CERTIFICATE FOR ORDER

THE STATE OF TEXAS
TARRANT COUNTY
WHITE SETTLEMENT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

We, the undersigned officers of the Board of Trustees of the White Settlement Independent School District hereby certify as follows:

1. The Board of Trustees of said District convened in a regular meeting on April 14, 2025, at the regular designated meeting place, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of said Board, to wit:

Ben Davis, President Amanda Sanchez, Secretary Jeremy Lelek, Ph.D., LPC, Place 4 Raymond Patterson, Place 1 John Bradley, Vice President Krystal Arnold, Place 6 Glen Lowry, Place 2

and all of said persons the members present except ______, thus constituting a quorum. Whereupon, among other business the following was transacted at said Meeting: a written

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS; APPOINTING A PRICING OFFICER AND DELEGATING TO THE PRICING OFFICER THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE THE SALE OF THE BONDS; ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PARAMETERS FOR THE APPROVAL OF SUCH MATTERS; LEVYING AN ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; AND ENACTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SUBJECT

was duly introduced for the consideration of said Board. It was then duly moved and seconded that said Order be passed; and, after due discussion, said motion, carrying with it the passage of said Order, prevailed and carried, with all members of said Board shown present above voting "Aye," except as noted below:

| NAYS: | 0 | ABSTENTIONS: | 0 |
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2. A true, full, and correct copy of the aforesaid Order passed at the Meeting described in the above and foregoing paragraph is attached to and follows this Certificate; said Order has been duly recorded in said Board's minutes of said Meeting; the above and foregoing paragraph is a true, full, and correct excerpt from said Board's minutes of said Meeting pertaining to the passage of said Order; the persons named in the above and foregoing paragraph are the duly chosen, qualified, and acting officers and members of said Board as indicated therein; that each of the officers and members of said Board was duly and sufficiently notified officially and personally, in advance, of the time, place, and purpose of the aforesaid Meeting, and that said Order would be introduced and considered for passage at said Meeting, and each of said officers and members consented, in advance, to the holding of said Meeting for such purpose; and that said Meeting was open to the public, and public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said Meeting was given all as required by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.

| 3. The President of the Board of Trustees has approved and hereby approves the Order; and the President and the Secretary of the Board of Trustees hereby declare that their signing of this certificate shall constitute the signing of the attached and following copy of said Order for all purposes. | | | | | |
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| SIGNED AND SEALED ON APRIL 14, 20 | 025. | | | | |
| Secretary, Board of Trustees | President, Board of Trustees | | | | |
| (SEAL) | | | | | |

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WHEREAS, White Settlement Independent School District (the "*Issuer*") has previously issued, and there are presently outstanding, bonds of the Issuer payable from ad valorem taxes levied and to be levied, assessed and collected within the Issuer, without legal limit as to rate or amount; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer now desires to refund all or part of its Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A and Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015B, the particular series and maturities of which may be selected and designated to be refunded by the Pricing Officer in the Pricing Certificate (the "*Refunded Obligations*"); and

WHEREAS, Chapter 1207, Texas Government Code ("Chapter 1207"), authorizes the Issuer to issue refunding bonds and to deposit the proceeds from the sale thereof, and any other available funds or resources, directly with a paying agent for any of the Refunded Obligations; or a trust company or commercial bank that does not act as a depository for the Issuer and is named herein as the escrow agent, and such deposit, if made before such payment dates, shall constitute the making of firm banking and financial arrangements for the discharge and final payment of the Refunded Obligations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Issuer hereby finds and determines that it is a public purpose and in the best interests of the Issuer to refund the Refunded Obligations in order to achieve a present value debt service savings, with such savings, among other information and terms to be included in a pricing certificate (defined herein) to be executed by the Pricing Officer (defined herein), all in accordance with the provisions of Section 1207.007, Texas Government Code; and

WHEREAS, all the Refunded Obligations mature or are subject to redemption prior to maturity within 20 years of the date of the bonds hereinafter authorized; and

WHEREAS, the bonds hereafter authorized are being issued and delivered pursuant to said Chapter 1207 and Chapter 1371, Texas Government Code, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer is an "Issuer" under Section 1371.001(4)(P), Texas Government Code, having (i) a principal amount of at least \$100 million in outstanding long-term indebtedness, in long-term indebtedness proposed to be issued, or a combination of outstanding or proposed long-term indebtedness and (ii) some amount of long-term indebtedness outstanding or proposed to be issued that is rated in one of the four highest rating categories for long-term debt instruments by a nationally recognized rating agency for municipal securities, without regard to the effect of any

credit agreement or other form of credit enhancement entered into in connection with the obligation; and

WHEREAS, it is officially found, determined and declared that the meeting at which this Order has been adopted was open to the public, and public notice of the date, hour, place and subject of said meeting, including this Order, was given, all as required by the applicable provisions of Texas Government Code, Chapter 551;

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF WHITE SETTLEMENT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Section 1. Recitals, Amount and Purpose of the Bonds; Definitions.

- (a) The recitals set forth in the preamble hereof are incorporated herein and shall have the same force and effect as if set forth in this Section.
- (b) The Bonds of the Issuer are hereby authorized to be issued and delivered in the maximum principal amount of \$11,983,826 with the proceeds of such being used for the for the public purpose of providing funds to refund a portion of the Issuer's outstanding indebtedness payable from ad valorem taxes, and to pay costs of issuance of the Bonds.
- (c) <u>Definitions</u>. Unless otherwise expressly provided or unless the context clearly requires otherwise in this Order, the following term shall have the meaning specified below:
 - (i) "Authorized Denomination" means any integral multiple of \$5,000 in principal amount.
 - (ii) "Bonds" means the "White Settlement Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2025" and includes all Bonds initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Order and Bonds exchanged therefor, as well as all other substitute bonds and replacement bonds issued pursuant hereto, and the term "Bond" shall mean any of the Bonds.
 - (iii) "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
 - (iv) "Dated Date" means the Dated Date specified in the Pricing Certificate.
 - (v) "Defeasance Securities" means any securities and obligations now or hereafter authorized by Texas law that are eligible to discharge obligations such as the Bonds.
 - (vi) "Delivery Date" means the date of delivery of the Bonds to the Purchaser thereof against payment therefor, as specified in the Pricing Certificate.
 - (vii) "Escrow Agent" means the entity appointed in the Pricing Certificate to maintain the Escrow Fund.

- (viii) "Escrow Agreement" means the agreement between the Issuer and the Escrow Agent providing for the deposit of funds or securities into the Escrow Fund to refund the Refunded Obligations.
- (ix) "Escrow Fund" means the fund established in the Escrow Agreement to be used solely for payment of debt service on the Refunded Obligations.
- (x) "Event of Default" means (i) the failure of the Issuer to make payment of the principal of or interest on any of the Bonds when the same becomes due and payable or (ii) default in the performance or observance of any other covenant, agreement or obligation of the Issuer, which failure materially, adversely affects the rights of the Registered Owners, including, but not limited to, their prospect or ability to be repaid in accordance with this Order, and the continuation thereof for a period of 60 days after notice of such default is given by any Registered Owner to the Issuer.
- (xi) "Interest and Sinking Fund" means the special fund created and established in Section 8 of this Order to assure the timely availability of sufficient funds for the payment of debt service requirements on the Bonds.
 - (xii) "Issuer" means White Settlement Independent School District.
- (xiii) "Order" means this Order adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Issuer authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of the Bonds.
- (xiv) "Paying Agent/Registrar" means the Paying Agent/Registrar named in the Pricing Certificate.
- (xv) "Pricing Certificate" means a certificate of the Pricing Officer setting forth the terms of sale of the Bonds including the method of sale, principal amount, maturity dates, interest payment dates, dated date, interest rates, yields, redemption provisions, specifying the Refunded Obligations and other matters related to the sale of the Bonds.
- (xvi) "Pricing Officer" means the Superintendent of Schools and Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations each of whom is independently authorized to finalize the terms of sale of the Bonds by execution of the Pricing Certificate.
- (xvii) "Purchaser" means (i) if the Bonds are sold by negotiated sale, the underwriter or underwriting syndicate selected by the Pricing Officer, or (ii) if the Bonds are sold by competitive sale by soliciting public bids, the underwriter or underwriting syndicate awarded the Bonds by the Pricing Officer, or (iii) the bank who purchases the Bonds in a private placement transaction.
- (xviii) "*Refunded Obligations*" means all or portions of the Issuer's Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A and Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2015B, the particular series and maturities of which may be selected and designated to be refunded by the Pricing Officer in the Pricing Certificate.

- (xix) "Registered Owner" means the person or entity in whose name ownership of a Bond is registered, and the term includes beneficial owners of Bonds to whom the benefits of ownership of Bonds accrue notwithstanding that the Bonds may be held by, or registered in the name of, another person or entity.
- (xx) "Registration Books" means the books or records maintained by the Paying Agent/Registrar for the registration of the transfer, conversion and exchange of the Bonds.

Section 2. Delegation to Pricing Officer; Establishment of Sale Parameters.

- As authorized by Section 1207.007, Texas Government Code, as amended, and Section 1371.053, Texas Government Code, as amended, the Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the Issuer in selling and delivering the Bonds, determining which of the Refunded Obligations shall be refunded, determining the date of the Bonds, any additional or different designation or title by which the Bonds shall be known, the price at which the Bonds will be sold, the years in which the Bonds will mature, the principal amount to mature, the principal amount to mature in each of such years, the rate of interest to be borne by each such maturity, the interest payment and record dates, the price and terms, whether and when the Bonds shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity and any mandatory sinking fund redemption provisions, naming a Paying Agent/Registrar and Escrow Agent, the method of sale of the Bonds, specifying the tax treatment of the Bonds under the Code, modifying the securities that are eligible as Defeasance Securities, and all other matters relating to the issuance, sale, and delivery of the Bonds and the refunding of the Refunded Obligations, including without limitation establishing the redemption date for and effecting the redemption of the Refunded Obligations and obtaining the Permanent School Fund guarantee for the Bonds, if available, or bond insurance if the Permanent School Fund is not available and bond insurance is deemed beneficial to the Issuer to achieve the objectives of the refunding.
- (b) No series of Bonds shall be issued pursuant to this Order unless each of the following parameters are satisfied as specified in the Pricing Certificate:
 - (i) the aggregate original principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed \$11,983,826;
 - (ii) no Bond shall mature after August 15, 2041;
 - (iii) the true interest cost for the Bonds shall not exceed 4.00%;
 - (iv) the refunding must produce minimum gross debt service savings of at least \$250,000; and
 - (v) the delegation given to the Pricing Officer shall not have expired.
- (c) The delegation made to the Pricing Officer shall expire if not exercised by the Pricing Officer on or prior to the date that is twelve months after the date of adoption of this Order.
- (d) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, the Bonds shall not be delivered unless prior to delivery, the Bonds have been rated by a national recognized statistical rating agency in one of the four highest rating categories for long term obligations, as required by Chapter 1371, Texas

Government Code. The Bonds shall be sold with and subject to such terms as set forth in the Pricing Certificate.

- (e) In establishing the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, the Pricing Officer shall establish an amount not exceeding the amount authorized in Subsection (b)(i) above, which shall be sufficient in amount to provide for the purposes for which the Bonds are authorized and to pay costs of issuing the Bonds.
- (f) In furtherance of authority granted by Section 1207.007(b), Texas Government Code, the Pricing Officer is further authorized to enter into and execute on behalf of the Issuer the Escrow Agreement, in substantially the form presented to the Board at the meeting at which this Order was adopted and as shall be approved by the Pricing Officer, which Escrow Agreement will provide for the payment in full of the Refunded Obligations. The Pricing Officer is authorized to solicit and purchase such securities with proceeds of the Bonds, to execute such subscriptions for the purchase of the United States Treasury Securities, State and Local Government Series and to transfer and deposit such cash from available funds, as may be necessary or appropriate for the Escrow Fund.
- (g) The Bonds may be sold by public offering (either through a negotiated or competitive offering) or by private placement. If the Bonds are sold by private placement, the Pricing Certificate shall so state, and the Pricing Certificate may conform this Order to such private placement, including the provisions hereof that pertain to the book-entry-only procedures (including eliminating the book-entry-only system of registrations, payment and transfers) and to the provisions relating to the undertaking of the Issuer in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (including eliminating or replacing such undertaking with an agreement to provide alternative disclosure information as permitted by applicable law).
- (h) It is hereby found and determined that the refunding of the Refunded Obligations is advisable and necessary in order to restructure the debt service requirements of the Issuer, and that the overall debt service requirements on the Bonds will be less than the overall debt service on the Refunded Obligations, resulting in a reduction in the amount of principal and interest which otherwise would be payable. The Refunded Obligations are subject to redemption, at the option of the Issuer, and the Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to cause all of the Refunded Obligations to be called for redemption on the dates consistent with the savings analysis set forth in Section 2(b) hereof, and the proper notices of such redemption to be provided in accordance with the proceedings authorizing the Refunded Obligations.
- (i) The Board of Trustees hereby determines that the delegation of the authority to the Pricing Officer to approve the final terms of the Bonds set forth in this Order is, and the decisions made by the Pricing Officer pursuant to such delegated authority and incorporated into the Pricing Certificate are required to be, in the Issuer's best interests, and the Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to make and include in the Pricing Certificate a finding to that effect.

<u>Section 3. Designation, Date, Authorized Denominations, Numbers, Interest Rates and Maturities of Bonds.</u>

(a) Each Bond issued pursuant to this Order shall be designated "WHITE SETTLEMENT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BOND,

SERIES 2025," unless such series designation is changed in the Pricing Certificate. Except as specified in the Pricing Certificate, initially there shall be issued, sold and delivered hereunder fully registered Bonds, without interest coupons, dated the Dated Date, in Authorized Denominations, with the Bonds being numbered consecutively R-1 upward except that the initial Bond shall be numbered T-1 and be in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, with Bonds issued in replacement thereof being in the respective Principal Amounts as specified in the Pricing Certificate, payable to the respective Registered Owner thereof (with the initial Bonds being made payable to the Purchaser), or to the registered assignee or assignees of said Bonds.

- (b) Interest on the Bonds shall accrue from the Dated Date or Delivery Date as specified in the Pricing Certificate and shall be payable on the dates in each of the years as specified in the Pricing Certificate. The Bonds shall mature and be payable on the Maturity Dates and in the Principal Amounts, respectively, and shall bear interest in the manner provided, on the dates stated, and from the dates set forth, in the "Form of Bond" set forth in **Exhibit A** of this Order to their respective Maturity Dates or redemption prior to maturity at the rates per annum, as set forth in the Pricing Certificate.
- (c) The term Bonds as used in this Order shall mean and include collectively the Bonds initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Order and all substitute Bonds exchanged therefor, as well as all other substitute Bonds and replacement Bonds issued pursuant hereto, and the term Bond shall mean any of the Bonds.

Section 4. Characteristics of the Bonds.

- (a) The Issuer authorizes and directs the Pricing Officer to execute a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement, in substantially the form presented to the Board at the meeting at which this Order was adopted, with the entity designated in the Pricing Certificate to serve as Paying Agent/Registrar. The Issuer shall keep or cause to be kept at the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar the Registration Books, and the Issuer hereby appoints the Paying Agent/Registrar as its registrar and transfer agent to keep such books or records and make such registrations of transfers, conversions and exchanges under such reasonable regulations as the Issuer and Paying Agent/Registrar may prescribe; and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall make such registrations, transfers and exchanges as herein provided. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall at all times maintain an office in the State of Texas or shall keep a copy of the Registration Books in the State of Texas.
- (b) The Paying Agent/Registrar shall obtain and record in the Registration Books the address of the Registered Owners of each Bond to which payments with respect to the Bonds shall be mailed, as herein provided; but it shall be the duty of each Registered Owner to notify the Paying Agent/Registrar in writing of the address to which payments shall be mailed, and such interest payments shall not be mailed unless such notice has been given. To the extent possible and under reasonable circumstances, all transfers of Bonds shall be made within three business days after request and presentation thereof. The Issuer shall have the right to inspect the Registration Books during regular business hours of the Paying Agent/Registrar, but otherwise the Paying Agent/Registrar shall keep the Registration Books confidential and, unless otherwise required by law, shall not permit their inspection by any other entity. The Paying Agent/Registrar's standard or customary fees and charges for making such registration, transfer, conversion, exchange and delivery

of a substitute Bond or Bonds shall be paid as provided in the "Form of Bond" set forth in **Exhibit A** of this Order. Registration of assignments, transfers, conversions and exchanges of Bonds shall be made in the manner provided and with the effect stated in the "Form of Bond" set forth in **Exhibit A** of this Order. Each substitute Bond shall bear a letter and/or number to distinguish it from each other Bond.

- Except as provided in (g) below, an authorized representative of the Paying (c) Agent/Registrar shall, before the delivery of any such Bond, date and manually sign the "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate", and no such Bond shall be deemed to be issued or outstanding unless such "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate" is so executed. The Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall cancel all paid Bonds and Bonds surrendered for transfer and exchange. No additional ordinances, orders, or resolutions need be passed or adopted by the governing body of the Issuer or any other body or person so as to accomplish the foregoing transfer and exchange of any Bond or portion thereof, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall provide for the printing, execution, and delivery of the substitute Bonds in the manner prescribed herein, and said Bonds shall be of type composition printed on paper with lithographed or steel engraved borders of customary weight and strength. Pursuant to Texas Government Code, Chapter 1201, Subchapter D, the duty of transfer and exchange of Bonds as aforesaid is hereby imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and, upon the execution of said "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate", the transferred and exchanged Bond shall be valid, incontestable, and enforceable in the same manner and with the same effect as the Bonds that initially were issued and delivered pursuant to this Order, approved by the Attorney General, and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts.
- (d) The Issuer hereby further appoints the Paying Agent/Registrar to act as the paying agent for paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds, all as provided in this Order. The Paying Agent/ Registrar shall keep proper records of all payments made by the Issuer and the Paying Agent/Registrar with respect to the Bonds.
- (e) The Bonds shall be issued in fully-registered form, without interest coupons, with the principal of and interest on such Bonds to be payable only to the Registered Owners thereof, and shall have the characteristics as provided in the "Form of Bond" set forth in **Exhibit A** of this Order.
- (f) The Issuer covenants with the Registered Owners of the Bonds that at all times while the Bonds are outstanding the Issuer will provide a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other entity to act as and perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds under this Order, and that the Paying Agent/Registrar will be one entity. The Issuer reserves the right to, and may, at its option, change the Paying Agent/Registrar upon not less than 45 days written notice to the Paying Agent/Registrar, to be effective not later than 30 days prior to the next principal or interest payment date after such notice. In the event that the entity at any time acting as Paying Agent/Registrar (or its successor by merger, acquisition, or other method) should resign or otherwise cease to act as such, the Issuer covenants that promptly it will appoint a competent and legally qualified bank, trust company, financial institution, or other agency to act as Paying Agent/Registrar under this Order. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the previous Paying Agent/Registrar promptly shall transfer and deliver the Registration Books (or a copy thereof), along with all other pertinent books and records relating to the Bonds, to the new

Paying Agent/Registrar designated and appointed by the Issuer. Upon any change in the Paying Agent/Registrar, the Issuer promptly will cause a written notice thereof to be sent by the new Paying Agent/Registrar to each Registered Owner of the Bonds, by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, which notice also shall give the address of the new Paying Agent/Registrar. By accepting the position and performing as such, each Paying Agent/Registrar shall be deemed to have agreed to the provisions of this Order, and a certified copy of this Order shall be delivered to each Paying Agent/Registrar.

- The Initial Bonds issued and delivered pursuant to this Order are not required to be, (g) and shall not be, authenticated by the Paying Agent/Registrar, but on each substitute Bond issued in conversion of and exchange for any Bond issued under this Order the Paying Agent/Registrar shall execute the "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate" in the form set forth in the "Form of Bond." The Initial Bonds delivered on the closing date shall have attached thereto the Comptroller's Registration Certificate substantially in the form provided in this Order, manually executed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas or by his duly authorized agent, which Comptroller's Registration Certificate shall be evidence that the Initial Bonds have been duly approved by the Attorney General of the State of Texas and that it is a valid and binding obligation of the Issuer, and has been registered by the Comptroller. Except as described above, no Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit of this Order unless and until there appears on such Bond the "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate" substantially in the form provided in this Order, duly authenticated by manual execution of the Paying Agent/Registrar. It shall not be required that the same authorized representative of the Paying Agent/Registrar sign the "Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate" on all of the Bonds.
- (h) On the Delivery Date, one Initial Bond representing the entire principal amount of the Bonds (the "Initial Bond"), payable in stated installments to the Purchaser or its designee, executed by manual or facsimile signature of the President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Issuer, approved by the Attorney General of Texas, and registered and manually signed by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, will be delivered to the Purchaser or its designee. Upon payment for the Initial Bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cancel the Initial Bonds and deliver to DTC (as defined below) on behalf of the initial purchaser one registered definitive Bond for each year of maturity of the Bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of all of the Bonds for such maturity.

Section 5. Book-Entry-Only System. The Bonds initially shall be issued and delivered in such manner that no physical distribution of the Bonds will be made to the public, and The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, initially will act as depository for the Bonds. DTC has represented that it is a limited purpose trust company incorporated under the law of the State of New York, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a "clearing agency" registered under Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Issuer accepts, but in no way verifies, such representations. Immediately upon initial delivery of the Bonds that are payable to the Purchaser, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cancel such Bonds, and substitute Bonds shall be delivered to and registered in the name of CEDE & CO., the nominee of DTC. It is expected that DTC will hold the Bonds on behalf of the Purchaser and their respective participants. So long as

each Bond is registered in the name of CEDE & CO., the Paying Agent/Registrar shall treat and deal with DTC the same in all respects as if it were the actual and beneficial owner thereof. It is expected that DTC will maintain a book-entry system that will identify ownership of the Bonds in Authorized Denominations, with transfers of ownership being effected on the records of DTC and its participants pursuant to rules and regulations established by them, and that the Bonds initially deposited with DTC shall be immobilized and not be further exchanged for substitute Bonds except as hereinafter provided. The Issuer is not responsible or liable for any function of DTC, will not be responsible for paying any fees or charges with respect to its services, will not be responsible or liable for maintaining, supervising, or reviewing the records of DTC or its participants, or protecting any interests or rights of the beneficial owners of the Bonds. It shall be the duty of the DTC Participants, as defined in the Official Statement herein approved, to make all arrangements with DTC to establish this book-entry system, the beneficial ownership of the Bonds, and the method of paying the fees and charges of DTC. The Issuer does not represent, nor does it in any respect covenant that the initial book-entry system establishment with DTC will be maintained in the future. Notwithstanding the initial establishment of the foregoing book-entry system with DTC, if for any reason any of the originally delivered Bonds is duly filed with the Paying Agent/Registrar with proper request for transfer and substitution, as provided for in this Order, substitute Bonds will be duly delivered as provided in this Order, and there will be no assurance or representation that any book-entry system will be maintained for such Bonds. To effect the establishment of the foregoing book-entry system, the President of the Board of Trustees of the Issuer or the Superintendent of the Issuer are hereby authorized to execute a "DTC Letter of Representation" in the form provided by DTC to evidence the Issuer's intent to establish said book-entry system. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to principal of and interest on such Bond and all notices with respect to such Bond shall be made and given, respectively, in the manner provided in the representation letter of the Issuer to DTC.

Section 6. Redemption Provisions.

- (a) Optional Redemption. The Bonds may be subject to optional redemption prior to maturity on the dates and at the redemption prices as set forth in the Pricing Certificate. The Pricing Officer is hereby delegated to make such modifications to the provisions of this section in the Pricing Certificate as are necessary to complete the sale and delivery of the Bonds.
- (b) <u>Notice of Redemption</u>. At least thirty days prior to the date fixed for any redemption of Bonds, or portions thereof, prior to maturity, the Issuer shall cause written notice of such redemption to be sent by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to each Registered Owner of a Bond to be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the address of the Registered Owner appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice. All notices of redemption mailed shall be conclusively presumed to have been given irrespective of whether received by the Registered Owner.
- (c) <u>Firm Banking and Financial Arrangements</u>. By the date fixed for any prior redemption, due provision shall be made with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the required redemption price for the Bonds or portions thereof that are to be redeemed. If written notice of redemption is mailed and if due provision for such payment is made, all as provided above, the Bonds or portions thereof that are to be redeemed shall automatically be treated as redeemed

prior to their scheduled maturities, and they shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption, and they shall not be regarded as being outstanding except for the right of the Registered Owner to receive the redemption price from the Paying Agent/Registrar out of the funds provided for such payment. If a portion of any Bond shall be redeemed, a substitute Bond having the same maturity date, bearing interest at the same rate, in an Authorized Denomination, at the written request of the Registered Owner, and in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof, will be issued to the Registered Owner upon the surrender thereof for cancellation, at the expense of the Issuer.

- (d) <u>Selection of Bonds, for Redemption</u>. If less than all Bonds of the same maturity are to be redeemed on a redemption date, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall randomly select by lot the Bonds within such maturity to be redeemed.
- (e) <u>Conditional Notice of Redemption</u>. With respect to any optional redemption of the Bonds, unless certain prerequisites to such redemption required by this Order have been met and moneys sufficient to pay the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds to be redeemed shall have been received by the Paying Agent/Registrar prior to the giving of such notice of redemption, such notice shall state that said redemption may, at the option of the Issuer, be conditional upon the satisfaction of such prerequisites and receipt of such moneys by the Paying Agent/Registrar on or prior to the date fixed for such redemption, or upon any prerequisite set forth in such notice of redemption. If a conditional notice of redemption is given and such prerequisites to the redemption and sufficient moneys are not received, such notice shall be of no force and effect, the Issuer shall not redeem such Bonds and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall give notice, in the manner in which the notice of redemption was given, to the effect that the Bonds have not been redeemed.
- Section 7. Form of Bond. The form of the Bond, including the form of Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, the form of Assignment and the form of Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas to be attached only to the Bonds initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Order, shall be, respectively, substantially in the form provided in Exhibit A, with such appropriate variations, omissions, or insertions as are permitted or required by this Order. The Form of Bond as it appears in Exhibit A shall be completed, amended and modified by Bond Counsel to incorporate the information set forth in the Pricing Certificate but it is not required for the Form of Bond to reproduced as an exhibit to the Pricing Certificate.

Section 8. Tax Levy; Perfection of Security Interest; Appropriation of Current Funds.

(a) The special Interest and Sinking Fund is hereby created solely for the benefit of the Bonds, and the Interest and Sinking Fund shall be established and maintained by the Issuer at an official depository bank of the Issuer. The Interest and Sinking Fund shall be kept separate and apart from all other funds and accounts of the Issuer, and shall be used only for paying the interest on and principal of the Bonds. All ad valorem taxes levied and collected for and on account of the Bonds shall be deposited, as collected, to the credit of the Interest and Sinking Fund. During each year while any of the Bonds or interest thereon are outstanding and unpaid, the governing body of the Issuer shall compute and ascertain a rate and amount of ad valorem tax that will be sufficient to raise

and produce the money required to pay the interest on the Bonds as such interest comes due, and to provide and maintain a sinking fund adequate to pay the principal of its Bonds as such principal matures; and said tax shall be based on the latest approved tax rolls of the Issuer, with full allowance being made for tax delinquencies and the cost of tax collection. Said rate and amount of ad valorem tax is hereby levied, and is hereby ordered to be levied, against all taxable property in the Issuer for each year while any of the Bonds or interest thereon are outstanding and unpaid; and said tax shall be assessed and collected each such year and deposited to the credit of the aforesaid Interest and Sinking Fund. Said ad valorem taxes sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on and principal of the Bonds, as such interest comes due and such principal matures, are hereby pledged for such payment, without limit as to rate or amount.

- (b) Chapter 1208, Texas Government Code, applies to the issuance of the Bonds and the pledge of the ad valorem taxes granted by the Issuer under this section, and such pledge is therefore valid, effective, and perfected. If Texas law is amended at any time while the Bonds are outstanding and unpaid such that the pledge of the taxes granted by the Issuer under this section is to be subject to the filing requirements of Chapter 9, Texas Business and Commerce Code, then in order to preserve to the Registered Owners of the Bonds the perfection of the security interest in said pledge, the Issuer agrees to take such measures as it determines are reasonable and necessary under Texas law to comply with the applicable provisions of Chapter 9, Texas Business and Commerce Code and enable a filing to perfect the security interest in said pledge to occur.
- (c) In order to pay any debt service coming due on the Bonds prior to receipt of the taxes levied to pay such debt service, there is hereby appropriated from current funds on hand, which are hereby certified to be on hand and available for such purpose, an amount sufficient to pay such debt service, and such amount shall be used for no other purpose.

Section 9. Defeasance of Bonds.

- (a) Any Bond and the interest thereon shall be deemed to be paid, retired and no longer outstanding (a "Defeased Bond") within the meaning of this Order, except to the extent provided in subsection 9(d), when payment of the principal of such Bond, plus interest thereon to the due date (whether such due date be by reason of maturity or otherwise) either (i) shall have been made or caused to be made in accordance with the terms thereof, or (ii) shall have been provided for on or before such due date by irrevocably depositing with or making available to the Paying Agent/Registrar in accordance with an escrow agreement or other instrument (the "Future Escrow Agreement") for such payment (1) lawful money of the United States of America sufficient to make such payment or (2) Defeasance Securities that mature as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times as will insure the availability of sufficient money to provide for such payment, and when proper arrangements have been made by the Issuer with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of its services until all Defeased Bonds shall have become due and payable.
- (b) At such time as a Bond shall be deemed to be a Defeased Bond, such Bond and the interest thereon shall no longer be secured by, payable from, or entitled to the benefits of, the ad valorem taxes or revenues herein levied and pledged as provided in this Order, and such principal and interest shall be payable solely from such money or Defeasance Securities. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order to the contrary, it is hereby provided that any determination not to

redeem Defeased Bonds that is made in conjunction with the payment arrangements specified in subsection 9(a)(i) or (ii) shall not be irrevocable, provided that: (1) in the proceedings providing for such payment arrangements, the Issuer expressly reserves the right to call the Defeased Bonds for redemption; (2) gives notice of the reservation of that right to the Registered Owners of the Defeased Bonds immediately following the making of the payment arrangements; and (3) directs that notice of the reservation be included in any redemption notices that it authorizes.

- (c) Any moneys so deposited with the Paying Agent/Registrar may at the written direction of the Issuer be invested in Defeasance Securities, maturing in the amounts and times as hereinbefore set forth, and all income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Agent/Registrar that is not required for the payment of the Bonds and interest thereon, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be turned over to the Issuer, or deposited as directed in writing by the Issuer. Any Future Escrow Agreement pursuant to which the money and/or Defeasance Securities are held for the payment of Defeased Bonds may contain provisions permitting the investment or reinvestment of such moneys in Defeasance Securities or the substitution of other Defeasance Securities upon the satisfaction of the requirements specified in subsection 9(a)(i) or (ii). All income from such Defeasance Securities received by the Paying Agent/Registrar that is not required for the payment of the Defeased Bonds, with respect to which such money has been so deposited, shall be remitted to the Issuer or deposited as directed in writing by the Issuer.
- (d) Until all Defeased Bonds shall have become due and payable, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall perform the services of Paying Agent/Registrar for such Defeased Bonds the same as if they had not been defeased, and the Issuer shall make proper arrangements to provide and pay for such services as required by this Order.
- (e) In the event that the Issuer elects to defease less than all the principal amount of Bonds of a maturity, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall select, or cause to be selected, such amount of Bonds by such random method as it deems fair and appropriate.
- (f) The Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to modify the securities that are eligible as Defeasance Securities and any such modification shall described in the Pricing Certificate.

Section 10. Damaged, Mutilated, Lost, Stolen, or Destroyed Bonds.

- (a) <u>Replacement Bonds</u>. In the event any outstanding Bond is damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall cause to be printed, executed, and delivered, a new bond of the same principal amount, maturity, and interest rate, as the damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed Bond, in replacement for such Bond in the manner hereinafter provided.
- (b) <u>Application for Replacement Bonds</u>. Application for replacement of damaged, mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed Bonds shall be made by the Registered Owner thereof to the Paying Agent/Registrar. In every case of loss, theft, or destruction of a Bond, the Registered Owner applying for a replacement bond shall furnish to the Issuer and to the Paying Agent/Registrar such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless from any loss or damage with respect thereto. Also, in every case of loss, theft, or destruction of a Bond, the

Registered Owner shall furnish to the Issuer and to the Paying Agent/Registrar evidence to their satisfaction of the loss, theft, or destruction of such Bond, as the case may be. In every case of damage or mutilation of a Bond, the Registered Owner shall surrender to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation the Bond so damaged or mutilated.

- (c) <u>No Default Occurred</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section, in the event any such Bond shall have matured, and no default has occurred that is then continuing in the payment of the principal of, redemption premium, if any, or interest on the Bond, the Issuer may authorize the payment of the same (without surrender thereof except in the case of a damaged or mutilated Bond) instead of issuing a replacement Bond, provided security or indemnity is furnished as above provided in this Section.
- (d) <u>Charge for Issuing Replacement Bonds.</u> Prior to the issuance of any replacement bond, the Paying Agent/Registrar shall charge the Registered Owner of such Bond with all legal, printing, and other expenses in connection therewith. Every replacement bond issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section by virtue of the fact that any Bond is lost, stolen, or destroyed shall constitute a contractual obligation of the Issuer whether or not the lost, stolen, or destroyed Bond shall be found at any time, or be enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of this Order equally and proportionately with any and all other Bonds duly issued under this Order.
- (e) <u>Authority for Issuing Replacement Bonds</u>. In accordance with Tex. Gov't Code Ann. Chapter 1201, Subchapter D, this Section shall constitute authority for the issuance of any such replacement bond without necessity of further action by the governing body of the Issuer or any other body or person, and the duty of the replacement of such bonds is hereby authorized and imposed upon the Paying Agent/Registrar, and the Paying Agent/Registrar shall authenticate and deliver such Bonds in the form and manner and with the effect, as provided in Section 3 of this Order for Bonds issued in conversion and exchange for other Bonds.

<u>Section 11. Custody, Approval, and Registration of Bonds; Bond Counsel Opinion; Engagement of Bond Counsel; Attorney General Review Fee; CUSIP Numbers.</u>

- (a) The President of the Board of Trustees of the Issuer is hereby authorized to have control of the Bonds initially issued and delivered hereunder and all necessary records and proceedings pertaining to the Bonds pending their delivery and their investigation, examination, and approval by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, and their registration by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas. Upon registration of the Bonds said Comptroller of Public Accounts (or a deputy designated in writing to act for said Comptroller) shall manually sign the Comptroller's Registration Certificate attached to such Bonds, and the seal of said Comptroller shall be impressed, or placed in facsimile, on such Certificate. The approving legal opinion of the Issuer's Bond Counsel and the assigned CUSIP numbers may, at the option of the Issuer, be printed on the Bonds issued and delivered under this Order, but neither shall have any legal effect, and shall be solely for the convenience and information of the Registered Owners of the Bonds.
- (b) The obligation of the initial purchaser to accept delivery of the Bonds is subject to the initial purchaser being furnished with the final, approving opinion of McCall, Parkhurst &

- Horton L.L.P., bond counsel to the Issuer, which opinion shall be dated as of and delivered on the date of initial delivery of the Bonds to the initial purchaser.
- (c) In accordance with the provisions of Section 1202.004, Texas Government Code in connection with the submission of the Bonds by the Attorney General of Texas for review and approval, a statutory fee (an amount equal to 0.1% principal amount of the Bonds, subject to a minimum of \$750 and a maximum of \$9,500) is required to be paid to the Attorney General upon the submission of the transcript of proceedings for the Bonds. The Issuer hereby authorizes and directs that a check in the amount of the Attorney General filing fee for the Bonds, made payable to the "Texas Attorney General," be promptly furnished to the Issuer's Bond Counsel, for payment to the Attorney General in connection with his review of the Bonds.

Section 12. Covenants Regarding Tax Exemption of Interest on the Bonds.

- (a) <u>Covenants</u>. The Issuer covenants to take any action necessary to assure, or refrain from any action which would adversely affect, the treatment of the Bonds as obligations described in section 103 of the Code, the interest on which is not includable in the "gross income" of the Registered Owner for purposes of federal income taxation. In furtherance thereof, the Issuer covenants as follows:
 - (i) to take any action to assure that no more than 10 percent of the proceeds of the Bonds or the projects financed therewith (less amounts deposited to a reserve fund, if any) are used for any "private business use," as defined in section 141(b)(6) of the Code or, if more than 10 percent of the proceeds or the projects financed therewith are so used, such amounts, whether or not received by the Issuer, with respect to such private business use, do not, under the terms of this Order or any underlying arrangement, directly or indirectly, secure or provide for the payment of more than 10 percent of the debt service on the Bonds, in contravention of section 141(b)(2) of the Code;
 - (ii) to take any action to assure that in the event that the "private business use" described in subsection (a)(i) hereof exceeds 5 percent of the proceeds of the Bonds or the projects financed therewith (less amounts deposited into a reserve fund, if any) then the amount in excess of 5 percent is used for a "private business use" which is "related" and not "disproportionate," within the meaning of section 141(b)(3) of the Code, to the governmental use;
 - (iii) to take any action to assure that no amount which is greater than the lesser of \$5,000,000, or 5 percent of the proceeds of the Bonds (less amounts deposited into a reserve fund, if any) is directly or indirectly used to finance loans to persons, other than state or local governmental units, in contravention of section 141(c) of the Code;
 - (iv) to refrain from taking any action which would otherwise result in the Bonds being treated as "private activity bonds" within the meaning of section 141(b) of the Code;
 - (v) to refrain from taking any action that would result in the Bonds being "federally guaranteed" within the meaning of section 149(b) of the Code;

- (vi) to refrain from using any portion of the proceeds of the Bonds, directly or indirectly, to acquire or to replace funds which were used, directly or indirectly, to acquire investment property (as defined in section 148(b)(2) of the Code) which produces a materially higher yield over the term of the Bonds, other than investment property acquired with:
 - (A) proceeds of the Bonds invested for a reasonable temporary period of 3 years or less or, in the case of a refunding bond, for a period of 90 days or less until such proceeds are needed for the purpose for which the bonds are issued,
 - (B) amounts invested in a bona fide debt service fund, within the meaning of section 1.148 1(b) of the Treasury Regulations, and
 - (C) amounts deposited in any reasonably required reserve or replacement fund to the extent such amounts do not exceed 10 percent of the proceeds of the Bonds;
- (vii) to otherwise restrict the use of the proceeds of the Bonds or amounts treated as proceeds of the Bonds, as may be necessary, so that the Bonds do not otherwise contravene the requirements of section 148 of the Code (relating to arbitrage);
- (viii) to pay to the United States of America at least once during each five-year period (beginning on the date of delivery of the Bonds) an amount that is at least equal to 90 percent of the "Excess Earnings" (within the meaning of section 148(f) of the Code) and to pay to the United States of America, not later than 60 days after the Bonds have been paid in full, 100 percent of the amount then required to be paid as a result of Excess Earnings under section 148(f) of the Code; and
- (ix) to assure that the Bonds are used for solely refunding the Refunded Obligations.
- (b) Rebate Fund. In order to facilitate compliance with subsection 12(a)(viii), a "Rebate Fund" is hereby established by the Issuer for the sole benefit of the United States of America, and such fund shall not be subject to the claim of any other person, including without limitation the Registered Owners. The Rebate Fund is established for the additional purpose of compliance with section 148 of the Code.
- (c) <u>Proceeds</u>. The Issuer understands that the term "proceeds" includes "disposition proceeds" as defined in the Treasury Regulations and, in the case of refunding bonds, transferred proceeds (if any) and proceeds of refunded obligations expended prior to the date of issuance of the Bonds. It is the understanding of the Issuer that the covenants contained herein are intended to assure compliance with the Code and any regulations or rulings promulgated by the U.S. Department of the Treasury pursuant thereto. In the event that regulations or rulings are hereafter promulgated which modify or expand provisions of the Code, as applicable to the Bonds, the Issuer will not be required to comply with any covenant contained herein to the extent that such failure to comply, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, will not adversely affect the exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the Bonds under section 103 of the Code. In the event that

regulations or rulings are hereafter promulgated which impose additional requirements which are applicable to the Bonds, the Issuer agrees to comply with the additional requirements to the extent necessary, in the opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel, to preserve the exemption from federal income taxation of interest on the Bonds under section 103 of the Code. In furtherance of such intention, the Issuer hereby authorizes and directs the Superintendent to execute any documents, certificates or reports required by the Code and to make such elections, on behalf of the Issuer, which may be permitted by the Code as are consistent with the purpose for the issuance of the Bonds.

(d) <u>Procedures to Monitor Compliance with Tax Covenants</u>. The District hereby adopts the procedures attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u> as a means of monitoring compliance with the federal tax covenants made herein.

Section 13. Disposition of Project. The Issuer covenants that the property financed with the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds will not be sold or otherwise disposed in a transaction resulting in the receipt by the Issuer of cash or other compensation, unless the Issuer obtains an opinion of nationally-recognized bond counsel that such sale or other disposition will not adversely affect the tax-exempt status of such bonds. For purposes of the foregoing, the portion of the property comprising personal property and disposed in the ordinary course shall not be treated as a transaction resulting in the receipt of cash or other compensation. For purposes hereof, the Issuer shall not be obligated to comply with this covenant if it obtains an opinion that such failure to comply will not adversely affect the excludability for federal income tax purposes from gross income of the interest.

Section 14. Sale of Bonds and Approval of Official Statement.

- (a) The Bonds shall be sold and shall be delivered to the Purchaser subject to the parameters set forth in Section 2.
- (b) The Bonds may be sold pursuant to a bond purchase agreement, notice of sale and bidding instructions or private placement agreement (collectively, the "Purchase Agreement") which the Pricing Officer is hereby authorized to execute and deliver and in which the Purchaser of the Bonds shall be designated. The Bonds shall initially be registered in the name of the Purchaser thereof as set forth in the Pricing Certificate.
- (c) The Pricing Officer is hereby authorized, on behalf of the Issuer, to approve, distribute, and deliver a term sheet to solicit bids for the Bonds, a notice of sale and bidding instructions, a preliminary official statement or a final official statement relating to the Bonds to be used by the Purchaser in the marketing of the Bonds. The Issuer hereby approves the distribution of a Preliminary Official Statement and Official Statement in the reoffering of the Bonds by the Purchaser in final form, with such changes therein or additions thereto as the Pricing Officer may deem advisable. The Pricing Officer is authorized to deem any Preliminary Official Statement final, within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 issued by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as of its date, except for the omission of information specified in Section (b)(1) of Rule 15c2-12, as permitted by Section (b)(1) of Rule 15c2-12.

Section 15. Redemption of Refunded Obligations; Approval of Escrow Agreement.

- (a) Subject to execution and delivery of the Purchase Agreement with the Purchaser, the Issuer hereby directs that the Refunded Obligations be called for redemption on the dates and at the prices set forth in the Pricing Certificate. The Pricing Officer is hereby authorized and directed to issue or cause to be issued the Notice of Redemption of the Refunded Obligations that contains the information required by the proceedings authorizing the Refunded Obligations to the paying agent for the Refunded Obligations. The Notice of Redemption shall be attached as an exhibit to the Pricing Certificate.
- (b) The paying agent/registrar for the Refunded Obligations is hereby directed to provide the appropriate notice of redemption as required by the proceedings authorizing the Refunded Obligations and is hereby directed to make appropriate arrangements so that the Refunded Obligations may be redeemed on the redemption dates of the Refunded Obligations.
- If the redemption of the Refunded Obligations results in the partial refunding of any maturity of the Refunded Obligations, the Pricing Officer shall direct the paying agent/registrar for the Refunded Obligations to designate at random and by lot which of the Refunded Obligations will be payable from and secured solely from ad valorem taxes of the Issuer pursuant to the order of the Issuer authorizing the issuance of such Refunded Obligations. For purposes of such determination and designation, all Refunded Obligations registered in denominations greater than \$5,000 shall be considered to be registered in separate \$5,000 denominations. The paying agent/registrar shall notify by first-class mail all registered owners of all affected bonds of such maturities that: (i) a portion of such bonds have been refunded and are secured until final maturity solely with cash and investments maintained by the Escrow Agent in the Escrow Fund, (ii) the principal amount of all affected bonds of such maturities registered in the name of such registered owner that have been refunded and are payable solely from cash and investments in the Escrow Fund and the remaining principal amount of all affected bonds of such maturities registered in the name of such registered owner, if any, have not been refunded and are payable and secured solely from ad valorem taxes of the Issuer described in the Refunded Bond Order, (iii) the registered owner is required to submit his or her Refunded Obligations to the paying agent/registrar, for the purposes of re-registering such registered owner's bonds and assigning new CUSIP numbers in order to distinguish the source of payment for the principal and interest on such bonds, and (iv) payment of principal of and interest on such bonds may, in some circumstances, be delayed until such bonds have been re registered and new CUSIP numbers have been assigned as required by (iii) above.
- (d) The source of funds for payment of the principal of and interest on the Refunded Obligations on their respective maturity or redemption dates shall be from the Escrow Fund deposited with the Escrow Agent, pursuant to the Escrow Agreement approved in Section 2 of this Order, or from amounts deposited with the paying agent/registrar for the Refunded Obligations from proceeds of the Bonds, if there is no Escrow Agreement.

<u>Section 16. Method of Amendment</u>. The Issuer hereby reserves the right to amend this Order subject to the following terms and conditions:

- (a) Amendment Without Consent. The Issuer may from time to time, without the consent of any Registered Owner (except as required by subsection (b) below), amend or supplement this Order in order to (i) cure any ambiguity, defect or omission in this Order that does not materially adversely affect the interests of the Registered Owners, (ii) grant additional rights or security for the benefit of the Registered Owners, (iii) add events of default as shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Order and that shall not materially adversely affect the interests of the Registered Owners, (iv) qualify this Order under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, or corresponding provisions of federal laws from time to time in effect, or (v) make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under this Order as shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Order and that shall not in the opinion of Bond Counsel materially adversely affect the interests of the Registered Owners.
- (b) Amendment Requiring Consent. The Registered Owners of Bonds aggregating in a majority of the principal amount of then outstanding Bonds that are the subject of a proposed amendment shall have the right to approve any amendment to this Order that may be deemed necessary or desirable by the Issuer; provided, however, the consent of the Registered Owners of 100% of the aggregate principal amount of then outstanding Bonds shall be required in order to amend the terms and conditions of this Order or the Bonds so as to:
 - (i) make any change in the maturity of any of the outstanding Bonds;
 - (ii) reduce the rate of interest borne by any of the outstanding Bonds;
 - (iii) reduce the amount of the principal of, or redemption premium, if any, payable on any outstanding Bonds;
 - (iv) modify the terms of payment of principal or of interest or redemption premium on outstanding Bonds or any of them or impose any condition with respect to such payment; or
 - (v) change the minimum percentage of the principal amount of the Bonds necessary for consent to such amendment.
- (c) If at any time the Issuer shall desire to amend this Order under this Section, the Issuer shall send by U.S. mail to each Registered Owner of the affected Bonds a copy of the proposed amendment and state whether consent of the Registered Owners is or is not required for such proposed amendment.
- (d) Whenever at any time within one year from the date of mailing of such notice the Issuer shall receive an instrument or instruments executed by the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of all of the Bonds then outstanding that are required for the amendment, which instrument or instruments shall refer to the proposed amendment and which shall specifically consent to and approve such amendment, the Issuer may adopt the amendment in substantially the same form.

- (e) Upon the adoption of any amendatory Order pursuant to the provisions of this Section, this Order shall be deemed to be modified and amended in accordance with such amendatory Order, and the respective rights, duties, and obligations of the Issuer and all Registered Owners of such affected Bonds shall thereafter be determined, exercised, and enforced, subject in all respects to such amendment.
- (f) Any consent given by the Registered Owner of a Bond pursuant to the provisions of this Section shall be irrevocable for a period of six months from the date of such consent and shall be conclusive and binding upon all future Registered Owners of the same bond during such period. Such consent may be revoked at any time after six months from the date of said consent by the Registered Owner who gave such consent, or by a successor in title, by filing notice with the Issuer, but such revocation shall not be effective if the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the affected Bonds then outstanding, have, prior to the attempted revocation, consented to and approved the amendment.
- (g) For the purposes of establishing ownership of the Bonds, the Issuer shall rely solely upon the registration of the ownership of such bonds on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar.

Section 17. Further Procedures. The President or Vice President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Issuer, and the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations of the Issuer shall be and they are hereby expressly authorized, empowered and directed from time to time and at any time to do and perform all such acts and things and to execute, acknowledge and deliver in the name and under the corporate seal and on behalf of the Issuer a Letter of Representations with DTC regarding the Book-Entry Only System, a Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement with the Paying Agent/Registrar, the Purchase Agreement between the Issuer and the Underwriter, all forms and documents necessary to ensure the interest on the Bonds is exempt from federal income taxation, and all other instruments, whether or not herein mentioned, as may be necessary or desirable in order to carry out the terms and provisions of this Order and the Bonds. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, while the Bonds are subject to DTC's Book-Entry-Only System and to the extent permitted by law, the Letter of Representation is hereby incorporated herein and its provisions shall prevail over any other provisions of this Order in the event of conflict. The President and Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Issuer shall sign each Bond, including the initial bonds, with their manual or facsimile signatures, and the official seal of the Issuer shall be duly impressed, or placed in facsimile, on each Bond. In case any officer whose signature shall appear on any Bond shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such Bond, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officer had remained in office until such delivery.

Section 18. Compliance With Rule 15c2-12 (17 C.F.R. § 240.15c2-12).

- (a) <u>Definitions</u>. As used in this Section, the following terms have the meanings ascribed to such terms below:
 - (i) "Financial Obligation" means a: (a) debt obligation; (b) derivative instrument entered into in connection with, or pledged as security or a source of payment for, an existing or planned debt obligation; or (c) a guarantee of the foregoing (a) and (b). The term

Financial Obligation does not include any municipal securities as to which a final official statement has been provided to the MSRB consistent with the Rule.

- (ii) "MSRB" means the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board or any successor to its functions under the Rule.
 - (iii) "Rule" means SEC Rule 15c2 12, as amended from time to time.
 - (iv) "SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (b) <u>Annual Reports.</u> The Issuer shall provide annually to the MSRB, in the electronic format prescribed by the MSRB, within the periods described in the Pricing Certificate, certain updated financial information and operating data pertaining to the Issuer, as described in the Pricing Certificate.
- (c) Any financial information so to be provided shall be (i) prepared in accordance with the accounting principles described in the financial statements of the Issuer appended to the Official Statement, or such other accounting principles as the Issuer may be required to employ from time to time pursuant to state law or regulation, and (ii) audited, if the Issuer commissions an audit of such statements and the audit is completed within the period during which they must be provided. If the audit of such financial statements is not completed within such period, then the Issuer shall provide unaudited financial information of the type described in the Pricing Certificate within such period, and audited financial statements for the applicable fiscal year to the MSRB, when and if the audit report on such statements become available.
- (d) If the Issuer changes its fiscal year, it will notify the MSRB of the change (and of the date of the new fiscal year end) prior to the next date by which the Issuer otherwise would be required to provide financial information and operating data pursuant to this Section. The financial information and operating data to be provided pursuant to this Section may be set forth in full in one or more documents or may be included by specific reference to any documents available to the public on the MSRB's internet website or filed with the SEC. All documents provided to the MSRB shall be accompanied by identifying information as prescribed by the MSRB.

(e) Event Notices.

- (i) *Material Event Notices*. The Issuer shall notify the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event) of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds, if such event is material within the meaning of the federal securities laws:
 - (A) non-payment related defaults;
 - (B) modifications to rights of Registered Owners;
 - (C) Bond calls;
 - (D) release, substitution, or sale of property securing repayment of the Bonds;

- (E) the consummation of a merger, consolidation, or acquisition involving an obligated person or the sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the obligated person, other than in the ordinary course of business, the entry into a definitive agreement to undertake such an action or the termination of a definitive agreement relating to any such actions, other than pursuant to its terms;
- (F) appointment of a successor or additional trustee or the change of name of a trustee;
- (G) incurrence of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, if material, or agreement to covenants, events of default, remedies, priority rights, or other similar terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which affect Bondholders, if material.
- (ii) Event Notices Without Regard to Materiality. The Issuer shall notify the MSRB in an electronic format as prescribed by the MSRB, in a timely manner (but not in excess of ten business days after the occurrence of the event) of any of the following events with respect to the Bonds, without regard to whether such event is considered material within the meaning of the federal securities laws:
 - (A) principal and interest payment delinquencies;
 - (B) unscheduled draws on debt service reserves reflecting financial difficulties;
 - (C) unscheduled draws on credit enhancements reflecting financial difficulties;
 - (D) substitution of credit or liquidity providers, or their failure to perform;
 - (E) adverse tax opinions or the issuance by the Internal Revenue Service of proposed or final determinations of taxability, Notices of Proposed Issue (IRS Form 5701-TEB) or other material notices or determinations with respect to the tax status of the Bonds, or other material events affecting the tax status of the Bonds;
 - (F) tender offers;
 - (G) defeasances;
 - (H) rating changes;
 - (I) bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar event of an obligated person;
 - (J) default, event of acceleration, termination event, modification of terms, or other similar events under the terms of a Financial Obligation of the Issuer, any of which reflect financial difficulties.

(iii) The Issuer shall notify the MSRB, in a timely manner, of any failure by the Issuer to provide financial information or operating data in accordance with subsection (b) of this Section by the time required by such subsection.

(f) <u>Limitations, Disclaimers, and Amendments</u>.

- (i) The Issuer shall be obligated to observe and perform the covenants specified in this Section for so long as, but only for so long as, the Issuer remains an "obligated person" with respect to the Bonds within the meaning of the Rule, except that the Issuer in any event will give the notice required by subsection (e) hereof of any Bond calls and defeasance that cause the Issuer to no longer be such an "obligated person".
- (ii) The provisions of this Section are for the sole benefit of the Registered Owners and beneficial owners of the Bonds, and nothing in this Section, express or implied, shall give any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim hereunder to any other person. The Issuer undertakes to provide only the financial information, operating data, financial statements, and notices which it has expressly agreed to provide pursuant to this Section and does not hereby undertake to provide any other information that may be relevant or material to a complete presentation of the Issuer's financial results, condition, or prospects or hereby undertake to update any information provided in accordance with this Section or otherwise, except as expressly provided herein. The Issuer does not make any representation or warranty concerning such information or its usefulness to a decision to invest in or sell Bonds at any future date.
- (iii) UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHALL THE ISSUER BE LIABLE TO THE REGISTERED OWNER OR BENEFICIAL OWNER OF ANY BOND OR ANY OTHER PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR DAMAGES RESULTING IN WHOLE OR IN PART FROM ANY BREACH BY THE ISSUER, WHETHER NEGLIGENT OR WITHOUT FAULT ON ITS PART, OF ANY COVENANT SPECIFIED IN THIS SECTION, BUT EVERY RIGHT AND REMEDY OF ANY SUCH PERSON, IN CONTRACT OR TORT, FOR OR ON ACCOUNT OF ANY SUCH BREACH SHALL BE LIMITED TO AN ACTION FOR MANDAMUS OR SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE.
- (iv) No default by the Issuer in observing or performing its obligations under this Section shall comprise a breach of or default under the Order for purposes of any other provision of this Order. Nothing in this Section is intended or shall act to disclaim, waive, or otherwise limit the duties of the Issuer under federal and state securities laws.
- (v) The provisions of this Section may be amended by the Issuer from time to time to adapt to changed circumstances that arise from a change in legal requirements, a change in law, or a change in the identity, nature, status, or type of operations of the Issuer, but only if (1) the provisions of this Section, as so amended, would have permitted an underwriter to purchase or sell Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds in compliance with the Rule, taking into account any amendments or interpretations of the Rule since such offering as well as such changed circumstances and (2) either (a) the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount (or any greater amount required by any other provision of this Order that authorizes such an amendment) of the outstanding Bonds consent

to such amendment or (b) a person that is unaffiliated with the Issuer (such as nationally recognized bond counsel) determined that such amendment will not materially impair the interest of the Registered Owners and beneficial owners of the Bonds. If the Issuer so amends the provisions of this Section, it shall include with any amended financial information or operating data next provided in accordance with subsection (a) of this Section an explanation, in narrative form, of the reason for the amendment and of the impact of any change in the type of financial information or operating data so provided. The Issuer may also amend or repeal the provisions of this continuing disclosure agreement if the SEC amends or repeals the applicable provision of the Rule or a court of final jurisdiction enters judgment that such provisions of the Rule are invalid, but only if and to the extent that the provisions of this sentence would not prevent an underwriter from lawfully purchasing or selling Bonds in the primary offering of the Bonds.

Section 19. Facilities Allotment Funds; State Assistance Funds.

- (a) In connection with the issuance of the Bonds, the Issuer may receive financial assistance from the Texas Education Agency in accordance with the instructional facilities allotment program established pursuant to Chapter 46, Texas Education Code, as amended (the "Program"). In each fiscal year in which the Issuer receives funding under the Program or any successor State funding program that provides a debt service subsidy for the Bonds and, in either case, that requires the Issuer to deposit such debt service subsidy into the Interest and Sinking Fund for the Bonds (such funds being collectively referred to herein as "Debt Subsidy Funds"), the Issuer shall deposit immediately upon receipt the Debt Subsidy Funds received to the credit of the Interest and Sinking Fund for the Bonds created pursuant to Section 8. Notwithstanding the requirements of Section 8, if Debt Subsidy Funds are actually on deposit in the Interest and Sinking Fund for the Bonds in advance of the time when ad valorem taxes are scheduled to be levied for any fiscal year, then the amount of ad valorem taxes that otherwise would have been required to be levied pursuant to Section 8 shall be reduced to the extent and by the amount of the Debt Subsidy Funds then on deposit in the Interest and Sinking Fund for the Bonds.
- (b) To the extent that the Issuer demonstrates to the Texas Attorney General that the Issuer's ability to comply with the requirements of Section 45.0031, Texas Education Code, as amended, is contingent on receiving State assistance, the Issuer covenants, to the extent required, and for so long as required, to comply with the provisions of said Section 45.0031, and to not set a tax rate for a year until the Issuer has credited to the account of the Interest and Sinking Fund for the Bonds the amounts of State assistance received or to be received in accordance with the terms of said Section 45.0031.

Section 20. Permanent School Fund Guarantee Program. The Issuer covenants to timely comply with all applicable requirements and procedures under Article VII, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution, Subchapter C of Chapter 45, Texas Education Code and the Rules of the State Board of Education relating to the guarantee of the principal and interest on the Bonds by the Texas Permanent School Fund. Upon defeasance of such Bonds prior to maturity in accordance with applicable law, the guarantee of the principal and interest on such Bonds by the Texas Permanent School Fund shall cease and no longer be available. In case of a default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds, and in accordance with Section 45.061, Texas Education Code, the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas is authorized to withhold from the Issuer

amounts equal to the amounts paid by the Permanent School Fund on account of such default, plus interest thereon, from the first state money payable to the Issuer from the following sources and in the following order, to wit: foundation school fund, available school fund.

- <u>Section 21. Inconsistent Provisions</u>. All indentures, orders or resolutions, or parts thereof, that are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict and the provisions of this Order shall be and remain controlling as to the matters contained herein.
- <u>Section 22. Governing Law.</u> This Order shall be construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America.
- <u>Section 23. Severability</u>. If any provision of this Order or the application thereof to any circumstance shall be held to be invalid, the remainder of this Order and the application thereof to other circumstances shall nevertheless be valid, and this governing body hereby declares that this Order would have been enacted without such invalid provision.

Section 24. Remedies for Events of Default.

(a) Remedies for Default. Upon the happening of any Event of Default, then and in every case, any Registered Owner or an authorized legal representative thereof, including, but not limited to, a trustee for such Registered Owner, may proceed against the Issuer or the Board of Trustees of the Issuer, as appropriate, for the purpose of protecting and enforcing the rights of the Registered Owners under this Order, by mandamus or other suit, action or special proceeding in equity or at law, in any court of competent jurisdiction, for any relief permitted by law, including the specific performance of any covenant or agreement contained in this Order, to enjoin any act or thing that may be unlawful or in violation of any right of the Registered Owners hereunder or any combination of such remedies. All such proceedings for remedy shall be instituted and maintained for the equal benefit of all Registered Owners of Bonds then outstanding.

(b) Remedies are not Exclusive.

- (i) No remedy conferred or reserved in this Order is intended to be exclusive of any other available remedies, but each and every such remedy shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder or under the Bonds or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity; provided, however, that notwithstanding any other provision of this Order, the right to accelerate the debt service payments evidenced by the Bonds shall not be available as a remedy under this Order.
- (ii) The exercise of any remedy herein conferred or reserved shall not be deemed a waiver of any other available remedy.
- (iii) By accepting the delivery of a Bond authorized under this Order, such Registered Owner agrees that the certifications required to effectuate any covenants or representations contained in this Order do not and shall never constitute or give rise to a

personal or pecuniary liability or charge against the officers, employees or trustees of the Issuer or the Board of Trustees of the Issuer.

EXHIBIT A

FORM OF BOND

(a) The form of the Bond, including the form of Paying Agent/Registrar's Authentication Certificate, the form of Assignment and the form of Registration Certificate of the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas to be attached only to the Bonds initially issued and delivered pursuant to this Order, shall be, respectively, substantially as follows, with such appropriate variations, omissions, or insertions as are permitted or required by this Order and with the Bonds to be completed with information set forth in the Pricing Certificate. The Form of Bond as it appears in this Exhibit A shall be completed, amended and modified by Bond Counsel to incorporate the information set forth in the Pricing Certificate but it is not required for the Form of Bond to reproduced as an exhibit to the Pricing Certificate.

The "[]s" in this section are intentional.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF TEXAS PRINCIPAL AMOUNT

WHITE SETTLEMENT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BOND, SERIES 2025

| INTEREST RATE | DATED DATE | MATURITY DATE | CUSIP NO. |
|---------------|------------|---------------|-----------|
| | [], 2025 | August 15, | |

REGISTERED OWNER:

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT:

DOLLARS

ON THE MATURITY DATE specified above, White Settlement Independent School District (the "Issuer"), in Tarrant County, Texas, being a political subdivision of the State of Texas, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner set forth above, or registered assigns (the "Registered Owner") the Principal Amount set forth above, and to pay interest thereon from the Dated Date set forth above, on February 15, 20[] and on each August 15 and February 15 thereafter to the Maturity Date specified above, or the date of redemption prior to maturity, at the interest rate per annum specified above; except that if this Bond is required to be authenticated and the date of its authentication is later than the first Record Date (hereinafter defined), such principal amount shall bear interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date of authentication, unless such date of authentication is after any Record Date but on or before the next following interest payment date, in which case such principal amount shall bear interest from such next following interest payment date; provided, however, that if on the date of authentication hereof the interest on the Bond or Bonds, if any, for which this Bond is being exchanged or converted from is due but has not been paid, then this Bond shall bear interest from the date to which such interest has been paid in full.

THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON this Bond are payable in lawful money of the United States of America, without exchange or collection charges. The principal of this Bond shall

be paid to the Registered Owner hereof upon presentation and surrender of this Bond at maturity or the date fixed for its redemption prior to maturity, at the corporate trust office of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, Dallas, Texas, which is the "Paying Agent/Registrar" for this Bond. The payment of interest on this Bond shall be made by the Paying Agent/Registrar to the Registered Owner hereof on each interest payment date by check, dated as of such interest payment date, drawn by the Paying Agent/Registrar on, and payable solely from, funds of the Issuer required by the Order authorizing the issuance of this Bond (the "Bond Order") to be on deposit with the Paying Agent/Registrar for such purpose as hereinafter provided; and such check shall be sent by the Paying Agent/Registrar by United States mail, first-class postage prepaid, on each such interest payment date, to the Registered Owner hereof, at its address as it appeared on the last business day of the month next preceding each such date (the "Record Date") on the Registration Books kept by the Paying Agent/Registrar, as hereinafter described. In the event of a non-payment of interest on a scheduled payment date, and for thirty days thereafter, a new record date for such interest payment (a "Special Record Date") will be established by the Paying Agent/Registrar when funds for the payment of such interest have been received from the Issuer. Notice of the Special Record Date and of the scheduled payment date of the past due interest (the "Special Payment Date" which shall be fifteen days after the Special Record Date) shall be sent at least five business days prior to the Special Record Date by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to the address of each Registered Owner appearing on the Registration Books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the last business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice. Any accrued interest due upon the redemption of this Bond prior to maturity as provided herein shall be paid to the Registered Owner upon presentation and surrender of this Bond for redemption and payment at the designated corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar (unless the redemption date is a regularly scheduled interest payment date, in which case accrued interest on such redeemed Bonds shall be payable in the regular manner described above). The Issuer covenants with the Registered Owner of this Bond that on or before each principal payment date, interest payment date, and accrued interest payment date for this Bond it will make available to the Paying Agent/Registrar, from the "Interest and Sinking Fund" created by the Bond Order, the amounts required to provide for the payment, in immediately available funds, of all principal of and interest on the Bonds, when due.

IF THE DATE for the payment of the principal of or interest on this Bond shall be a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions in the city where the corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar that is designated for payment of the Bonds is located are authorized by law or executive order to close, or the United States Postal Service is not open for business, then the date for such payment shall be the next succeeding day that is not such a Saturday, Sunday, legal holiday, or day on which banking institutions are authorized to close, or the United States Postal Service is not open for business; and payment on such date shall have the same force and effect as if made on the original date payment was due.

THIS BOND is one of a series of Bonds dated [], 2025, authorized in accordance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas in the principal amount of \$[], with the proceeds of such being used for refunding outstanding indebtedness of the Issuer and to pay costs of issuance of the Bonds.

THE BONDS SCHEDULED TO MATURE on [] 15 in the years [] (the "Term Bonds") are subject to scheduled mandatory redemption by the Paying Agent/Registrar by lot, or by any other customary method that results in a random selection, at a price equal to the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the redemption date, out of moneys available for such purpose in the interest

and sinking fund for the Bonds, on the dates and in the respective principal amounts, set forth in the following schedule:

Term Bonds due

| Mandatory Redemption Date: [2/8]/15/20 | Principal Amount: \$,000 |
|---|--------------------------|
| Mandatory Redemption Date: [2/8]/15/20 | Principal Amount: \$,000 |
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| Mandatory Redemption Date: [2/8]/15/20 | Principal Amount: \$,000 |
| Mandatory Redemption Date: [2/8]/15/20* | Principal Amount: \$,000 |

* Stated Maturity

The principal amount of Term Bonds of a stated maturity required to be redeemed on any mandatory redemption date pursuant to the operation of the mandatory sinking fund redemption provisions shall be reduced, at the option of the Issuer, by the principal amount of any Term Bonds of the same maturity which, at least 45 days prior to a mandatory redemption date (1) shall have been acquired by the Issuer and delivered to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation or (2) shall have been redeemed pursuant to the optional redemption provisions and not theretofore credited against a mandatory redemption requirement.

IN ADDITION TO THE FOREGOING MANDATORY REDEMPTION, ON [15], 20[] OR ON ANY DATE THEREAFTER, the Bonds maturing on or after [15], 20[] may be redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, at the option of the Issuer, with funds derived from any available and lawful source, as a whole, or in part, and, if in part, the particular Bonds, or portions thereof, to be redeemed shall be selected and designated by the Issuer (provided that a portion of a Bond may be redeemed only in an Authorized Denomination), at a redemption price equal to the principal amount of the Bonds to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

AT LEAST THIRTY days prior to the date fixed for any redemption of Bonds or portions thereof prior to maturity, the Issuer shall cause written notice of such redemption to be sent by United States mail, first class, postage prepaid, to each Registered Owner of a Bond to be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the address of the Registered Owner appearing on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar at the close of business on the business day next preceding the date of mailing of such notice. Any notice of redemption so mailed shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given irrespective of whether received by the Registered Owner. By the date fixed for any such redemption, due provision shall be made with the Paying Agent/Registrar for the payment of the required redemption price for the Bonds or portions thereof that are to be so redeemed. If such written notice of redemption is mailed and if due provision for such payment is made, all as provided above, the Bonds or portions thereof that are to be so redeemed thereby automatically shall be treated as redeemed prior to their scheduled maturities, and they shall not bear or accrete interest after the date fixed for redemption, and they shall not be regarded as being outstanding except for the right of the Registered Owner to receive the redemption price from the Paying Agent/Registrar out of the funds provided for such payment. If a portion of any Bond shall be redeemed a substitute Bond or Bonds having the same maturity date, bearing interest at the same rate, in an Authorized Denomination, at the written request of the Registered Owner, and in an aggregate principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof, will be issued to the Registered Owner upon the surrender thereof for cancellation, at the expense of the Issuer, all as provided in the Bond Order.

ALL BONDS OF THIS SERIES are issuable solely as fully-registered Bonds, without interest coupons in an Authorized Denomination. As provided in the Bond Order, this Bond, or any unredeemed portion hereof, may, at the request of the Registered Owner or the assignee or assignees hereof, be assigned, transferred and exchanged for a like aggregate principal amount of fully-registered Bonds, without interest coupons, payable to the appropriate Registered Owner, assignee or assignees, as the case may be, having the same Authorized Denomination as requested in writing by the appropriate Registered Owner, assignee or assignees, as the case may be, upon surrender of this Bond to the Paying Agent/Registrar for cancellation, all in accordance with the form and procedures set forth in the Bond Order. Among other requirements for such assignment and transfer, this Bond must be presented and surrendered to the Paying Agent/Registrar, together with proper instruments of assignment, in form and with guarantee of signatures satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar, evidencing assignment of this Bond or any portion or portions hereof in any Authorized Denomination to the assignee or assignees in whose name or names this Bond or any such portion or portions hereof is or are to be registered. The form of Assignment printed or endorsed on this Bond may be executed by the Registered Owner to evidence the assignment hereof, but such method is not exclusive, and other instruments of assignment satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar may be used to evidence the assignment of this Bond or any portion or portions hereof from time to time by the Registered Owner. The Paying Agent/Registrar's reasonable standard or customary fees and charges for transferring and exchanging any Bond or portion thereof shall be paid by the Issuer, but any taxes or governmental charges required to be paid with respect thereto shall be paid by the one requesting such assignment, transfer or exchange as a condition precedent to the exercise of such privilege. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be required to make any such transfer or exchange with respect to Bonds (i) during the period commencing with the close of business on any Record Date and ending with the opening of business on the next following principal or interest payment date, or, (ii) with respect to any Bond or any portion thereof called for redemption prior to maturity, within 45 days prior to its redemption date; provided, however, such limitation of transfer shall not be applicable to an exchange by the Registered Owner of an unredeemed balance of a Bond called for redemption in part.

IN THE EVENT any Paying Agent/Registrar for the Bonds is changed by the Issuer, resigns, or otherwise ceases to act as such, the Issuer has covenanted in the Bond Order that it promptly will appoint a competent and legally qualified substitute therefor, and cause written notice thereof to be mailed to the Registered Owners of the Bonds.

IT IS HEREBY certified, recited, and covenanted that this Bond has been duly and validly voted, authorized, issued and delivered; that all acts, conditions and things required or proper to be performed, exist and be done precedent to or in the authorization, issuance and delivery of this Bond have been performed, existed and been done in accordance with law; that this Bond is a general obligation of the Issuer, issued on the full faith and credit thereof; and that ad valorem taxes sufficient to provide for the payment of the interest on and principal of this Bond, as such interest comes due, and as such principal matures, have been levied and ordered to be levied against all taxable property in the Issuer, and have been pledged for such payment, without limit as to rate or amount.

THE ISSUER ALSO HAS RESERVED THE RIGHT to amend the Bond Order as provided therein, and under some (but not all) circumstances amendments thereto must be approved by the Registered Owners of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding Bonds.

BY BECOMING the Registered Owner of this Bond, the Registered Owner thereby

acknowledges all of the terms and provisions of the Bond Order, agrees to be bound by such terms and provisions, acknowledges that the Bond Order is duly recorded and available for inspection in the official minutes and records of the governing body of the Issuer, and agrees that the terms and provisions of this Bond and the Bond Order constitute a contract between each Registered Owner hereof and the Issuer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer has caused this Bond to be signed with the manual or facsimile signature of the President of the Board of Trustees of the Issuer and countersigned with the manual or facsimile signature of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Issuer and has caused the official seal of the Issuer to be duly impressed, or placed in facsimile, on this Bond.

| (signature) | (signature) |
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| Secretary, Board of Trustees | President, Board of Trustees |
| (SEAL) | |
| COMPTROLLER'S R | EGISTRATION CERTIFICATE: |
| REGISTER NO | |
| | been examined, certified as to validity, and approved by exas, and that this Bond has been registered by the see of Texas. |
| Witness my signature and seal this | |
| | |
| | Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas |
| (COMPTROLLER'S SEAL) | |
| (To be executed if this Bo | R'S AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE and is not accompanied by an executed atroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas) |
| described in the text of this Bond; and that bonds, or a portion of a bond or bonds of | has been issued under the provisions of the Bond Order t this Bond has been issued in exchange for a bond or a series that originally was approved by the Attorney d by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of |
| Dated: | U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association |
| | Dallas, Texas |
| | Paying Agent/Registrar |
| | By: |
| | By:Authorized Representative |

ASSIGNMENT (Please type or print clearly)

For value received, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto: Transferee's Social Security or Taxpayer Identification Number: Transferee's name and address, including zip code: the within Bond and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints , attorney, to register the transfer of the within Bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises. Dated: . Signature Guaranteed: NOTICE: Signature(s) must be guaranteed by NOTICE: The signature above must correspond an eligible guarantor institution participating in with the name of the registered owner as it a securities transfer association recognized appears upon the front of this Bond in every signature guarantee program. particular, without alteration or enlargement or

FORM OF PSF CERTIFICATE

PSF CERTIFICATE

Under the authority granted by Article 7, Section 5 of the Texas Constitution and Subchapter C of Chapter 45 of the Texas Education Code, the payment, when due, of the principal of and interest on the issuance by the White Settlement Independent School District of its Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2025, dated [], 2025, in the principal amount of \$[] is guaranteed by the corpus of the Permanent School Fund of the State pursuant to the bond guarantee program administered by the Texas Education Agency. This guarantee shall be removed in its entirety upon defeasance of such bonds.

Reference is hereby made to the continuing disclosure agreement of the Texas Education Agency, set forth in Section I of the Agency's Investment Procedure Manual and the Agency's commitment letter for the guarantee. Such disclosure agreement has been made with respect to the bond guarantee program, in accordance with Rule 15c2-12 of the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, for the benefit of the holders and beneficial owners of the bonds.

In witness thereof I have caused my signature to be placed in facsimile on this bond.

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Mike Morath

any change whatsoever.

| a. | Insertions for | the Initial Bond. | The initial Bond | shall be | in the for | m set | forth | in |
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| | paragraph (a) | of this Form of Bo | ond, except that: | | | | | |

- i. immediately under the name of the Bond, the headings "INTEREST RATE" and "MATURITY DATE" shall both be completed with the words "As shown below" and "CUSIP NO. _____" shall be deleted.
- ii. the first paragraph shall be deleted and the following will be inserted:

"WHITE SETTLEMENT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (the "Issuer"), being a political subdivision located in Tarrant County, Texas, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner specified above, or registered assigns (the "Registered Owner"), on the dates, in the Principal Amounts and bearing interest at the per annum Interest Rates set forth in the following schedule:

| Maturity | Principal | Interest |
|----------|-----------|----------|
| Date | Amount | Rate |
| | | |

The Issuer promises to pay interest on the unpaid principal amount hereof (calculated based on a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) from the Dated Date above at the respective Interest Rate per annum specified above. Interest is payable on February 15, 20[] and on each August 15 and

February 15 thereafter to the date of payment of the Principal Amounts specified above, or the date of redemption prior to maturity; except, that if this Bond is required to be authenticated and the date of its authentication is later than the first Record Date (hereinafter defined), such principal amount shall bear interest from the interest payment date next preceding the date of authentication, unless such date of authentication is after any Record Date but on or before the next following interest payment date, in which case such principal amount shall bear interest from such next following interest payment date; provided, however, that if on the date of authentication hereof the interest on the Bond or Bonds, if any, for which this Bond is being exchanged is due but has not been paid, then this Bond shall bear interest from the date to which such interest has been paid in full."

iii. The initial Bond shall be numbered "T-1."

EXHIBIT B

WRITTEN PROCEDURES FOR FEDERAL TAX COMPLIANCE

These procedures, together with any federal tax certifications, provisions included in the order, ordinance or resolution (the "Authorizing Document") authorizing the issuance and sale of any tax-exempt debt such as the Bonds (the "Obligations"), letters of instructions and/or memoranda from bond counsel and any attachments thereto (the "Closing Documents"), are intended to assist the Issuer in complying with federal guidelines related to the issuance of such Obligations.

<u>I. Arbitrage Compliance</u>. Federal income tax laws generally restrict the ability to earn arbitrage in connection with the Obligations. The Issuer's Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations (such officer, together with other employees of the Issuer who report to or such officer, is collectively, the "Responsible Person") will review the Closing Documents periodically (at least once a year) to ascertain if an exception to arbitrage compliance applies.

- 1. Procedures applicable to Obligations issued for construction and acquisition purposes. With respect to the investment and expenditure of the proceeds of the Obligations that are issued to finance public improvements or to acquire land or personal property, the Responsible Person will:
 - a. Instruct the appropriate person who is primarily responsible for the construction, renovation or acquisition of the facilities financed with the Obligations (the "Project") that (i) binding contracts for the expenditure of at least 5% of the proceeds of the Obligations must be entered into within 6 months of the date of closing of the Obligations (the "Issue Date") and that (ii) the Project must proceed with due diligence to completion;
 - b. Monitor that at least 85% of the proceeds of the Obligations to be used for the construction, renovation or acquisition of the Project are expended within 3 years of the Issue Date;
 - c. Monitor the yield on the investments purchased with proceeds of the Obligations and restrict the yield of such investments to the yield on the Obligations after 3 years from the Issue Date; and
 - d. To the extent that there are any unspent proceeds of the Obligations at the time the Obligations are refunded, or if there are unspent proceeds of the Obligations that are being refunded by a new issuance of Obligations, the Responsible Person shall continue monitoring the expenditure of such unspent proceeds to ensure compliance with federal tax law with respect to both the refunded Obligations and any Obligations being issued for refunding purposes.
- 2. Procedures applicable to Obligations with a debt service reserve fund. In addition to the foregoing, if the Issuer issues Obligations that are secured by a debt service reserve fund, the Responsible Person will assure that the maximum amount of any reserve fund for the Obligations invested at a yield higher than the yield on the Obligations will not exceed the lesser of (1) 10% of the principal amount of the Obligations, (2) 125% of the average annual

debt service on the Obligations measured as of the Issue Date, or (3) 100% of the maximum annual debt service on the Obligations as of the Issue Date.

- 3. Procedures applicable to Escrow Accounts for Refunding Obligations. In addition to the foregoing, if the Issuer issues Obligations and proceeds are deposited to an escrow fund to be administered pursuant to the terms of an escrow agreement, the Responsible Person will:
 - a. Monitor the actions of the escrow agent to ensure compliance with the applicable provisions of the escrow agreement, including with respect to reinvestment of cash balances;
 - b. Contact the escrow agent on the date of redemption of obligations being refunded to ensure that they were redeemed; and
 - c. Monitor any unspent proceeds of the refunded obligations to ensure that the yield on any investments applicable to such proceeds are invested at the yield on the applicable obligations or otherwise applied (see Closing Documents).
- 4. Procedures applicable to all Tax-Exempt Obligation Issues. For all issuances of Obligations, the Responsible Person will:
 - a. Maintain any official action of the Issuer (such as a reimbursement resolution) stating the Issuer's intent to reimburse with the proceeds of the Obligations any amount expended prior to the Issue Date for the acquisition, renovation or construction of the Project;
 - b. Ensure that the applicable information return (e.g., U.S. Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") Form 8038-G, 8038-GC, or any successor forms) is timely filed with the IRS:
 - c. Assure that, unless excepted from rebate and yield restriction under section 148(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, excess investment earnings are computed and paid to the U.S. government at such time and in such manner as directed by the IRS (i) at least every 5 years after the Issue Date and (ii) within 30 days after the date the Obligations are retired;
 - d. Monitor all amounts deposited into a sinking fund or funds pledged (directly or indirectly) to the payment of the Obligations, such as the Interest and Sinking Fund, to assure that the maximum amount invested within such applicable fund at a yield higher than the yield on the Obligations does not exceed an amount equal to the debt service on the Obligations in the succeeding 12 month period plus a carryover amount equal to one-twelfth of the principal and interest payable on the Obligations for the immediately preceding 12-month period; and
 - e. Ensure that no more than 50% of the proceeds of the Obligations are invested in an investment with a guaranteed yield for 4 years or more.

II. Private Business Use. Generally, to be tax-exempt, only an insignificant amount of the proceeds of each issue of Obligations can benefit (directly or indirectly) private businesses. The Responsible Person will review the Closing Documents periodically (at least once a year) for the purpose of determining that the use of the Project financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Obligations does not violate provisions of federal tax law that pertain to private business use. In addition, the Responsible Person will:

- 1. Develop procedures or a "tracking system" to identify all property financed with Obligations;
- 2. Monitor and record the date on which the Project is substantially complete and available to be used for the purpose intended;
- 3. Monitor and record whether, at any time the Obligations are outstanding, any person, other than the Issuer, the employees of the Issuer, the agents of the Issuer or members of the general public:
 - a. has any contractual right (such as a lease, purchase, management or other service agreement) with respect to any portion of the Project;
 - b. has a right to use the output of the Project (e.g., water, gas, electricity); or
 - c. has a right to use the Project to conduct or to direct the conduct of research;
- 4. Monitor and record whether, at any time the Obligations are outstanding, any person, other than the Issuer, has a naming right for the Project or any other contractual right granting an intangible benefit;
- 5. Monitor and record whether, at any time the Obligations are outstanding, the Project, or any portion thereof, is sold or otherwise disposed of; and
- 6. Take such action as is necessary to remediate any failure to maintain compliance with the covenants contained in the Authorizing Document related to the public use of the Project.

<u>III. Record Retention</u>. The Responsible Person will maintain or cause to be maintained all records relating to the investment and expenditure of the proceeds of the Obligations and the use of the Project financed or refinanced thereby for a period ending three (3) years after the complete extinguishment of the Obligations. If any portion of the Obligations is refunded with the proceeds of another series of Obligations, such records shall be maintained until the three (3) years after the refunding Obligations mature or are otherwise paid off. Such records can be maintained in paper or electronic format.

IV. Responsible Person. A Responsible Person shall receive appropriate training regarding the Issuer's accounting system, contract intake system, facilities management and other systems necessary to track the investment and expenditure of the proceeds and the use of the Project financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Obligations. The foregoing notwithstanding, each Responsible Person shall report to the governing body of the Issuer whenever experienced advisors and agents may be necessary to carry out the purposes of these instructions for the purpose of seeking approval of the governing body to engage or utilize existing advisors and agents for such purposes.