

BID PROPOSAL

PROJECT: Station No. 75 Butler Building Construction  
LOCATION: 2852 N. Macy Street, San Bernardino, CA 92407  
OWNER: San Bernardino County  
BID OPENING: February 4, 2026 at 1:00 p.m.  
BIDDER: The Nazerian Group

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San Bernardino County  
Project and Facilities Management Department – Project Management  
620 South E Street  
San Bernardino, CA 92415-0184  
<https://pfm.sbcounty.gov/>

In compliance with your invitation for bids, the undersigned has carefully examined the project Bid Documents, including the drawings and specifications, for the scope of work which is to furnish and install a new prefabricated butler style metal building, inclusive of all utility connections, as called out on the bid documents in San Bernardino, California, and fully understands the scope and meaning of the Bid Documents.

The undersigned hereby agrees to furnish all materials, labor, tools, equipment, apparatus, facilities, and transportation necessary to complete all work in strict conformity with the drawings and specifications, and to execute the contract to the satisfaction of the Project and Facilities Management Department – Project Management, at the following cost(s):

In case of discrepancy between the written bid set forth and the numerical bid set forth, the written bid shall prevail. In the case of a discrepancy between the written bid or numerical bid set forth on the bid proposal, and the numerical bid set forth in the ePro system, the information on the bid proposal shall prevail.

BASE BID

For the furnishing of the labor, materials, and equipment necessary to complete all work designated in the Plans and Specifications.

The LUMP SUM of Two Million two hundred twenty eight thousand one hundred twenty three Dollars  
(\$ 2,228,123.00 )

The above-mentioned BASE BID includes applicable California state sales tax, bonds, insurance and all other costs required to perform all the work described in the project drawings and specifications.

The lowest bid shall be the lowest bid price on the BASE BID. A responsible and responsive bidder who submitted the lowest bid shall be awarded the contract, if it is awarded.

#### BID DEPOSIT (BID BOND)

There is enclosed herewith, a certified check or surety bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the BASE BID, or, more specifically, 10% of bid Dollars (\$ 10% of bid ), made payable to San Bernardino County. The undersigned agrees that in the event of the failure by the undersigned to execute the necessary contract and furnish the required contract bonds and insurance, the certified check or surety bond and the money payable thereon shall be, and remain, the property of San Bernardino County. If the bid is accompanied by a certified or cashier's check, the check shall be deposited by the Project and Facilities Management Department – Project Management, and a County warrant for the full amount shall be issued to the undersigned approximately one month after Contract Award.

If the bid is submitted through San Bernardino County Electronic Procurement Network (ePro) then scan the bid security (bid bond) and submit the scanned copy with your bid submittal in ePro, additionally, mail or submit the original bid security, in a separate sealed envelope labeled "Bid Bond" with the title of the work and the name of the bidder clearly marked on the outside, to: Project and Facilities Management Department – Project Management, 620 South E Street, San Bernardino, CA 92415-0184. **Any mailed or submitted bid security must be received on or before the time set for the opening of the bids.**

#### TIME OF COMPLETION

The undersigned agrees to complete the work within 210 calendar days from the date stipulated in the Notice to Proceed.

#### LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

Pursuant to the provisions of Government Code Section 53069.85 and in the event that all the Work called for in this Contract is not completed within the number of calendar days set forth, Contractor shall forfeit and pay to the County the sum of **\$500.00 per day** for each calendar day the work remains incomplete, to be deducted from any payments due or to become due to the Contractor. (Reference General Conditions and Special Conditions)

#### ESCROW ACCOUNT

Pursuant to Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code, at the request and expense of the Contractor, the Contractor may substitute qualified securities in lieu of retention withheld by the County and/or establish an escrow account for retention payments.

#### REJECTION OF BIDS

The undersigned agrees that the County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, and reserves the right to waive informalities in a bid or bids, not affected by law, if to do so seems to best serve the public interest.

#### VALIDITY OF BIDS

The undersigned agrees that this bid will remain valid for sixty (60) days after the scheduled bid opening.

#### STATE LICENSES

The undersigned hereby certifies that he is currently the holder of a valid State Contractor's Class "B" license as a contractor in the State of California and that the license is the correct class of license for the work described in the project drawings and specifications. The undersigned also certifies that all subcontractor(s) listed under the Designation of Subcontractors section of the Bid Proposal are currently the holder of valid contractor's license(s) in the State of California and the license is the correct class of license for the work to be performed by the subcontractor(s).

#### INSURANCE

The undersigned agrees to furnish certified copies of all insurance policies and endorsements; all certificates of comprehensive, general and auto liability insurance; Workers' Compensation insurance; and such other insurance that will protect him from claims for damages and personal injury, including death, which may arise from operations under the contract, whether such operation be by the undersigned or by any subcontractor of the undersigned, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by the undersigned or any subcontractor of the undersigned in accordance with Section 11.2 of the General Conditions. **The undersigned agrees to provide the Project and Facilities Management Department – Project Management with Certificates of Insurance evidencing the required insurance coverage at the time Contractor executes the contract with the County.** All policies (excluding Workers' Compensation) shall name San Bernardino County and its officers, employees, agents and volunteers as additional insureds. All coverages shall be subject to approval by the County for adequacy of protection.

#### BONDS

If this Bid is successful, the undersigned agrees to execute the required Standard Contract and will furnish a payment bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price and a Faithful Performance Bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price. These bonds shall be secured from a surety company or companies satisfactory to the County within ten (10) calendar days of the contract award and shall be on County approved bond forms. Bonds shall remain in full force and effect for a period of one year following the date of filing of Notice of Completion.

#### FORMER COUNTY OFFICIALS

Contractor agrees to provide or has already provided information on former San Bernardino County administrative officials (as defined below) who are employed by or represent Contractor. The information provided includes a list of former county administrative officials who terminated county employment within the last five years and who are now officers, principals, partners, associates or members of the business. The information also includes the employment with or representation of contractor. For purposes of this provision, "county administrative official" is defined as a member of the Board of Supervisors or such officer's staff, Chief Executive Officer or member of such officer's staff, county department or group head, assistant department or group head, or any employee in the Exempt Group, Management Unit or Safety Management Unit.

#### INACCURACIES OR MISREPRESENTATIONS

If during the course of the bid proposal process or in the administration of a resulting Contract, the County determines that the contractor has made a material misstatement or misrepresentation or that materially inaccurate information has been provided to the County, the contractor may be terminated from the bid proposal process, or in the event a Contract has been awarded, the Contract may be immediately terminated. If a Contract is terminated according to this provision, the County is entitled to pursue any available legal remedies.

#### VISITING THE SITES

The undersigned has visited the site, and is familiar with the local conditions of the work site.

#### CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD (CARB) IN-USE OFF-ROAD DIESEL-FUELED FLEETS REGULATION COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION

This Project is subject to the California Air Resources Board (CARB) approved amendments relating to In-Use Off Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets found at California Code of Regulations Title 13, sections 2449, 2449.1, and 2449.2 (the "Regulations"). The Regulations require a Prime Contractor, bidding on a public works project to be awarded by any public works awarding body, to certify that the Contractors off-road diesel-fueled fleets comply with CARB regulations. Section 2449(b) includes a list of

off-road diesel-fueled fleets subject to these regulations. It is the responsibility of the Contractor to verify if their fleet is subject to these regulations.

Contractor is required to obtain and submit Certificates of Reported Compliance from all subcontractors that are listed in the bid submission when necessary. Failure to provide Contractor's CARB compliance number may constitute a material irregularity rendering their bid non-responsive and non-responsible, and subject to rejection for non-responsiveness.

No award shall be made to a Contractor that has failed to provide its CARB compliance certificates, including the CARB certificates of subcontractors when applicable, unless the Contractor confirms that no equipment subject to the regulation will be used to execute the Contract Work. By submitting a bid, the Bidder hereby certifies that it is aware of the requirements set forth in Sections 2449, 2449.1, and 2449.2, Title 13, California Code of Regulations and any successful Bidder and its subcontractors shall comply with sections 2449, 2449.1, 2449.2 of Title 13 of the California Code of Regulations, including by providing Certificate(s) of Reported Compliance for In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets for the fleet selected for the contract and their listed subcontractors, if applicable, with its bid.

Contractor shall not enter into a contract with a fleet for which it does not have a valid Certificate of Reported Compliance for the fleet and Contractor's listed subcontractors, if applicable, prior to entering into a new or renewed contract with that fleet. Contractor shall only allow fleets with valid Certificates of Reported Compliance on Contractor's job sites. The Certificates of Reported Compliance received by the Contractor for this Project must be retained for three (3) years after the Project's completion. Upon request by CARB, these records must be provided to CARB within five (5) business days of the request. Between March 1 and June 1 of each year, Contractor must collect new valid Certificates of Reported Compliance for the current compliance year, as defined in Regulation Section 2449(n), from all fleets that have an ongoing contract with the Contractor as of March 1 of that year. Contractor must not write contracts to evade this requirement.

If Contractor discovers that any fleet intending to operate vehicles subject to the Regulation for Contractor does not have a valid Certificate of Reported Compliance, as defined in Regulation section 2449(n), or if Contractor observes any noncompliant vehicles subject to the Regulation on Contractor's job site, then Contractor must report the required information to CARB within the time period contained in in the Regulations.

Upon request by CARB, Contractor must immediately disclose to CARB the name and contact information of each responsible party for all vehicles subject to the Regulation operating at the job site or for Contractor. If applicable, Contractor shall prominently display signage for any project where vehicles subject to the Regulation as provided and within the time period contained in the Regulation.

Situations in which prime contractors or public works awarding bodies, as applicable, are contracting for projects that are considered emergency operations, as defined in section 2449(c)(18), are exempt from the requirements in section 2449(i)(1)-(3), but must still retain records verifying vehicles subject to the regulation that are operating on the emergency operations project are actually being operated on the project for emergency operations only. These records must include a description of the emergency, the address or a description of the specific location of the emergency, the dates on which the emergency operations were performed, and an attestation by the fleet that the vehicles are operated on the project for emergency operations only.

Contractor shall complete and return the "California Air Resources Board (CARB) In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets Certification of Compliance" form attached hereto as a condition to bidding this Project.

#### DESIGNATION OF SUBCONTRACTORS

In compliance with the provisions of Sections 4100-4108 of the Public Contract Code of the State of California, and any amendments thereof, the undersigned shall set forth below the name, location of the place of business and the California contractor license number of each subcontractor who will perform work (meaning the total amount of the subcontractor's contract amount including all labor, materials, supplies and services) in excess of one-half of one percent (1/2 of 1%) of the total bid; and, the general category or the portion of the work to be performed by each subcontractor.

If the undersigned fails to specify a subcontractor for any work to be performed under the contract, the undersigned agrees to perform the work and shall not be permitted to subcontract that work except in cases of public emergency, and then only after written finding as public record by the Board of Supervisors.

The undersigned certifies that all subcontractor(s) listed below are currently the holder of valid contractor's license(s) in the State of California and the license(s) is the correct class of license for the work to be performed by the subcontractor(s).

The undersigned certifies that it and all subcontractor(s) listed below have registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 (applicable for all bids submitted on or after March 1, 2015). The undersigned agrees that no contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work or perform work on a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 (applicable for all contracts awarded on or after April 1, 2015). The undersigned acknowledges that the project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

As required by Labor Code 1771.1(a) "A contractor or subcontractor shall not be qualified to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, subject to the requirements of Section 4104 of the



Public Contract Code, or engage in the performance of any contract for public work, as defined in this chapter, unless currently registered and qualified to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5. It is not a violation of this section for an unregistered contractor to submit a bid that is authorized by Section 7029.1 of the Business and Professions Code or by Section 10164 or 20103.5 of the Public Contract Code, provided the contractor is registered to perform public work pursuant to Section 1725.5 at the time the contract is awarded.”

Where a hearing is required for a decision on the substitution of subcontractors, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 4, Part 1, Division 2, of the Public Contract Code, (commencing with Section 4100) by the awarding authority, or a duly appointed hearing officer, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall prepare and certify a statement of costs incurred by the County for investigation, and to conduct the hearing, including the costs of any hearing officer and shorthand reporter appointed. For the purposes of a hearing for the substitution of subcontractors (pursuant to the Public Contract Code commencing with Section 4100) the awarding authority shall be the Director of the Project and Facilities Management Department, or his/her designee.

The statement of costs shall be sent to the undersigned, who shall reimburse the County for all costs. If not paid separately, such reimbursement shall be deducted from monies due and owing to the undersigned prior to acceptance of the project.

CONTRACTOR NAME: The Nazerian Group

Subcontractor's Name	Portion of Work Performed	Location of Business	CA Contractor's License	DIR Registration No.	CARB Certificate of Compliance No.
AM Electric	Electrical & Low Voltage	Palmdale, CA	922610	1000019316	N/A
Howard Contracting	Demolition & Grading	Hawaiian Gardens, CA	466400	1000006979	<del>off</del> 3306
Artec Contracting	Concrete	Sun Valley, CA	960576	1000021085	N/A

Seab Landscape	Landscaping & Irrigation	Fontana, CA	1133487	2000014832	N/A
FCP Contracting	Metal Building Systems	Wildomar, CA	847398	1000042628	E 185096

#### ADDENDA

This bid includes Addendum No. 1 dated 1/22/2026

Addendum No. 2 dated 1/28/2026

Bidder must acknowledge all addendums above, regardless of any acknowledgement of addendums in ePro.

#### AFFIDAVIT

The undersigned has submitted with the bid proposal a non-collusion declaration, signed under penalty of perjury, for the principal contractor. The undersigned agrees to furnish the County non-collusion declarations for subcontractors signed under penalty of perjury, and states that this is a genuine proposal and is neither collusive nor made in the interest of any other person, and has not induced anyone to submit a sham bid or refrain from bidding.

**The undersigned acknowledges it has registered with the ePro system prior to the date and time to receive sealed bids or it will be disqualified.**

The undersigned declares: that the only person or parties interested in this proposal as principals are those named herein; that this bid is made without any connection with any other person or persons making a bid for the same work, except for another division of the undersigned which may submit an independent bid; that the bid is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud; that the undersigned has read the Advertisement for Bids and the Instructions to Bidders and agrees to all the stipulations contained therein; that the undersigned has examined the form of contract (including the specifications, drawings, and other documents incorporated therein by reference); that in the event this bid as submitted, including the incorporated bidding documents, be accepted by the County, the undersigned shall execute a contract to perform the work as outlined herein.



If undersigned is a corporation, proposal must be signed by an authorized officer of the corporation.

If the bid proposal is submitted through ePro the undersigned acknowledges that its electronic signature is legally binding.

Check One: ☐ Sole Proprietor  
☐ Partnership  
☒ Corporation  
☐ Other

Name of Bidder: The Nazerian Group

Address: 17514 Ventura Blvd #204, Encino, CA 91316

Phone: 818.990.5115

Email: Greg@nazerian.net

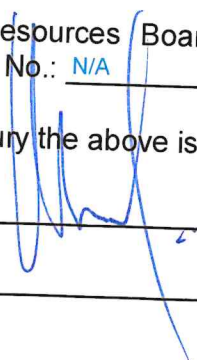
Contractor's License No.: 787198 Primary Class: A,B, C10, C13, C15, C20, C36

Expiration Date of Contractor's License 11/30/2026

Contractor's DIR Registration # 1000000509

Contractor's California Air Resources Board (CARB) In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets Regulation Compliance No.: N/A

I declare under penalty of perjury the above is true and correct.

Authorized Signature:  Title: President

Print Name: Vartan Nazerian Date: 2/4/2026

## NONCOLLUSION DECLARATION

### TO BE EXECUTED BY BIDDER AND SUBMITTED WITH BID

The undersigned declares:

I am the President of The Nazerian Group, the party making the foregoing bid.

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

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

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration is executed on 2/4/2026 [date], at Encino [city], California [state].

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Vartan Nazerian, President

**CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION  
CALIFORNIA AIR RESOURCES BOARD (CARB)**

**IN-USE OFF-ROAD DIESEL FUELED FLEET CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE**

I hereby certify that Contractor is familiar with the requirements of California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 13 sections 2449, 2449.1, and 2449.2, In-Use Off-Road Diesel Fueled Fleet Regulation (Off-Road Regulation) Compliance (CARB), and that Contractor shall comply with these requirements:

**1. Certification of Compliance.** I hereby certify that I and all of my subcontractors will conform to the California Air Resource Board ("CARB") In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets requirements for all work involving the use of vehicles subject to the regulations, including, without limitation, as applicable, the Contracting Requirements in Title 13 CCR section 2449, subdivision (i), subparts (1) – (4), and the Prime Contractor Requirements in Title 13 CCR section 2449, subdivision (j), subparts (1) – (5).

**2. Instructions.** Check one (1) box below.

☐ Contractor's current CARB issued Certificate of Reported Compliance accompanies this Certification. (If this box is checked, the valid Certificate(s) Reported Compliance with this Regulation for In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleet provided by CARB for the fleet selected for the contract and their listed subcontractors, if applicable must be provided with this form.)

☒ Contractor certifies that its work on the Project (including work of its Subcontractors) does not involve the use of vehicles subject to the CARB In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets requirements.

**3.** I further certify that each of the Contractor's listed subcontractors is familiar with these requirements and shall also comply.

**\*Note:** All Subcontractor(s) Certificate of Reported Compliance Number(s) shall be listed on the Designation of Subcontractors table contained in the Bid Proposal.

Failure to submit this form or comply with any of the above requirements may result in the bid to be found non-responsive and the bid bond forfeited. Bidder shall ensure that their fleet, as well as all rental fleets and subcontractor fleets, maintain their active and current CARB certification for the duration of the project.

**The Bidder certifies under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information provided in this form is true and correct.**

Bidder's Company Name: The Nazerian Group

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: President

Print Name: Vartan Nazerian

Date: 2/4/2026



# Western Surety Company

## Bid Bond

**KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS**, That we The Nazerian Group  
\_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter referred to as the Principal, and Western Surety  
Company as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the San Bernardino County  
\_\_\_\_\_ hereinafter referred to as the Obligee, in the sum not  
to exceed Ten Percent of Total Amount Bid-----, (\$ 10% of Bid \_\_\_\_\_), for  
the payment of which we bind ourselves, our legal representatives, successors and  
assigns, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

**WHEREAS**, Principal has submitted or is about to submit a proposal to Obligee for \_\_\_\_\_  
STATION NO. 75 BUTLER BUILDING CONSTRUCTION - Project No. 10.10.1618  
\_\_\_\_\_

**NOW, THEREFORE**, if the said contract be awarded to Principal and Principal shall,  
within such time as may be specified; enter into the contract in writing and give such  
bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or contract documents with surety  
acceptable to Obligee; or if Principal shall fail to do so, pay to Obligee the damages  
which Obligee may suffer by reason of such failure not exceeding the penalty of this  
bond, then this obligation shall be void; otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DATED this 28th day of January, 2026 .

The Nazerian Group  
(Principal) (Seal)

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Western Surety Company  
(Surety) (Seal)

By: Rebecca Haas-Bates  
Rebecca Haas-Bates, Attorney-in-Fact



**CALIFORNIA ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGMENT****CIVIL CODE § 1189**

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

State of California )

County of Orange )

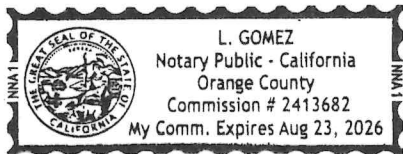
On 01/28/2026 before me, L. Gomez, Notary Public,  
Date Here Insert Name and Title of the Officer

personally appeared Rebecca Haas-Bates  
Name(s) of Signer(s)

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

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

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



Signature *L. Gomez*  
Signature of Notary Public

Place Notary Seal Above

**OPTIONAL**

Though this section is optional, completing this information can deter alteration of the document or fraudulent reattachment of this form to an unintended document.

**Description of Attached Document**

Title or Type of Document: Bid Bond Document Date: 01/28/2026  
Number of Pages: One (1) Signer(s) Other Than Named Above: \_\_\_\_\_

**Capacity(ies) Claimed by Signer(s)**

Signer's Name: Rebecca Haas-Bates  
☐ Corporate Officer — Title(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Partner — ☐ Limited ☐ General  
☐ Individual ☒ Attorney in Fact  
☐ Trustee ☐ Guardian or Conservator  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signer Is Representing: \_\_\_\_\_  
Western Surety Company

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☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signer Is Representing: \_\_\_\_\_

# Western Surety Company

## POWER OF ATTORNEY APPOINTING INDIVIDUAL ATTORNEY-IN-FACT

Know All Men By These Presents, That WESTERN SURETY COMPANY, a South Dakota corporation, is a duly organized and existing corporation having its principal office in the City of Sioux Falls, and State of South Dakota, and that it does by virtue of the signature and seal herein affixed hereby make, constitute and appoint

**Richard Adair, William Syrkin, Rebecca Haas-Bates, Individually**

of Orange, CA, its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact with full power and authority hereby conferred to sign, seal and execute for and on its behalf bonds, undertakings and other obligatory instruments of similar nature

### - In Unlimited Amounts -

and to bind it thereby as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by a duly authorized officer of the corporation and all the acts of said Attorney, pursuant to the authority hereby given, are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions printed at the bottom of this page, duly adopted, as indicated, by the shareholders of the corporation.

In Witness Whereof, WESTERN SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its Vice President and its corporate seal to be hereto affixed on this 26th day of December, 2023.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

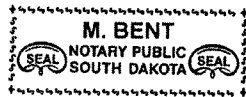
Larry Kasten, Vice President

State of South Dakota }  
County of Minnehaha } ss

On this 26th day of December, 2023, before me personally came Larry Kasten, to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say: that he resides in the City of Sioux Falls, State of South Dakota; that he is a Vice President of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY described in and which executed the above instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to the said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed pursuant to authority given by the Board of Directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto pursuant to like authority, and acknowledges same to be the act and deed of said corporation.

My commission expires

March 2, 2026



M. Bent, Notary Public

### CERTIFICATE

I, L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary of WESTERN SURETY COMPANY do hereby certify that the Power of Attorney hereinabove set forth is still in force, and further certify that the By-Law and Resolutions of the corporation printed below this certificate are still in force. In testimony whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of the said corporation this 28TH day of JANUARY, 2026.



WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

L. Nelson, Assistant Secretary

### Authorizing By-Laws and Resolutions

#### ADOPTED BY THE SHAREHOLDERS OF WESTERN SURETY COMPANY

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-Law duly adopted by the shareholders of the Company.

Section 7. All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney, or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, and Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys in Fact or agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies, or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile.

This Power of Attorney is signed by Larry Kasten, Vice President, who has been authorized pursuant to the above Bylaw to execute power of attorneys on behalf of Western Surety Company.

This Power of Attorney may be signed by digital signature and sealed by a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal under and by the authority of the following Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of the Company by unanimous written consent dated the 27<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2022:

"RESOLVED: That it is in the best interest of the Company to periodically ratify and confirm any corporate documents signed by digital signatures and to ratify and confirm the use of a digital or otherwise electronic-formatted corporate seal, each to be considered the act and deed of the Company."

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