NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing pursuant to Article 18-A of the New York General Municipal Law (the õActö) will be held by the Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency (the õAgencyö) on the 26th day of May, 2021, at 10:30 a.m., local time, at Brownville Town Hall, 16431 Star School House Road, Dexter, NY 13634 in connection with the matter described below. **PLEASE NOTE** the special hearing logistics and instructions included at the end of this notice.

NY 18144 GAME FARM, LLC, for itself and/or for an entity or entities to be formed (collectively, the "Company"), has submitted an application (the õApplicationö) to the Agency requesting the Agency's assistance with a certain project (the õProjectö) consisting of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in approximately 28 acres of real property located at 18144 Game Farm Road in the Town of Brownville, New York (the "Land", being more particularly described as a portion of tax parcel No. 73.00-1-47.1); (ii) the planning, design, construction and operation of a 5MWac PV solar electrical generation system, including panel foundations, inverters, transformers, interconnect wiring, utility connections, sitework, landscaping, fencing, security and related improvements (collectively, the "Improvements"); (iii) the acquisition of and installation in and around the Land and Improvements by the Company of machinery, equipment, fixtures and other items of tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, collectively with the Land and the Improvements, the "Facility"); and (iv) entering into a straight lease transaction (within the meaning of subdivision (15) of Section 854 of the Act), pursuant to which the Agency will retain a leasehold interest in the Facility for a period of time and sublease such interest in the Facility back to the Company (the "Straight Lease Transaction").

The Agency is contemplating providing financial assistance to the Company with respect to the Project (collectively, the õFinancial Assistanceö) in the form of a partial real property tax abatement provided through a Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement (õPILOT Agreementö).

PLEASE NOTE SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING CONDUCT INSTRUCTIONS AND INFORMATION:

In accordance with Section 859-a of the Act, a representative of the Agency will be at the above-stated time and place to present a copy of the Company® Project Application (including a cost-benefit analysis), which is also available for viewing on the Agency® website at: JCIDA - Jefferson County, NY Economic Development. However, given the ongoing COVID-19 public health crisis and related Executive Orders issued by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and local distancing restrictions at municipal facilities, the Agency will have limited accommodations for in-person public attendance or participation at this hearing for ten (10) or less individuals at the same time. In addition to this limited capacity gathering, and in furtherance of the provisions of Section 859-a of the Act requiring interested parties be provided a reasonable opportunity, both orally and in writing, to present their views with respect to the Project, the Agency will also conduct a concurrent virtual public hearing via live audio broadcast at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84355250468?pwd=R0t4VjRPdGJBZDJrL2JQYVVjKytDdz09

Meeting ID: 843 5525 0468, Passcode: 011440, Phone 1-929-205-6099 US (New York). Any individuals seeking to participate and provide comment will also be provided with a video conference link at <u>JCIDA - Jefferson County</u>, <u>NY Economic Development</u>. Finally, the Agency also encourages all interested parties to submit written comments to the Agency, which will all be included within the public hearing record, which can be submitted to David Zembiec, Chief Executive Officer, Jefferson County IDA, 800 Starbuck Avenue, Watertown, New York 13601 and/or <u>dzembiec@jcida.com</u>.

DATED: May 13, 2021 JEFFERSON COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY