# COURT OF APPEALS STATE OF NEW YORK

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In the Matter of the Application of the CITY OF LONG BEACH,

Petitioner,

-against-

NOTICE OF MOTION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL Appellate Div Docket # 2018-10975 Nassau County Index # 17-003811

THE NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS BOARD AND LONG BEACH PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION, IAFF, LOCAL 287,

Respondents.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that upon the annexed decision and order of the Appellate Division, Second Department, *Matter of City of Long Beach v. New York State Publice employment Relations Board and Long Beach Professional Firefighters Association, IAFF, Local 287,* 187 A.D.3d 745 [2d Dept 2020], decided October 7, 2020, and entered December 23, 2020, ("Decision") reversing a decision and order of Respondent New York State Public Employment Relations Board ("PERB"), the notice of entry thereof, the record on appeal before the Appellate Division, Second Department, the submissions to the Second Department, and Affirmation of Louis D. Stober, Jr in support of this motion, submitted herewith, the Long Beach Professional Firefighters Association, IAFF, Local 287 ("LBPFFA") will move this Court at 20 Eagle Street, Albany, NY on January 25, 2021, or as soon thereafter as counsel may be heard, for an order pursuant to CPLR 5602 (a)(1)(i) and section 500.22 of the Rules of this Court granting leave to appeal from the Decision, and for such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: Mineola, NY January 14, 2021

LOUIS D. STOBER, JR. ESO.

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LOUIS D. STOBER, JR., an attorney-at-law duly admitted to the Courts of

the State of New York affirms the following under penalty of perjury:

1. I am the principal attorney in the Law Offices of Louis D. Stober, Jr., LLC,

attorneys for Respondent Long Beach Professional Firefighters Association, IAFF,

Local 287 (LBPFFA) and am duly authorized to make this affirmation.

2. I am fully familiar with all of the facts regarding the above captioned action and I make this Affirmation in Support of the Respondent LBPFFA's motion for permission to appeal to the New York State Court of Appeals.

3. On January 7, 2021, the New York State Public Employment Relations Board's (PERB) made a motion for leave to appeal to the Court of Appeals. 4. We incorporate all the arguments and papers in the aforesaid motion as if set forth fully herein, including PEB's memorandum of law in support of their motion for leave to appeal to the Court of Appeals.

5. The Appellate Division, Second Department's decision runs contrary to decades of precedent including from this very Court finding that the pretermination procedures of Section 71 of the Civil Service Law are a mandatory subject of negotiations. Further, the Appellate Division, Second Department's decision has created a conflict between the Departments and the Appellate Division, Second Department's decision has statewide impact.

6. These reasons make it imperative that this Court grant permission to appeal the decision of the Appellate Division, Second Department in the instant case.

WHEREFORE, the Respondent, LBPFFA, demands a decision and Order reversing the decision of the Appellate Division, Second Department, reinstating the Order of the Supreme Court, Nassau County dismissing the Petition, and for such further and other relief that this Court may direct together with the costs, disbursements and expenses of this action including attorneys' fees.

Dated: Mineola, New York January 14, 2021

LOUIS D. STOBER, JR.

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# AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY MAIL Re: City of Long Beach v. New York State Public Employment Relations Board and Long Beach Professional Firefighters Association, IAFF, Local 287 STATE OF NEW YORK)

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COUNTY OF NASSAU)

Gisella Stober, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am not a party to the within action, am over 18 years of age and reside in Garden City, New York On January 14, 2021 I served a copy of the following:

### MOTION FOR LEAVE TO APPEAL TO THE COURT OF APPEALS AND AFFIRMATION IN SUPPORT OF MOTION

in the following manner:

By mailing the same in a sealed envelope, with postage prepaid thereon via certified return receipt, in a post-office or official depository of the U.S. Postal Service within the State of New York, addressed to the last know address of the addressee as indicated below:

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GISELLA STOBER

Sworn to before me this 1/4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021

Notary Public-State of New York No. 02BO6037788 Qualified in Suffolk County My Comm. Expires Feb. 28, 20\_\_\_\_