Authority, including the initiation, planning and carrying out of the projects, programs and other activities of the Authority. The President shall have the power to delegate authority and assign duties to employees of the Authority, and shall have the power to requisition monies of the Authority, and to sign vouchers, requisitions and other instruments made by the Authority. The President shall have such other powers and duties pertaining to his/her office as are prescribed by law or in these Bylaws or as may be assigned to him/her from time to time by the Authority. Nothing herein shall prevent the President from concurrently serving in another office of the Authority, to which he/she is elected by the Members.

Section 7. <u>Chief Operating Officer</u>. The Chief Operating Officer, under the direction of the President, shall perform all the duties incident to his/her position and office and

such other duties as shall from time to time be assigned to him/her by the President. The Chief Operating Officer is authorized to request monies of the Authority, and to sign vouchers, requisitions and other instruments made by the Authority. Nothing herein shall prevent the Chief Operating Officer from concurrently serving in another office of the Authority, to which he/she is elected by the Members.

Section 8. <u>General Counsel</u>. The General Counsel, under the direction of the President, shall perform all the duties incident to his/her position and office and such other duties as shall from time to time be assigned to him/her by the President. The General Counsel is authorized to requisition monies of the Authority, and to sign vouchers, requisitions and other instruments made by the Authority. The performance of any such duty by the General Counsel shall be conclusive evidence of the power to act.

Section 9. <u>Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer; Controller.</u> The Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer, under the direction of the President, shall be the chief fiscal officer of the Authority. He/She shall be in charge of the books and accounts of the Authority and have supervision of the accounting procedures and fiscal operations of the Authority and shall perform such other duties of his/her office and position as shall from time to time be assigned to him/her by the President. The Controller, under the direction of the Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer, shall perform all the duties incident to his/her position and office and such other duties as shall from time to time be assigned to him/her by the Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer.

Section 10. Other Officers. The Officers of the Corporation other than the designated herein, as may be designated from time to time by resolution of the Authority, shall perform all the duties incident to their respective positions and offices and such other duties as shall from time to time be assigned to them by the Members.

Section 11. Appointment and Removal. The President of the Authority shall be appointed by the Members, and may be removed, either with or without cause, at any time by action of the Members. The President shall appoint and remove, either with or without cause, all other officers of the Authority, except for the General Counsel, the Chief Operating Officer, and the Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer, all of whom shall be appointed and removed, either with or without cause, by the President, in consultation with the Members. The Chair may be removed, either with or without cause, as an officer of the Authority at any time from such office

by vote of the other Members, but may be removed as a Member only by the Governor in accordance with the Act. The President may be removed, either with or without cause, at any time by action of the Members. Any person appointed as an officer of the Authority shall have such term as may be fixed.

ARTICLE III - MEETINGS

Section I. <u>Annual Meeting</u>. The annual meeting of the Authority shall be held on the first day of November of each year at a place and time designated by the Chair or such later day in each calendar year as the Chair may determine.

Section 2. Meetings. The Chair may, when he/she deems it expedient, and shall upon the request of any Member of the Authority or the President, call a meeting of the Authority. At any such meeting any and all matters may be considered and acted upon by the Members of the Authority present, whether or not such matters were specified in the call. Meetings shall be held in facilities that permit barrier-free physical access to the physically handicapped, as defined in subdivision five of section fifty of the public buildings law. The call for a meeting specifying the time and place of the meeting shall be delivered in person or mailed to the business or home address of each Member of the Authority at least three days prior to the date of such special meeting. If the office of the Chair is vacant or if the Chair is unable to perform such duties by reason of illness, disability or absence and has not designated in writing the Vice Chair to perform such duties at such time, any Member may call a meeting of the Authority. Public notice of the time and place of a meeting scheduled at least one week prior thereto shall be given to the news media and shall be conspicuously posted in one or more designated public locations at least seventy-two hours before such meeting, and on the Authority's website prior to a meeting. Such public notice shall provide that videoconferencing shall be used, if applicable. Public notice of the time and place of every other meeting shall be given, to the extent practicable, to the news media and shall be conspicuously posted in one or more designated public locations at a reasonable time prior thereto. Notice of any meeting of the Authority need not be given to a Member if waived in writing by him/her either before or after such meeting, or if he/she shall be present at such meeting. No notice need be given of any meeting if all the Members then in office shall be present thereat. Notice of an adjourned

meeting need not be given to any Member present at the time of the adjournment. The President shall be given notice of and be permitted to attend all meetings of the Authority.

Section 3. Quorum. At all meetings of the Authority, a majority of the whole number of the Members shall constitute a quorum and not less than a majority of the whole number of Members may perform and exercise the powers authorized and provided in the Public Authorities Law of the State of New York. For the purposes of this Section, the words "whole number" shall be construed to mean the total number of Members which the Authority would have were there no vacancies and were none of the Members disqualified from voting.

Section 4. <u>Order of Business.</u> At the regular meetings of the Authority the Chair shall determine the order of business.

Section 5. <u>Resolutions</u>. All resolutions adopted by the Members shall be recorded in or attached to a journal of the proceedings of the Authority.

Section 6. <u>Manner of Voting.</u> The voting on all questions of the meetings of the Authority shall be by roll call if requested by two of the Members, and wherever a resolution has been unanimously adopted it may be recorded as such. The yeas and nays shall be entered upon the minutes of such meeting only in the event of an abstention or a negative vote by any Member; except that the election of officers may be by majority vote without the necessity of recording the individual votes upon the minutes.

Section 7. Participation in Meeting by Videoconference. Notwithstanding anything elsewhere contained in these Bylaws but subject to the requirements of the Public Officers Law and any procedures governing Member videoconferencing, which may be adopted by the Members from time to time, any one or more Members of the Authority may participate in a meeting of the Members by means of videoconferencing equipment allowing all persons participating in the meeting to see and hear each other at the same time and participation by such means shall constitute presence in person at a meeting of the Members. In the event any Member is present at a meeting of the Members by means of conference telephone, such Member may not speak, vote or otherwise participate in the meeting, and his or her presence shall not constitute presence in person at a meeting of the Members for quorum purposes.

Section 8. <u>Certification of Resolutions</u>. The Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Corporate Secretary is authorized to certify, when required, the records, proceedings, documents or resolutions of the Members and to affix the seal of the Authority to all contracts, documents and instruments to be executed by the Authority.

<u>ARTICLE IV – COMMITTEES</u>

Section 1. Audit and Finance Committee. There shall be an audit and finance committee which shall consist of three Members designated by the Chair, one of whom the Chair shall appoint as chair of the committee. The Chair shall be an additional non-voting member of the committee, provided that if there shall be any vacancy or vacancies in the whole number of the Members as prescribed by law, the Chair may serve as a voting member of the committee. Each member of the committee shall be an "independent member," as defined in Public Authorities Law § 2825 (2). Members of the committee shall possess the necessary skills to understand the duties and functions of the committee and shall be familiar with corporate financial and accounting practices. The duties and responsibilities of the committee shall be to: (a) recommend to the Board the hiring of a certified independent accounting firm for the Authority; (b) establish the compensation to be paid to such firm; (c) provide direct oversight of the performance of the independent audit performed by the accounting firm hired for such purposes and (d) review proposals for the issuance of debt by the authority and to make recommendations.

Section 2. Governance Committee. There shall be a governance committee which shall consist of three Members designated by the Chair, one of whom the Chair shall appoint as chair of the committee. The Chair shall be an additional non-voting member of the committee, provided that if there shall be any vacancy or vacancies in the whole number of the Members as prescribed by law, the Chair may serve as a voting member of the committee. Each member of the committee shall be an "independent member," as defined in Public Authorities Law § 2825 (2). Members of the committee shall possess the necessary skills to understand the duties and functions of the committee. The duties and responsibilities of the Committee shall be to: (a) keep the board informed of current best governance practices; (b) review corporate governance trends; (c) recommend updates to the Authority's corporate governance principles; (d) advise

appointing authorities on the skills and experiences required of potential board members; (e) examine ethical and conflict of interest issues; (f) perform board self-evaluations; and (g) recommend bylaws which include rules and procedures for conduct of board business. In addition, the Committee shall perform compensation-related duties and responsibilities, such as (a) considering policies regarding the payment of salaries, compensation and reimbursement of expenses for the chief executive and management; and (b) making such other recommendations regarding compensation as the Committee may deem appropriate.

Section 3. <u>Investment Committee.</u> There shall be an investment committee which shall consist of three Members designated by the Chair, one of whom the Chair shall appoint as chair of the committee. The Chair shall be an additional non-voting member of the committee, provided that if there shall be any vacancy or vacancies in the whole number of the Members as prescribed by law, the Chair may serve as a voting member of the committee. Each member of the committee shall be an "independent member" as defined in Public Authorities Law § 2825(2). Members of the committee shall possess the necessary skills to understand the duties and functions of the committee and shall be familiar with general investment policies and best practices. The duties and responsibilities of the Committee shall be to (a) approve the investment and risk limits for the investment portfolio; (b) review the investment policies for the Authority; (c) approve the annual investment program; (d) authorize investments and ratify investments made pursuant to delegated authorities; (e) review the investment performance of the Authority's accounts and funds; (f) review the organization and staffing of the investment management advisory function; and (g) review the quality of the investment services provided to the Authority.

Section 4. <u>Additional Committees</u>. The Members shall have the authority to establish, by resolution, any additional committees or subcommittees it determines are necessary connection with the discharge of its oversight functions.

<u>ARTICLE V - FISCAL YEAR</u>

The fiscal year of the Authority shall commence November 1 of each calendar year and conclude October 31 of the following calendar year.

ARTICLE VI - INDEMNIFICATION

Section l. <u>Purpose and Definitions</u>. The purpose of this Article is to provide for and regulate indemnification of Members, officers and employees of the Authority. In this Article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated below, except where the context clearly requires otherwise.

- (1) "action or proceeding" means any civil action or other civil judicial proceeding, any proceeding by or before an administrative agency or official investigatory body, any appeal from or judicial review of actions taken in any of the foregoing proceedings, and includes any such proceeding which is threatened, but does not include any criminal action or proceeding;
- (2) "party to an action or proceeding" means a person made, or threatened to be made, a defendant or respondent or otherwise a party in any action or proceeding, and includes a person called upon, voluntarily or by subpoena, to give testimony, produce documents or respond to interrogatories in connection with an action or proceeding;
- (3) "Member" means each Member of the Authority appointed or serving ex officio;
- (4) "officer" means the Chair, the Vice Chair, the President, the Chief Executive Officer of the Authority and each person who has held or who holds from time to time any office so designated by the Authority for the purpose of this article;
- (5) "employee" means each employee of the Authority who is not also a Member or officer;
- (6) "subsidiary or affiliate" includes each subsidiary or affiliate of the Authority;
- (7) "Member", "officer" and "employee" of the Authority each includes persons who formerly served in such capacity and the estates of deceased persons who had served in such capacity; and each such term includes persons serving or who formerly served ex officio or by designation of the Authority as a director, officer or employee of any subsidiary or affiliate of the Authority, and the estates of deceased persons who had served in such capacity, provided that insofar as this

Article distinguishes between Members or officers of the Authority, on the one hand, and employees, on the other, the status with respect to indemnification of a person who served in any capacity with a subsidiary or affiliate and who concurrently was a Member or officer of the Authority shall be that of a Member or officer, and the status of all other such persons shall be that of an employee of the Authority; and

(8) "applicable standard of conduct" means:

- (i) with respect to an action or proceeding in which it is alleged that physical harm was caused to the person or property of a complainant or any harm was caused to his/her reputation, that such harm did not result from the willful and wrongful act or gross negligence of the Member, officer or employee seeking to be indemnified hereunder, or
- (ii) with respect to any other action or proceeding, that the Member, officer or employee seeking to be indemnified hereunder acted in good faith for a purpose which he/she reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the Authority and had reasonable cause to believe his/her conduct was lawful.

Section 2. General Scope of Indemnification. The Authority shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, indemnify any person who becomes a party to an action or proceeding by reason of the fact that he/she is or was a Member, officer or employee of the Authority against judgments, penalties, amounts paid in settlement and reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, actually and necessarily incurred as a result thereof, unless the conduct of such Member, officer or employee in the matters at issue in such action or proceeding is found, in the manner prescribed in this Article, not to have met the applicable standard of conduct.

Section 3. Representation of Persons Indemnified. The Authority may, either by its own staff counsel or by outside counsel of its choice, assume the representation of any person who becomes a party to the action or proceeding, except in situations in which (i) choice of counsel is governed by statute, or (ii) the Authority's counsel determines that it is inappropriate or inadvisable for such person to be represented by counsel chosen by the Authority. In the event the Authority does not assume such representation, such person shall have the right to engage private counsel of his choice and the Authority shall have the obligation of

indemnification for the reasonable fees and expenses of such private counsel as provided in this Article; provided, however, that the Authority as a condition to such indemnification for the cost of private counsel may, and where the Attorney General has so required as a condition to indemnification by the State of New York pursuant to statute shall, require appropriate groups of persons to be represented by the same counsel; and further provided, however, that the Authority as a condition to such indemnification shall: 1) review and approve the terms of such engagement of private counsel to determine reasonableness of such fees and expenses; and 2) require such persons to execute an agreement in writing that any sums advanced under this Article 6 shall be repaid if the person receiving such advances is ultimately found not to be entitled to indemnification, or to the extent the expenses so advanced by the Authority exceed the indemnification to which he/she is ultimately found to be entitled.

Section 4. Advances of Expenses. (a) A Member or officer who becomes a party to an action or proceeding may request that the Members authorize the Authority to advance expenses pending the final disposition of such action or proceeding. Upon such request: (i) if there is a quorum of Members who are not parties to such action or proceeding, the Members shall make a tentative finding as to whether it then appears that the requesting Member or officer has met the applicable standard of conduct; or (ii) if such a quorum of Members is not obtainable with due diligence, the Members shall obtain an opinion in writing of outside legal counsel as to whether it then appears that such standard of conduct has been met by the requesting Member or officer. If a quorum of Members makes such findings or outside legal counsel gives such opinion, the Members shall authorize the Authority to pay, and the Authority shall pay, from time to time in advance of the final disposition of the action or proceeding, reasonable expenses as described in Section 2 incurred by such Member or officer in connection with such action or proceeding. The amounts of payments made to counsel engaged by the Authority and private counsel engaged to represent Members and officers indemnified under this Article shall be periodically reported to the Members by the Executive Vice President/General Counsel.

(b) Reasonable expenses as described in Section 2 incurred by an employee who becomes a party to an action or proceeding shall be paid by the Authority from time to time pending the final disposition of such action or proceeding without necessity for any authorization, findings, or other action by the Members prior to the making of such advances; provided, however, that the Members (i) may make a tentative finding at any time prior to the

final disposition of such action or proceeding that it then appears that an employee has clearly not met the applicable standard of conduct, or may seek an opinion in writing of outside legal counsel with respect to that issue, and if such a tentative finding shall be made or a negative opinion on that issue shall be given, no further advances under this paragraph shall be made with respect to expenses of such employee, and (ii) may determine, or provide for the determination of, the reasonableness of expenses sought to be advanced. The amounts of payments made to counsel engaged by the Authority and private counsel engaged to represent employees indemnified under this Article shall be periodically reported to the Members by the Executive Vice President/General Counsel.

Section 5. <u>Indemnification on Final Disposition.</u> (a) A person who has been wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of an action or proceeding shall be deemed to have met the applicable standard of conduct and shall be entitled to indemnification against reasonable expenses as described in Section 2, and the Authority shall make such indemnification without necessity for any authorization, findings or other action by the Members prior to such indemnification, except that the Members may determine, or provide for the determination of, the reasonableness of such expenses.

(b) A Member or officer who has not been wholly successful in the defense of an action or proceeding, or who was a party to an action or proceeding without being a defendant or respondent therein, may request indemnification from the Authority. Upon such request: (i) if there is a quorum of Members who are not and were not parties to such action or proceeding, the Members shall make a finding as to whether the requesting Member or officer has met the applicable standard of conduct; or (ii) if such a quorum of Members is not obtainable with due diligence, the Members shall obtain an opinion in writing of outside legal counsel as to whether such standard of conduct has been met by the requesting Member or officer. If a quorum of Members makes such finding or outside legal counsel gives such opinion, the Members shall authorize, and the Authority shall make, indemnification as provided in Section 2, upon a determination by the Members (or a person or body designated by the Members) that expenses sought to be indemnified were reasonable and actually and necessarily incurred as a result of the action or proceeding, and that any amounts paid in settlement (unless approved by the Members prior to such settlement) were reasonable in the circumstances.

(c) An employee who has not been wholly successful in the defense of an action or proceeding, or who was a party to an action or proceeding without being a defendant or respondent therein, may request indemnification from the Authority. Upon such request: The President shall notify the Members in writing of such request and of the particulars submitted by such employee in support of it, and the President may submit to the Members any further information or comments he thinks appropriate. Within two weeks after the next meeting of the Members following such submission, the Authority shall make indemnification as provided in Section 2, unless the Members shall have found that such employee has not met the applicable standard of conduct, or shall have decided to seek an opinion in writing of outside counsel with respect to that issue (in which event indemnification shall be made within six weeks after such meeting unless a negative opinion on that issue shall have been given), or unless and to the extent that the Members (or a person or body designated by the Members) shall have determined that expenses sought to be indemnified were not reasonable or not actually and necessarily incurred as a result of the action or proceeding, or that amounts paid in settlement (unless approved by the Members prior to such settlement) were not reasonable in the circumstances.

Section 6. <u>Insurance</u>. The Authority may, to the fullest extent permitted by law, purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any Member, officer or employee of the Authority to indemnify such person in instances in which he/she has the right of indemnification by the Authority under the provisions of this Article.

Section 7. Applicability of this Article. (a) The provisions of this Article shall inure only to Members, officers and employees of the Authority, as defined herein, shall not enlarge or diminish the rights of any other party to an action or proceeding, and shall not impair, limit or modify the rights and obligations of any insurer under any policy of insurance. This Article is to be construed liberally in favor of each Member, officer or employee, to the fullest extent permitted by law, and any ambiguity, uncertainty or reasonable doubt as to facts, interpretation or legal conclusions shall be resolved in favor of such Member, officer or employee.

(b) The provisions of this Article shall be in addition to and shall not supplant any indemnification by the State heretofore or hereafter conferred upon any Member, officer or employee by any statute, by Section 18 of the Public Officers Law, or otherwise; provided,

however, that the Authority recognizes that its obligation to provide indemnification in accordance with this Article is primary and any obligation of the State to provide indemnification is secondary, in circumstances where both may be applicable.

- (c) This Article shall be applicable, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to any claim for indemnification made after its adoption as a bylaw of the Authority, whether the action or proceeding to which such claim relates commenced, or the matters at issue therein occurred, before or after the adoption of this Article. It is contemplated that no subsequent amendment, supplement or repeal of this Article which deprives a Member, officer or employee of any substantial right or benefit conferred herein will be made applicable with respect to any claim for indemnification arising out of conduct of such Member, officer or employee occurring or alleged to have occurred after the adoption of this Article and prior to such amendment, supplement or repeal.
- (d) Unless and until this Article shall be amended, supplemented or repealed in accordance with Article VII, the provisions of this Article shall constitute a contract between the Authority and each Member, officer or employee for indemnification in accordance with the provisions of this Article. In the event that any Member, officer or employee shall be aggrieved by a determination of the Authority or the Members or outside counsel made under this Article, or by a failure of the Authority or the Members to act as provided herein, he/she shall be entitled to seek appropriate relief against the Authority in any court of competent jurisdiction within the State of New York in accordance with the standards for indemnification set forth herein.

ARTICLE VII- AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws may be amended, supplemented or repealed by resolution duly adopted by a majority vote of all the Members of the Authority at any meeting, provided that written notice of the proposed amendment, supplement or repeal shall have been presented for discussion at the meeting immediately preceding the meeting at which the proposed amendment, supplement or repeal is considered.