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Subj: FIRST ADDENDUM TO NON SEXUAL ACTIVITY & MEN ONLY SPACES

A gay resort or hotel may be designated as a “clothing optional” resort or hotel for men seeking the opportunity to relax in the buff while enjoying the company of other men. Guests who enjoy relaxing in the buff, by the pool, or in a jacuzzi, can take it all off in the company of other gay men and are afforded a sense of privacy where both sexual and non-sexual activity may occur within the confines of and on the grounds of the designated gay resort or hotel as current practices allow.

While the concept of a gay hotel may vary depending on the destination the one thing they all share in common is a vision of creating a safe space where gay men can be themselves in the company of other gay men without the fear of judgment or harassment.

Urban Ground Resort, LLC, understands that sexual freedom is and always has been a part of the gay community and while we promote an environment free of fear and oppression the success of Urban Ground Resort & Residence depends in large on the

rules, laws, regulations, and restrictions that govern how Urban Ground Resort & Residence operates.

Urban Ground Resort is unlike most gay resorts and hotels and our operations exceed that of most gay resorts and hotels. Urban Ground Resort is well over five hundred acres making us the largest gay resort in the world with over ten thousand hotel rooms, over thirty different bars and restaurants, branded and non-branded specialty retail, nightclubs, our own private beach, Redlight district, commercial Cineplex and more, and in an effort to curate an environment enjoyable to all we have chosen that several public access spaces on the grounds of Urban Ground Resort & Residence may be designated as free from sexual activity for the enjoyment of all Guests. Our decision, we feel, does not impact any Persons right to sexual freedom, as while on the grounds of Urban Ground Resort as Urban Ground Resort has curated various spaces, places, and establishments on the grounds of Urban Ground Resort that afford an individual an opportunity to express their sexual freedom found within the gay community.

Urban Ground Resort operates as an expansive commercial gay resort offering their Guests access to Urban Ground Resort's amenities, activities, products, goods, and services many of which are completely situated on Urban Ground Resort property and are deemed "privately owned public spaces" for the purpose of defining these spaces.

The concept of a gay hotel or men's gay resort were created around the idea of offering gay men a safe space if they wanted to travel with their same-sex friend, partner, significant other or were looking for the opportunity to meet other same sex men and not fear judgment or harassment, and prior to the acceptance of the LGBTQ community into mainstream America many gay men sought out those spaces as safe spaces for the enjoyment and the experience of a gay-only environment.

In an effort to address homophobia, stigma, and discrimination against gay black men which can be especially hard for black men who are gay and bisexual who maintain relationships with men and have sex with men, negative attitudes can increase their chance of experiencing violence which can include behaviors such as bullying, teasing, harassment, physical assault, and suicide-related behaviors and in response Urban Ground Resort, LLC, may designate spaces that are designated for men only for the purpose of freedom of expression for men who solely desire the company of men.

While the assimilation of the LGBTQ community into mainstream America began many years ago the very concept of Urban Ground Resort & Residence is to preserve the gay culture as the distinction between gay, LGBTQ, and straight culture has become so blurred, and in some ways fractured, it has been described that "the very concept of gay

culture may one day disappear altogether” and from time to time at our sole discretion Urban Ground Resort, LLC, may designate spaces that are designated for men only for the purpose of freedom of expression for men who solely desire the company of men.

Even with the abundance of gay-friendly, LGBTQ mainstream properties, many gay men still seek out those gay spaces to enjoy the experience of a gay-only environment and Urban Ground Resort understands the struggles of the LGBTQ community in seeking “the self-affirmation, dignity, equality, and increased visibility of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) people as a social group” but ask that all persons respect our decision in designating certain spaces as men only as many gay men still do seek out spaces designated for men only for the purpose of enjoying the company of another gay man.

Urban Ground Resort, LLC, has carefully curated an environment that favors social recreation, stimulation, and social activity as we champion an environment free of fear and oppression but also works to preserve gay culture for men who solely desire the company of other gay men for the purpose of freedom of expression for men who solely desire the company of men.

Urban Ground Resort, LLC, does not adhere to social, political, or religious movements and asks all Guests and residents to adhere to the rules, laws, and regulations that govern Urban Ground Resort & Residence for the enjoyment of all.

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