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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. BASKIN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Investigations and Government Operations -- reported favorably from said committee, ordered to first and second report, ordered to a third reading, amended and ordered reprinted, retaining its place in the order of third reading

AN ACT authorizing the commissioner of general services to transfer and convey certain state land to the Richardson Center Corporation

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subject to the provisions of this act but notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the commissioner of general services, upon the consent of the commissioner of mental health, is hereby authorized to transfer and convey to the Richardson Center Corporation the state land described in section two of this act for fair-market value, said property being a portion of the former Buffalo Psychiatric Center. Conveyance of such land shall be made at such time and upon such terms and conditions, including consideration, as the commissioner of general services may fix and determine.

§ 2. The lands authorized by section one of this act to be transferred and conveyed are as follows:

ALL that certain tracts, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the City of Buffalo, County of Erie, State of New York, lying generally Northerly of Forest Avenue, Easterly of Rees Street and Southerly of Rockwell Road, and being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at the point of intersection of the westerly bounds of Elmwood Avenue with the southerly bounds of Rockwell Road; thence North 89°31' West along said Rockwell Road a distance of 888+/- feet to the point of beginning; thence through the lands of the People of the State of New York (Buffalo Psychiatric Center) the following six (6) courses and distances:

1) South 00°29' West, a distance of 151+/- feet to a point;

2) South 67°52' West, a distance of 248+/- feet to a point of curvature;

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

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3) Along a non-tangent curve to the right having a radius of 60+/- feet, an arc length of 97+/- feet, and a chord North 14°07' West, 87+/- feet to a point;
4) North 32°25' East, a distance of 63+/- feet to a point of curvature;
5) Along a curve to the left having a radius of 365+/- feet, an arc length of 118+/- feet, and a chord North 23°07' East, 118+/- feet to a point on the southerly bounds of Rockwell Road; and
6) South 89°31' East, a distance of 172+/- feet to the point or place of beginning.
Containing 1.00 acres of land, more or less.
Commencing at the point of intersection of the easterly bounds of Rees Street with the northerly bounds of Forest Avenue, thence North 89°06' East along said Forest Avenue, a distance of 230+/- feet to the point of beginning; thence through the lands of the People of the State of New York (Buffalo Psychiatric Center) the following four (4) courses and distances:
1) North 02°36' East, a distance of 265+/- feet to a point;
2) South 89°59' East, a distance of 95+/- feet to a point;
3) South 00°38' East, a distance of 263+/- feet to a point on the northerly bounds of Forest Ave; and
4) South 89°06' West along said avenue, a distance of 110+/- feet to the point or place of beginning.
Containing 0.62 acres of land, more or less.

§ 3. The description in section two of this act of the lands to be conveyed is not intended to be a legal description, but is intended only to identify the premises to be conveyed. As a condition of purchase, the Richardson Center Corporation shall submit to the commissioner of general services for such commissioner's approval an accurate survey and description of the lands generally described in section two of this act, which may be used in the conveyance thereof.

§ 4. The commissioner of general services shall not transfer or convey the land described in section two of this act unless application is made therefore to the office of general services by the Richardson Center Corporation within one year after the effective date of this act.

§ 5. Any lands transferred pursuant to this act shall be used exclusively for the purposes of the Richardson Center Corporation to construct a mixed-use campus for the community benefit, including affordable housing use, and upon termination of such use, title to the lands so transferred shall revert to the state of New York. The forgoing sentence shall not negatively impact a certain right of reversion of such lands that runs to the benefit of the city of Buffalo.

§ 6. This act shall take effect immediately.