

**ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY
CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENCE FOR MEMBERS
APPOINTED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 15, 2006**

PURPOSE: Section 2825(2) of the Public Authorities Law requires that the majority of the members of the governing body of every state and local authority shall be independent members. The importance of establishing and preserving the independence of board members is to: (a) avoid conflicts of interest or the appearance of conflicts of interest in the actions and decisions of directors; (b) encourage directors to act in accordance with the mission and interests of the authority; and (c) distinguish between the oversight function of board members and the management responsibilities of executive staff.

CERTIFICATION: The undersigned, having been appointed to serve as a member of the Orange County Industrial Development Agency (the "Agency") on or after January 15, 2006, hereby certifies, pursuant to Section 2825(2) of the Public Authorities Law, as follows:

He or she is not, and in the past two (2) years, has not been, employed by the Agency in an executive capacity or been employed by an entity, affiliate or been a member of a legislative body, the chief executive officer or held a policymaking position in a municipal government that received a payment valued at more than \$15,000 for goods and services provided to the Agency or received any other form of financial assistance valued at more than \$15,000 from the Agency.

He or she is not a relative of an executive officer or employee in an executive position of the Agency or an affiliate.

He or she is not a lobbyist registered under a state or local law and paid by a client to influence the management decisions, contract awards, rate determinations or any other similar actions of the Agency or an affiliate.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Certificate as of the ____ day of _____, 2021.

Signature of Director