AGREEMENT FOR LEASE OF SPACE

(Not to Exceed 2 years or \$100,000/year)

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extermination services to the Premises at intervals specified by LANDLORD in writing to A&M SYSTEM. If the specified intervals are not sufficient to eradicate pests, LANDLORD will

provide additional extermination service upon A&M SYSTEM's request.

Extermination Services. LANDLORD, at LANDLORD's sole cost, will provide

1.07 <u>Telephone and Internet Services</u>. LANDLORD will provide, as currently installed, telephone conduits necessary for A&M SYSTEM's use of the Premises. A&M SYSTEM is responsible for all other equipment, fees, costs, and expenses related to providing telecommunication and internet service.

ARTICLE 2 TERM

2.01 <u>Initial Term</u> . The ter	The term of this Lease will be				commencing	on
	(the	"Commenc	ement	Date"),	and ending	on
	(the	"Term"),	unless	sooner	terminated	in
accordance with the terms of this Leas	e.					

- 2.02 <u>Early Termination</u>. **A&M SYSTEM** may terminate this Lease, with or without cause, by sending **LANDLORD** ____ calendar days' written notice of **A&M SYSTEM's** intent to terminate.
- **2.03** Property Removal. Upon the termination of this Lease for any reason, **A&M SYSTEM** will have the right to remove its equipment and personal property from the Premises, and will leave the Premises clean and in a condition equal to the condition which existed on the Commencement Date, normal wear and tear excepted, and except for any damage caused by **LANDLORD**, its employees, agents and contractors. **A&M SYSTEM** may remove any fixtures or improvements which it constructed on the Premises so long as such removal does not materially damage the Building or the Premises. All movable equipment, furnishings, fixtures, apparatus and personal property may be removed in a manner so as to cause as little damage, as is reasonably possible, to the Building and the Premises.

ARTICLE 3 RENT

- 3.01 Rent. During the Term of this Lease, A&M SYSTEM agrees to pay to LANDLORD, no later than the fifth day of each month, rent in the amount of \$______ per month (totaling \$______ per year); provided that the first monthly payment is due on or before the Commencement Date. Rent is payable in advance and rent for any partial month will be prorated.
- 3.02 Availability of Funding. This Lease may be contingent upon the continuation of state or federally funded programs, the appropriation of funds by the Texas Legislature and/or the availability of specific funds to cover the full term and cost of this Lease. In the event a curtailment of state or federally funded programs occurs, state appropriations are curtailed or withdrawn, or in the event specific funds are unavailable to A&M SYSTEM, A&M SYSTEM may terminate this Lease upon written notice to LANDLORD, or may assign this Lease, or sublet the Premises, or any part of the Premises, to another agency of the State of Texas, without further duty or obligation hereunder. LANDLORD acknowledges that appropriation of funds is beyond the control of A&M SYSTEM.

ARTICLE 4 COVENANTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF LANDLORD

- **4.01** <u>Title to Premises.</u> **LANDLORD** covenants and agrees that it has good and sufficient title and exclusively holds the authority, right, and ability to rent, lease, or otherwise furnish the Premises to **A&M SYSTEM**.
- 4.02 <u>Authority</u>. If **LANDLORD** is a business entity, **LANDLORD** warrants and represents that it is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the state of its formation, and is duly authorized to conduct business in the State of Texas, that it has all necessary power and has received all necessary approvals to execute and deliver this Lease, and the individual executing this Lease on behalf of **LANDLORD** has been duly authorized to act for and bind **LANDLORD**.
- 4.03 <u>Compliance</u>. LANDLORD warrants and guarantees that A&M SYSTEM's intended use of the Premises as _______ does not violate any current city, state or local ordinance or statute or any restriction placed on the Building.
- 4.04 Environmental Condition. LANDLORD warrants and represents that any use, storage, treatment or transportation of hazardous substances or materials that have occurred in or on the Premises prior to the Commencement Date has been in compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and ordinances. LANDLORD additionally warrants and represents that no release, leak, discharge, spill, disposal, or emission of hazardous substances or materials has occurred in, on, or under the Premises, and that the Premises are free of hazardous substances and materials as of the Commencement Date.

LANDLORD must indemnify A&M SYSTEM from any and all claims, damages, fines, judgments, penalties, costs, liabilities, or losses (including, without limitation, any and all sums paid for settlement of claims and for fees of attorneys, consultants, and experts) arising during or after the lease term from or in connection with the presence or suspected presence of Hazardous Substances in or on the Premises, unless the Hazardous Substances are present solely as a result of negligence, willful misconduct, or other acts of A&M SYSTEM or A&M SYSTEM's agents, employees, contractors, or invitees. Without limitation of the foregoing, this indemnification includes any cleanup, removal, or restoration mandated by a federal, state, or local agency or political subdivision, unless the Hazardous Substances are present solely as a result of negligence, willful misconduct, or other acts of A&M SYSTEM, A&M SYSTEM's agents, employees, contractors, or invitees. This indemnification must specifically include any and all costs due to Hazardous Substances that flow, diffuse, migrate, or percolate into, onto, or under the Premises after the lease term commences.

As used herein, "Hazardous Substance" means any substance that is toxic, ignitable, reactive, or corrosive and that is regulated by any local government, the State of Texas, or the United States Government. "Hazardous Substance" includes any and all material or substances that are defined as "hazardous waste," extremely hazardous waste," or a "hazardous substance" pursuant to state, federal, or local governmental law. "Hazardous Substance" includes but is not restricted to asbestos, polychlorobiphenyls ("PCBs"), solvents, pesticides, and petroleum.

4.05 <u>Publicity</u>. LANDLORD must not use A&M SYSTEM's name, logo or other likeness in any press release, marketing materials, or other public announcement without receiving A&M SYSTEM's prior written approval.

ARTICLE 5 MAINTENANCE

- 5.01 <u>LANDLORD's Maintenance Obligations</u>. LANDLORD must maintain, at its sole cost and expense, the Building (expressly including the common areas, parking and landscaping) and the Premises in a first-class, clean, and safe condition, must not permit or allow to remain any waste or damage to any portion of the Building or the Premises. LANDLORD must promptly repair any damage to the Building (expressly including the common areas, parking and landscaping) and the Premises, at its sole cost and expense, except damage arising from the act or negligence of A&M SYSTEM, its agents or employees, which will be the responsibility of A&M SYSTEM. For emergency and security purposes, and for maintaining the Premises, LANDLORD reserves the right, upon not less than twenty-four (24) hours' notice to A&M SYSTEM (if possible), to enter and inspect the Premises and to make any necessary repairs or adjustments.
- 5.02 LANDLORD's Failure to Maintain. In the event LANDLORD fails to maintain the Building and the Premises as required, A&M SYSTEM will give written notice thereof to LANDLORD and if LANDLORD fails to commence such maintenance within ten (10) days following receipt of such notice or neglects to prosecute the completion of such maintenance with reasonable diligence, A&M SYSTEM may perform such maintenance. A&M SYSTEM may, in the event of an emergency, immediately make those repairs reasonably necessary to secure the Premises. The costs incurred by A&M SYSTEM, will be paid by LANDLORD to A&M SYSTEM upon demand and if not paid to A&M SYSTEM within thirty (30) days after receipt by LANDLORD of a statement therefore, A&M SYSTEM may deduct such cost from subsequent installments of rent. A&M SYSTEM will also have the remedies set forth in Article 12.

ARTICLE 6 CONDEMNATION

If a condemnation proceeding results in a partial taking of the Premises, and the remainder of the Premises is useful to **A&M SYSTEM** as determined by **A&M SYSTEM** in its sole discretion, then the rent specified in Article 3.01 will be equitably adjusted as of the date of the taking of possession by the condemning authority. If a condemnation proceeding results in a total taking of the Premises, then all rent and charges will be prorated to the date of the taking of possession by the condemning authority and this Lease will be terminated. Alternatively, if **LANDLORD** is able to provide space suitable for **A&M SYSTEM's** use, in **A&M SYSTEM's** sole opinion, **A&M SYSTEM** may elect to rent such space under the same terms, conditions, and rental amount as this Lease.

ARTICLE 7 DAMAGES

- Damages to the Building or the Premises. If the Building or the Premises are damaged by fire or other casualty, and A&M SYSTEM determines in its sole discretion that it is prevented from using the Premises in a manner reasonably comparable to its use immediately before such fire or other casualty, A&M SYSTEM may terminate this Lease by written notice to **LANDLORD** delivered within thirty (30) days following the date of such fire or other casualty. If A&M SYSTEM opts not to terminate this Lease, then A&M SYSTEM will give written notice to LANDLORD within that thirty (30) day period, and LANDLORD must, within twenty (20) days following the date of such written notice, commence to rebuild or restore the Premises to substantially the condition of the Premises prior to the fire or other casualty. If **LANDLORD** fails to complete the rebuilding or restoration within sixty (60) days following the date of A&M SYSTEM's written notice, A&M SYSTEM will have the right to terminate this Lease by written notice delivered to LANDLORD within fifteen (15) days following the end of that sixty (60) day period. Alternatively, if LANDLORD is able to provide space suitable for A&M SYSTEM's use, in A&M SYSTEM's sole opinion, A&M SYSTEM may elect to rent such space under the same terms, conditions, and rental amount as this Lease, or upon such other terms, conditions and rent as the parties may agree.
- 7.02 Emergency Repairs. In the event that any damages to the Premises presents a threat to the health or safety of A&M SYSTEM, its employees, clients, representatives, agents, customers, or other persons frequenting the Premises, that are deemed of an emergency nature to repair, A&M SYSTEM will notify LANDLORD immediately. LANDLORD must then repair the damage or authorize A&M SYSTEM to repair said damage. In the event that any costs are incurred by A&M SYSTEM, LANDLORD must reimburse A&M SYSTEM within ten (10) days following written demand from A&M SYSTEM accompanied by evidence of the costs incurred.

ARTICLE 8 INSURANCE

- 8.01 <u>LANDLORD's Insurance Obligations</u>. LANDLORD covenants and agrees that from and after the date of delivery of the Premises from LANDLORD to A&M SYSTEM, and during the term of this Lease or any renewal thereof, LANDLORD will carry and maintain, at its sole cost and expense, the following types of insurance, in the amounts specified and in the form hereinafter provided for (i) "All risk" property insurance for the Building on a full replacement cost basis and (ii) commercial general liability covering the Building, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 combined single limit for personal injury and property damage as a result of negligence, willful misconduct, or other acts caused by the negligence of LANDLORD. LANDLORD must deliver to A&M SYSTEM upon request a certificate evidencing such coverages. All such policies must be written by insurance companies authorized to do business in Texas.
- **8.02** A&M SYSTEM's Insurance Obligations. LANDLORD acknowledges that, because A&M SYSTEM is an agency of the State of Texas, liability for the tortious conduct of

the agents and employees of **A&M SYSTEM** or for injuries caused by conditions of tangible state property is provided for solely by the provisions of the Texas Tort Claims Act (Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, Chapters 101 and 104), and that Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage for employees of **A&M SYSTEM** is provided by **A&M SYSTEM** as mandated by the provisions of the Texas Labor Code, Chapter 502. **A&M SYSTEM** will have the right, at its option, to (a) obtain liability insurance protecting **A&M SYSTEM** and its employees and property insurance protecting **A&M SYSTEM**'s buildings and the contents, to the extent authorized by Section 51.966 of the Texas Education Code or other law; or (b) self-insure against any risk that may be incurred by **A&M SYSTEM** as a result of its operations under this Lease.

ARTICLE 9 ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLETTING

A&M SYSTEM may assign this Lease or sublet the Premises, in whole or in part, to any member of The Texas A&M University System or any agency of the State of Texas, but agrees it will not, except as otherwise provided in this Lease, assign this Lease or sublet all or any part of the Premises to any private parties (persons or corporations) without the prior written consent of **LANDLORD**, which consent must not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

ARTICLE 10 COMPLIANCE WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW

10.01 Accessibility. In signing this Lease, LANDLORD certifies that at the time the Premises become occupied by A&M SYSTEM and throughout the term of this Lease and any additional tenancy, LANDLORD will comply with The Texas Accessibility Standards regarding architectural barriers to persons with disabilities promulgated under Chapter 469, Texas Government Code as prepared and administered by the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation ("TDLR"); the ADA Accessibility Guidelines promulgated under The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Public Law 101-336, 42 U.S.C. § 12181 et seq.

Neither **A&M SYSTEM** nor its occupying department has authority to waive any requirements of Chapter 469 of the Texas Government Code and any claim regarding such a waiver is expressly denied. Neither **A&M SYSTEM**, nor the occupying department, nor the TDLR has authority to waive any requirements of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, and any claim regarding such waiver is expressly denied.

10.02 <u>Child Support</u>. A child support obligor who is more than thirty (30) days delinquent in paying child support and a business entity in which the obligor is a sole proprietor, partner, shareholder, or owner with an ownership interest of at least twenty-five percent (25%) is not eligible to receive payments from state funds under an agreement to provide property, materials, or services until all arrearages have been paid or the obligor is in compliance with a written repayment agreement or court order as to any existing delinquency. The *Texas Family Code* requires the following statement: "Under Section 231.006, *Texas Family Code*, the vendor or applicant certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract, bid, or application is not ineligible to receive the specified grant, loan, or payment and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate."

- 10.03 <u>Debts or Delinquencies</u>. Pursuant to Section 2252.903, *Texas Government Code*, **LANDLORD** agrees that any payments owing to **LANDLORD** under this Lease may be applied directly toward certain debts or delinquencies that **LANDLORD** owes the State of Texas or any agency of the State of Texas regardless of when they arise, until such debts or delinquencies are paid in full.
- 10.04 <u>Franchise Tax Certification</u>. If **LANDLORD** is a taxable entity subject to the Texas Franchise Tax (Chapter 171, *Texas Tax Code*), then **LANDLORD** certifies that it is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise taxes or that **LANDLORD** is exempt from the payment of franchise taxes.
- and belief, that neither LANDLORD nor any of its Principals ("Principal" means an officer, director, owner, partner, or a person having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity) is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, voluntarily excluded, or involuntarily excluded from receiving a contract from any federal, state or local government or agency, nor has it been declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any federal, state, or local government or agency, nor does it appear on any federal, state or local government's Excluded Parties List System. LANDLORD must provide immediate written notice to A&M SYSTEM if, at any time LANDLORD learns that this representation was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. The representations and warranties above are a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when entering into this Lease. If it is later determined that LANDLORD knowingly made a false representation, in addition to other remedies available to A&M SYSTEM, A&M SYSTEM may terminate this Lease.

ARTICLE 11 DEFAULT BY A&M SYSTEM

LANDLORD may terminate this Lease and enter upon and take possession of the Premises if **A&M SYSTEM** fails to perform, keep and observe any terms, covenants, or conditions required by this Lease to be performed by **A&M SYSTEM**, and such failure continues for thirty (30) days following **A&M SYSTEM**'s receipt of written notice of such default.

ARTICLE 12 DEFAULT BY LANDLORD

If LANDLORD (i) fails to comply with any term, condition or covenant of this Lease that is required to be performed or observed by LANDLORD, or (ii) breach any of its representations and warranties set forth in this Lease, or if A&M SYSTEM is unable to use the Premises for more than thirty (30) consecutive calendar days due to any law or any order, rule, or regulation of any competent governmental authority, and LANDLORD does not cure or correct such failure, breach or condition within thirty (30) days after receipt of written notice from A&M SYSTEM to LANDLORD (or, in the case of an emergency, within twenty-four (24) hours after receipt of written or telephonic notice thereof given by A&M SYSTEM to LANDLORD), or, if such

failure, breach or condition (other than an emergency situation as aforesaid) cannot reasonably be cured within said thirty (30) day period, LANDLORD has not commenced to cure such failure or breach within said thirty (30) days and does not thereafter with reasonable diligence and in good faith proceed to cure such failure or breach, then A&M SYSTEM, in addition to any other remedy provided by law or in equity, may terminate this Lease and all of A&M SYSTEM's obligations hereunder, by giving written notice thereof to LANDLORD or, without being obligated to do so, **A&M SYSTEM** may cure or correct such default or breach for the account of **LANDLORD**, in which event all amounts expended or incurred by A&M SYSTEM (including reasonable attorneys' fees), together with interest thereon at the maximum rate of interest permitted by applicable law from the date of advancement until repaid, will be due and payable by **LANDLORD** to **A&M SYSTEM** within ten (10) days after demand. If **LANDLORD** fails to pay any amount due within the ten (10) day period, A&M SYSTEM may deduct such amounts from the rent due or to become due hereunder (in such order and manner as A&M SYSTEM may elect), and/or terminate this Lease by giving written notice thereof to LANDLORD, in which event all rent will be apportioned as of the effective termination date, and any rent paid for any period beyond such date and all other prepaid charges paid by A&M SYSTEM to LANDLORD must be refunded to A&M SYSTEM.

ARTICLE 13 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

13.01 Notices. Any notices required or permitted under this Lease must be in writing and will be deemed given: (a) three (3) business days after it is deposited and post-marked with the United States Postal Service, postage prepaid, certified mail, return receipt requested, (b) the next business day after it is sent by overnight carrier, (c) on the date sent by email transmission with electronic confirmation of receipt by the party being notified, or (d) on the date of delivery if delivered personally. The parties may change their respective notice address by sending to the other party a notice of the new address. Notices should be addressed as follows:

LANDLORD:	
A&M SYSTEM:	
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with copy to:	The Texas A&M University System
	Office of Business Affairs
	Attn: System Real Estate Office
	301 Tarrow Street, 5 th Floor
	College Station, Texas 77840-7896
	Phone: 979-458-6350
	Email: sreo@tamus.edu

The Texas A&M University System Office of General Counsel Attn: Property & Construction 301 Tarrow Street, 6th Floor College Station, Texas 77840-7896

Phone: 979-458-6120 Email: property@tamus.edu

- 13.02 Force Majeure. Neither party is required to perform any non-monetary term, condition, or covenant of this Lease, if performance is prevented or delayed by a natural occurrence, fire, flood, pandemic, epidemic, quarantine, national or regional emergency, governmental order or action, civil commotion, riot, war (declared or undeclared), revolution, act of foreign or domestic terrorism, embargo, act of God, or other similar occurrence, the cause of which is not reasonably within the control of such party and which by due diligence it is unable to prevent or overcome.
- 13.03 Governing Law. The validity of this Lease and all matters pertaining to this Lease, including but not limited to, matters of performance, non-performance, breach, remedies, procedures, rights, duties, and interpretation or construction, will be governed and determined by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Texas.
- 13.04 <u>Venue</u>. Pursuant to Section 85.18, *Texas Education Code*, venue for any suit filed against **A&M SYSTEM** must be in the county in which the primary office of the chief executive officer of **A&M SYSTEM** is located.
- 13.05 Entire Agreement. This Lease and any document incorporated herein by reference constitutes the complete agreement of LANDLORD and A&M SYSTEM and supersedes any prior understanding or agreement, written or oral, between them regarding the issues covered by this Lease. This Lease may not be modified orally or in any manner other than by agreement in writing signed by the parties hereto or their permitted successors or assigns.
- 13.06 <u>Savings Clause</u>. If any term, provision, covenant, or condition of this Lease is held by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, void, or unenforceable, the remainder of the provisions will remain in full force and effect and will not be affected, impaired or invalidated.
- 13.07 <u>Brokerage Commissions</u>. **A&M SYSTEM** will not be liable for any brokerage or finder's fees or commissions.
- 13.08 Estoppel Certificates. Any statement or representation of A&M SYSTEM in any estoppel certificate delivered pursuant to this Lease that would modify the rights, privileges or duties of LANDLORD or A&M SYSTEM hereunder will be of no force and effect and may not be relied on by any person.
- 13.09 <u>Rules and Regulations</u>. A&M SYSTEM agrees to abide by any and all reasonable rules and regulations promulgated by LANDLORD for the proper operation of the Building

provided all such rules and regulations are provided to **A&M SYSTEM** in writing, are consistent, and are uniformly applied to all tenants of the Building. All rules and regulations promulgated subsequent to commencement of this Lease must be submitted to **A&M SYSTEM** for consideration and comment at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to implementation.

- 13.10 <u>Waiver</u>. The failure of **LANDLORD** or **A&M SYSTEM** to insist in any one or more instances on a strict performance of any of the covenants of this Lease will not be construed as a waiver or relinquishment of such covenants in future instances, but the same will continue and remain in full force and effect.
- 13.11 <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. This Lease and each and all of its covenants, obligations and conditions will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns of LANDLORD, and the successor and assigns of A&M SYSTEM.
- 13.12 Right to Audit. LANDLORD, must at all times during the Term of this Lease, at LANDLORD 's sole cost, retain accurate and complete financial records, supporting documents, and any other records or books relating to this Lease. LANDLORD must retain these records for a period of seven years after the expiration of this Lease, or until A&M SYSTEM or the Texas State Auditor's Office, or any successor agency (collectively, "Auditor"), is satisfied that all audit, claim, and litigation matters are resolved, whichever period is longer. LANDLORD must grant access to all books, records, and documents pertinent to this Lease for purposes of inspecting, monitoring, auditing, or evaluating by A&M SYSTEM and the Auditor. Furthermore, LANDLORD must ensure that this section's provisions concerning the authority to audit funds received either directly or indirectly by subcontractors through LANDLORD and the requirement to cooperate is included in any subcontract(s) that the LANDLORD enters with any subcontractor(s) related to this Lease.
- 13.13 <u>Privileges and Immunities.</u> LANDLORD expressly understands and acknowledges that A&M SYSTEM is an agency of the State of Texas and nothing in this Lease will be construed as a waiver or relinquishment by A&M SYSTEM of its right to claim such exemptions, privileges, and immunities as may be provided by law.
- 13.14 <u>Time</u>. Time is of the essence in respect to the performance of each provision of this Lease.
- 13.15 <u>LEASE NULL AND VOID</u>: THE PARTIES ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THIS LEASE IS NULL AND VOID IF THE TERM EXCEEDS 2 YEARS OR THE RENT EXCEEDS \$100,000 PER YEAR.

[SIGNATURES TO FOLLOW ON NEXT PAGE]

EXECUTED this day of	, 20 by LANDLORD .
	LANDLORD:
	By:

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EXECUTED this day of	, 20 by A&M SYSTEM .
	A&M SYSTEM:
	BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, an agency of the State of Texas, for the use and benefit of
	By:Name:Title:
RECOMMENDED APPROVAL:	
Name: Fitle:	