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does not affirmatively appear from the provisions of this lease instrument whether the application for this lease has been recommended by the Mayor of the City of Lancaster, as provided for in section 12 of said act. As to this, however, I am advised by your office that all applications for the lease of parcels of Hocking Canal lands in the Ctiy of Lancaster have been recommended by the Mayor of said city.

Upon examination of this lease, I find that the same has been properly executed by you as Superintendent of Public Works and by the lessee above named by the hand of its president pursuant to authority duly given to him by said company. From an examination of the provisions of this lease and of the conditions and restrictions therein contained, I find that the same are in conformity with the provisions of the act of the legislature above referred to and with those of other statutory enactments relating to leases of this kind. I am accordingly approving this lease as to legality and form, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which I am herewith returning.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. BRICKER, Attorney General.

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## APPROVAL—CANAL LAND LEASE EXECUTED TO GEORGE W. BAUMAN, JOHN H. BAUMAN AND CHARLES F. BAUMAN.

## COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 26, 1934.

## HON. T. S. BRINDLE, Superintendent of Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted for my examination and approval a canal land lease in triplicate executed by you to George W. Bauman, John H. Bauman and Charles F. Bauman, doing business as Baunman Brothers of Lancaster, Ohio. This lease, which is on for a term of twenty-five years and which provides for an annual rental of twenty-seven dollars, leases and demises to the lessees above named a parcel of abandoned Hocking Canal property in the City of Lancaster, Ohio, described as Marginal Tract No. 3, according to the plat thereof made by the City Engineer of Lancaster, Ohio, under the authority of House Bill No. 417, enacted by the 89th General Assembly, 114 O. L., page 536. The particular parcel of abandoned Hocking Canal land covered by this lease is more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the southerly line of the first alley south of Chestnut Street in the City of Lancaster, Ohio, and being the point of intersection of the easterly line of said canal property and the southerly line of said alley and running thence westerly with the said southerly line of the said alley twenty-one and eigth-tents (21.8') feet to the easterly line of the 66-foot highway, as established by the City of Lancaster, under authority of the said Houes Bill No. 417; thence southeasterly with said easterly line of said 66-foot highway, one hundred fifty-five and seven-tenths (155.7') feet to an iron pin; thence southeasterly with the said easterly line of said 66-foot highway, twenty-nine and nine-tenths (29.9') feet to the line produced westerly between lots 215 and 216 in said city of Lancaster; thence easterly with the said line between lots 215 and 216 produced, forty-three and three-tenths (43.3) feet to the westerly line of the alley west of Columbus Street in said city; thence northerly with the said westerly line of said alley twenty-seven (27') feet, more or less, to the northerly line of said canal property; thence northwesterly with the northeasterly line of the said canal property, one hundred eight (108') feet, more or less to an angle point in said canal property line; thence northerly with the said easterly line of said canal property sixty-four (64') feet, more or less, to the place of beginning and containing sixty-two hundred and fifty (6,250) square feet, more or less, and appraised at \$450.00.

The lease here in question is executed under the authority of section 11 of said act of the 89th General Assembly above referred to, which act provides that all marginal or other tracts of abadoned Hocking Canal lands that are not occupied by the City of Lancaster for street, sewerage, drainage or other municipal purposes, which cannot be sold at the appraised value thereof, within two years from the date of the approval of said act by the Governor, may be leased, and that the abutting lot or land owner shall have the first right to a lease of such tract or tracts of land for a period of twentyfive years upon the appraised value thereof; and that the annual rental on such lease or leases shall be six per cent of the appraised value thereof. It appears from a recital in this lease instrument that the lessees therein named are the owners of land abutting upon the property covered by this lease and that they are, therefore, entitled to a lease of this property.

Upon examination of the lease, I find that the same has been properly executed by you and by the lessees above named. I also find the provisions of this lease and the conditions and restrictions therein contained to be in conformity with the act of the legislature above referred to and with other statutory enactments relating to leases of this kind. I am accordingly approving this lease as to legality and form, as is evidenced by my approval endorsed upon the lease and upon the duplicate and triplicate copies thereof, all of which I am herewith returning.

> Respectfully, John W. Bricker, Attorney General.

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APPROVAL, BONDS OF CITY OF LORAIN, LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO-\$3,200.00.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, April 27, 1934.

Industrial Commission of Ohio, Columbus, Ohio.