### **MODEL LEASE CLAUSE**

# **Set Limits on Exclusive Use Given to Tenants**

The following lease clause was drafted by Mary Beattie-Binder, senior portfolio counsel of General Growth Properties, Inc., Ohio attorney Abraham Lieberman, and Toronto attorney Stephen J. Messinger. Use it if a tenant demands that you give it an exclusive use right.

Paragraph a limits the remedy available to the tenant if you

violate the exclusive. Paragraph b lists important definitions that set out the scope of the exclusive. Paragraph c says the exclusive is voided if any one of the listed circumstances occur.

Show this clause to your attorney before putting it into your

lease. CLL10036

## **EXCLUSIVE USE**

#### a. Exclusive Use Remedy

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, if Landlord shall rent space in the [insert #] level of the Shopping Center in the crosshatched area shown on Exhibit [insert #] (the "Protected Area") to a Competing Business (as defined below) for the Exclusive Use (as defined below) during the [insert duration, e.g., first three years of the Term], then Tenant's sole and exclusive remedy shall be a reduction in monthly Minimum Rent to [insert agreed-upon rent reduction formula, e.g., Tenant pays a certain percentage of its minimum rent only] from the date Tenant notifies Landlord of such violation until such violation is cured. This remedy shall be exercised upon [insert #, e.g., 60] days' prior written notice that must be given to Landlord within [insert #, e.g., 30] days after the Competing Business opens for business in the Protected Area.

### b. Definitions

- (i) "Exclusive Use" shall mean the operation of a [insert use].
- (ii) "Competing Business" shall mean a business not affiliated with Tenant that uses its premises in the Shopping Center primarily for the Exclusive Use; provided, however it shall exclude the following:
  - A. Any business occupying its premises directly or as an assignee, subtenant, licensee, or concessionaire under:
    - A lease that was executed prior to the execution of this Lease but that is in effect as of the date of execution of this Lease (a "Prior Lease");
    - (2) A renewal or extension of a Prior Lease;
    - (3) A new lease that is executed by a business that leased or occupied premises in the Shopping Center directly or indirectly under a Prior Lease (a "New Lease"); or
    - (4) A renewal or extension of a New Lease;
  - B. If the premises currently occupied by [insert name of existing tenant] shall cease to be used primarily for the Exclusive Use, [insert #, e.g., 1] additional store (which may be located anywhere within the Shopping Center) containing a floor area not exceeding [insert square footage];
  - Any anchor, variety, or specialty store and any store containing a floor area in excess of [insert square footage];

- Any store containing a floor area less than [insert square footage];
- E. Any business which devotes less than [insert #]% of the sales area of such premises to the Exclusive Use or on an annual basis, less than [insert #]% of the gross sales from such premises are generated by the Exclusive Use; and
- F. Any business which engages in the Exclusive Use but is not specifically permitted to do so in its lease.

#### c. Exclusive Becomes Null and Void

This Paragraph shall automatically become null and void if:

- Tenant defaults under any provision of this Lease, including but not limited to, the radius restriction set out in Clause [insert #] hereof;
- (ii) Tenant is not open and continuously, actively, and diligently using and occupying 100 percent of the Premises pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Lease;
- (iii) Tenant assigns its rights under this Lease in whole or in part or sublets all or any portion of the Premises;
- (iv) The Tenant's average monthly Gross Sales over [insert #, e.g., 6] consecutive months is an amount which is below \$[insert amount]:
- (v) A sale of Tenant, a transfer of corporate shares of Tenant, or a transfer of any partnership (or limited liability company) interest of Tenant occurs that would entitle Landlord to terminate this Lease pursuant to Paragraph [insert #] herein (regardless of whether Landlord actually exercises such right to terminate);
- (vi) The Premises cease to be used primarily for the Exclusive Use; or
- (vii) Tenant fails to give Landlord the notice required by Paragraph a hereof within the time period provided therein.

#### d. Primary Use

The Premises shall not be deemed to be used primarily for the Exclusive Use unless:

- (i) More than [insert #]% of the sales area of the Premises is devoted to the Exclusive Use; and
- (ii) On an annual basis, more than [insert #]% of the gross sales from the Premises are generated by the Exclusive Use.