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The City Council
Niagara Falls, New York

**Re: *Agreement – Workers Compensation Third Party Administration
(FCS Administrators, Inc.)***

Council Members:

Since 2005, the City of Niagara Falls has been party to a program agreement with PERMA for the purposes of securing administrative and risk management services in connection with the City's obligation to secure and provide workers compensation for its employees. As we continue to look for ways to both increase our efficiency and lower our costs, we have determined that it is in the City's best interests to move from the large deductible plan offered through PERMA to a self-insured model.

To that end, it will be necessary for the City to enter into an agreement with FCS Administrators, Inc. ("FCS"), as the third-party administrator for the claims. FCS is a well-respected local company that performs workers compensation claims administration to several local municipalities. Through FCS, Evans Bank will be providing the City with additional assistance in the areas of risk management and workers compensation.

Will the Council so approve and authorize the Mayor to execute an engagement agreement satisfactory to the Corporation Counsel in both form and content?

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. RESTAINO
Mayor

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