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AN ACT to authorize the city of New York to discontinue certain land as  
parkland and alienate such land for purposes of such consolidation  
project, in accordance with and subject to a memorandum of understand-  
ing; and to amend chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to estab-  
lishing a United Nations development district, in relation to an addi-  
tional reuse project and a consolidation project for the United  
Nations; and providing for the repeal of such provisions upon expira-  
tion thereof

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEM-  
BLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the  
2     city of New York is hereby authorized to discontinue the use as parkland  
3     of the land described as follows, and to use such land or sell, lease or  
4     otherwise transfer such land and interests therein to the United Nations  
5     development corporation for such purposes as are consistent with the  
6     provisions of chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, as amended:  
7     An area in the borough of Manhattan, city of New York, bounded on the  
8     west by the east side of United Nations Plaza (First Avenue); on the  
9     south by the north side of Forty-first Street; on the north by the south  
10    side of Forty-second Street; and on the east by a line that begins on  
11    the north side of Forty-first Street, is located one hundred forty-six  
12    feet seven eighths inches east of and parallel to United Nations Plaza  
13    (First Avenue) and runs north for a distance of one hundred ninety-seven  
14    feet six inches, ending at the south side of Forty-second Street, such  
15    area being sixty-six hundredths and twenty-three ten thousandths of an  
16    acre (.6623 acres).  
17    S 2. The authorization contained in section one of this act shall take  
18    effect only (a) upon the condition that a memorandum of understanding is  
19    completed and signed by the mayor of the city of New York, the temporary

EXPLANATION--Matter in *ITALICS* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1 president of the senate, and the speaker of the assembly, after consul-  
2 tation with the members of the senate, the assembly and the city council  
3 of the city of New York representing the area in which the parkland  
4 described in section one of this act is located, which memorandum of  
5 understanding shall, among other matters: (i) identify the extent of,  
6 the sources for and the procedures applicable to funding for parkland  
7 and other recreational space in the borough of Manhattan to replace the  
8 parkland described in section one of this act; (ii) provide for the city  
9 of New York to designate and map parkland in the borough of Manhattan  
10 that will, in conjunction with parkland that the city of New York so  
11 designates and maps pursuant to section three of this act, have a fair  
12 market value in the aggregate of no less than the fair market value of  
13 the parkland described in section one of this act; (iii) provide for the  
14 city of New York to take possession of the area within the borough of  
15 Manhattan, city of New York, known as the ConEd Waterside Pier between  
16 Thirty-eighth and Forty-first Streets, for the prior user of said area  
17 to make a payment for the structural rehabilitation of said area and for  
18 the city of New York to commence said rehabilitation after such payment  
19 is made; and (iv) provide for a portion of amounts available to the city  
20 of New York in the future in the event of an ownership transfer by sale  
21 or otherwise or a refinancing involving the existing buildings at One  
22 and Two United Nations Plaza (First Avenue) in the borough of Manhattan,  
23 city of New York, to be dedicated toward the costs of a continuous walk-  
24 way and bike path along the East River or the costs of other parkland in  
25 the borough of Manhattan; and (b) upon the further condition that the  
26 city of New York satisfies the obligations as described in such memoran-  
27 dum of understanding as being required to be satisfied prior to the  
28 alienation of the parkland described in section one of this act. The  
29 authorization contained in section one of this act shall be negated if  
30 the city of New York fails to satisfy such obligations described in such  
31 memorandum of understanding as being required to be satisfied prior to  
32 alienation of the parkland described in section one of this act. Any  
33 obligations of the city of New York set forth in such memorandum of  
34 understanding and not described therein as being required to be satis-  
35 fied prior to the alienation of the parkland described in section one of  
36 this act, shall, to the extent stated in such memorandum of understand-  
37 ing, survive such alienation and be enforceable against the city of New  
38 York with the same effect as if included in this act. Persons described  
39 in such memorandum of understanding as having standing to pursue equita-  
40 ble remedies against the city of New York to enforce any obligation that  
41 the city of New York may be required to satisfy as described in such  
42 memorandum of understanding shall have standing to pursue such equitable  
43 remedies. The preceding two sentences shall not limit any other remedies  
44 that may be available as provided in such memorandum of understanding.

45 S 3. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in any gener-  
46 al, special or local law, including the New York city charter and admin-  
47 istrative code of the city of New York, and provided that the memorandum  
48 of understanding is completed and signed as provided in section two of  
49 this act, and provided further that the city of New York has satisfied  
50 the obligations as described in such memorandum of understanding as  
51 being required to be satisfied prior to the provisions of this section  
52 three being effective, the city of New York, acting by its mayor alone,  
53 or his or her designee, is hereby authorized and empowered to take such  
54 administrative and other actions as are necessary or desirable, all of  
55 which shall be deemed ministerial, to demap, discontinue and close as  
56 part of public streets of the city of New York, located in the borough

1 of Manhattan, the following area of approximately sixty-two hundredths  
2 and sixty-seven ten thousandths of an acre (.6267 acres), located in the  
3 borough of Manhattan, city of New York, for purposes of designating and  
4 mapping such area as parkland, such administrative and other actions  
5 being also authorized for such designation and mapping as parkland:  
6 Beginning at the northwest corner of the intersection of East Twenty-  
7 third Street and Asser Levy Place, as those streets were heretofore laid  
8 out on the map of the city of New York, thence running approximately  
9 sixty feet in an easterly direction along the southerly line of Asser  
10 Levy Place to a point, thence running approximately four hundred fifty-  
11 five feet in a northerly direction, said course forming a deflection  
12 angle to the left with the previous course of ninety degrees, no minutes  
13 and no seconds, thence running approximately sixty feet in a westerly  
14 direction, said course forming a deflection angle to the left with the  
15 previous course of ninety degrees, no minutes and no seconds, thence  
16 running approximately four hundred fifty-five feet in a southerly direc-  
17 tion, said course forming a deflection angle to the left of ninety  
18 degrees, no minutes and no seconds to the place or point of beginning.

19 S 4. Section 1 of chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to estab-  
20 lishing a United Nations development district, is amended by adding five  
21 new subdivisions 10-a, 13, 13-b, 14 and 15 to read as follows:

22 10-A. "FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET." A DEVELOPMENT PLAN  
23 FOR THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA, INCLUDING  
24 IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN SAID AREA AND ANY IMPROVEMENTS INCIDENTAL THERETO  
25 OUTSIDE SAID AREA.

26 13. "REUSE PROJECT." THE INITIAL REUSE PROJECT AND THE ADDITIONAL  
27 REUSE PROJECT DESCRIBED IN SUBDIVISIONS THIRTEEN-A AND THIRTEEN-B,  
28 RESPECTIVELY, OF SECTION ONE OF THIS CHAPTER.

29 13-B. "ADDITIONAL REUSE PROJECT." THE ACQUISITION OF LAND, EASEMENT  
30 AND OTHER RIGHTS WITHIN OR APPURTENANT TO THE AREA IN THE BOROUGH OF  
31 MANHATTAN, CITY OF NEW YORK, DESCRIBED IN THIS SUBDIVISION, AND THE  
32 MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, OPERATION, ALTERATION AND RENOVATION, FROM TIME TO  
33 TIME, OF IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED ON SUCH LAND, EXCLUSIVELY FOR USE BY THE  
34 UNITED NATIONS, INCLUDING ITS ORGANS, SUBSIDIARY BODIES AND SPECIALIZED  
35 AND OTHER AGENCIES AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC VISITING UNITED NATIONS  
36 HEADQUARTERS IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK. THE AREA REFERRED TO ABOVE IS  
37 BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF  
38 FORTY-FIFTH STREET AND UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE), RUNNING  
39 THENCE WESTERLY ALONG FORTY-FIFTH STREET A DISTANCE OF ONE HUNDRED FEET,  
40 RUNNING THENCE NORTHERLY, PARALLEL TO UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST  
41 AVENUE), A DISTANCE OF EIGHTY FEET FIVE INCHES, RUNNING THENCE EASTERLY,  
42 PARALLEL TO FORTY-FIFTH STREET, A DISTANCE OF TWENTY FEET, RUNNING  
43 THENCE SOUTHERLY, PARALLEL TO UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE), A  
44 DISTANCE OF FORTY FEET, RUNNING THENCE EASTERLY, PARALLEL TO FORTY-FIFTH  
45 STREET, A DISTANCE OF EIGHTY FEET, AND RUNNING THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG  
46 UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE) A DISTANCE OF FORTY FEET FIVE INCHES  
47 TO THE PLACE OR POINT OF BEGINNING. PROVIDED THAT THE MEMORANDUM OF  
48 UNDERSTANDING IS COMPLETED AND SIGNED AS PROVIDED IN SECTION TWO OF THE  
49 CHAPTER OF THE LAWS OF 2011 THAT ADDED THIS SUBDIVISION AND PROVIDED  
50 FURTHER THAT THE CITY OF NEW YORK SHALL HAVE SATISFIED THE OBLIGATIONS  
51 AS DESCRIBED IN SUCH MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AS BEING REQUIRED TO BE  
52 SATISFIED PRIOR TO THE CORPORATION UNDERTAKING THE ADDITIONAL REUSE  
53 PROJECT, THE ADDITIONAL REUSE PROJECT AND THE SITE THEREOF SHALL FOR ALL  
54 PURPOSES BE DEEMED TO BE LOCATED WITHIN THE DISTRICT AND BE DEEMED ALSO  
55 TO BE A PROJECT AS DEFINED IN THIS CHAPTER AND SHALL, EXCEPT FOR ANY NEW  
56 CONSTRUCTION OR ANY INCREASE IN THE HEIGHT OR FLOOR AREA OF ANY PREVI-

OUSLY CONSTRUCTED BUILDING, BE DEEMED FOR ALL PURPOSES TO BE PART OF AND TO CONFORM TO A DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR A PORTION OF THE DISTRICT, WHICH HAS BEEN FORMULATED, REVIEWED AND APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION SEVEN OF THIS CHAPTER.

14. "UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION PROJECT." THE ACQUISITION BY LEASE OR OTHERWISE FROM THE CITY OF NEW YORK AND OTHER PARTIES, IF ANY, OF LAND, EASEMENT AND OTHER RIGHTS WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA, AND ASSOCIATED PROPERTY INTERESTS RELATED THERETO, AND FROM TIME TO TIME THEREAFTER, THE CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, RENOVATION AND REBUILDING, AND THE OWNERSHIP OR OPERATION, INCLUDING REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE, OF OFFICE SPACE AND RELATED FACILITIES, A TUNNEL (TO PROVIDE SECURE PASSAGE FROM AND TO UNITED NATIONS PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS), AND SPACE AND FACILITIES RELATED TO THE FOREGOING, EXCLUSIVELY FOR USE BY THE UNITED NATIONS, INCLUDING ITS ORGANS, SUBSIDIARY BODIES AND SPECIALIZED AND OTHER AGENCIES; THE CONSTRUCTION WITHIN, AND IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION, USE AND OPERATION OF, VOLUMES OF SPACE, AFTER THE SAME ARE DEMAPPED, DISCONTINUED AND CLOSED AS PART OF PUBLIC STREETS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, LOCATED IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN EAST OF UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE) BELOW FORTY-SECOND STREET OR BELOW THE ROADWAY OF THE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (EAST RIVER) DRIVE, FOR PURPOSES OF SUCH TUNNEL; THE CREATION, IMPROVEMENT, ALTERATION AND RENOVATION OF SPACE, FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN OR OUTSIDE THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA TO THE EXTENT INCIDENTAL TO SUCH OFFICE SPACE AND TUNNEL; AND THE CORPORATION'S COOPERATION WITH AND ASSISTANCE TO THE CITY OF NEW YORK CONCERNING PLANNING FOR, AND THE CORPORATION'S PAYMENT OF COSTS OF, PARKLAND REPLACEMENT TO COMPENSATE FOR DISCONTINUING THE USE AS PARKLAND OF A PORTION OF ROBERT MOSES PLAYGROUND IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN FOR PURPOSES OF THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION PROJECT. PROVIDED THAT THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IS COMPLETED AND SIGNED AS PROVIDED IN SECTION TWO OF THE CHAPTER OF THE LAWS OF 2011 THAT ADDED THIS SUBDIVISION, THE LAND, BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS INCLUDED IN OR OTHERWISE PART OF THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION PROJECT SHALL FOR ALL PURPOSES BE DEEMED TO BE LOCATED WITHIN THE DISTRICT AND BE DEEMED ALSO TO BE PART OF A PROJECT AS DEFINED IN THIS CHAPTER.

15. "CITY COUNCIL." THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

S 4-a. Subdivisions 10 and 13-a of section 1 of chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to establishing a United Nations development district, subdivision 13-a as added by chapter 34 of the laws of 1993, are amended to read as follows:

10. "Development plan." A plan or plans, INCLUDING A FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET, AND INCLUDING ANY SUPPLEMENTS, ADDITIONS OR AMENDMENTS TO SUCH PLAN OR PLANS, for the development of all or part of the district which shall include but shall not be limited to: A statement of proposed land uses; proposed land acquisition, demolition and removal of structures; proposed acquisition of air rights and concomitant easements or other rights of user necessary for the use and development of such air rights; proposed public, semi-public, private or community facilities or utilities, WITH A SITE PLAN AND DRAWINGS THEREFOR; a statement as to the relationship between the development plan and a comprehensive plan for the development of the municipality as a whole; a statement as to proposed new codes and ordinances and amendments to existing codes and ordinances as are required or necessary to effectuate the plan or plans; a proposed time schedule for the effectuation of such plan or plans, and such additional statements or documentation as the corporation may deem appropriate.

1 13-a. [Reuse] "INITIAL REUSE project." The acquisition and alteration,  
2 renovation or rebuilding, from time to time, without any increase in the  
3 height of any previously constructed building and without any  
4 construction on any vacant land, of real property consisting of any  
5 previously constructed commercial building or buildings, or any portion  
6 thereof, and the land and associated property interests related thereto,  
7 primarily for use by the United Nations, including its organs, subsid-  
8 iary bodies and specialized and other agencies, provided that: any such  
9 acquisition shall occur before December 31, 1998; such building or  
10 buildings shall be located at 633 Third Avenue, 685 Third Avenue or 845  
11 United Nations Plaza in the borough of Manhattan, city of New York; not  
12 more than eight hundred thousand square feet of floor area shall be  
13 acquired if such floor area is located in more than one of such build-  
14 ings; and the corporation shall not transfer any unused development  
15 rights from any of such buildings or add to any of such buildings any  
16 unused development rights from any other property. The reuse project  
17 shall for all purposes be deemed to be located within the district and  
18 be deemed also to be a project and to be part of and to conform to a  
19 development plan for a portion of the district, which has been formu-  
20 lated, reviewed and approved in accordance with section seven of this  
21 chapter.

22 S 5. Chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to establishing a  
23 United Nations development district, is amended by adding a new section  
24 3-a to read as follows:

25 S 3-A. ESTABLISHMENT OF UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION  
26 AREA. THE FOLLOWING AREA LYING SOUTH OF THE PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS OF  
27 THE UNITED NATIONS, IN THE BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN, CITY OF NEW YORK, AND  
28 BOUNDED AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, IS HEREBY DESIGNATED AS THE "UNITED  
29 NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA": BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST  
30 CORNER OF UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE) AND FORTY-FIRST STREET,  
31 RUNNING EASTERLY ALONG THE NORTHERLY SIDE OF FORTY-FIRST STREET A  
32 DISTANCE OF THREE HUNDRED FIVE FEET SEVEN EIGHTHS INCHES, RUNNING THENCE  
33 NORTHERLY, PARALLEL TO UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE), A DISTANCE  
34 OF ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT FEET, RUNNING THENCE WESTERLY, PARALLEL TO  
35 FORTY-FIRST STREET, A DISTANCE OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE FEET, RUNNING  
36 THENCE NORTHERLY, PARALLEL TO UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE), A  
37 DISTANCE OF TWENTY-NINE FEET SIX INCHES, RUNNING THENCE WESTERLY, ALONG  
38 THE SOUTHERLY SIDE OF FORTY-SECOND STREET, A DISTANCE OF ONE HUNDRED  
39 FORTY-SIX FEET SEVEN EIGHTHS INCHES, AND RUNNING THENCE SOUTHERLY, ALONG  
40 THE EASTERLY SIDE OF UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE), A DISTANCE OF  
41 ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN FEET SIX INCHES, TO THE POINT OR PLACE OF  
42 BEGINNING. PROVIDED THAT THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IS COMPLETED  
43 AND SIGNED AS PROVIDED IN SECTION TWO OF THE CHAPTER OF THE LAWS OF 2011  
44 THAT ADDED THIS SECTION, THE LAND INCLUDED IN THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND  
45 STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA SHALL FOR ALL PURPOSES BE DEEMED TO BE LOCATED  
46 WITHIN THE DISTRICT.

47 S 6. Section 6 of chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to estab-  
48 lishing a United Nations development district, subdivision 3 as amended  
49 by chapter 623 of the laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

50 S 6. Powers and duties of corporation. The powers and duties of the  
51 corporation shall be:

52 (1) to undertake surveys of the present and anticipated need: for  
53 [locations for missions,] office space, meeting facilities, [and] hous-  
54 ing and recreational facilities [for] AND OTHER FACILITIES FOR THE  
55 UNITED NATIONS, DELEGATIONS AND delegates TO THE UNITED NATIONS, person-  
56 nel of delegations TO THE UNITED NATIONS, and members of the United

1 Nations staff; for office space, auditorium and meeting facilities for  
2 related nongovernmental organizations; for hotel accommodations for  
3 visiting heads of state and other dignitaries; for bus terminals, dining  
4 facilities, and other facilities for visiting persons and groups[,]; for  
5 parking[,]; and for housing, commercial, industrial and other facilities  
6 necessary or appropriate to carry out the purposes of this chapter,

7 (2) subject to the approval of the [board of estimate and the] commis-  
8 sion AND THE CITY COUNCIL as hereinafter provided, to formulate a devel-  
9 opment plan or plans [including supplements, additions and amendments  
10 thereto,] in accordance with the foregoing present and anticipated  
11 needs, with provision for relocation of individuals and commercial  
12 establishments outside or within the district,

13 (3) [to undertake or cause its subsidiary corporation or corporations]  
14 to undertake, or otherwise to have undertaken on behalf of the corpo-  
15 ration, the execution of a development plan or of a portion thereof, and  
16 the financing, acquisition, construction, rehabilitation, improvement,  
17 operation and management of any project or portion thereof, including  
18 attendant relocation facilities, provided however, that all contracts  
19 let by the corporation [or by a subsidiary (rather than a sponsor or a  
20 person, firm or corporation acting as sponsor in lieu of the corporation  
21 or its subsidiaries)] for the erection, construction, or alteration of  
22 buildings shall be let in conformity with the provisions of section one  
23 hundred thirty-five of the state finance law, EXCEPT THAT SUCH  
24 PROVISIONS SHALL NOT BE APPLIED TO RESTRICT THE CORPORATION'S PRE-QUALI-  
25 FICATION OF BIDDERS FOR PURPOSES OF THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET  
26 CONSOLIDATION PROJECT, AND PROVIDED FURTHER THAT EXECUTION OF A FURTHER  
27 DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET MAY NOT PROCEED UNLESS AND UNTIL THE  
28 APPROVAL THEREOF BY THE COMMISSION AND THE CITY COUNCIL AS HEREINAFTER  
29 PROVIDED AND UNLESS AND UNTIL THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING REFERRED  
30 TO IN SECTION TWO OF THE CHAPTER OF THE LAWS OF 2011 AMENDING THIS  
31 SECTION HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND SIGNED AS PROVIDED IN THAT SECTION.

32 [(4) when, in the opinion of the board of directors, it would be more  
33 appropriate or convenient to have the execution of a particular develop-  
34 ment plan or portion thereof undertaken by a sponsor rather than by the  
35 corporation or one or more of its subsidiaries, to select a proposed  
36 sponsor or sponsors financially responsible and otherwise qualified by  
37 experience and training to undertake the execution of the development  
38 plan and to relocate residents and businesses to be displaced thereby,

39 (5) to advise and generally supervise such sponsor or sponsors or  
40 successors thereto in connection with such relocation and development,

41 (6) with the approval of the board of estimate, (a) to enter into  
42 agreements with a qualified sponsor or sponsors for the implementation  
43 and execution of all or a portion of a development plan, or, (b) where  
44 such implementation and execution is to be undertaken by the corporation  
45 or one or more of its subsidiaries, to enter into agreements for the  
46 implementation and execution of such development plan or portion thereof  
47 with persons, firms or corporations acting as sponsors in lieu of the  
48 corporation or its subsidiaries, and (c) to enter into agreements amend-  
49 ing, modifying or superseding such agreements, and

50 (7)] (4) to furnish advice, technical assistance and liaison with  
51 federal, state and city authorities and with users and occupants of the  
52 facilities to be created within the district with respect to educa-  
53 tional, social and cultural activities within the district, and other-  
54 wise to foster and encourage greater public knowledge of, and partic-  
55 ipation in, the activities of the United Nations and affiliated  
56 organizations, AND

(5) TO PROVIDE ADVICE AND SERVICES WITH RESPECT TO REAL ESTATE NEEDS AND DEVELOPMENT AS REQUESTED BY THE STATE OR CITY OF NEW YORK, THE UNITED STATES OR THE UNITED NATIONS.

S 7. Subdivision a of section 7 of chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to establishing a United Nations development district, is amended to read as follows:

a. The corporation shall prepare or cause to be prepared a development plan for the district, or, if the corporation deems it necessary or advisable that the development of the district OR A PORTION THEREOF be carried out in stages, development plans for parts or portions of the district. Any development plan shall include a requirement that relocation benefits be provided to individuals and businesses to be displaced in the course of redevelopment which are at least equal to those for which such individuals and businesses would be eligible under federal law at the time of their relocation if the development plan were an urban renewal plan.

S 7-a. Section 7 of chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to establishing a United Nations development district, is amended by adding two new subdivisions e and f to read as follows:

E. THE PROVISIONS OF SUBDIVISIONS B, C AND D OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET OR ANY DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR ANY NEW CONSTRUCTION OR ANY INCREASE IN THE HEIGHT OR FLOOR AREA OF THE PREVIOUSLY CONSTRUCTED BUILDING LOCATED ON LAND ACQUIRED AS PART OF THE ADDITIONAL REUSE PROJECT OR ANY AMENDMENT OF ANY SUCH DEVELOPMENT PLAN. ANY SUCH DEVELOPMENT PLAN OR AMENDMENT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO REVIEW PURSUANT TO SECTION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN-C AND SECTION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN-D OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK IN THE SAME MANNER AS IF SUCH DEVELOPMENT PLAN OR AMENDMENT WERE DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH ONE OF SUBDIVISION B OF SECTION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN-D OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK. APPROVAL OF ANY SUCH DEVELOPMENT PLAN OR AMENDMENT SHALL INCLUDE, WITHOUT LIMITATION, LAND USE REVIEW AUTHORIZATION FOR ANY DISPOSITION BY THE CITY OF NEW YORK OF ANY AND ALL LAND OR OTHER RIGHTS, AND ANY DEMAPPING, DISCONTINUING AND CLOSING BY THE CITY OF NEW YORK OF ANY AND ALL VOLUMES OF SPACE AND ANY OTHER PORTION OF ANY PUBLIC STREETS, FOR PURPOSES OF A FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET.

F. NO PORTION OF A FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET IS PERMITTED TO BE EFFECTUATED IN ANY RESPECT, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY ACQUISITION BY THE CORPORATION OF ANY INTEREST IN THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA, ANY COMMENCEMENT OF CONSTRUCTION BY THE CORPORATION WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA AND ANY OTHER PHYSICAL ACTIVITY BY THE CORPORATION ON, OR OTHER INTERFERENCE BY THE CORPORATION WITH USE OF OR ACCESS TO, THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA, UNLESS AND UNTIL A FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET HAS BEEN REVIEWED AS PROVIDED IN SUBDIVISION E OF THIS SECTION AND A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IS COMPLETED AND SIGNED AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION TWO OF THE CHAPTER OF THE LAWS OF 2011 THAT ADDED THIS SUBDIVISION.

S 8. Section 9 of chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to establishing a United Nations development district, is amended by adding a new subdivision d to read as follows:

D. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY CONTAINED IN ANY GENERAL, SPECIAL OR LOCAL LAW, INCLUDING THE CHARTER AND ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, THE CITY OF NEW YORK, ACTING BY ITS MAYOR ALONE, OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE, SHALL BE AUTHORIZED, FOR THE EFFECTUATION OF A FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET WHEN APPROVED PURSUANT TO

1 SECTION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN-C AND SECTION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEV-  
2 EN-D OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK IN THE SAME MANNER AS IF  
3 SUCH DEVELOPMENT PLAN OR AMENDMENT WERE DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH ONE OF  
4 SUBDIVISION B OF SECTION ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN-D OF THE CHARTER OF  
5 THE CITY OF NEW YORK, AND WHEN OTHERWISE PERMITTED TO BE EXECUTED AS  
6 PROVIDED IN THIS CHAPTER, TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS ARE NECESSARY OR  
7 DESIRABLE, TO DEMAP, DISCONTINUE AND CLOSE VOLUMES OF SPACE PART OF THE  
8 PUBLIC STREETS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, LOCATED IN THE BOROUGH OF  
9 MANHATTAN EAST OF UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE), AND BELOW FORTY-  
10 SECOND STREET, OR BELOW THE ROADWAY AT THE FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT (EAST  
11 RIVER) DRIVE, FOR PURPOSES OF A TUNNEL AS PART OF THE UNITED NATIONS  
12 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION PROJECT, AND TO SELL, LEASE FOR A TERM NOT  
13 EXCEEDING NINETY-NINE YEARS, OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF TO THE CORPORATION  
14 ANY LAND AND OTHER INTERESTS IN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF NEW  
15 YORK, REGARDLESS OF HOW ACQUIRED, AND INCLUDED IN THE UNITED NATIONS  
16 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION PROJECT, INCLUDING ANY DISCONTINUED, DEMAPPED  
17 AND CLOSED PART OF THE PUBLIC STREETS OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT  
18 ANY PAYMENT OF MONEY THEREFOR AND WITHOUT FURTHER REVIEW OR APPROVALS,  
19 OTHER THAN SAID APPROVAL OF THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET,  
20 AND THE COMPLETION AND SIGNATURE OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AS  
21 PROVIDED IN SECTION TWO OF THE CHAPTER OF THE LAWS OF 2011 THAT ADDED  
22 THIS SUBDIVISION, AND WITHOUT PUBLIC AUCTION OR SEALED OR COMPETITIVE  
23 BIDS.

24 S 9. Section 13 of chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to estab-  
25 lishing a United Nations development district, is amended to read as  
26 follows:

27 S 13. Exemption from taxation. It is hereby found, determined and  
28 declared that the creation of the corporation and the carrying out of  
29 its purposes is in all respects for the benefit of the people of the  
30 city and state of New York and is a public purpose, and that the corpo-  
31 ration will be performing an essential governmental function in the  
32 exercise of the powers conferred upon it by this chapter. The income and  
33 operations of the corporation shall be exempt from taxation. Obligations  
34 issued by the corporation or a subsidiary pursuant to this chapter,  
35 together with income therefrom, shall be free from taxation, except for  
36 transfer and estate taxes. [Any] THE LAND, BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVE-  
37 MENTS FROM TIME TO TIME INCLUDED AS PART OF THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND  
38 STREET CONSOLIDATION PROJECT SHALL, UNLESS OWNED BY THE UNITED NATIONS,  
39 BE SUBJECT TO REAL PROPERTY TAXATION IN THE SAME MANNER AND TO THE SAME  
40 EXTENT AS REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK USED FOR OFFICE PURPOSES  
41 GENERALLY, EXCEPT THAT SUCH LAND, BUILDINGS AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS SHALL  
42 BE EXEMPT FROM SUCH TAXATION IF THE SAME ARE OWNED BY THE CITY OF NEW  
43 YORK AND LEASED TO THE CORPORATION FOR NOT MORE THAN NINETY-NINE YEARS  
44 AND OTHERWISE ON TERMS SATISFACTORY TO THE CITY OF NEW YORK, ACTING BY  
45 ITS MAYOR ALONE, PROVIDED THAT THE CORPORATION ENTERS INTO AN AGREEMENT  
46 REQUIRING THAT IT PAY TO THE CITY OF NEW YORK OR ITS DESIGNEE AMOUNTS  
47 FROM TIME TO TIME IN LIEU OF SUCH REAL PROPERTY TAXATION, AND IN THE  
48 CASE OF ANY SUCH AGREEMENT, THE CITY OF NEW YORK OR ITS DESIGNEE SHALL  
49 BE AUTHORIZED, NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY CONTAINED IN ANY  
50 GENERAL, SPECIAL OR LOCAL LAW, INCLUDING THE CHARTER AND ADMINISTRATIVE  
51 CODE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, TO PLEDGE, ASSIGN OR OTHERWISE TRANSFER,  
52 ON TERMS SATISFACTORY TO THE CITY OF NEW YORK, ACTING BY ITS MAYOR  
53 ALONE, THE AMOUNTS PAYABLE UNDER SUCH AGREEMENT AND THE RIGHT TO RECEIVE  
54 SUCH AMOUNTS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A SOURCE OF PAYMENT OF, AND  
55 AS SECURITY FOR, THE FINANCING OF THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOL-  
56 IDATION PROJECT. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED ABOVE IN THIS SECTION, ANY



1 facilities within the district owned by the corporation[, or by a  
2 subsidiary or a sponsor,] which are found and determined by the [board  
3 of estimate] CITY COUNCIL to be public facilities shall be exempt from  
4 taxation or assessment by and from the payment of any fees to the city  
5 of New York, and, if such finding and determination is approved by the  
6 state tax commission, from taxation or assessment by and from the  
7 payment of any fees to the state or any subdivision thereof or to any  
8 officer or employee of the state or any subdivision thereof. The [board  
9 of estimate] CITY COUNCIL, upon application by the corporation[, a  
10 subsidiary, or a sponsor,] may find and determine that all or part of  
11 the real property owned by the corporation[, the subsidiary, or the  
12 sponsor] within the district is devoted exclusively to public facili-  
13 ties. Such tax exemption shall continue so long as such facility is  
14 devoted exclusively to public use. Except as hereinabove provided, and  
15 except as may otherwise specifically be provided, nothing contained in  
16 this chapter shall confer exemption from any tax, assessment or fee upon  
17 any person, firm, corporation or other entity, or upon the obligations  
18 of any of them.

19 S 10. Section 16-a of chapter 345 of the laws of 1968, relating to  
20 establishing a United Nations development district, as added by chapter  
21 623 of the laws of 1971, is amended to read as follows:

22 S 16-a. Development limitation. 1. The corporation, notwithstanding  
23 any other provision of law and unless further authorized by act of the  
24 legislature, shall not in the execution of the development plan hereto-  
25 fore approved under section seven of this chapter undertake the  
26 execution of any portion of such development plan on real property with-  
27 in the district lying westerly of a line parallel to, and three hundred  
28 twenty-five feet westerly from the westerly side of United Nations  
29 Plaza. THE CORPORATION, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF LAW AND  
30 UNLESS FURTHER AUTHORIZED BY ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE, SHALL NOT IN THE  
31 EXECUTION OF A FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET DEVELOP OR  
32 CONSTRUCT ANY BUILDING OR OTHER STRUCTURE ABOVE GRADE ON ANY PORTION OF  
33 THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA OTHER THAN THE FOLLOW-  
34 ING PORTION OF SUCH AREA: THE AREA BOUNDED ON THE WEST BY THE EAST SIDE  
35 OF UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE), ON THE SOUTH BY THE NORTH SIDE  
36 OF FORTY-FIRST STREET; ON THE NORTH BY THE SOUTH SIDE OF FORTY-SECOND  
37 STREET; AND ON THE EAST BY A LINE THAT BEGINS ON THE NORTH SIDE OF  
38 FORTY-FIRST STREET, IS LOCATED ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX FEET SEVEN EIGHTHS  
39 INCHES EAST OF AND PARALLEL TO UNITED NATIONS PLAZA (FIRST AVENUE) AND  
40 RUNS NORTH FOR A DISTANCE OF ONE HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN FEET SIX INCHES,  
41 ENDING AT THE SOUTH SIDE OF FORTY-SECOND STREET.

42 2. All properties in the district, lying easterly of a line parallel  
43 to and three hundred twenty-five feet westerly from the westerly side of  
44 United Nations Plaza, even though separated by a street, NOT INCLUDING  
45 THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA, AND NOT INCLUDING ANY  
46 PROPERTY THAT IS PART OF ANY REUSE PROJECT, shall be deemed, notwith-  
47 standing any other provision of law[, ] to be one zoning lot for all  
48 purposes, and the maximum floor area ratio of such properties, DEEMED TO  
49 BE PART OF ONE ZONING LOT AND taken as a whole, AND OF ANY PROPERTY THAT  
50 IS PART OF AN ADDITIONAL REUSE PROJECT, shall not exceed fifteen.

51 3. The corporation may undertake or cause to be undertaken the  
52 execution of any portion of the development plan heretofore approved  
53 under section seven of this chapter without requiring any amendment to  
54 or modification of such development plan and without further approval  
55 under section seven of this chapter.

1 4. NO PORTION OF ANY STRUCTURE PERMITTED TO BE DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO  
2 A FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET, IF AND WHEN EFFECTUATION OF  
3 SUCH FURTHER DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET IS PERMITTED UNDER THIS  
4 CHAPTER, MAY BE BUILT TO A HEIGHT GREATER THAN THE HEIGHT OF THE UNITED  
5 NATIONS SECRETARIAT BUILDING. SUBJECT TO COMPLIANCE WITH THE FOREGOING  
6 LIMITATION IN THIS SUBDIVISION, NINE HUNDRED THOUSAND SQUARE FEET OF  
7 FLOOR AREA AS DEFINED IN ANY APPLICABLE ZONING RESOLUTION SHALL BE  
8 DEEMED ATTRIBUTABLE UNDER SUCH ZONING RESOLUTION TO THE LAND THAT IS A  
9 PORTION OF THE UNITED NATIONS 42ND STREET CONSOLIDATION AREA AND IS  
10 DESCRIBED IN THE SECOND SENTENCE OF SUBDIVISION ONE OF THIS SECTION, AND  
11 A MAXIMUM OF NINE HUNDRED THOUSAND SQUARE FEET OF SUCH FLOOR AREA SHALL  
12 BE PERMITTED TO BE INCORPORATED IN SUCH STRUCTURE AS PART OF A FURTHER  
13 DEVELOPMENT PLAN AT 42ND STREET.

14 S 11. This act shall take effect immediately, and if and when the  
15 memorandum of understanding is completed and signed as provided in  
16 section two of this act, the provisions thereof shall, to the extent  
17 stated therein, have the same effect as if they were included in this  
18 act; provided, that the mayor of the city of New York shall notify the  
19 legislative bill drafting commission upon the completion and signing of  
20 the memorandum of understanding as provided in section two of this act  
21 in order that the commission may maintain an accurate and timely effec-  
22 tive data base of the official text of the laws of the state of New York  
23 in furtherance of effectuating the provisions of section 44 of the  
24 legislative law and section 70-b of the public officers law. Notwith-  
25 standing the foregoing, the provisions of this act shall expire and be  
26 deemed repealed if on or before October 10, 2011, the memorandum of  
27 understanding has not been completed and signed as provided in section  
28 two of this act.