BID FORMS

BID ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

NAME OF BIDDER: Golden Coast Construction

The undersigned hereby declare that we have carefully examined the location of the proposed Work, and have read and examined the Contract, including all plans, specifications, and all addenda, if any, for the following Project:

FA2025-0002 Davis Magnet Elementary School – Fencing and Gates Project

To the Newport-Mesa Unified School District, with its principal place of business at 2985 Bear Street, Costa Mesa, California 92626:

In response to the Notice Inviting Bids dated March 10, 2025, and in accordance with the accompanying Instructions to Bidders, the undersigned hereby proposes to the District to furnish all labor, technical and professional services, supervision, materials and equipment, other than materials and equipment specified as furnished by the District, and to perform all operations necessary and required to construct the Project in accordance with the provisions of the Contract Documents, including all plans, specifications, and all addenda, and at the prices stated opposite the respective items set forth in the Bid Schedule.

This Bid constitutes a firm offer to the District which cannot be withdrawn for 90 days after the date set for opening of Bids, or until a Contract is executed by the District and a third party, whichever is earlier.

The undersigned certifies that it has examined and is fully familiar with all of the provisions of the Contract Documents and any addenda thereto; that it has carefully checked all of figures shown in its Bid Schedule; that it has carefully reviewed the accuracy of all statements in this Bid and attachments hereto; and that it understands and agrees that the District will not be responsible for any errors or omissions on the part of the undersigned in preparing this Bid.

If awarded a Contract, the undersigned agrees to execute and deliver to the District within ten (10) calendar days after date of receipt of Notice of Award, a signed Contract and the necessary Performance Bond, Payment Bond, and Certificates of Insurance and Endorsements.

The following Bid Forms, which have been completed and executed by the undersigned Bidder, are incorporated by this reference and made a part of this Bid:

1. Completed Bid Schedule form.

2. Bid Guarantee in the amount of not less than 10% of the Total Bid Price.

3. Completed Designation of Subcontractors form.

4. Completed Bidder Information and Experience form.

5. Fully executed Noncollusion Declaration form.

6. Completed Public Works Contractor DIR Registration Certification form.

Bidder certifies that it is now licensed in accordance with the provisions of the Contractor's License Law of the State of California:

License number 1074709

Expiration date 04/30/27

License classification A, B & C-13

If the Bidder is a joint venture, each member of the joint venture must include the above information.

The undersigned acknowledges receipt, understanding, and full consideration of the following addenda to the Contract Documents:

Addenda No. 1

[SIGNATURES NEXT PAGE]

Newport-Mesa
Unified School District

NEWPORT-MESA UNIIFED SCHOOL DISTRICT

ADDENDUM NO. 1

BID No. FA-2025-0002 David Magnet Elementary School – Fencing and Gates Project

NEWPORT-MESA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
2985 BEAR ST., BLDG.A
COSTA MESA, CA 92626

10/9/2025

The following revisions and/or clarifications shall be made to the BID documents for the above-named work. All work described in the original BID documents and all applicable Sections of the original BID documents shall be included in the contract, except as herein modified:

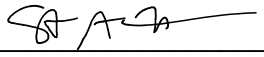
Acknowledgement of this Addendum shall be made below and submitted with the BID submission. If acknowledgement is not made the proposal may be considered non-responsive.

1. ***Change:*** Scope of work to reflect updated fence layout for irrigation system modifications.
2. ***Add:*** School bell and calendar document, revised irrigation plan set and as-built plan set.

All other provisions of the BID remain unchanged.

BELOW, PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF THIS ADDENDUM AND SUBMIT IT WITH YOUR PROPOSAL.

Name: Stephen A. Nolin

Signature: 

Firm Name: Golden Coast Construction

Address: 625 S Palm St, Ste A, La Habra, CA 90631

Telephone #: (562) 201-6137

Email: Steve@gcoastconstruction.com

(END OF ADDENDUM NO.1)

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that all of the information submitted in connection with this Bid and all of the representations made herein are true and correct.

BIDDER:

Golden Coast Construction
(Company Name)

By _____
(Signature)

Stephen A. Nolin
(Type or print name)

President
(Title)

La Habra, CA
(Where signed) (District, State)

Bidder's Business Address:

625 S Palm St, Ste A, La Habra, CA 90631

Julia Nolin

Julia Nolin

Secretary

La Habra, CA

(corporate seal)

Dated: 10/11, 20 25
State of Incorporation: California

(If the Contractor is a corporation, two signatures of corporate officers are required.)

Names and addresses of all partners or joint venturers:

Statement of the authority of signatory to bind Bidder:

I, Stephen Nolin, hereby declare that I am the President of Golden Coast Construction, Inc., a duly organized and existing corporation under the laws of the State of California.

As President, I possess full authority to execute contracts, bids, and all related documents on behalf of Golden Coast Construction, Inc. and to legally bind the company in all such matters.



BID SCHEDULE

TOTAL BID PRICE + $17,000 ALLOWANCE
$ 66,857.92
TOTAL BID PRICE + $17,000 IN NUMBERS

The costs for any work shown or required in the Contract Documents, but not specifically identified as a bid line item are to be included in the related bid line items and no additional compensation shall be due to Contractor for the performance of the work.

All blank spaces appearing above must be filled in. Failure to fill in any blank spaces may render the Bid non-responsive. In case of discrepancy between the Unit Price and Item Cost set forth for a unit basis item, the Unit Price shall prevail and be utilized as the basis for determining the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder. However, if the amount set forth as a Unit Price is ambiguous, unintelligible or uncertain for any cause, or is omitted, or is the same amount as the entry in the Item Cost column, then the amount set forth in the Item Cost column for the item shall prevail and shall be divided by the estimated quantity for the item and the price thus obtained shall be the Unit Price.

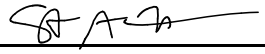
For purposes of evaluating Bids, the District will correct any apparent errors in the extension of unit prices and any apparent errors in the addition of lump sum and extended prices.

The estimated quantities for Unit Price items are for purposes of comparing Bids only and the District makes no representation that the actual quantities of work performed will not vary from the estimates. Final payment shall be determined by the District from measured quantities of work performed based upon the Unit Price.

The undersigned agrees that this Bid Schedule constitutes a firm offer to the District which cannot be withdrawn for the number of calendar days indicated in the Notice Inviting Bids from and after the bid opening, or until a Contract for the work is fully executed by the District and a third party, whichever is earlier.

If the Contract Documents specify alternate bid items, the District can choose to include any, all, or none of the alternate bid items in the Work. If the District selects any of the alternate bid items, the corresponding alternate bid prices shall be added to or deducted from Base Bid Price for the work. The District can award/select alternate bid items at any time(s).

Name of Bidder Golden Coast Construction

Signature 

Name and Title Stephen A. Nolin, President

Dated 10/11/2025

DESIGNATION OF SUBCONTRACTORS

The subcontractor listed below will perform work or labor or render service to the successful Bidder in or about the construction of the work or improvement, or are subcontractors licensed by the State of California who will, under subcontract to the successful Bidder, specially fabricate and install a portion of the work or improvement according to detailed drawings contained in the Contract Documents, in an amount in excess of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) of the Bidder's total bid. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the work involves the construction of streets and highways, then the Bidder shall list each subcontractor who will perform work or labor or render service to the Bidder in or about the work in an amount in excess of one-half of one percent (0.5%) of the Bidder's Total Bid Price or $10,000, whichever is greater. No additional time shall be granted to provide the below requested information.

In compliance with the Subletting and Subcontracting Fair Practices Act Chapter 4 (commencing at Section 4100), Part 1, Division 2 of the California Public Contract Code, the Bidder shall set forth below:

(a) The portion of the work to be done by the subcontractor;

(b) The name and the location of the place of business;

(c) The California contractor license number; and

(d) The DIR public works contractor registration number.

If a Bidder fails to specify a subcontractor or if a Bidder specifies more than one subcontractor for the same portion of work, then the Bidder shall be deemed to have agreed that it is fully qualified to perform that portion of work and that it shall perform that portion itself.

Portion of Work to be done by Subcontractor	Name of Subcontractor	Location of Business	CSLB Contractor License No.	DIR Registration Number
N/A				

Portion of Work to be done by Subcontractor	Name of Subcontractor	Location of Business	CSLB Contractor License No.	DIR Registration Number

BIDDER INFORMATION AND EXPERIENCE FORM

INFORMATION ABOUT BIDDER

(Indicate not applicable ("N/A") where appropriate.)

NOTE: Where Bidder is a joint venture, pages shall be duplicated and information provided for all parties to the joint venture.

1.0 Name of Bidder: Golden Coast Construction

2.0 Type, if Entity: S Corporation

3.0 Bidder Address: 625 S Palm St, Ste A, La Habra, CA 90631

(562) 201-6137

Facsimile Number Telephone Number

Steve@gcoastconstruction.com

Email Address

4.0 How many years has Bidder's organization been in business as a Contractor? 15

5.0 How many years has Bidder's organization been in business under its present name? 4

5.1 Under what other or former names has Bidder's organization operated? N/A

6.0 If Bidder's organization is a corporation, answer the following:

6.1 Date of Incorporation: 05/21/2021

6.2 State of Incorporation: California

6.3 President's Name: Stephen Nolin

6.4 Vice-President's Name(s):

6.5 Secretary's Name: Julia Nolin

6.6 Treasurer's Name:

7.0 If an individual or a partnership, answer the following:

7.1 Date of Organization: _____

7.2 Name and address of all partners (state whether general or limited partnership):

_____

_____

_____

8.0 If other than a corporation or partnership, describe organization and name principals:

_____

_____

9.0 List other states in which Bidder's organization is legally qualified to do business.

_____

_____

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10.0 What type of work does the Bidder normally perform with its own forces?

Carpenter, Laborer and Related Classifications (Building Construction), Cement Mason, General Building, Drywall Installer/Lather/Finisher, Electrician, Fencing

11.0 Has Bidder ever failed to complete any work awarded to it? If so, note when, where, and why:

No

_____

12.0 Within the last five years, has any officer or partner of Bidder's organization ever been an officer or partner of another organization when it failed to complete a contract? If so, attach a separate sheet of explanation:

No

_____

13.0 List Trade References:

Marc Rosales, City of Cerritos, mrosales@cerritos.us

14.0 List Bank References (Bank and Branch Address):

Chase Bank, 21502 Brookhurst St, Huntington Beach, CA 92646

15.0 Name of Bonding Company and Name and Address of Agent:

Travelers Casualty Insurance Company of America

Matt Bocklage, 803 E. Walnut St., 5th Floor • Columbia, MO 65201

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LIST OF CURRENT PROJECTS (BACKLOG)

[**Duplicate Page if needed for listing additional current projects. **]

Project	Client Reference (agency name/contact info)	Description of Bidder's Work	Completion Date	Cost of Bidder's Work
15091 La Palma Dr - Chino Hills City Yard Exterior Staff Restroom Addition	City of Chino Hills Jarrod Manuel (909) 364-2793	Restroom Addition	10/25/25	$400,167
9920 Mills Ave - Concrete Work	Carden Academy of Whittier Jacquie Munnerlyn (562) 694 - 1879	Concrete work	11/01/25	$47,886

LIST OF COMPLETED PROJECTS – LAST THREE YEARS

[**Duplicate Page if needed for listing additional completed projects. **]

Please include only those projects which are similar enough to demonstrate Bidder's ability to perform the required Work.

Project	Client Reference (agency name/contact info)	Description of Bidder's Work	Completion Date	Cost of Bidder's Work
City of La Mirada - Concrete Repairs (2)	City of La Mirada Priscilla Lee plee@cityoflamirada.org	Concrete work	09/13/25	$58,493
Bid Package 1# 2425-22	FJUHSD Andy Kim andykim@fjuhsd.org	Demo and concrete work	08/22/25	$119,324
25-011 Painter Avenue Wall Repair	Whittier Utility Authority Lee Swain lswain@cityofwhittier.org	Concrete work	08/17/25	$65,680
La Mirada Elementary School Playgrounds, and Ada Upgrades	Erickson-Hall Construction Co. James Young jyoung@ericksonhall.com	Concrete work	08/15/25	$241,410
BID #252603 BPSD Concrete Project BID	Buena Park School District Mike Magboo mmagboo@bpsd.us	Concrete work	08/07/25	$210,288
Parking Lot Improvements Project, City Project No. 63-SP	City of South Gate Gladis Deras gderas@sogate.org	Asphalt work	05/31/25	$107,168
City of La Mirada - ADA Ramp Installation	City of La Mirada Priscilla Lee plee@cityoflamirada.org	Concrete work	03/31/25	$45,318

EXPERIENCE AND TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS QUESTIONNAIRE

Personnel:

The Bidder shall identify the key personnel to be assigned to this project in a management, construction supervision or engineering capacity.

1. List each person's job title, name, and percent of time to be allocated to this project:

Stephen Nolin, President, 30%

Jase Joseph, Project Manager, 80%

2. Summarize each person's specialized education:

Stephen Nolin: Holds active Class A, B, and C-13 contractor licenses. Completed specialized coursework in Business and Organizational Management. Brings over a decade of on-site construction experience encompassing electrical, fencing, concrete, asphalt, plumbing, finish carpentry, heavy equipment operation, estimating, and contract administration for municipal and public works projects.

Jase Joseph: Completed coursework in Business Administration and Project Management. Trained in public works documentation, prevailing wage compliance, safety protocols, and project closeout procedures. Experienced in coordinating field operations and documentation for city, district, and private development projects.

3. List each person's years of construction experience relevant to the project:

Stephen Nolin: 11 years of experience managing commercial construction and public infrastructure projects throughout Orange and Los Angeles Counties.

Jase Joseph: 4 years of experience managing and estimating construction projects for both public and private sector clients.

4. Summarize such experience:

Stephen Nolin: Proven track record overseeing city, school district, and state-funded improvement projects, including ADA compliance upgrades, concrete flatwork, playground installations, and park facility renovations. Experienced in coordinating with inspectors, engineers, and municipal representatives to ensure quality control, schedule adherence, and fiscal efficiency.

Jase Joseph: Experienced in complete project lifecycle management—from estimating and takeoffs to field execution and client coordination. Overseen crews performing demolition, grading, concrete placement, retaining wall construction, landscape restoration, and ADA accessibility improvements. Demonstrates strong organizational and communication skills essential to successful project delivery.

Bidder agrees that personnel named in this Bid will remain on this Project until completion of all relevant Work, unless substituted by personnel of equivalent experience and qualifications approved in advance by the District.

Additional Bidder's Statements:

If the Bidder feels that there is additional information which has not been included in the questionnaire above, and which would contribute to the qualification review, it may add that information in a statement here or on an attached sheet, appropriately marked:

NON-COLLUSION DECLARATION

The undersigned declares:

I am the President of Golden Coast Construction, the party making the foregoing Bid.

The Bid is not made in the interest of, or on behalf of, any undisclosed person, partnership, company, association, organization, or corporation. The Bid is genuine and not collusive or sham. The Bidder has not directly or indirectly induced or solicited any other Bidder to put in a false or sham bid. The Bidder has not directly or indirectly colluded, conspired, connived, or agreed with any Bidder or anyone else to put in a sham bid, or to refrain from bidding. The Bidder has not in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement, communication, or conference with anyone to fix the Bid Price of the Bidder or any other Bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit, or cost element of the Bid Price, or of that of any other Bidder. All statements contained in the Bid are true. The Bidder has not, directly or indirectly, submitted his or her Bid Price or any breakdown thereof, or the contents thereof, or divulged information or data relative thereto, to any corporation, partnership, company, association, organization, bid depository, or to any member or agent thereof to effectuate a collusive or sham bid, and has not paid, and will not pay, any person or entity for such purpose.

Any person executing this declaration on behalf of a Bidder that is a corporation, partnership, joint venture, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or any other entity, hereby represents that he or she has full power to execute, and does execute, this declaration on behalf of the Bidder.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration is executed on 10/11/2025 [date], at La Habra [District], CA [state].

Name of Bidder Golden Coast Construction

Signature _____

Name Stephen A. Nolin

Title President

PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTOR DIR REGISTRATION CERTIFICATION

Pursuant to Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, all contractors and subcontractors that wish to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, or enter into a contract to perform public work must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations. See http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html for additional information.

No Bid will be accepted nor any contract entered into without proof of the contractor's and subcontractors' current registration with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform public work.

Bidder hereby certifies that it is aware of the registration requirements set forth in Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1 and is currently registered as a contractor with the Department of Industrial Relations.[1]

Name of Bidder: Golden Coast Construction

DIR Registration Number: 1001069298

DIR Registration Expiration: 06/30/26

Small Project Exemption: _____ Yes or ✓ No

Unless Bidder is exempt pursuant to the small project exemption, Bidder further acknowledges:

1. Bidder shall maintain a current DIR registration for the duration of the Project.

2. Bidder shall include the requirements of Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1 in its contract with subcontractors and ensure that all subcontractors are registered at the time of bid opening and maintain registration status for the duration of the Project.

3. Failure to submit this form or comply with any of the above requirements may result in a finding that the Bid is non-responsive.

Name of Bidder Golden Coast Construction

Signature _____

Name and Title Stephen A. Nolin, President

Dated 10/11/2025

[1] If the Project is exempt from the contractor registration requirements pursuant to the small project exemption under Labor Code Sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, please mark "Yes" in response to "Small Project Exemption."

BID GUARANTEE

BID BOND

[Note: Not required when other form of Bidder's Security, e.g., cash, certified check, or cashier's check, accompanies Bid.]

The makers of this bond are, G Coast Enterprise DBA Golden Coast Construction, as Principal, and Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, as Surety and are held and firmly bound unto the Newport-Mesa Unified School District, hereinafter called the District, in the penal sum of TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE TOTAL BID PRICE of the Principal submitted to District for the work described below, for the payment of which sum in lawful money of the United States, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH that whereas the Principal has submitted the accompanying bid dated October 14, 20 25, for **FA2025-0002 Davis Magnet School – Fencing and Gates Project.**

If the Principal does not withdraw its Bid within the time specified in the Contract; and if the Principal is awarded the Contract and provides all documents to the District as required by the Contract; then this obligation shall be null and void. Otherwise, this bond will remain in full force and effect.

Surety, for value received, hereby stipulates, and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration, or addition to the terms of the Contract shall affect its obligation under this bond, and Surety does hereby waive notice of any such changes.

In the event a lawsuit is brought upon this bond by the District and judgment is recovered, the Surety shall pay all litigation expenses incurred by the District in such suit, including reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, expert witness fees and expenses.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the above-bound parties have executed this instrument under their several seals this 13th day of October, 2025, the name and corporate seal of each corporation.

(Corporate Seal)

G Coast Enterprise DBA Golden Coast Construction
Contractor/ Principal

By _____

Title President

(Corporate Seal)

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
Surety

By _____
Attorney-in-Fact

(Attach Attorney-in-Fact Certificate)

Title Attorney-in-Fact

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Notary Acknowledgment

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF _____

On _____, 20___, before me, _____, Notary Public, personally

appeared _____, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory
Name(s) of Signer(s)

evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature of Notary Public _____

OPTIONAL

Though the information below is not required by law, it may prove valuable to persons relying on the document and could prevent fraudulent removal and reattachment of this form to another document.

CAPADISTRICT CLAIMED BY SIGNER

- ¨ Individual
- ¨ Corporate Officer

_____
Title(s)

- ¨ Partner(s) ¨ Limited ¨ General
- ¨ Attorney-In-Fact
- ¨ Trustee(s)
- ¨ Guardian/Conservator
- ¨ Other:

Signer is representing:
Name Of Person(s) Or Entity(ies)

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DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHED DOCUMENT

_____
Title or Type of Document

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Number of Pages

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Date of Document

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Signer(s) Other Than Named Above

NOTE: This acknowledgment is to be completed for Contractor/Principal.

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Notary Acknowledgment

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

STATE OF MISSOURI
COUNTY OF Boone

On October 13, 20 25, before me, Melissa J Murdock, Notary Public, personally appeared Joshua Kayser, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of Missouri that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

MELISSA J MURDOCK
Notary Public, Notary Seal
State of Missouri
Boone County
Commission #17293990
My Commission Expires 06-13-2029

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Melissa J Murdock
Signature of Notary Public

OPTIONAL

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- Corporate Officer

Title(s)

- Partner(s)
  - Limited
  - General
- Attorney-In-Fact
- Trustee(s)
- Guardian/Conservator
- Other:

Signer is representing:
Name Of Person(s) Or Entity(ies)

DESCRIPTION OF ATTACHED DOCUMENT

Title or Type of Document

Number of Pages

Date of Document

Signer(s) Other Than Named Above

NOTE: This acknowledgment is to be completed for the Attorney-in-Fact. The Power-of-Attorney to local representatives of the bonding company must also be attached.

END OF BID BOND

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TRAVELERS

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company
St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company
Farmington Casualty Company

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, and Farmington Casualty Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint **Joshua Kayser** of **COLUMBIA, MO** their true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge the following bond or undertaking, and any riders thereto:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed, and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this **16th** day of **February, 2024.**

SEAL SEAL SEAL SEAL

State of Connecticut

City of Hartford ss.

By: _____
Bryce Grissom, Senior Vice President

On this the **16th** day of **February, 2024**, before me personally appeared **Bryce Grissom**, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of each of the Companies, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of said Companies by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My Commission expires the **30th** day of **June, 2026**

_____
Anna P. Nowik, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of each of the Companies, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking; and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, **Kevin E. Hughes**, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of each of the Companies, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which remains in full force and effect.

Dated this 13th day of October , 2025 .

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_____
Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary

To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, please call us at 1-800-421-3880.
Please refer to the above-named Attorney(s)-in-Fact and the details of the bond to which this Power of Attorney is attached.

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