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**ADOPTED – BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**  
**MARCH 7, 2024**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508**  
**COUNTY OF COOK AND STATE OF ILLINOIS**

**GOVERNANCE AGREEMENT WITH**  
**THE BLOCH TECH HUB**

**WHEREAS**, a group of diverse entities have come together and established the Bloch Tech Hub, (“**Bloch**”) in a cooperative effort to support the adoption of quantum technologies by working at the sector level and identifying use cases and partners to drive the industry forward, building accessible enabling infrastructure, and creating inclusive, diverse workforce and training pipelines that will meet the demand of this growing field.

**WHEREAS**, The Bloch was created in response to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (“**EDA**”) FY 2023 Regional Technology and Innovation Hub Program Phase 1 Notice of Funding Opportunity EDA- EDA-TECHHUBSPHASE1-2023. The Bloch was reaffirmed in response to the U.S. Economic Development Administration (“**EDA**”) FY 2023 Regional Technology and Innovation Hub Program Phase 2 Notice of Funding Opportunity EDA - EDA-TECHHUBSPHASE2-2023 (“**NOFO**”), and the parties to this Agreement (“**Bloch Members**”) intend to join together in a cooperative effort to support the Bloch;

**WHEREAS**, the Bloch Members agree on a shared vision to address challenges that slow the growth of quantum information science and technology (QIST) development and hinder the adoption of quantum technologies, including the development of workforce pathways and opportunities for QIST companies. By establishing end-to-end QIST industry solutions, The Bloch will bring QIST to leading industries to jointly develop solutions of economic and national security importance;

**WHEREAS**, the success of the Bloch depends upon a diverse group of stakeholders who are critical to driving the economic growth around quantum technologies, including representatives from industry, non-profits, and governmental organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important that the Bloch have leadership and guidance that, along with EDA, ensures that the Bloch Tech Hub Award is executed in a manner that is fair, inclusive, equitable, efficient, and impactful;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of Community College District No. 508, County of Cook and the State of Illinois, hereby approves the governance agreement and participation of City Colleges of Chicago as a Component Project Lead on the EDA Phase 2 Notice of Funding Opportunity.