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**LICENSE AGREEMENT**  
THEATER DISTRICT

THIS LICENSE AGREEMENT ("Agreement") is made by and between Houston First Corporation ("HFC"), a local government corporation created under Chapter 431 of the Texas Transportation Code, whose address for the purposes of this Agreement is 510 Preston St., Houston, Texas 77002 and [Licensee Name] ("Licensee"), whose address is:

[Address]  
[City, State & Zip]

1. **License.** HFC hereby grants and Licensee hereby accepts a license to use and to occupy that portion of the [Facility Name] (the "Facility"), "AS IS", described as [Portion of Facility] and including any Ancillary Space (the "Premises") from [Start Time & Date] until [End Time & Date] (the "License Period"), as more particularly described as follows:

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**Total License Fee:**

2. **Event.** Licensee represents and warrants that it will use the Premises for the following function or activity: [Event Name] (the "Event"), more particularly described by Licensee [as follows: Event description/in the attached Exhibit "1"]. Licensee shall not change the function or activity described herein without a written amendment to this Agreement signed by HFC and Licensee.

3. **License Fee Payment.** Licensee shall pay HFC [Payment Amount #1] toward the License Fee on or before [Payment Date #1]. Licensee shall pay the balance of [Payment Amount #2] on or before [Payment Date #2]. If a payment due hereunder is not received within the time period stated herein, then HFC, in its sole discretion, may assess a ten percent (10%) late charge or terminate this Agreement as provided herein. If an instrument given for payment for an amount due under this Agreement is dishonored, then HFC, without foregoing any other available remedy, shall assess and Licensee shall pay a charge of forty dollars ($40.00).

4. **Maintenance Surcharge.** If the Premises includes any portion of the Brown Theater or Cullen Theater, then Licensee shall pay directly to the Wortham Center Operating Company (the "WCOC") a surcharge equal to twenty percent (20%) of the License Fee for use of the Brown Theater or Cullen Theater for the maintenance of backstage equipment (the "Maintenance Surcharge"). Accordingly, Licensee shall pay WCOC [WCOC Payment Amount] on or before [WCOC Payment Date].

5. **Deposit.** Licensee shall post a Deposit (the "Deposit") in the amount of [Deposit Amount] with HFC on or before [Payment Date #2]. All fees, charges and expenses described in this Agreement other than the License Fee, including but not limited to the Ticket Surcharge, shall first be deducted from the Deposit and the remainder, if any, itemized on the Invoice. Neither the amount of nor failure to collect the Deposit shall constitute a limitation on the liability of Licensee or a waiver of the right of HFC to recover from Licensee under this Agreement.

6. **Ticket Surcharge.** If the Premises includes the Brown Theater or Cullen Theater, then, in addition to the License Fee, HFC shall impose and Licensee shall pay a surcharge equal to one dollar ($1.00) on each Ticket sold for any Event (the "Ticket Surcharge") to which an admission fee of any amount is imposed. If the Premises includes Jones Hall, then, in addition to the License Fee, HFC shall impose and Licensee shall pay a surcharge equal to one dollar and fifty cents ($1.50) on each Ticket sold for any Event (the "Ticket Surcharge") to which an admission fee of any amount is imposed.
The Ticket Surcharge is subject to sales tax, payment of which is the sole responsibility of Licensee. Licensee agrees to comply with the Ticketed Events procedures in the Exhibit “A” Terms & Conditions.

7. Invoice. Within thirty (30) days after the last day of the License Period, HFC shall issue an accounting statement to Licensee itemizing all charges and/or credits (the “Invoice”). Licensee shall pay HFC any amount due within thirty (30) days following the issuance of the Invoice.

8. Equipment. The License Fee does not include rental charges for front-of-house equipment such as tables, chairs, risers, lecterns, podiums, or portable dance floors. Use of front-of-house equipment is at the option and additional expense of Licensee.

Licensee may use as much of the following back-of-house equipment as is available, as Licensee deems necessary for the Event: Stage, lighting, microphones, house sound system, spotlights and normal stage decoration. Licensee acknowledges and agrees that Licensee, its employees, entertainers, agents and contractors shall abide by any instructions, requests or conditions imposed by the Facility Manager in connection with the use of such equipment.

9. Insurance. LICENSEE SHALL, AT ITS SOLE COST AND EXPENSE, PROCURE AND MAINTAIN THROUGH THE DURATION OF THE LICENSE PERIOD THE FOLLOWING MINIMUM INSURANCE COVERAGE:

I. COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE AGAINST CLAIMS FOR BODILY INJURY OR DEATH AND PROPERTY DAMAGE OCCURRING IN OR UPON OR RESULTING FROM THE PREMISES, SUCH INSURANCE TO AFFORD IMMEDIATE PROTECTION TO THE LIMITS OF NOT LESS THAN $500,000 PER OCCURRENCE, AND $1,000,000 AGGREGATE, AND SUCH INSURANCE SHALL INCLUDE (a) ADVERTISING INJURY AND (b) PERSONAL INJURY;

II. WORKERS’ COMPENSATION (STATUTORY AMOUNT) AND;

III. EMPLOYER’S LIABILITY – $500,000 BODILY INJURY FOR EACH ACCIDENT; DISEASE LIMITS OF $1,000,000 PER POLICY AND $500,000 PER EMPLOYEE.

ALL POLICIES SHALL CONTAIN AN ENDORSEMENT WAIVING ANY CLAIM OR RIGHT OF SUBROGATION AGAINST HFC AND THE CITY OF HOUSTON. HFC AND THE CITY OF HOUSTON SHALL BE NAMED AS ADDITIONAL INSUREDS ON ALL POLICIES, EXCEPT WORKERS’ COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYER’S LIABILITY, WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTIVE MODIFICATIONS. IF THE PREMISES INCLUDES THE BROWN THEATER OR CULLEN THEATER, THEN THE WCOC SHALL ALSO BE NAMED AS AN ADDITIONAL INSURED ON ALL POLICIES, EXCEPT WORKERS’ COMPENSATION, WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTIVE MODIFICATIONS.

LICENSEE SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE TO HFC AT LEAST THIRTY (30) DAYS PRIOR TO CANCELLATION, MATERIAL ALTERATION OR NON-RENEWAL OF ANY SUCH INSURANCE.

THE ISSUER OF ANY POLICY SHALL HAVE A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT INSURANCE BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF TEXAS AND HAVE A BEST’S RATING OF AT LEAST B+ AND A BEST’S FINANCIAL SIZE CATEGORY OF CLASS IV OR BETTER, ACCORDING TO THE MOST RECENT EDITION OF BEST’S KEY RATING GUIDE, PROPERTY-CASUALTY UNITED STATES.

LICENSEE SHALL MAINTAIN WITH RESPECT TO EACH SUCH POLICY OR AGREEMENT EVIDENCING SUCH INSURANCE WITH SUCH ENDORSEMENT AS MAY BE REASONABLY REQUIRED BY HFC AND SHALL DELIVER TO HFC A CERTIFICATE WITH RESPECT TO SUCH INSURANCE IN A FORM REASONABLY SATISFACTORY TO HFC ON OR BEFORE [Insurance Due Date].

NEITHER THE ISSUANCE OF ANY INSURANCE POLICY REQUIRED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT NOR THE MINIMUM LIMITS SPECIFIED ABOVE SHALL BE DEEMED TO LIMIT OR RESTRICT IN ANY WAY THE LIABILITY OF LICENSEE ARISING UNDER OR OUT OF THIS AGREEMENT. LICENSEE SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS, DAMAGE OR LIABILITY SUFFERED OR INCURRED BY HFC AS THE RESULT OF THE FAILURE OF THE LICENSEE TO MAINTAIN OR CAUSE TO BE MAINTAINED THE TYPES OR AMOUNTS
OF INSURANCE REQUIRED TO BE MAINTAINED BY LICENSEE UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS AGREEMENT.

LICENSEE SHALL REQUIRE ALL OF ITS CONTRACTORS, EXHIBITORS AND AGENTS TO PROCURE AND MAINTAIN COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE NAMING HFC AND THE CITY OF HOUSTON AS ADDITIONAL INSUREDs AND AFFORDING IMMEDIATE PROTECTION TO THE LIMITS OF NOT LESS THAN $500,000 PER OCCURRENCE AND CARRY WORKERS’ COMPENSATION BEFORE ALLOWING SUCH PERSONS TO ENTER THE FACILITY. ALL POLICIES SHALL CONTAIN AN ENDORSEMENT WAIVING ANY CLAIM OR RIGHT OF SUBROGATION AGAINST HFC AND THE CITY OF HOUSTON.

10. Catering/Food and Beverage. Licensee acknowledges that HFC is under contract with a third-party food and beverage provider (the “Preferred Caterer”) that is the exclusive provider of alcoholic beverages and the preferred provider of catering services at the Facility. An entity other than the Preferred Caterer may provide catering services at the Facility; provided, however, that such entity shall pay a per-person fee based on the type of function directly to the Preferred Caterer no later than thirty (30) days prior to the first day of the License Period, to be imposed as follows: Breakfast $2.50; lunch $5.00; receptions $7.50; dinner $10.00.

11. Merchandising. If Licensee, its contractors, exhibitors or agents sell merchandise or novelties during the License Period, then Licensee shall pay HFC a fee equal to a percentage of total gross merchandise and novelty sales exclusive of sales tax (the “Merchandise Fee”), in accordance with the following schedule:

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The location of merchandising booths or displays shall be determined by the Facility Manager in his sole discretion. Roving sellers or vendors shall not be permitted.

HFC will inventory all merchandise or novelties prior to any sales and Licensee shall not offer additional novelties for sale without being counted by HFC. HFC will conduct a final inventory after sales close each day to determine gross sales.

12. Special Provisions. The following special provisions shall be included in this Agreement: [Intentionally omitted]

13. Terms and Conditions; Rules and Regulations. The Terms and Conditions attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and Rules and Regulations attached hereto as Exhibit “B” are made a part hereof for all purposes.

14. Definitions. All terms defined herein shall have the same meaning in the Terms and Conditions and Rules and Regulations. All terms capitalized herein, but not defined herein, shall have the meaning assigned to such terms in the Terms and Conditions or Rules and Regulations.

15. Rejection of the Licensee’s Offer. The execution and delivery of this Agreement to HFC constitutes an offer by the Licensee that HFC may reject at any time prior to the execution of this Agreement by HFC.

16. Authority to Sign. The signer of the Agreement hereby represents and warrants that he or she has full authority to execute this Agreement and bind Licensee.

17. Entire Agreement. This Agreement, the Terms and Conditions, and the Rules and Regulations, constitute the entire agreement between HFC and the Licensee. No prior written or contemporaneous oral promises or representations shall be binding upon HFC. The Agreement shall not be amended or changed except by written amendment signed by HFC and the Licensee. In the event of a conflict between this Agreement, the Terms and Conditions, and the Rules and Regulations the following order shall control:

I. Agreement
II. Terms and Conditions
III. Rules and Regulations

All copies of the signed Agreement must be received by HFC no later than [Payment Date #1], or the License Period dates are subject to being released at the sole discretion of HFC. This Agreement shall be effective on the date of signature by HFC.

18. Signatures. The Licensee and HFC have executed this Agreement in multiple copies, each of which is an original.

[Licensee Name], "Licensee"
By:

Name: [Name]  
Title: [Title]  
Date

Houston First Corporation, "HFC"
By:

Name: Dawn Ullrich  
Title: President  
Date
1. Definitions. All terms defined herein shall have the same meaning in the License Agreement and Rules and Regulations. All terms capitalized herein, but not defined herein, shall have the meaning assigned to such terms in the License Agreement or Rules and Regulations.

2. Condition of the Premises.
(a) HFC makes no warranty or representation to Licensee of any kind, express or implied, regarding the suitability of the Facility, or any portion thereof, as built, for any aspect of the use Licensee expects or intends to make of the Facility, including the Premises. The Premises is offered by HFC and accepted by Licensee in its current condition, on an "AS IS" basis. Licensee agrees that it has examined the Premises and is satisfied with the condition, fitness and order thereof. Commencement of the use of the Premises shall be conclusive that the Premises were in good repair and in satisfactory condition, fitness and order when such use commenced. LICENSEE FURTHER AGREES THAT THE PREMISES SHALL BE DELIVERED BY HFC TO LICENSEE "AS IS", "WHERE IS" AND "WITH ANY AND ALL FAULTS" AND WITHOUT ANY WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AS TO THE MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR THE USE THEREOF FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

(b) Upon reasonable notice, either party shall be entitled to request a mutual inspection of the Premises before and/or after the License Period, together with an inspection report signed by each party.

(c) At the end of the License Period, the Premises shall be vacated and surrendered up to HFC in the same condition found before the commencement of the License Period, excepting damage due to ordinary wear and tear, the elements, Force Majeure, or any other cause not occasioned by a negligent or intentional act or failure to act of Licensee or an agent, employee, contractor or invitee of Licensee. Licensee shall promptly pay the cost of repairing damage or injury to the Premises, including its fixtures and furnishings.

(d) Should Licensee fail to vacate and surrender the Premises at the end of the License Period, Licensee shall pay to HFC as liquidated damages and not as a penalty (both parties hereto agreeing that damages from such a holding over are difficult to ascertain) for each day or portion thereof during which all or part the Premises are not vacated and surrendered an amount equal to 150% of the license fee listed on the then-current rate sheet for use and occupancy for that portion of the Premises that has not been vacated and surrendered. Further, HFC may remove and store all goods and chattels at the sole expense of Licensee and may dispose of any such property if, after the expiration of five calendar days, Licensee has failed to remove the property from the possession of HFC. HFC shall not be liable to Licensee on account of so removing, storing, or disposing of any property as provided by this Section, and Licensee shall save and hold HFC harmless from any liability from another licensee who is prevented from occupying their licensed portion of the Facility due to the holding over of Licensee.

3. Utilities.
(a) The License Fee includes normal, reasonable utilities for general house lighting, heating and air conditioning during the License Period; provided, however, that, reduced light and comfort levels may be maintained during non-event periods at the discretion of the Facility Manager, as energy conservation is a primary concern to HFC.

(b) No interruption or malfunction of any utility services shall constitute an eviction or disturbance of the use and possession of the Premises by Licensee or breach by HFC of any of its obligations hereunder or render HFC liable for damages or entitle Licensee to be relieved from any of its obligations hereunder. In the event of any such interruption of any such services, HFC shall only be obligated to use reasonable diligence to restore such service.

4. Release. LICENSEE AGREES TO AND SHALL RELEASE HFC, THE CITY OF HOUSTON, THEIR AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES (COLLECTIVELY "HFC") FROM ALL LIABILITY FOR INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY SUSTAINED IN CONNECTION WITH OR INCIDENTAL TO PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT, EVEN IF THE INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS IS CAUSED BY HFC’S SOLE OR CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE AND/OR HFC’S STRICT PRODUCTS LIABILITY OR STRICT STATUTORY LIABILITY.
5. Indemnification. LICENSEE AGREES TO AND SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HFC, THE CITY OF HOUSTON, THEIR AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, AND LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES (COLLECTIVELY “HFC”) HARMLESS FOR ALL CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, LIABILITIES, FINES, AND EXPENSES (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, BY REASON OF COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT, ATTORNEYS' FEES, COURT COSTS, AND ALL OTHER DEFENSE COSTS AND INTEREST) FOR INJURY, DEATH, DAMAGE, OR LOSS TO PERSONS OR PROPERTY, SUSTAINED IN CONNECTION WITH OR INCIDENTAL TO PERFORMANCE UNDER THIS AGREEMENT INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, THOSE CAUSED BY LICENSEE’S AND/OR ITS AGENTS’, SERVANTS’, EMPLOYEES’, CONTRACTORS’, SUBCONTRACTORS’, PATRONS’, GUESTS’, LICENSEES’, OR INVITEES’ OR OF ANY OTHER PERSON ENTERING UPON THE PREMISES WITH THE EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED INVITATION OR PERMISSION OF LICENSEE, (COLLECTIVELY, “LICENSEE”) ACTUAL OR ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR INTENTIONAL ACTS OR OMISSIONS; HFC’S AND LICENSEE’S ACTUAL OR ALLEGED CONCURRENT NEGLIGENCE, WHETHER LICENSEE IS IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY OR NOT; AND HFC’S AND LICENSEE’S ACTUAL OR ALLEGED STRICT PRODUCTS LIABILITY OR STRICT STATUTORY LIABILITY, WHETHER LICENSEE IS IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY OR NOT.

LICENSEE SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HFC HARMLESS DURING THE TERM OF THIS AGREEMENT AND FOR FOUR YEARS AFTER THE AGREEMENT TERMINATES. LICENSEE’S INDEMNIFICATION IS LIMITED TO $500,000 PER OCCURRENCE. THE LICENSEE SHALL NOT INDEMNIFY HFC FOR HFC’S SOLE NEGLIGENCE.

IF THE PREMISES LICENSED UNDER THIS AGREEMENT INCLUDES ANY PORTION OF THE BROWN THEATER OR CULLEN THEATER, THEN LICENSEE SHALL RELEASE AND INDEMNIFY THE WCOC IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME FORM AS ABOVE.

LICENSEE SHALL REQUIRE ALL OF ITS CONTRACTORS (AND THEIR SUBCONTRACTORS) TO RELEASE AND INDEMNIFY HFC TO THE SAME EFFECT AND IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME FORM AS ITS RELEASE AND INDEMNITY TO HFC.

6. Indemnification Procedures.
(a) Notice of Claims. If HFC or Licensee receives notice of any claim or circumstances which could give rise to an indemnified loss, the receiving party shall give written notice to the other party within thirty (30) calendar days. The notice must include (i) a description of the indemnification event in reasonable detail, (ii) the basis on which indemnification may be due, and (iii) the anticipated amount of the indemnified loss. This notice does not estop or prevent HFC from later asserting a different basis for indemnification or a different amount of indemnified loss than that indicated in the initial notice. If HFC does not provide this notice within thirty (30) calendar days, it does not waive any right to indemnification except to the extent that Licensee is prejudiced, suffers loss, or incurs expense because of the delay.

(b) Assumption of Defense. Licensee may assume the defense of the claim at its own expense with counsel chosen by it that is reasonably satisfactory to HFC. Licensee shall then control the defense and any negotiations to settle the claim. Within ten (10) calendar days after receiving written notice of the indemnification request, Licensee must advise HFC as to whether or not it will defend the claim. If Licensee does not assume the defense, HFC shall assume and control the defense, and all defense expenses constitute an indemnification loss.

(c) Continued Participation. If Licensee elects to defend the claim, HFC may retain separate counsel to participate in the defense and to participate in any settlement negotiations. Licensee may settle the claim without the consent or agreement of HFC, unless it (i) would result in injunctive relief or other equitable remedies or otherwise require HFC to comply with restrictions or limitations that adversely affect HFC, (ii) would require HFC to pay amounts that Licensee does not fund in full, (iii) would not result in HFC’s full and complete release from all liability to the plaintiffs or claimants who are parties to or otherwise bound by the settlement.

7. Copyright Law Compliance.
(a) Licensee warrants that no music, artistic works, or other property protected by copyright will be performed, produced, exhibited or used, nor will the name of any entity protected by trademark be reproduced, exhibited or used during the License Period, unless duly licensed or authorized by the copyright or trademark owners or their representatives. Licensee covenants to strictly comply with all laws respecting copyright and trademarks and warrants that it will not infringe on any related statutory, common law, or other rights of any person or entity during
the License Period. Licensee is solely responsible for remitting payment to the appropriate agencies for the use of any copyrighted materials.

(b) Licensee shall not advertise, promote, or conduct a live musical performance at the Facility through the use of a false, deceptive, or misleading affiliation, connection, or association between a performing musical artist or group and the original recording artist or group in violation of Tex. Bus. & Comm. Code §17.902.

8. Ticketed Events. Licensee shall adhere to the following rules governing Tickets:
(a) The term “Ticket” includes all forms of entry control utilized to impose a fee of any sort for admission to an Event at the Brown Theater, Cullen Theater, or Jones Hall.

(b) Licensee may reserve complimentary Tickets for its own use or the use of its designees, but no more than two hundred (200) per Event for the Brown Theater or Jones Hall and no more one hundred (100) per Event for the Cullen Theater. The surcharge will not be imposed on complimentary Tickets.

(c) All tickets must be printed through an authorized ticketing agency and a copy of the ticket manifest shall be provided to the Event Manager.

(d) Licensee is required to use serially numbered tickets to ensure an accurate accounting of ticket sales and calculation of ticket surcharge. In the case of computerized ticketing, an auditing report will suffice.

(e) HFC will be given access to box office records, ticket receipts, and all other documents reasonably required to verify Licensee's accounting of the surcharge. Licensee shall permit HFC or the designated entity to audit Licensee's records related to its ticket sales up to one year after the Event.

(f) At the theaters, payment received from non-resident companies shall be accompanied by a box office statement (if any), and shall be made in cash or by check made payable to the designated entity at the time the box office closes or ticket sales cease for that performance. Multiple performances of the same production may be settled on a weekly basis or at the final performance at the option of the Facility Manager.

(g) If an Event is canceled, the surcharge shall be refundable to Licensee, who shall immediately refund the surcharge to Ticket purchasers.

(h) General admission seating is strictly prohibited unless approved in advance and in writing by the Facility Manager.

(i) Festival seating and standing room only ticketing are not permitted under any circumstances.

(a) Until all other seats have been sold, Tickets for wheelchair locations and companion seating shall only be sold to persons requesting such seats due to a disability; provided, however, that one orchestra-level wheelchair location and one adjacent companion seat shall be withheld from sale for emergency or last-minute use by a disabled patron and accompanying person.

(b) Wheelchairs shall not be placed in aisles under any circumstances.

(c) Licensee acknowledges and agrees that it is solely responsible for non-permanent accessibility requirements under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), including, but not limited to, temporary seating accessibility, sign language interpreters, and other auxiliary aids.

(d) LICENSEE SHALL NOT MOVE OR INTERFERE IN ANY WAY WITH ACCESSIBILITY TO ADA FACILITIES (INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WHEELCHAIR SEATING). LICENSEE SHALL INDEMNIFY HFC AND THE CITY OF HOUSTON FOR ANY AND ALL CLAIMS AND LIABILITIES ARISING OUT OF SATISFACTION OF SAME REQUIREMENTS BY LICENSEE.

10. Use and Preparation of the Premises.
(a) Licensee shall not use the Premises or permit any part of the Facility to be used for any purpose other than the Event and shall not permit its use for lodging, or in conflict with any law, ordinance, rule or regulation of any
governmental authority, or in any manner which would violate the provisions of insurance coverage on or related to the Facility, or increase the rate of insurance, in any manner which constitutes waste or nuisance, or in any manner which causes or threatens to cause damage or injury to the Facility or alteration to all or any portion of the Facility.

(b) Approval by the Facility Manager of Licensee's personnel, labor, equipment or material shall constitute a license authorizing Licensee to permit such to enter the Facility; however, the continued effectiveness of such license is conditioned upon Licensee's personnel and labor working in accord with and not interfering with the personnel and labor of HFC and is further conditioned upon Licensee's compliance with the terms and provisions of this Agreement. Accordingly, if at any time Licensee's personnel or labor shall cause discord or interfere with another event or shall violate the terms and provisions of this Agreement, then the license to allow such labor, personnel, materials and equipment in the Facility may be withdrawn by HFC, and Licensee shall cause all such personnel, labor, material and equipment to be removed from the Facility.

(c) Exclusive Services. Notwithstanding anything else contained herein to the contrary, HFC reserves the right to establish exclusive services with third-party providers for use or occupancy of the Facility, including, but not limited to ushering and ticket services and Licensee shall, at its sole costs and expense, pay for all charges incurred for such exclusive services; provided, however, that HFC shall give Licensee notice in writing at least sixty (60) days prior to the first day of the License Period.

11. Sharing of Facility and Services at Wortham Theater Center.
(a) If the Premises includes any portion of the Wortham Theater Center, then Licensee acknowledges that the Facility may or will be used for the installation, holding or presentation and removal of other events and activities. Licensee further acknowledges that, in order for the Facility to operate as efficiently as practicable, it may be necessary to schedule or share certain Facility services and equipment including, but not limited to, entrances, exits, truck ramps, receiving areas, marshaling areas, storage areas, passenger and freight elevators, lobbies, parking lots, and concession areas. Licensee agrees to work cooperatively with other licensees at the Facility, including their employees, agents, and contractors, but, in the event of a conflict, the Facility Manager shall have final authority to establish the schedules for the use and availability of such services and equipment and to determine when, and the extent to which, the sharing of any such services and equipment is necessary or desirable. In no event shall Licensee enter or use any area, part, or service of the Facility, other than the Premises, without first obtaining the consent of the Facility Manager and approval other than ingress or egress to Fish Plaza or the Grand Foyer in the case of Wortham Theater Center.

(b) Licensee acknowledges and agrees that if the sound or vibration generated by the Event adversely affects another event in the Wortham Theater Center, as determined by the Facility Manager in his or her sole discretion, then Licensee shall promptly make any sound, volume or other adjustments deemed necessary to resolve the interference by the Facility Manager in his or her sole discretion.

12. Announcements and Advertisements. HFC reserves and retains the right to use and may use the sound system for announcements and may display advertisements in the Facility in any manner, which in the conclusive opinion of HFC is desirable or appropriate, provided that such announcements, advertisements and use do not substantially disrupt or interfere with the Event.

13. Ancillary Rights. HFC reserves and retains to itself and its assignees, licensees and designees the privilege of using such parts of the Facility as in its opinion, which shall be conclusive, are necessary for or to the operation of HFC and of its concessionaires.

14. Right of Entry. HFC, its officers, directors, servants, employees, agents, concessionaires and their servants, employees and agents, shall at all times have free access to the Facility and shall have the right at any time to enter any portion of the Premises or the Facility for any purpose whatsoever.

15. Right of Removal. HFC reserves the right to control all individuals in the Premises and Facility, including, but not limited to, any employee, agent, contractor, or invitee of Licensee. HFC may remove from the Premises any such individual and reserves the right to eject any objectionable individual from the Premises and the Facility, and Licensee hereby waives any and all claims for damages against HFC on account thereof.

(a) The term “Force Majeure” shall include, but not be limited to, acts of God, acts of the public enemy, war, blockades, insurrections, riots, epidemics in the City of Houston, landslides, lightning, earthquakes, fires, storms, floods, washouts, tornadoes, hurricanes, explosions and other occurrences or conditions of like nature and shall further include a declaration of a state of emergency by the Mayor of the City of Houston, the Governor of the State of Texas, or the President of the United States of America. The term does not include any changes in general economic conditions such as inflation, interest rates, economic downturn or other factors of general application; or an event that merely makes performance more difficult, impractical, or expensive.

(b) Either party may terminate this Agreement or suspend its obligations hereunder due to Force Majeure to the extent that such occurrence is beyond the reasonable control of the party whose performance is affected on such affected party's giving notice and full particulars to the other party of such Force Majeure as soon as practicable, but no later than seven (7) days after the occurrence of the cause relied upon.

(c) If Force Majeure causes the License Period to be terminated in whole or in part, then Licensee shall owe HFC a portion of the License Fee based on the time period, if any, during which Licensee had reasonable commercial use of the Premises; provided, however, that any such portion over and above that amount previously paid by Licensee shall be refunded.

(d) The License Period shall not be extended in the event of Force Majeure without a written amendment to this Agreement signed by HFC and Licensee, and HFC shall not be obligated to license the Premises or any part of the Facility in substitution for the Force Majeure period.

17. Default.
(a) Licensee shall be in default under this Agreement if any of the following occur: (i) Licensee fails to observe any term of this Agreement, including, but not limited to payment of any amount due hereunder or the furnishing of documentation evidencing insurance coverage, (ii) Licensee does not use and occupy the Premises for the purpose described in this Agreement, (iii) Licensee assigns this Agreement, in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of HFC, and (iv) Licensee declares bankruptcy or ceases doing business.

(b) If Licensee is in default, then HFC shall have the right, without further notice, to invoke any or all of the following remedies: (i) terminate this Agreement and revoke the License granted hereunder, (ii) enter and take exclusive possession of the Premises and remove all persons and property, (iii) institute legal proceedings against Licensee to recover any amount due under this Agreement and any damages sustained by HFC, (iv) retain the portion of the License Fee and Deposit prepaid by Licensee as liquidated damages and not as a penalty (both parties hereto agreeing that damages from such a default are difficult to ascertain and that such amount is a reasonable forecast of just compensation for the harm to HFC resulting from such default by Licensee), (v) deduct from the Deposit any fee, charge, or expense incurred by Licensee up to and including the date of termination and demand any remainder be paid with the Invoice, and (vi) exercise any and all rights available at law or in equity.

18. Cancellation by Licensee.
(a) If Licensee cancels this Agreement or some portion of the License Period prior to the commencement of the License Period, then Licensee shall owe HFC a portion of the License Fee as provided herein.

(b) Licensee and HFC agree that cancellation of this Agreement or cancellation of some portion of the License Period will cause damages to HFC and that the actual damages from the harm are difficult to estimate accurately. Therefore, in lieu of the remedies listed under Section 17(b), Licensee and HFC agree that Licensee shall be liable for and shall pay to HFC an amount, as calculated below, as liquidated damages and that such amount is a reasonable forecast of just compensation for the harm to HFC resulting from such cancellation by Licensee.

In the following formula, “X” shall represent the number of calendar days from the date HFC received notice of cancellation from Licensee to the first day of the License Period and “Y” shall represent the percentage of the License Fee owed to HFC by Licensee:

If “X” equals 366 or more calendar days, then “Y” equals 50%;  
If “X” equals 181 to 365 calendar days, then “Y” equals 75%;  
If “X” equals 180 or fewer calendar days, then “Y” equals 100%;
(c) HFC is authorized to retain all or a portion of the License Fee and Deposit to reimburse HFC the sum owed pursuant to this Section and Licensee shall pay the balance of such sum owed to HFC, if any, within thirty (30) days of issuance of written notice; provided, however, that any such portion over and above the amount of liquidated damages previously paid by Licensee shall be refunded.

19. Construction. HFC will notify Licensee in writing of any material construction or remodeling planned to take place in or adjacent to the Premises during or sixty (60) days’ prior to the commencement of the License Period (routine maintenance and upkeep excepted) and will use commercially reasonable efforts to minimize any material interference with or disruption of the Event due to such construction or renovation.

(a) Licensee shall strictly comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations, as may be amended from time to time. This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and is to be performed in Harris County, Texas.

(b) Licensee shall comply with and acquire any and all applicable federal, state and/or municipal permits or licenses required for the Event and shall pay all taxes of whatever nature becoming due by reason of its use of the Facility.

21. Notices. All notices to either party to the Agreement must be in writing and must be delivered by hand, United States registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, United States Express Mail, Federal Express, Airborne Express, UPS or any other national overnight express delivery service. The notice must be addressed to the party to whom the notice is given at its address set out in this Agreement or other address the receiving party has designated previously by proper notice to the sending party. Postage or delivery charges must be paid by the party giving the notice.

22. Survival. Notwithstanding the acceptance of the License Fee by HFC and the expiration of the License Period, Licensee shall remain obligated to HFC under all clauses of this Agreement that expressly or by implication survive such acceptance and the expiration of the License Period, including but not limited to the indemnification provisions in the Agreement.

23. Assignment and Sublicensing. Licensee shall not assign this Agreement in whole or in part, nor sublicense any portion of the Premises without the prior written consent of HFC.

24. Non-Waiver. Failure of HFC to insist upon strict performance of any of the terms and conditions in this Agreement or failure or delay to exercise any rights or remedies provided in this Agreement or by law, or failure of HFC to notify Licensee properly in the event of default, or the acceptance of late payment or other obligation shall not release Licensee from any or all of its obligations under this Agreement, and shall not be deemed a waiver of any right of HFC to insist on strict performance hereof or any of its rights or remedies as to prior or subsequent default hereunder.

25. Multiple Parties. If more than one licensee is named under this Agreement, then the obligation of each licensee shall be joint and several.

26. Severability. If any part of this Agreement is for any reason found to be unenforceable, all other parts remain enforceable unless the result materially prejudices either party.