THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL No. 2095 Session of 2005

INTRODUCED BY OLIVER, BISHOP, MANDERINO, ROEBUCK, YOUNGBLOOD, JAMES AND BLACKWELL, OCTOBER 21, 2005

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE GOVERNMENT, OCTOBER 21, 2005

AN ACT

- 1 Authorizing and directing the Department of General Services,
- with the approval of the Governor and the Department of
- 3 Education, to grant and convey to the Berean Manual Training
- 4 and Industrial School, also known as the Berean Institute,
- 5 certain lands situate in the City of Philadelphia,
- 6 Pennsylvania.
- 7 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 8 hereby enacts as follows:
- 9 Section 1. (a) Authorization. -- The Department of General
- 10 Services, with the approval of the Governor and the Department
- 11 of Education, is authorized and directed on behalf of the
- 12 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to grant and convey to the Berean
- 13 Manual Training and Industrial School, also known as the Berean
- 14 Institute, a certain tract of land with improvements erected
- 15 thereon, as described in subsection (b) for one dollar (\$1) and
- 16 for other good and valuable consideration.
- 17 (b) Description. -- The property to be conveyed pursuant to
- 18 subsection (a) consists of:
- 19 ALL THAT CERTAIN lot or piece of ground with the improvements

- 1 thereon erected, SITUATE in the 29th Ward of the City of
- 2 Philadelphia, described according to a Survey and Plan of
- 3 Property made for Redevelopment Authority of the City of
- 4 Philadelphia by Thomas J. Johnston, Surveyor and Regulator of
- 5 the 3rd District, dated February 1, 1967, as follows, to wit:
- 6 BEGINNING at a point of intersection formed by the Easterly
- 7 side of 20th Street (46 feet wide) and the Northerly side of
- 8 Girard Avenue (80 feet wide); thence extending North 11 degrees
- 9 21 minutes East along the said Easterly side of 20th Street, the
- 10 distance of 121 feet 1 7/8 inches to a point on the Southerly
- 11 side of South College Avenue (60 feet wide); thence North 83
- 12 degrees 03 minutes 07 seconds East along the said Southerly side
- 13 of South College Avenue 155 feet 10 7/8 inches to a point;
- 14 thence South 6 degrees 56 minutes 53 seconds East, 94 feet 10
- 15 7/8 inches to a point on the Northerly side of a 3 feet wide
- 16 alley by deeds, which leads Eastwardly and Westwardly connecting
- 17 at its Easterly end with a 5 feet wide alley by deeds, which
- 18 leads Eastwardly; thence South 78 degrees 39 minutes East along
- 19 the Northerly side of said 3 feet wide alley by deeds and
- 20 passing through said 5 feet wide alley by deeds 74 feet 9 3/8
- 21 inches to a point in the bed of said 5 feet wide alley by deeds;
- 22 thence North 6 degrees 56 minutes 53 seconds West, partly
- 23 crossing said 5 feet wide alley by deeds 118 feet 4 5/8 inches
- 24 to a point on the said Southerly side of South College Avenue;
- 25 thence North 83 degrees 03 minutes 07 seconds East along the
- 26 said Southerly side of South College Avenue 192 feet 0 inches to
- 27 a point on the Westerly side of 19th Street (50 feet wide);
- 28 thence South 11 degrees 21 minutes West along the said Westerly
- 29 side of 19th Street 252 feet 8 1/8 inches to a point on the said
- 30 Northerly side of Girard Avenue; thence North 78 degrees 39

- 1 minutes West along the said Northerly side of Girard Avenue 397
- 2 feet 8 3/4 inches to a point on the said Easterly side of 20th
- 3 Street, being the first mentioned point and place of beginning.
- 4 BEING the same premises which were acquired by the Redevelopment
- 5 Authority of the City of Philadelphia on December 19, 1966, by
- 6 condemnation proceedings in the Court of Common Pleas No. 7 of
- 7 Philadelphia County as of December Term 1966, No. 939.
- 8 UNDER AND SUBJECT to the following covenants which shall be
- 9 deemed as covenants running with the land:
- 10 a. That no person shall be deprived of the right to live in
- 11 the redevelopment project, or to use any of the facilities
- 12 therein, by reason of race, creed, color or national origin. The
- 13 term "redevelopment project" as used in this subparagraph a. is
- 14 used in the same sense as where used in subsection (a)(1) of
- 15 Section 11 of the Urban Redevelopment Law.
- 16 b. That there shall be no discrimination in the use, sale,
- 17 or lease of any part of the project against any person because
- 18 of race, color, religion, or national origin. The term "Project"
- 19 as used in this subparagraph b. is used in the same sense as
- 20 where used in subsection (a)(8) of Section 11 of the Urban
- 21 Redevelopment Law.
- 22 c. The Grantee agrees, for itself, its successors and
- 23 assigns to or of the property or any part thereof, that the
- 24 Grantee, its successors and assigns, shall:
- 25 (i) Devote the property to, and only to and in
- 26 accordance with, the uses specified in the Urban Renewal
- 27 Plan, as hereafter amended (and extended) from time to time;
- 28 (ii) Not discriminate upon the basis of race, color,
- creed, or national origin in the sale, lease, or rental or in
- 30 the use or occupancy of the property or any improvements

- 1 erected or to be erected thereon, or any part thereof.
- d. It is intended and agreed that the agreements and
- 3 covenants provided in this section shall be covenants running
- 4 with the land and that they shall, in any event, and without
- 5 regard to technical classification or designation, legal or
- 6 otherwise, be to the fullest extent permitted by law and equity,
- 7 binding for the benefit and in favor of, and enforceable by, the
- 8 Grantor, its successors and assigns, the City, and any successor
- 9 in interest to the Grantee of the Property or any part thereof,
- 10 and the owner of any other land (or of any interest in such
- 11 land) in the Project Area which is subject to the land use
- 12 requirements and restrictions of the Urban Renewal Plan and the
- 13 United States (in the case of the covenant provided in Section c
- 14 (ii) hereof) against the Grantee, its successors and assigns to
- 15 or of the Property or any part thereof or any interest therein,
- 16 and any party in possession or occupancy of the Property or any
- 17 part thereof. It is further intended and agreed that the
- 18 agreement and covenant provided in clause (c)(i) shall remain in
- 19 effect until April 18, 1991 (at which time such agreement and
- 20 covenant shall terminate) and that provided in clauses (a) and
- 21 (b) and (c)(ii) shall remain in effect without limitations as to
- 22 time: PROVIDED, that such agreements and covenants shall be
- 23 binding on the Grantee itself, its successors and assigns, and
- 24 each party in possession or occupancy, respectively, only for
- 25 such period as it shall have title to or an interest in or
- 26 possession or occupancy of the Property or part thereof. In
- 27 amplification, and not in restriction of, the foregoing, it is
- 28 intended and agreed that the Grantor and its successors and
- 29 assigns shall be deemed beneficiaries of the agreements and
- 30 covenants provided herein, and the United States shall be deemed

- 1 a beneficiary of the covenant provided in clause (c)(ii) hereof,
- 2 both for and in their or its own right and also for the purposes
- 3 of protecting the interest of the community and other parties,
- 4 public or private, in whose favor or for whose benefit such
- 5 agreements and covenants have been provided. Such agreements and
- 6 covenants shall run in favor of the Grantor and the United
- 7 States, for the entire period during which such agreements and
- 8 covenants shall be in force and effect, without regard to
- 9 whether the Grantor or the United States has at any time been,
- 10 remains, or is an owner of any land or interest therein to or in
- 11 favor of which such agreements and covenants relate. The Grantor
- 12 shall have the right, in the event of any breach of any such
- 13 agreement or covenant, and the United States shall have the
- 14 right in event of any breach of the covenant provided in clause
- 15 (c)(ii) hereof, to exercise all the rights and remedies, and to
- 16 maintain any actions or suits at law or in equity or other
- 17 proper proceedings to enforce the curing of such breach of
- 18 agreement or covenant, to which it or any other beneficiaries of
- 19 such agreement or covenant may be entitled.
- 20 e. To devote the land in the Project Area to the uses
- 21 specified therefor in the Redevelopment Plan sometimes known as
- 22 the "Urban Renewal Plan" and to use said land for the purposes
- 23 specified in said Plan, and not to devote said land or any part
- 24 thereof to any other use or use the same for any other purpose,
- 25 or contrary to any of the limitations or requirements of said
- 26 Plan, which covenant shall cease and determine at the expiration
- 27 of 25 years from April 18, 1966. The term "Urban Renewal Plan"
- 28 as used in these presents means the Urban Renewal Plan for
- 29 College Avenue Redevelopment Area, Berean Urban Renewal Area,
- 30 dated April, 1965, and approved by Council of the City of

- 1 Philadelphia on April 18, 1966, and as thereafter amended.
- 2 NONE OF THE PROVISIONS of that certain Agreement between the
- 3 Redevelopment Authority of the City of Philadelphia and the
- 4 Grantee herein, dated January 13, 1967 and recorded in the
- 5 Department of Records in and for the City of Philadelphia in
- 6 Deed Book, C. A. D. No. 909, Page 572 &c., on February 9, 1967
- 7 shall be or be deemed to be merged into this Deed, or shall be
- 8 or be deemed to be affected or impaired by the execution of this
- 9 Deed.
- 10 Being the same premises which the Redevelopment Authority of the
- 11 City of Philadelphia, by deed dated February 27, 1968, and
- 12 recorded in the Office for the Recording of Deeds in and for the
- 13 County of Philadelphia in Deed Book D No. 041-page 232,
- 14 granted and conveyed to the General State Authority.
- 15 (c) Easements. -- The conveyance shall be made under and
- 16 subject to all lawful and enforceable easements, servitudes and
- 17 rights of others, including, but not confined to, streets,
- 18 roadways and rights of any telephone, telegraph, water,
- 19 electric, gas or pipeline companies, as well as under and
- 20 subject to any lawful and enforceable estates or tenancies
- 21 vested in third persons appearing of record for any portion of
- 22 the land or improvements erected thereon.
- 23 (d) Deed.--the deed of conveyance shall be by Special
- 24 Warranty Deed and shall be executed by the Secretary of General
- 25 Services in the name of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The
- 26 deed shall contain a clause that the land herein conveyed shall
- 27 be used for educational purposes. The deed shall also contain a
- 28 clause expressly excepting and reserving to Grantor all oil,
- 29 gas, mineral and gravel rights in accordance with section 2405-
- 30 A(6) of the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The

- 1 Administrative Code of 1929.
- (e) Costs. -- Costs and fees incidental to this conveyance 2
- 3 shall be borne by the Grantee.
- 4 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.