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PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

(This partnership agreement continues if a partner leaves.)

THIS AGREEMENT is made on the [insert day] day of [insert month] [insert year]

BETWEEN the parties whose names and addresses are set out in the Schedule WITNESSES as follows:

1. Definitions

In this Agreement and the Schedules to it the following terms shall have the following meanings unless the context otherwise requires.

"Partners"

The parties to this Agreement and any other persons admitted to the Partnership from time to time and shall include their personal representatives' trustees in bankruptcy, receivers and administrators.

"Partnership"

The business relationship carried on by the parties to this Agreement under this Agreement and as varied by any supplemental agreement.

"Outgoing Partner"

A Partner who ceases to be a member of the Partnership as a result of death, retirement, expulsion, and bankruptcy in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

"Succession Date"

A date on which an outgoing Partner ceases or is deemed under this Agreement to cease to be a Partner.

"Premises"

The property at [Insert partnership address] and / or such other property as the partners shall agree.

"Partnership Bank"
[Please select from the following -

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OR

The partnership bank to be agreed between the partners at a later date.

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The distributable profits of the Partnership firm in any financial year as shown in the partnership accounts.

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The period from [Specify date, e.g. 5th April] in one year to [Specify date, e.g. 4th April] in the next year or such other period as the partners agree from time to time.

"Accounting Period"

In the case of the first Accounting Period this shall be the period between the commencement of the Partnership business and the first Accounting Date. In respect of subsequent Accounting Periods this shall be a period commencing on the day following an Accounting Date and ending on the next Accounting Date.

- **1.2** Reference to any statutory provisions in this Agreement shall include any statutory provisions, which amends or replaces it.
- **1.3** Reference in this Agreement to the masculine shall include the feminine and any reference to the singular shall include the plural.

IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS follows:

2. Nature and Duration of the Business

2.1 The Partners shall from the date of this Agreement carry on the business of [Insert nature of partnership business] in Partnership. The Partnership shall continue until terminated under the terms of this Agreement.

3. Partnership Name

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4. Place of Business / Partnership Property

- **4.1** The Partnership business shall be carried out at the premises referred to in this Agreement, which shall remain Partnership property at all times. The costs of all rent, rates, repairs, insurance and other outgoings and expenses relating to the premises and any other premises acquired for the purpose of the Partnership business shall be borne by the Partnership.
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SCHEDULE 1

[Insert partner's name]
[Insert partner's capital contribution]
[Insert partner's percentage of profits] %
[Insert partner's address]
Signature:

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[Add or remove spaces for partner details as appropriate]

SCHEDULE 2

1. Termination – when option to purchase an outgoing partner's share is not exercised.

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[Insert partner's address]
Signature:
[Add or remove spaces for partner details as appropriate]
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