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Mr. Robert Davis
Chair, I-195 Redevelopment District Commission
315 Iron Horse Way, Ste. 101
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Dear Mr. Davis,

We understand that the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation, on behalf of the Executive Office of Health and Human Services, is issuing a Request for Expressions of Interest/Request for Qualifications (the "RFEI/RFQ") for the development of a facility that would house the new Rhode Island State Health Lab and at least 25,000 square feet of private laboratory and research space. We understand that site of the facility will be determined based on criteria and preferences set forth in the RFEI/RFQ.

Brown University, as you know, has a long-standing commitment to development in the Jewelry District of Providence and a substantial amount of academic and administrative activity relevant to the mission of the Rhode Island Department of Health, including the Alpert Medical School, the Laboratories for Molecular Medicine, and the nearby School of Public Health, are already located in that area of the City. The University will continue to prioritize investments related to life sciences research in the Jewelry District.

Accordingly, and in consideration of the University's future needs, the potential availability of additional laboratory research space near Brown's existing academic and research facilities in the Jewelry District is of significant interest. While the University is not currently in a position to make a commitment, the availability of private laboratory space for lease is an opportunity that we would want to carefully assess. We would anticipate a need for as much as 20,000 to 30,000 square feet over a period of time. Brown would only be interested in such space were it to be located in the Jewelry District in close proximity to the academic facilities described above.

Please provide us with a copy of the RFEI/RFQ. We look forward to discussing this further with the Commission and other interested parties at the appropriate time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Russell C. Carey".

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