#### PUBLIC HEARING SCRIPT

Hanes Supply, Inc. and/or Individual(s) or Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies) formed or to be formed on its behalf Project

Public Hearing to be held on September 24, 2024 at 9:00 a.m., at the Agency's offices, at 95 Perry Street, Suite 403, Buffalo, NY 14203

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

William Hanes – Hanes Supply, Inc. Brian Krygier – ECIDA Carrie Hocieniec - ECIDA

### **<u>1. WELCOME:** Call to Order and Identity of Hearing Officer.</u>

*Hearing Officer:* Welcome. This public hearing is now open; it is 9:07 a.m. My name is Grant Lesswing. I am the Director of Business Development of the Erie County Industrial Development Agency, and I have been designated by the Agency to be the hearing officer to conduct this public hearing. This public hearing is being live-streamed and made accessible on the Agency's website at www.ecidany.com.

### 2. PURPOSE: Purpose of the Hearing.

*Hearing Officer:* We are here to hold the public hearing on the Hanes Supply, Inc. and/or Individual(s) or Affiliate(s), Subsidiary(ies), or Entity(ies) formed or to be formed on its behalf project. The transcript of this hearing will be reviewed and considered by the Agency in determination of this project. Notice of this hearing appeared in <u>The Buffalo News</u> on Friday, September 13, 2024.

### 3. PROJECT SUMMARY: Description of Project and Contemplated Agency Benefits.

*Hearing Officer:* The proposed project (the "Project") consists of: (i) the acquisition by the Agency of a leasehold interest in certain property located on 55 James E. Casey Drive, City of Buffalo, Erie County, New York and all other lands in the City of Buffalo where, by license or easement or other agreement, the Company or its designees are making improvements that benefit the Project (the "Land"), (ii) the construction on the Land of an approximately 56,575 square-foot addition to the existing 55,000 sq. ft. facility to be utilized for additional warehouse/production space to hold inventory and allow for growth in areas of manufacturing and distribution as well as

offices, restrooms and a break room (the "Improvements"),and (iii) the acquisition by the Company in and around the Improvements of certain items of machinery, equipment and other tangible personal property (the "Equipment"; and, together with the Land, and the Improvements and the Existing Improvements, the "Facility").

The proposed financial assistance contemplated by the Agency includes New York State and local sales and use tax exemption benefits and real property tax abatement benefits (in compliance with Agency's uniform tax exemption policy).

### 4. FORMAT OF HEARING: Review rules and manner in which the hearing will proceed.

*Hearing Officer:* All those in attendance are required to register by signing the sign-in sheet at the front of the room; you will not be permitted to speak unless you have registered. Everyone who has registered will be given an opportunity to make statements and/or comments on the Project.

If you have a written statement or comment to submit for the record, you may leave it at this public hearing, submit it on the Agency's website or deliver it to the Agency at 95 Perry Street, Suite 403, Buffalo, New York 14203. The comment period closes at 4:00 p.m. on October 22, 2024. There are no limitations on written statements or comments.

#### **<u>5. PUBLIC COMMENT: Hearing Officer gives the Public an opportunity to speak.</u>**

<u>Hearing Officer:</u> If anyone is interested in making a statement or comment, please raise your hand, state your name and address; if you are representing a company, please identify the company. I request that speakers keep statements and/or comments to 5 minutes, and if possible, 3 minutes.

William C. Hayes - President of Hanes Supply since 1980. Our project, what we're doing at our corporate headquarters on 55 James E. Casey Drive. Little trivia 55 was after Double Nickels, so that's how we came up with a number working back in the 1990's with the Buffalo Urban Renewal Agency. We are severely constrained for space from both the production aspect and our warehousing operation and what we're electing to do is work with the ECIDA to more than double the facility and add on 56,500 square feet of production warehousing capacity along with some offices, restrooms, break room areas for our associates

## **<u>6. ADJOURNMENT:</u>**

As there were no further statements and/or comments, the Hearing Officer closed the public hearing at 9:11 a.m.

### SIGN IN SHEET PUBLIC HEARING

September 24, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the Agency's offices, at 95 Perry Street, Suite 403, Buffalo, NY 14203 regarding:

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Project Location: 55 James E. Casey Drive, Buffalo, New York 14206

Name	Company and/or Address	X box to speak/ comment
William Hanes	55 James E. Casey Drive, Buffalo, New York 14206	X
Brian Krygier	ECIDA 95 Perry Street, Suite 403 Buffalo, New York 14203	
Carrie Hocieniec	ECIDA 95 Perry Street, Suite 403 Buffalo, New York 14203 ECIDA 95 Perry Street, Suite 403 Buffalo, New York 14203	