

**CITY OF BENWOOD  
SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A  
(WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM); AND  
SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 B  
(WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM/FORGIVABLE)**

**BOND ORDINANCE**

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**CITY OF BENWOOD**

**BOND ORDINANCE**

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONS, BETTERMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC SEWERAGE SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF BENWOOD AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST THEREOF, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED, THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,800,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM); AND NOT MORE THAN \$2,000,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 B (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM/FORGIVABLE) PROVIDING FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF AND SECURITY FOR THE REGISTERED OWNERS OF SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS; APPROVING, RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT RELATING TO SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND PROVIDING FOR THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF SUCH BONDS AND ADOPTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF BENWOOD:

**ARTICLE I**

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY, FINDINGS AND DEFINITIONS**

Section 1.01. Authority for this Ordinance. This Ordinance (together with any ordinance, order or resolution supplemental hereto or amendatory hereof, the “Bond Legislation”) is enacted pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 16, Article 13 and Chapter 22C, Article 2 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (collectively, the “Act”), and other applicable provisions of law.

Section 1.02. Findings. It is hereby found, determined and declared that:

A. The City of Benwood (the “Issuer”) is a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Marshall County of said State.

B. The Issuer deems it necessary and desirable for the health and welfare of the inhabitants of the Issuer that there be constructed additions, betterments and improvements to its existing public sewerage system, consisting of: (i) installation of approximately 8,300 linear feet of 6-inch and 8-inch sanitary sewers and house service pipe; (ii) installation of 40 manholes; (iii) installation of 92 customer service replacements; and (iv) and all necessary appurtenances (collectively, the “Project”) (the Project and

any further extensions, additions, betterments and improvements thereto are herein called the "System"), in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by the Consulting Engineers, which plans and specifications have heretofore been filed with the Clerk of the Issuer.

C. It is deemed necessary for the Issuer to issue its Sewer Revenue Bonds, in the total aggregate principal amount of not more than \$3,300,000 in two or more series, initially planned to be the (i) Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (West Virginia SRF Program), in the total aggregate principal amount of not more than \$1,800,000 (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"); and (ii) Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B (West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable), in the total aggregate principal amount of not more than \$2,000,000 (the "Series 2023 B Bonds"), (collectively, the "Series 2023 Bonds"), to permanently finance the costs of acquisition and construction of the Project. Said costs shall be deemed to include the cost of all property rights, easements and franchises deemed necessary or convenient therefore and eligible under the SRF Program; amounts which may be deposited in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account (as hereinafter defined); engineering and legal expenses; expenses for estimates of costs and revenues; expenses for plans, specifications and surveys; other expenses necessary or incident to determining the feasibility or practicability of the enterprise; administrative expense; commitment fees; fees and expenses of the Authority, including the SRF Administrative Fee (as hereafter defined); discount; initial fees for the services of registrars, paying agents, depositories or trustees or other costs in connection with the sale of the Series 2023 Bonds and such other expenses as may be necessary or incidental to the financing herein authorized; the acquisition or construction of the Project and the placing of same in operation; and the performance of the things herein required or permitted, in connection with any thereof; provided, that reimbursement to the Issuer for any amounts expended by it for allowable costs prior to the issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds or the repayment of indebtedness incurred by the Issuer for such purposes shall be deemed Costs of the Project, as hereinafter defined.

D. The period of usefulness of the System after completion of the Project is not less than 40 years.

E. It is in the best interests of the Issuer that its Series 2023 Bonds be sold to the Authority pursuant to the terms and provisions of a Bond Purchase Agreement by and among the Issuer, the Authority and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP"), in form satisfactory to the Issuer, the Authority, and the DEP (the "Bond Purchase Agreement"), to be approved hereby if not previously approved by resolution of the Issuer.

F. The Issuer will have the following Outstanding obligations which will rank on a parity with the Series 2023 A Bonds as to liens, pledge, source of and security for payment, being the Issuer's:

1. Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated December 20, 2000, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$318,300 (the "Series 2000 A Bonds");
2. Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 B (West Virginia Infrastructure Fund), dated December 20, 2000, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$245,600 (the "Series 2000 B Bonds"); and

3. Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated July 11, 2017, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,404,539 (the "Series 2017 A Bonds"), (collectively, the "Prior Bonds").

The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be issued on a parity with the Prior Bonds with respect to liens, pledge and source of and security for payment and in all respects. Prior to the issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds, the Issuer will obtain (i) a certificate of an Independent Certified Public Accountant stating that the coverage and parity tests of the Prior Bonds are met, and (ii) the written consent of the Holders of the Prior Bonds, to the issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds on a parity with the Prior Bonds. Other than the Prior Bonds, there are no Outstanding bonds or obligations of the Issuer which are secured by revenues or assets of the System. The Issuer is in compliance with the covenants of the Prior Bonds and the Prior Ordinances.

G. The estimated revenues to be derived in each year after completion of the Project from the operation of the System will be sufficient to pay all costs of operation and maintenance of the System, the principal of and interest on the Bonds (as hereinafter defined) and to make all payments into all funds, accounts and other payments provided for herein.

H. The Issuer has complied with all requirements of West Virginia law and the Bond Purchase Agreement relating to authorization of the acquisition and construction of the Project and the operation of the System and issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds, or will have so complied prior to issuance of any thereof, including, among other things and without limitation, the approval of the Project and the financing thereof by the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council and the obtaining of a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the Public Service Commission of West Virginia.

I. Pursuant to the Act, the Issuer has heretofore established a Sanitary Board, and the Sanitary Board has petitioned the Governing Body to issue the Series 2023 Bonds for the purposes set forth herein.

J. The Project has been reviewed and determined to be technically and financially feasible by the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council as required under Chapter 31, Article 15A of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended.

Section 1.03. Bond Legislation Constitutes Contract. In consideration of the acceptance of the Series 2023 Bonds by those who shall be the Registered Owners of the same from time to time, this Bond Legislation shall be deemed to be and shall constitute a contract between the Issuer and such Bondholders, and the covenants and agreements herein set forth to be performed by the Issuer shall be for the equal benefit, protection and security of the Registered Owners of any and all of such Series 2023 Bonds, all which shall be of equal rank and without preference, priority or distinction between any one Bond of a series and any other Bonds of the same series, and by reason of priority of issuance or otherwise, except as expressly provided therein and herein.

Section 1.04. Definitions. The following terms shall have the following meanings herein unless the context expressly requires otherwise:

"Act" means, collectively, Chapter 16, Article 13 and Chapter 22C, Article 2 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended and in effect on the date of enactment hereof.

“Authority” means the West Virginia Water Development Authority, which is expected to be the original purchaser and Registered Owner of the Series 2023 Bonds, or any other agency, board or department of the State of West Virginia that succeeds to the functions of the Authority, acting in its administrative capacity and upon authorization from the DEP under the Act.

“Authorized Officer” means the Mayor of the Issuer, or any other officer of the Issuer specifically designated by resolution of the Governing Body.

“BIL” means the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, Public Law 117-58, pursuant to which funding has been awarded by DEP, as hereinafter defined.

“Board” means the Sanitary Board of the Issuer.

“Bondholder,” “Holder of the Bonds,” “Holder,” “Registered Owner” or any similar term whenever used herein with respect to an Outstanding Bond or Bonds, means the person in whose name such Bond is registered.

“Bond Purchase Agreement” means the Bond Purchase Agreement heretofore entered into, or to be entered into, by and among the Issuer, the Authority and the DEP, providing for the purchase of the Series 2023 Bonds from the Issuer by the Authority, the form of which shall be approved, and the execution and delivery by the Issuer authorized and directed or ratified by the Supplemental Resolution.

“Bond Legislation,” “Ordinance,” “Bond Ordinance” or “Local Act” means this Bond Ordinance and all ordinances, orders and resolutions supplemental hereto or amendatory hereof.

“Bond Registrar” means the bank or other entity to be designated as such in the Supplemental Resolution and its successors and assigns.

“Bonds” means, collectively, the Series 2023 Bonds, and, where appropriate, any bonds on a parity therewith subsequently authorized to be issued hereunder or by another ordinance of the Issuer.

“Bond Year” means the 12-month period beginning on the anniversary of the Closing Date in each year and ending on the day prior to the anniversary date of the Closing Date in the following year, except that the first Bond Year shall begin on the Closing Date.

“Clerk” means the Clerk or Assistant Clerk of the Issuer.

“Closing Date” means the date upon which there is an exchange of the Series 2023 Bonds for all or a portion of the proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds from the Authority and the DEP.

“Code” means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Regulations.

“Commission” means the West Virginia Municipal Bond Commission or any other agency of the State of West Virginia that succeeds to the functions of the Commission.

“Completion Date” means the completion date of the Project, as defined in the SRF Regulations.

“Consulting Engineers” means Burgess & Niple, Parkersburg, West Virginia, or any qualified engineer or firm of engineers, licensed by the State, that shall at any time hereafter be procured by the Issuer as Consulting Engineers for the System, or portion thereof, in accordance with Chapter 5G, Article 1 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended; provided however, that the Consulting Engineers shall not be a regular, full-time employee of the State or any of its agencies, commissions, or political subdivisions.

“Costs” or “Costs of the Project” means those costs described in Section 1.02C hereof to be a part of the cost of acquisition and construction of the Project as described in Section 1.02B hereof.

“DEP” means the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, or any other agency, board or department of the State that succeeds to the functions of the DEP.

“Depository Bank” means the bank designated as such in the Supplemental Resolution, and its successors and assigns, which shall be a member of FDIC.

“FDIC” means the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and any successor to the functions of the FDIC.

“Fiscal Year” means each 12-month period beginning on July 1 and ending on the succeeding June 30.

“Governing Body” means the Board of Directors of the Issuer, as it may now or hereafter be constituted.

“Government Obligations” means direct obligations of, or obligations the timely payment of the principal of and interest on which is guaranteed by, the United States of America.

“Gross Revenues” means the aggregate gross operating and non-operating revenues of the System, as hereinafter defined, determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, after deduction of prompt payment discounts, if any, and reasonable provision for uncollectible accounts; provided, that “Gross Revenues” does not include any gains from the sale or other disposition of, or from any increase in the value of, capital assets (including Qualified Investments, as hereinafter defined, purchased pursuant to Article 8.01 hereof) or any Tap Fees, as hereinafter defined.

“Herein,” “hereto” and similar words shall refer to this entire Bond Legislation.

“Independent Certified Public Accountants” means any certified public accountant or firm of certified public accountants that shall at any time hereafter be retained by the Issuer to prepare an independent annual or special audit of the accounts of the System or for any other purpose except keeping the accounts of the System in the normal operation of its business and affairs.

“Issuer” means the City of Benwood, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia, in Marshall County, West Virginia, and, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, includes the Governing Body of the Issuer.

“Mayor” means the Mayor of the Issuer.

“Net Proceeds” means the face amount of the Series 2023 Bonds, plus accrued interest and premium, if any, less original issue discount, if any, and less proceeds, if any, deposited in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account.

“Net Revenues” means the balance of the Gross Revenues, remaining after deduction of Operating Expenses, as hereinafter defined.

“Operating Expenses” means the reasonable, proper and necessary costs of repair, maintenance and operation of the System and includes, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, administrative, engineering, legal, auditing and insurance expenses, other than those capitalized as part of the Costs, the SRF Administrative Fee, fees and expenses of the Authority, fiscal agents, the Depository Bank, the Registrar and the Paying Agent (all as herein defined), other than those capitalized as part of the Costs, payments to pension or retirement funds, taxes and such other reasonable operating costs and expenses as should normally and regularly be included under generally accepted accounting principles; provided, that “Operating Expenses” does not include payments on account of the principal of or redemption premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds, charges for depreciation, losses from the sale or other disposition of, or from any decrease in the value of, capital assets, amortization of debt discount or such miscellaneous deductions as are applicable to prior accounting periods.

“Outstanding” when used with reference to Bonds and as of any particular date, describes all Bonds theretofore and thereupon being authenticated and delivered, except (i) any Bond cancelled by the Bond Registrar at or prior to said date; (ii) any Bond for the payment of which monies, equal to its principal amount and redemption premium, if applicable, with interest to the date of maturity or redemption shall be in trust hereunder and set aside for such payment (whether upon or prior to maturity); (iii) any Bond deemed to have been paid as provided in Article X hereof; and (iv) for purposes of consents or other action by a specified percentage of Bondholders, any Bonds registered to the Issuer.

“Parity Bonds” means additional Bonds issued under the provisions and within the limitations prescribed by Section 7.07 hereof.

“Paying Agent” means the Commission or other entity or authority designated as a Paying Agent by the Issuer in the Supplemental Resolution, with the written consent of the Authority.

“Prior Bonds” means the Series 2000 A Bonds, Series 2000 B Bonds and Series 2017 A Bonds.

“Prior Ordinances” means the ordinances authorizing the Prior Bonds.

“Project” means the Project as described in Section 1.02B hereof.

“Qualified Investments” means and includes any of the following:

- (a) Government Obligations;
- (b) Government Obligations which have been stripped of their unmatured interest coupons, interest coupons stripped from Government Obligations, and receipts or certificates evidencing payments

from Government Obligations or interest coupons stripped from Government Obligations;

(c) Bonds, debentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued by any of the following agencies: Banks for Cooperatives; Federal Intermediate Credit Banks; Federal Home Loan Bank System; Export-Import Bank of the United States; Federal Land Banks; Government National Mortgage Association; Tennessee Valley Authority; or Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority;

(d) Any bond, debenture, note, participation certificate or other similar obligations issued by the Federal National Mortgage Association to the extent such obligation is guaranteed by the Government National Mortgage Association or issued by any other federal agency and backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America;

(e) Time accounts (including accounts evidenced by time certificates of deposit, time deposits or other similar banking arrangements) which, to the extent not insured by the FDIC or Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation, shall be secured by a pledge of Government Obligations; provided, that said Government Obligations pledged either must mature as nearly as practicable coincident with the maturity of said time accounts or must be replaced or increased so that the market value thereof is always at least equal to the principal amount of said time accounts;

(f) Money market funds or similar funds whose only assets are investments of the type described in paragraphs (a) through (e) above;

(g) Repurchase agreements, fully secured by investments of the types described in paragraphs (a) through (e) above, with banks or national banking associations which are members of FDIC or with government bond dealers recognized as primary dealers by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York; provided, that said investments securing said repurchase agreements either must mature as nearly as practicable coincident with the maturity of said repurchase agreements or must be replaced or increased so that the market value thereof is always at least equal to the principal amount of said repurchase agreements, and provided further that the holder of such repurchase agreement shall have a prior perfected security interest in the collateral therefore; must have (or its agent must have) possession of such collateral; and such collateral must be free of all claims by third parties;

(h) The West Virginia "consolidated fund" managed by the West Virginia Board of Treasury Investments pursuant to Chapter 12, Article 6C of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended; and

(i) Obligations of states or political subdivisions or agencies thereof, the interest on which is excluded from gross income for federal income tax purposes, and which are rated at least "A" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or Standard & Poor's Corporation.

"Registered Owner", "Bondholder," "Holder" or any similar term means whenever used herein with respect to an Outstanding Bond or Bonds, the person in whose name such Bond is registered.

"Registrar" means the Bond Registrar.

"Regulations" means temporary and permanent regulations promulgated under the Code, or any predecessor thereto.

"Renewal and Replacement Fund" means the Renewal and Replacement Fund established by Prior Ordinances and continued hereby.

"Reserve Accounts" means, collectively, the reserve account established by Section 5.02 hereof for the Series 2023 A Bonds and the reserve accounts established for the Prior Bonds pursuant to the Prior Ordinances.

"Reserve Requirement" means collectively, the respective amounts required to be on deposit in any Reserve Account pursuant to this Ordinance and the Prior Ordinances.

"Revenue Fund" means the Revenue Fund established by Prior Ordinances and continued hereby.

"Series 2000 A Bonds" means the Issuer's Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated December 20, 2000, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$318,300.

"Series 2000 B Bonds" means the Issuer's Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 B (West Virginia Infrastructure Fund), dated December 20, 2000, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$245,600.

"Series 2017 A Bonds" means the Issuer's Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated July 11, 2017, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,404,539.

"Series 2023 A Bonds" means the Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (West Virginia SRF Program), of the Issuer, authorized by this Bond Legislation.

"Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account" means the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account established by Section 5.02 hereof.

"Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Requirement" means, as of any date of calculation, the maximum amount of principal and interest which will become due on the Series 2023 A Bonds in the then current or any succeeding year.

“Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund” means the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund established by Section 5.02 hereof.

“Series 2023 B Bonds” means the Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B (West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable), of the Issuer, authorized by this Bond Legislation.

“Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund” means the Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund established by Section 5.01 hereof.

“Sinking Funds” means, collectively, the respective sinking funds established for the Prior Bonds and the Series 2023 A Bonds.

“SRF Administrative Fee” means any administrative fee required to be paid pursuant to the Bond Purchase Agreement.

“SRF Program” means the State’s Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Program, under which the Authority purchases the water pollution control revenue bonds of local governmental entities satisfying certain legal and other requirements with the proceeds of a capitalization grant award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, BIL and funds of the State.

“SRF Regulations” means the regulations set forth in Title 47, Series 31 of the West Virginia Code of State Regulations.

“State” means the State of West Virginia.

“Supplemental Resolution” means any resolution, ordinance or order of the Issuer supplementing or amending this Ordinance and, when preceded by the article “the,” refers specifically to the supplemental resolution authorizing the sale of the Series 2023 Bonds; provided, that any matter intended by this Ordinance to be included in the Supplemental Resolution with respect to the Series 2023 Bonds, and not so included may be included in another Supplemental Resolution.

“Surplus Revenues” means the Net Revenues not required by the Bond Legislation to be set aside and held for the payment of or security for the Bonds or any other obligation of the Issuer, including, without limitation, the Renewal and Replacement Fund, the Sinking Funds and the Reserve Accounts.

“System” means, collectively, the complete existing municipal sewage treatment and collection system of the Issuer, as presently existing in its entirety or any integral part thereof, and shall include the Project and any and all additions, betterments and improvements thereto hereafter acquired or constructed for the System from any sources whatsoever, both within and without the Issuer.

“Tap Fees” means the fees, if any, paid by prospective customers of the System in order to connect thereto.

Additional terms and phrases are defined in this Ordinance as they are used. Words importing singular number shall include the plural number in each case and vice versa; words importing persons shall include firms and corporations; and words importing the masculine, feminine or neutral gender shall include any other gender.

## **ARTICLE II**

### **AUTHORIZATION OF ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE PROJECT**

Section 2.01. Authorization of Acquisition and Construction of the Project. There is hereby authorized and ordered the acquisition and construction of the Project, at an estimated cost not to exceed \$3,300,000 in accordance with the plans and specifications which have been prepared by the Consulting Engineers, heretofore filed in the office of the Governing Body. The proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds hereby authorized shall be applied as provided in Article VI hereof. The Issuer has received or will receive bids and will enter into contracts for the acquisition and construction of the Project, compatible with the financing plan submitted to the DEP.

The Cost of the Project is estimated not to exceed \$4,300,000, of which approximately \$1,800,000 will be obtained from the proceeds of the Series 2023 A Bonds, approximately \$2,000,000 will be obtained from the proceeds of the Series 2023 B Bonds, and \$1,000,000 will be obtain from a West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development grant.

## **ARTICLE III**

### **AUTHORIZATION, TERMS, EXECUTION, REGISTRATION AND SALE OF BONDS; AUTHORIZATION AND EXECUTION OF BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

Section 3.01. Authorization of Bonds. For the purposes of paying the Costs of the Project not otherwise provided for and paying certain costs of issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds and related costs, or any or all of such purposes, as determined by the Supplemental Resolution, there shall be and hereby are authorized to be issued and delivered to the Authority the negotiable Series 2023 Bonds of the Issuer. The Series 2023 Bonds shall be issued in two series, each as a single bond, designated respectively as "Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (West Virginia SRF Program)", in the principal amount of not more than \$1,800,000, and "Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B (West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable)," in the principal amount of not more than \$2,000,000; and all shall have such terms as set forth hereinafter and in the Supplemental Resolution. The proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds remaining after funding of the Reserve Accounts (if funded from Bond proceeds) and capitalization of interest, if any, shall be deposited in or credited to the Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund established by Section 5.01 hereof.

Section 3.02. Terms of Bonds. A. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be issued in such principal amounts; shall bear interest, if any, at such rate or rates, not exceeding the then legal maximum, payable quarterly on such dates; shall mature on such dates and in such amounts; and shall be redeemable, in whole or in part, all as the Issuer shall prescribe in a Supplemental Resolution or as specifically provided in the Bond Purchase Agreement. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be payable as to principal at the office of the Paying Agent, in any coin or currency which, on the dates of payment of principal is legal tender for the payment of public or private debts under the laws of the United States of America. Interest, if any, on the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be paid by check or draft of the Paying Agent

or its agent, mailed to the Registered Owner thereof at the address as it appears on the books of the Bond Registrar, or by such other method as shall be mutually agreeable so long as the Authority is the Registered Owner thereof.

Unless otherwise provided by the Supplemental Resolution, the Series 2023 A Bonds shall initially be issued in the form of a single bond, fully registered to the Authority, with a record of advances and a debt service schedule attached, representing the aggregate principal, and shall mature in principal installments, all as provided in the Supplemental Resolution. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be exchangeable at the option and expense of the Registered Owner for another fully registered Bond or Bonds of the same series in aggregate principal amount equal to the amount of said Bonds then Outstanding and being exchanged, with principal installments or maturities, as applicable, corresponding to the dates of payment of principal installments of said Bonds; provided, that the Authority shall not be obligated to pay any expenses of such exchange.

Subsequent series of Bonds, if any, shall be issued in fully registered form and in denominations as determined by a Supplemental Resolution. Such Bonds shall be dated and shall bear interest as specified in a Supplemental Resolution.

B. The Series 2023 B Bonds shall be issued in such principal amount and shall not bear interest. The principal amounts advanced under the Series 2023 B Bonds will be deemed forgiven on the 30th day of June in the fiscal year in which advanced. The Series 2023 B Bonds shall be deemed no longer Outstanding after the last advance is forgiven.

Unless otherwise provided by the Supplemental Resolution, the Series 2023 B Bonds shall initially be issued as one series, fully registered to the Authority, with a record of advances attached, representing the aggregate principal amount of the Series 2023 B Bonds. The Series 2023 B Bonds shall be exchangeable at the option and expense of the Registered Owner for another fully registered Bond or Bonds of the same series in aggregate principal amount equal to the amount of said Bonds then Outstanding and being exchanged, with principal installments or maturities, as applicable, corresponding to the dates of payment of principal installments of said Bonds; provided, that the Authority shall not be obligated to pay any expenses of such exchange.

Subsequent series of Bonds, if any, shall be issued in fully registered form and in denominations as determined by a Supplemental Resolution. Such Bonds shall bear interest, if any, and shall be dated as set forth in a Supplemental Resolution.

Section 3.03. Execution of Bonds. The Series 2023 Bonds shall be executed in the name of the Issuer by the Mayor, and the seal of the Issuer shall be affixed thereto or imprinted thereon and attested by the Clerk. In case any one or more of the officers who shall have signed or sealed the Series 2023 Bonds shall cease to be such officer of the Issuer before the Series 2023 Bonds so signed and sealed have been actually sold and delivered, such Bonds may nevertheless be sold and delivered as herein provided and may be issued as if the person who signed or sealed such Bonds had not ceased to hold such office. Any Series 2023 Bonds may be signed and sealed on behalf of the Issuer by such person as at the actual time of the execution of such Bonds shall hold the proper office in the Issuer, although at the date of the authorization of such Bonds such person may not have held such office or may not have been so authorized.

Section 3.04. Authentication and Registration. No Series 2023 Bonds shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or entitled to any security or benefit under this Bond Legislation unless and until the Certificate of Authentication and Registration on such Bond, substantially in the form set forth in Section 3.10 hereof shall have been manually executed by the Bond Registrar. Any such executed Certificate of Authentication and Registration upon any such Bond shall be conclusive evidence that such Bond has been authenticated, registered and delivered under this Bond Legislation. The Certificate of Authentication and Registration on any Series 2023 Bonds shall be deemed to have been executed by the Bond Registrar if manually signed by an authorized officer of the Bond Registrar, but it shall not be necessary that the same officer sign the Certificate of Authentication and Registration on all of the Bonds issued hereunder.

Section 3.05. Negotiability, Transfer and Registration. Subject to the provisions for transfer of registration set forth below, the Series 2023 Bonds shall be and have all of the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia, and each successive Holder, in accepting the Series 2023 Bonds shall be conclusively deemed to have agreed that such Bonds shall be and have all of the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia, and each successive Holder shall further be conclusively deemed to have agreed that said Bonds shall be incontestable in the hands of a bona fide Holder for value.

So long as the Series 2023 Bonds remain Outstanding, the Issuer, through the Bond Registrar as its agent, shall keep and maintain books for the registration and transfer of the Series 2023 Bonds.

The registered Series 2023 Bonds shall be transferable only upon the books of the Bond Registrar, by the Registered Owner thereof in person or by his attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender thereto together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Bond Registrar duly executed by the Registered Owner or his duly authorized attorney.

In all cases in which the privilege of exchanging or transferring the registered Series 2023 Bonds are exercised, all Series 2023 Bonds shall be delivered in accordance with the provisions of this Bond Legislation. All Series 2023 Bonds surrendered in any such exchanges or transfers shall forthwith be cancelled by the Bond Registrar. For every such exchange or transfer of Series 2023 Bonds, the Bond Registrar may make a charge sufficient to reimburse it for any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such exchange or transfer and the cost of preparing each new Bond upon each exchange or transfer, and any other expenses of the Bond Registrar incurred in connection therewith, which sum or sums shall be paid by the Issuer. The Bond Registrar shall not be obliged to make any such exchange or transfer of Series 2023 Bonds during the period commencing on the 15th day of the month next preceding an interest payment date on the Series 2023 Bonds or, in the case of any proposed redemption of Series 2023 Bonds, next preceding the date of the selection of Bonds to be redeemed, and ending on such interest payment date or redemption date.

Section 3.06. Bonds Mutilated, Destroyed, Stolen or Lost. In case any Series 2023 Bonds shall become mutilated or be destroyed, stolen or lost, the Issuer may, in its discretion, issue, and the Bond Registrar shall, if so advised by the Issuer, authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of the same series and of like tenor as the Bonds so mutilated, destroyed, stolen or lost, in exchange and substitution for such mutilated Bond, upon surrender and cancellation of such mutilated Bond, or in lieu of and substitution for the Bond destroyed, stolen or lost, and upon the Holder's furnishing satisfactory indemnity and complying

with such other reasonable regulations and conditions as the Issuer may prescribe and paying such expenses as the Issuer and the Bond Registrar may incur. All Bonds so surrendered shall be cancelled by the Bond Registrar and held for the account of the Issuer. If any such Bond shall have matured or be about to mature, instead of issuing a substitute Bond, the Issuer may pay the same, upon being indemnified as aforesaid, and if such Bond be lost, stolen or destroyed, without surrender thereof.

Section 3.07. Bonds not to be Indebtedness of the Issuer. The Series 2023 Bonds shall not, in any event, be or constitute a corporate indebtedness of the Issuer within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provision or limitation, but such Series 2023 A Bonds shall be payable solely from the Net Revenues derived from the operation of the System as herein provided. No Holder or Holders of the Series 2023 Bonds shall ever have the right to compel the exercise of the taxing power of the Issuer to pay the Series 2023 Bonds or the interest, if any, thereon.

Section 3.08. Series 2023 A Bonds Secured by Pledge of Net Revenues. A. The payment of the debt service on the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be secured forthwith equally and ratably by a first lien on the Net Revenues derived from the operation of the System on a parity with the Prior Bonds. Such Net Revenues in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest, if any, on and other payments for the Series 2023 A Bonds and to make the payments into all funds and accounts and all other payments provided for in the Bond Legislation, are hereby irrevocably pledged to such payments as the same become due.

B. The principal amounts of the Series 2023 B Bonds advanced will be deemed forgiven on the 30th day of June of the Fiscal Year in which advanced. The Series 2023 B Bonds shall be deemed no longer Outstanding after the last advance is forgiven. The Series 2023 B Bonds are not secured by the Net Revenues or Gross Revenues of the System.

Section 3.09. Delivery of Bonds. The Issuer shall execute and deliver the Series 2023 Bonds to the Bond Registrar, and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate, register and deliver the Series 2023 Bonds to the original purchasers upon receipt of the documents set forth below:

- A. If other than the Authority, a list of the names in which the Series 2023 Bonds are to be registered upon original issuance, together with such taxpayer identification and other information as the Bond Registrar may reasonably require;
- B. A request and authorization to the Bond Registrar on behalf of the Issuer, signed by an Authorized Officer, to authenticate and deliver the Series 2023 Bonds to the original purchasers;
- C. An executed and certified copy of the Bond Legislation;
- D. An executed copy of the Bond Purchase Agreement; and
- E. The unqualified approving opinions of bond counsel on the Series 2023 Bonds.

Section 3.10. Form of Bonds. The text of the Series 2023 Bonds shall be in substantially the following form, with such omissions, insertions and variations as may be necessary and desirable and authorized or permitted hereby, or by any Supplemental Resolution adopted prior to the issuance thereof:

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(FORM OF SERIES 2023 A BOND)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
CITY OF BENWOOD  
SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A  
(WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM)

No. AR-1

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: The \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, that the CITY OF BENWOOD, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Marshall County of said State (the "Issuer"), for value received, hereby promises to pay, solely from the special funds provided therefor, as hereinafter set forth, to the WEST VIRGINIA WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (the "Authority") or registered assigns the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS (\$ \_\_\_\_\_), or such lesser amount as shall have been advanced to the Issuer hereunder and not previously repaid, as set forth in the "Record of Advances" attached as EXHIBIT A hereto and incorporated herein by reference, in quarterly installments on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 20\_\_\_\_, to and including \_\_\_\_\_ 1, 20\_\_\_\_ as set forth on the "Debt Service Schedule" attached as EXHIBIT B hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The SRF Administrative Fee of \_\_\_\_\_% (as defined in the hereinafter described Bond Legislation) on this Bond shall be payable quarterly on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, as set forth on EXHIBIT B attached hereto.

This Bond shall bear interest at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_%. Principal installments of this Bond are payable in any coin or currency which, on the respective dates of payment of such installments, is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts under the laws of the United States of America, at the office of the West Virginia Municipal Bond Commission, Charleston, West Virginia (the "Paying Agent"). The interest on this bond is payable by check or draft of the Paying Agent mailed to the Registered Owner hereof at the address as it appears on the books of United Bank, Charleston, West Virginia, as registrar (the "Registrar"), on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the next month preceding an interest payment date, or such other method as shall be mutually agreeable so long as the Authority is the Registered Owner hereof.

This Bond may be redeemed prior to its stated date of maturity in whole or in part, but only with the express written consent of the Authority on behalf of the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP"), and upon the terms and conditions prescribed by, and otherwise in compliance with, the Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Bond Purchase Agreement") by and among the Issuer, the Authority and the DEP, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

This Bond is issued (i) to pay a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing public sewerage system of the Issuer (the "Project"); and (ii) to pay certain costs of issuance of the Bonds (the "Bonds") and related costs. The public sewerage system of the Issuer, the Project, and any further additions, betterments or improvements thereto are herein called the "System." This Bond is issued under the authority of and in full compliance with the

Constitution and statutes of the State of West Virginia, including particularly Chapter 16, Article 13 and Chapter 22C, Article 2 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (collectively, the “Act”), a Bond Ordinance duly enacted by the Issuer on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, and a Supplemental Resolution duly adopted by the Issuer on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 (collectively, the “Bond Legislation”), and is subject to all the terms and conditions thereof. The Bond Legislation provides for the issuance of additional bonds under certain conditions, and such bonds would be entitled to be paid and secured equally and ratably from and by the funds and revenues and other security provided for the Bonds under the Bond Legislation.

THIS BOND IS ISSUED ON A PARITY AS TO LIENS, PLEDGE AND SOURCE OF AND SECURITY FOR PAYMENT WITH THE ISSUER’S:

(I) SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2000 A (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM), DATED DECEMBER 20, 2000, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$318,300 (THE “SERIES 2000 ABONDS”);

(II) SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2000 B (WEST VIRGINIA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND), DATED DECEMBER 20, 2000, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$245,600 (THE “SERIES 2000 B BONDS”);

(III) SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2017 A (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM), DATED JULY 11, 2017, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,404,539 (THE “SERIES 2017 A BONDS”), (COLLECTIVELY, THE “PRIOR BONDS”).

This Bond is payable only from and secured by a pledge of the Net Revenues (as defined in the Bond Legislation) to be derived from the operation of the System on a parity with the Prior Bonds, and from monies in the Reserve Account created under the Bond Legislation for the Bonds (the “Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account”), and unexpended proceeds of the Bonds. Such Net Revenues shall be sufficient to pay the principal of and interest, if any, on all bonds which may be issued pursuant to the Act and which shall be set aside as a special fund hereby pledged for such purpose. This Bond does not constitute a corporate indebtedness of the Issuer within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provisions or limitations, nor shall the Issuer be obligated to pay the same or the interest, if any, hereon, except from said special fund provided from the Net Revenues, the monies in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account and unexpended proceeds of the Bonds. Pursuant to the Bond Legislation, the Issuer has covenanted and agreed to establish and maintain just and equitable rates and charges for the use of the System and the services rendered thereby, which shall be sufficient, together with other revenues of the System, to provide for the reasonable expenses of operation, repair and maintenance of the System, and to leave a balance each year equal to at least 115% of the maximum amount payable in any year for principal of and interest, if any, on the Bonds, the Prior Bonds and all other obligations secured by a lien on or payable from such revenues on a parity with the Bonds; provided however, that so long as there exists in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account an amount at least equal to the maximum amount of principal and interest, if any, which will become due on the Bonds in the then current or any succeeding year, and in the respective reserve accounts established for any other obligations Outstanding on a parity with or junior and subordinate, to the Bonds, including the Prior Bonds, an amount at least equal to the requirement therefore, such percentage may be reduced to 110%. The Issuer has entered into certain further covenants with the Registered Owners of the Bonds for the terms of which reference is made to the Bond Legislation. Remedies provided the Registered Owners of the Bonds are exclusively as provided in the Bond Legislation, to which reference is here made for a detailed description thereof.

Subject to the registration requirements set forth herein, this Bond is transferable, as provided in the Bond Legislation, only upon the books of the Registrar (as defined in the Bond Legislation), by the Registered Owner, or by its attorney duly authorized in writing, upon the surrender of this Bond, together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Registrar, duly executed by the Registered Owner or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

Subject to the registration requirements set forth herein, this Bond, under the provision of the Act is, and has all the qualities and incidents of, a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia.

All money received from the sale of this Bond, after reimbursement and repayment of all amounts advanced for preliminary expenses as provided by law and the Bond Legislation, shall be applied solely to payment of the Costs of the Project and costs of issuance hereof described in the Bond Legislation, and there shall be and hereby is created and granted a lien upon such monies, until so applied, in favor of the Registered Owner of this Bond.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, RECITED AND DECLARED that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, happen and be performed precedent to and at the issuance of this Bond do exist, have happened, and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law, and that the amount of this Bond, together with all other obligations of the Issuer, does not exceed any limit prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of the State of West Virginia and that a sufficient amount of the Net Revenues of the System has been pledged to and will be set aside into said special fund by the Issuer for the prompt payment of the principal and interest, if any, on of this Bond.

All provisions of the Bond Legislation, resolutions and statutes under which this Bond is issued shall be deemed to be a part of the contract evidenced by this Bond to the same extent as if written fully herein.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY OF BENWOOD has caused this Bond to be signed by its Mayor, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its Clerk, and has caused this Bond to be dated the day and year first written above.

[SEAL]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION AND REGISTRATION

This Bond is one of the Series 2023 A Bonds described in the within-mentioned Bond Legislation and has been duly registered in the name of the Registered Owner set forth above, as of the date set forth below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

UNITED BANK  
as Registrar

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Officer

EXHIBIT A

RECORD OF ADVANCES

| <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| (1) \$        |             | (21) \$       |             |
| (2) \$        |             | (22) \$       |             |
| (3) \$        |             | (23) \$       |             |
| (4) \$        |             | (24) \$       |             |
| (5) \$        |             | (25) \$       |             |
| (6) \$        |             | (26) \$       |             |
| (7) \$        |             | (27) \$       |             |
| (8) \$        |             | (28) \$       |             |
| (9) \$        |             | (29) \$       |             |
| (10) \$       |             | (30) \$       |             |
| (11) \$       |             | (31) \$       |             |
| (12) \$       |             | (32) \$       |             |
| (13) \$       |             | (33) \$       |             |
| (14) \$       |             | (34) \$       |             |
| (15) \$       |             | (35) \$       |             |
| (16) \$       |             | (36) \$       |             |
| (17) \$       |             | (37) \$       |             |
| (18) \$       |             | (38) \$       |             |
| (19) \$       |             | (39) \$       |             |
| (20) \$       |             | (40) \$       |             |

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

EXHIBIT B

DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE

(Form of)

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned sells, assigns, and transfers unto  
the within Bond and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint  
\_\_\_\_\_, Attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books  
kept for registration of the within Bond of the said Issuer with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

In the presence of:

\_\_\_\_\_

(FORM OF SERIES 2023 B BOND)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
CITY OF BENWOOD  
SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 B  
(WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM/FORGIVABLE)

No. BR-1

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: The \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, that the CITY OF BENWOOD, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Marshall County of said State (the "Issuer"), for value received, hereby promises to pay, solely from the special funds provided therefor, as hereinafter set forth, to the WEST VIRGINIA WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (the "Authority") or registered assigns the sum of \_\_\_\_\_ DOLLARS (\$ \_\_\_\_\_), or such lesser amount as shall have been advanced to the Issuer hereunder and not previously forgiven, as set forth in the "Record of Advances" attached as EXHIBIT A hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The Series 2023 B Bonds are not subject to the SRF Administrative Fee (as defined in the hereinafter described Bond Legislation).

This Bond shall bear no interest. The principal amounts advanced under the Series 2023 B Bonds will be deemed forgiven on the 30th day of June in the fiscal year in which advanced. The Series 2023 B Bonds shall be deemed no longer Outstanding after the last advance is forgiven.

This Bond may be redeemed prior to its stated date of maturity in whole or in part, but only with the express written consent of the Authority on behalf of the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP"), and upon the terms and conditions prescribed by, and otherwise in compliance with, the Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Bond Purchase Agreement") by and among the Issuer, the Authority and the DEP, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

This Bond is issued (i) to pay a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing public sewerage system of the Issuer (the "Project"); and (ii) to pay certain costs of issuance hereof and related costs. The existing public sewerage system of the Issuer, the Project, and any further additions, betterments or improvements thereto are herein called the "System." This Bond is issued under the authority of and in full compliance with the Constitution and statutes of the State of West Virginia, including particularly Chapter 16, Article 13 and Chapter 22C, Article 2 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (collectively, the "Act"), a Bond Ordinance duly enacted by the Issuer on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, and a Supplemental Resolution duly adopted by the Issuer on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 (collectively, the "Bond Legislation"), and is subject to all the terms and conditions thereof. The Bond Legislation provides for the issuance of additional bonds under certain conditions, and such bonds would be entitled to be paid and secured equally and ratably from and by the funds and revenues and other security provided for the Bonds under the Bond Legislation.

THIS BOND IS FORGIVABLE AND HAS NO LIEN ON THE NET REVENUES OR GROSS REVENUES OF THE SYSTEM.

Subject to the registration requirements set forth herein, this Bond is transferable, as provided in the Bond Legislation, only upon the books of the Registrar (as defined in the Bond Legislation) by the Registered Owner, or by its attorney duly authorized in writing, upon the surrender of this Bond, together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Registrar, duly executed by the Registered Owner or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

Subject to the registration requirements set forth herein, this Bond, under the provision of the Act is, and has all the qualities and incidents of, a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia.

All money received from the sale of this Bond, after reimbursement and repayment of all amounts advanced for preliminary expenses as provided by law and the Bond Legislation, shall be applied solely to payment of the Costs of the Project and costs of issuance described in the Bond Legislation, and there shall be and hereby is created and granted a lien upon such monies, until so applied, in favor of the Registered Owner of this Bond.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, RECITED AND DECLARED that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond do exist, have happened, and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law, and that the amount of this Bond, together with all other obligations of the Issuer, does not exceed any limit prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of the State of West Virginia.

All provisions of the Bond Legislation, resolutions and statutes under which this Bond is issued shall be deemed to be a part of the contract evidenced by this Bond to the same extent as if written fully herein.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY OF BENWOOD has caused this Bond to be signed by its Mayor, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its Clerk, and has caused this Bond to be dated the day and year first written above.

[SEAL]

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION AND REGISTRATION

This Bond is one of the Series 2023 B Bonds described in the within-mentioned Bond Legislation and has been duly registered in the name of the Registered Owner set forth above, as of the date set forth below.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

UNITED BANK  
as Registrar

\_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Officer

EXHIBIT A

RECORD OF ADVANCES

| <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| (1) \$        |             | (19)          |             |
| (2)           |             | (20)          |             |
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| (4)           |             | (22)          |             |
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| (12)          |             | (30)          |             |
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| (14)          |             | (32)          |             |
| (15)          |             | (33)          |             |
| (16)          |             | (34)          |             |
| (17)          |             | (35)          |             |
| (18)          |             | (36)          |             |

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Form of)

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned sells, assigns, and transfers unto \_\_\_\_\_ the within Bond and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint \_\_\_\_\_, Attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books kept for registration of the within Bond of the said Issuer with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

In the presence of:

\_\_\_\_\_

Section 3.11. Sale of Bonds; Approval and Ratification of Execution of Bond Purchase Agreement. The Series 2023 Bonds shall be sold to the Authority, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Bond Purchase Agreement. If not so authorized by previous ordinance or resolution, the Mayor is specifically authorized and directed to execute the Bond Purchase Agreement, and the Clerk is directed to affix the seal of the Issuer, attest the same and deliver the Bond Purchase Agreement to the Authority, and any such prior execution and delivery is hereby authorized, approved, ratified and confirmed.

Section 3.12. “Amended Schedule” Filing. Within 60 days following the Completion Date of the Project, the Issuer will file with the Authority and the DEP a schedule setting forth the actual Costs of the Project and sources of funds therefor.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

**[RESERVED]**

#### **ARTICLE V**

### **FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS; SYSTEM REVENUES AND APPLICATION THEREOF**

Section 5.01. Establishment of Funds and Accounts with Depository Bank. The following special funds or accounts are hereby created with (or continued if previously established by Prior Ordinances) and shall be held by the Depository Bank, separate and apart from all other funds or accounts of the Depository Bank and the Issuer and from each other:

- (1) Revenue Fund (established by Prior Ordinances);
- (2) Renewal and Replacement Fund (established by Prior Ordinances); and
- (3) Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund.

Section 5.02. Establishment of Funds and Accounts with Commission. The following special funds or accounts are hereby created with (or continued if previously established by Prior Ordinances) and shall be held by the Commission, separate and apart from all other funds or accounts of the Commission and the Issuer and from each other:

- (1) Series 2000 A Bonds Sinking Fund (established by Prior Ordinances);
- (2) Series 2000 A Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Ordinances);
- (3) Series 2000 B Bonds Sinking Fund (established by Prior Ordinances);
- (4) Series 2000 B Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Ordinances);
- (5) Series 2017 A Bonds Sinking Fund (established by Prior Ordinances);

- (6) Series 2017 A Bonds Reserve Account (established by Prior Ordinances);
- (7) Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund; and
- (8) Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account.

No accounts are set up at the Commission for the Series 2023 B Bonds, as they are forgivable.

Section 5.03. System Revenues; Flow of Funds. A. The entire Gross Revenues derived from the operation of the System shall be deposited upon receipt in the Revenue Fund. The Revenue Fund shall constitute a trust fund for the purposes provided in this Bond Legislation and shall be kept separate and distinct from all other funds of the Issuer and the Depository Bank and used only for the purposes and in the manner provided in this Bond Legislation. All revenues at any time on deposit in the Revenue Fund shall be disposed of only in the following manner order of priority:

- (1) The Issuer shall first, each month, pay from the moneys in the Revenue Fund all Operating Expenses of the System.
- (2) The Issuer shall next, on the first day of each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and simultaneously remit to the Commission (i) the amounts required by Prior Ordinances to pay interest on the Prior Bonds; and (ii) commencing 4 months prior to the first date of payment of interest of the Series 2023 A Bonds, for deposit in the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund, an amount equal to 1/3rd of the amount of interest which will mature and become due on the Series 2023 A Bonds on the next ensuing quarterly interest payment date; provided, that in the event the period to elapse between the date of such initial deposit in the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund and the next quarterly interest payment date is less than 4 months, then such monthly payment shall be increased proportionately to provide, 1 month prior to the next quarterly interest payment date, the required amount of interest coming due on such date.
- (3) The Issuer shall next, on the first day of each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and simultaneously remit to the Commission (i) the amounts required by Prior Ordinances to pay principal on the Prior Bonds; and (ii) commencing 4 months prior to the first date of payment of principal of the Series 2023 A Bonds, for deposit in the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund, an amount equal to 1/3rd of the amount of principal which will mature and become due on the Series 2023 A Bonds on the next ensuing quarterly principal payment date; provided, that in the event the period to elapse between the date of such initial deposit in the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund and the next quarterly principal payment date is less than 4 months, then such monthly payment shall be increased proportionately to provide, 1 month prior to the next quarterly principal payment date, the required amount of principal coming due on such date.
- (4) The Issuer shall next, each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and simultaneously remit to the Commission (i) the amounts required by Prior Ordinances to be deposited in the respective Reserve Accounts for the Prior

Bonds; and (ii) commencing 4 months prior to the first date of payment of principal of the Series 2023 A Bonds, if not fully funded upon issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds, for deposit in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account, an amount equal to 1/120th of the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Requirement; provided, that no further payments shall be made into the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account when there shall have been deposited therein, and as long as there shall remain on deposit therein, an amount equal to the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Requirement.

(5) The Issuer shall next, each month, transfer from the Revenue Fund and remit to the Depository Bank for deposit in the Renewal and Replacement Fund, an amount equal to 2.5% of the Gross Revenues each month, exclusive of any payments for account of any Reserve Account. All funds in the Renewal and Replacement Fund shall be kept apart from all other funds of the Issuer or of the Depository Bank and shall be invested and reinvested in accordance with Article VIII hereof. Withdrawals and disbursements may be made from the Renewal and Replacement Fund for replacements, repairs, improvements or extensions to the System; provided, that any deficiencies in any Reserve Account (except to the extent such deficiency exists because the required payments into such accounts have not, as of the date of determination of a deficiency, funded such accounts to the maximum extent required hereof) shall be promptly eliminated with moneys from the Renewal and Replacement Fund.

All investment earnings on monies in the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund and the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account shall be returned, not less than once each year, by the Commission to the Issuer, and such amounts shall, during construction of the Project, be deposited in the Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund, and following completion of construction of the Project, shall be deposited in the Revenue Fund and applied in full, first to the next ensuing interest payment, if any, due on the Series 2023 A Bonds and then to the next ensuing principal payment due thereon.

Any withdrawals from the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account which result in a reduction in the balance of the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account to below the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Requirement shall be subsequently restored from the first Net Revenues available after all required payments have been made in full in the priority as set forth above.

As and when additional Bonds ranking on a parity with the Series 2023 A Bonds are issued, provision shall be made for additional payments into the respective sinking funds sufficient to pay the interest on such additional parity Bonds and accomplish retirement thereof at maturity and to accumulate a balance in the respective reserve accounts in an amount equal to the requirement therefor.

The Issuer shall not be required to make any further payments into the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund or into the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account therein when the aggregate amount of funds therein are at least equal to the aggregate principal amount of the Series 2023 A Bonds issued pursuant to this Bond Legislation then Outstanding and all interest, if any, to accrue until the maturity thereof.

The Commission is hereby designated as the fiscal agent for the administration of the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund and the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account created hereunder, and

all required amounts shall be remitted to the Commission from the Revenue Fund by the Issuer at the times provided herein.

Monies in the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund and the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account shall be invested and reinvested by the Commission in accordance with Section 8.01 hereof.

The Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund and the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account, shall be used solely and only for, and are hereby pledged for, the purpose of servicing the Series 2023 A Bonds under the conditions and restrictions set forth herein.

B. The Issuer shall, on the first day of each month (if the first day is not a business day, then the first business day of each month), deposit with the Commission the required interest, if any, principal and reserve account payments with respect to the Series 2023 A Bonds and all such payments shall be remitted to the Commission with appropriate instructions as to the custody, use and application thereof consistent with the provisions of this Bond Legislation. The Issuer shall, on the first day of each month (if the first day is not a business day, then the first business day of each month) deposit with the Commission, the SRF Administrative Fee as set forth in the Schedule Y attached to the Bond Purchase Agreement for the Series 2023 A Bonds.

C. Whenever all of the required and provided transfers and payments from the Revenue Fund into the several special funds, as hereinbefore provided, are current and there remains in the Revenue Fund a balance in excess of the estimated amounts required to be so transferred and paid into such funds during the following month or such other period as required by the Act, such excess shall be considered Surplus Revenues. Surplus Revenues may be used for any lawful purpose of the System.

D. The Issuer shall remit from the Revenue Fund to the Commission, the Registrar, the Paying Agent or the Depository Bank, on such dates as the Commission, the Registrar, the Paying Agent or the Depository Bank, as the case may be, shall require, such additional sums as shall be necessary to pay their respective charges and fees then due. In the case of payments to the Commission under this paragraph, the Issuer shall, make the necessary arrangements whereby such required payments shall be automatically debited from the Revenue Fund and electronically transferred to the Commission on the dates required.

E. The monies in excess of the maximum amounts insured by FDIC in all funds and accounts shall at all times be secured, to the full extent thereof in excess of such insured sum, by Qualified Investments as shall be eligible as security for deposits of state and municipal funds under the laws of the State.

F. If on any monthly payment date the revenues are insufficient to place the required amount in any of the funds and accounts as hereinabove provided, the deficiency shall be made up in the subsequent payments in addition to the payments which would otherwise be required to be made into the funds and accounts on the subsequent payment dates; provided, however, that the priority of curing deficiencies in the funds and accounts herein shall be in the same order as payments are to be made pursuant to this Section 5.03, and the Net Revenues shall be applied to such deficiencies on a parity and pro rata with respect to the Series 2023 A Bonds and the Prior Bonds all in accordance with the respective principal amounts Outstanding before being applied to any other payments hereunder.

G.. All remittances made by the Issuer to the Commission and the Depository Bank shall clearly identify the fund or account into which each amount is to be deposited.

H. The Gross Revenues of the System shall only be used for purposes of the System.

I. All Tap Fees shall be deposited in the Revenue Fund and may be used for any lawful purpose of the System.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **BOND PROCEEDS; CONSTRUCTION DISBURSEMENTS**

Section 6.01. Application of Bond Proceeds; Pledge of Unexpended Bond Proceeds. From the monies received from the sale of the Series 2023 Bonds, the following amounts shall be first deducted and deposited in the order set forth below:

A. From the proceeds of the Series 2023 A Bonds, there shall first be deposited with the Commission in the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund, the amount, if any, set forth in the Supplemental Resolution as capitalized interest.

B. Next, from the proceeds of the Series 2023 A Bonds, there shall be deposited with the Commission in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account, the amount, if any, set forth in the Supplemental Resolution for funding of the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account.

C. As the Issuer receives advances of the remaining monies derived from the sale of the Series 2023 A Bonds, such monies shall be deposited with the Depository Bank in the 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund and applied solely to payment of Costs of the Project in the manner set forth in Section 6.02 hereof, and until expended, are hereby pledged as additional security for the Series 2023 A Bonds.

D. As the Issuer receives advances of monies derived from the sale of the Series 2023 B Bonds, such monies shall be deposited with the Depository Bank in the 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund and applied solely to payment of the Costs of the Project in the manner set forth in Section 6.02 hereof, and until expended, are hereby pledged as additional security for the Series 2023 B Bonds.

E. After completion of construction of the Project, as certified by the Consulting Engineers, and all costs have been paid, any remaining proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds shall be expended as approved by the DEP.

Section 6.02. Disbursements From the Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund On or before the Closing Date, the Issuer shall have delivered to the Authority and the DEP a report listing the specific purposes for which the proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds will be expended and the disbursement procedures of such proceeds, including an estimated monthly draw schedule. Payments for Costs of the Project shall be made monthly. Invoices for which repayment from the Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund will be sought must first be approved by the Issuer.

Except as provided in Section 6.01 hereof, disbursements from the Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund shall be made only after submission to, and approval from, the Authority and the

DEP of a completed and signed "Payment Requisition Form," a form of which is attached to the Bond Purchase Agreement, in compliance with the construction schedule.

Pending such application, monies in the Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund shall be invested and reinvested in Qualified Investments at the written direction of the Issuer.

## **ARTICLE VII**

### **ADDITIONAL COVENANTS OF THE ISSUER**

Section 7.01. General Covenants of the Issuer. All the covenants, agreements and provisions of this Bond Legislation shall be and constitute valid and legally binding covenants of the Issuer and shall be enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction by any Holder or Holders of the Series 2023 Bonds. In addition to the other covenants, agreements and provisions of this Bond Legislation, the Issuer hereby covenants and agrees with the Holders of the Series 2023 Bonds as hereinafter provided in this Article VII. All such covenants, agreements and provisions shall be irrevocable, except as provided herein, as long as any of the Series 2023 Bonds or the interest, if any, thereon is Outstanding and unpaid.

Section 7.02. Bonds not to be Indebtedness of the Issuer. The Series 2023 Bonds shall not be nor constitute a corporate indebtedness of the Issuer within the meaning of any constitutional, statutory or charter limitation of indebtedness, but shall be payable solely from the funds pledged for such payment by this Bond Legislation. No Holder or Holders of any Series 2023 Bonds shall ever have the right to compel the exercise of the taxing power of the Issuer to pay the Series 2023 Bonds or the interest, if any, thereon.

Section 7.03. Series 2023 A Bonds Secured by Pledge of Net Revenues. The payment of the debt service of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be secured forthwith equally and ratably by a first lien on the Net Revenues derived from the System on a parity with the Prior Bonds. The Net Revenues in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest, if any, on the Series 2023 A Bonds and the Prior Bonds and to make the payments into all funds and accounts and all other payments provided for in the Bond Legislation are hereby irrevocably pledged, in the manner provided herein, to such payments as they become due, and for the other purposes provided in the Bond Legislation.

Section 7.04. Rates and Charges. The Issuer has obtained any and all approvals of rates and charges required by State law and has taken any other action required to establish and impose such rates and charges, with all requisite appeal periods having expired without successful appeal and the Issuer shall supply an opinion of counsel to such effect. Such rates and charges shall be sufficient to comply with the requirements of the Bond Purchase Agreement and the Issuer shall supply a certificate of Certified Public Accountant to such effect. The initial schedule of rates and charges for the services and facilities of the System shall be as set forth and approved and described in the sewer rate ordinance of the Issuer adopted February 22, 2022 which rates are incorporated herein by reference as a part hereof.

So long as the Series 2023 Bonds are Outstanding, the Issuer covenants and agrees to fix and collect rates, fees and other charges for the use of the System and to take all such actions necessary to provide funds sufficient to produce the required sums set forth in the Bond Legislation and in compliance with the Bond Purchase Agreement. In the event the schedule of rates and charges initially established for the System in connection with the Series 2023 Bonds shall prove to be insufficient to produce the required

sums set forth in this Bond Legislation and the Bond Purchase Agreement, the Issuer hereby covenants and agrees that it will, to the extent or in the manner authorized by law, immediately adjust and increase such schedule of rates and charges and take all such actions necessary to provide funds sufficient to produce the required sums set forth in this Bond Legislation and the Bond Purchase Agreement.

Section 7.05. Sale of the System. So long as the Prior Bonds are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not sell, lease, mortgage or in any manner dispose of or encumber the System, or any part thereof, except as provided in the Prior Ordinances and with the written consent of the Authority.

So long as the Series 2023 Bonds are Outstanding and except as otherwise required by law or with the written consent of the Authority, the System may not be sold, mortgaged, leased or otherwise disposed of, except as a whole, or substantially as a whole, and only if the net proceeds to be realized shall be sufficient to fully pay all the Bonds Outstanding in accordance with Article X hereof. The proceeds from any such sale, mortgage, lease or other disposition of the System shall, with respect to the Series 2023 Bonds, immediately be remitted to the Commission for deposit in the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund, and, with the written permission of the Authority or in the event the Authority is no longer a Bondholder, the Issuer shall direct the Commission to apply such proceeds to the payment of principal of and interest, if any, on the Series 2023 A Bonds in accordance with Article X hereof. Any balance remaining after the payment of the Bonds and the interest, if any, thereon shall be remitted to the Issuer by the Commission unless necessary for the payment of other obligations of the Issuer payable out of the revenues of the System.

The foregoing provision notwithstanding, the Issuer shall have and hereby reserves the right to sell, lease or otherwise dispose of any of the property comprising a part of the System hereinafter determined in the manner provided herein to be no longer necessary, useful or profitable in the operation thereof. Prior to any such sale, lease or other disposition of such property, if the amount to be received therefor, together with all other amounts received during the same Fiscal Year for such sales, leases or other dispositions of such properties, is not in excess of \$10,000, the Issuer shall, by resolution duly adopted, determine that such property comprising a part of the System is no longer necessary, useful or profitable in the operation thereof and may then provide for the sale of such property. The proceeds of any such sale shall be deposited in the Renewal and Replacement Fund. If the amount to be received from such sale, lease or other disposition of said property, together with all other amounts received during the same Fiscal Year for such sales, leases or other dispositions of such properties, shall be in excess of \$10,000 but not in excess of \$50,000, the Issuer shall first, determine that such property comprising a part of the System is no longer necessary, useful or profitable in the operation thereof and may then, if it be so advised, by resolution duly adopted, authorize such sale, lease or other disposition of such property in accordance with the laws of the State. The proceeds of any such sale shall be deposited in the Renewal and Replacement Fund for the repayment of the Bonds. The payment of such proceeds into the Renewal and Replacement Fund shall not reduce the amounts required to be paid into such funds by other provisions of this Bond Legislation.

No sale, lease or other disposition of the properties of the System shall be made by the Issuer if the proceeds to be derived therefrom, together with all other amounts received during the same Fiscal Year for such sales, leases, or other dispositions of such properties, shall be in excess of \$50,000 and insufficient to pay all Bonds then Outstanding without the prior approval and consent in writing of the Holders, or their duly authorized representatives, of the Bonds then Outstanding. The Issuer shall prepare the form of such approval and consent for execution by the then Holders of the Bonds for the disposition of the proceeds of the sale, lease or other disposition of such properties of the System.

Section 7.06. Issuance of Other Obligations Payable Out of Revenues and General Covenant Against Encumbrances. Except as provided for in this Section 7.06 and Section 7.07 hereof, the Issuer shall not issue any obligations whatsoever payable from the revenues of the System which rank prior to, or equally, as to lien on and source of and security for payment from such revenues with the Series 2023 A Bonds. All obligations issued by the Issuer after the issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds and payable from the revenues of the System, except such additional parity Bonds, shall contain an express statement that such obligations are junior and subordinate, as to lien on and source of and security for payment from such revenues and in all other respects, to the Series 2023 A Bonds; provided, that no such subordinate obligations shall be issued unless all payments required to be made into all funds and accounts established by this Bond Legislation have been made and are current at the time of the issuance of such subordinate obligations.

Except as provided above, the Issuer shall not create, or cause or permit to be created, any debt, lien, pledge, assignment, encumbrance or any other charge having priority over or being on a parity with the lien of the Series 2023 A Bonds, and the interest, if any, thereon, upon any of the income and revenues of the System pledged for payment of the Series 2023 A Bonds and the interest, if any, thereon in this Bond Legislation, or upon the System or any part thereof.

The Issuer shall give the Authority and the DEP prior written notice of its issuance of any other obligations to be used for the System, payable from the revenues of the System or from any grants for the Project, or any other obligations related to the Project or the System.

Section 7.07. Parity Bonds. So long as the Prior Bonds are Outstanding, the limitations on the issuance of parity obligations set forth in the Prior Ordinances shall be applicable. In addition, no additional Parity Bonds, payable out of the revenues of the System, shall be issued after the issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds pursuant to this Bond Legislation, without the prior written consent of the Authority under the conditions and in the manner herein provided (unless less restrictive than the provisions of the Prior Ordinances).

All Parity Bonds issued hereunder shall be on a parity in all respects with the Series 2023 Bonds.

No such additional Parity Bonds shall be issued except for the purpose of financing the costs of design, acquisition or construction of additions, extensions, betterments or improvements to the System, refunding all or a portion of one or more series of Bonds issued pursuant hereto, or to pay claims which may exist against the revenues or facilities of the System or all of such purposes.

So long as the Series 2023 A Bonds or Prior Bonds are Outstanding, no Parity Bonds shall be issued at any time, however, unless and until there has been procured and filed with the Clerk a written statement by the Independent Certified Public Accountants reciting the conclusion that the Net Revenues actually derived, subject to the adjustments hereinafter provided for, from the System during any 12 consecutive months within the 18 months immediately preceding the date of the actual issuance of such additional Parity Bonds, plus the estimated average increased annual Net Revenues to be received in each of the 3 succeeding years after the completion of the improvements to be financed by such Parity Bonds, if any, shall not be less than 115% of the largest aggregate amount that will mature and become due in any succeeding Fiscal Year for principal of and interest, if any, on the following:

- (1) The Bonds then Outstanding;

- (2) Any additional Parity Bonds theretofore issued pursuant to the provisions contained in the Prior Ordinances and this Bond Legislation then Outstanding; and
- (3) The additional Parity Bonds then proposed to be issued.

The “estimated average increased annual Net Revenues to be received in each of the 3 succeeding years,” as that term is used in the computation provided in the above paragraph, shall refer only to the increased Net Revenues estimated to be derived from the improvements to be financed by such Parity Bonds and any increase in rates enacted by the Issuer, the time for appeal of which shall have expired (without successful appeal) prior to the issuance of such Parity Bonds, and shall not exceed the amount to be stated in a certificate of the Independent Certified Public Accountants, which shall be filed in the office of the Clerk prior to the issuance of such Parity Bonds.

The Net Revenues actually derived from the System during the 12-consecutive month period hereinabove referred to may be adjusted by adding to such Net Revenues such additional Net Revenues which would have been received, in the opinion of the Independent Certified Public Accountants, as stated in a certificate, on account of increased rates, rentals, fees and charges for the System enacted by the Issuer, the time for appeal of which shall have expired (without successful appeal) prior to issuance of such Parity Bonds.

All covenants and other provisions of this Bond Legislation (except as to details of such Parity Bonds inconsistent herewith) shall be for the equal benefit, protection and security of the Holders of the Bonds and the Holders of any Parity Bonds subsequently issued from time to time within the limitations of and in compliance with this section. Bonds issued on a parity, regardless of the time or times of their issuance, shall rank equally with respect to their lien on the Net Revenues of the System and their source of and security for payment from said Net Revenues, without preference of any Bond of one series over any other Bond of the same series. The Issuer shall comply fully with all the increased payments into the various funds and accounts created in this Bond Legislation required for and on account of such Parity Bonds, in addition to the payments required for Bonds theretofore issued pursuant to this Bond Legislation.

Parity Bonds shall not be deemed to include bonds, notes, certificates or other obligations subsequently issued, the lien of which on the revenues of the System is subject to the prior and superior lien of the Bonds on such revenues. The Issuer shall not issue any obligations whatsoever payable from the revenues of the System, or any part thereof, which rank prior to or, except in the manner and under the conditions provided in this section, equally, as to lien on and source of and security for payment from such revenues, with the Bonds.

No Parity Bonds shall be issued at any time, however, unless all of the payments into the respective funds and accounts provided for in this Bond Legislation with respect to the Bonds then Outstanding, and any other payments provided for in this Bond Legislation, shall have been made in full as required to the date of delivery of the Parity Bonds, and the Issuer then be in full compliance with all the covenants, agreements and terms of this Bond Legislation.

Section 7.08. Books; Records and Audit. The Issuer shall keep complete and accurate records of the cost of acquiring the Project site and the costs of acquiring, constructing and installing the Project. The Issuer shall permit the Authority and the DEP or their agents and representatives, to inspect all books, documents, papers and records relating to the Project and the System at all reasonable times for

the purpose of audit and examination. The Issuer shall submit to the Authority and the DEP such documents and information as they may reasonably require in connection with the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project, the operation and maintenance of the System and the administration of the loan or any grants or other sources of financing for the Project.

The Issuer shall permit the Authority and the DEP or their agents and representatives, to inspect all records pertaining to the operation and maintenance the System at all reasonable times following completion of construction of the Project and commencement of operation thereof, or, if the Project is an improvement to an existing system, at any reasonable time following commencement of construction.

The Issuer will keep books and records of the System, which shall be separate and apart from all other books, records and accounts of the Issuer, in which complete and correct entries shall be made of all transactions relating to the System, and any Holder of a Bond or Bonds issued pursuant to this Bond Legislation shall have the right at all reasonable times to inspect the System and all parts thereof and all records, accounts and data of the Issuer relating thereto.

The accounting system for the System shall follow current generally accepted accounting principles and safeguards to the extent allowed and as prescribed by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia. Separate control accounting records shall be maintained by the Governing Body. Subsidiary records as may be required shall be kept in the manner and on the forms, books and other bookkeeping records as prescribed by the Governing Body. The Governing Body shall prescribe and institute the manner by which subsidiary records of the accounting system which may be installed remote from the direct supervision of the Governing Body shall be reported to such agent of the Issuer as the Governing Body shall direct.

The Issuer shall file with the Authority and the DEP, or any other original purchaser of the Series 2023 Bonds, and shall mail in each year to any Holder or Holders of the Series 2023 Bonds, requesting the same, an annual report containing the following:

- (A) A statement of Gross Revenues, Operating Expenses, Net Revenues and Surplus Revenues derived from and relating to the System.
- (B) A balance sheet statement showing all deposits in all the funds and accounts provided for in this Bond Legislation and the status of all said funds and accounts.
- (C) The amount of any Bonds, notes or other obligations Outstanding.

The Issuer shall also, at least once a year, cause the books, records and accounts of the System to be audited by Independent Certified Public Accountants (and in compliance with 2 CFR 200 Subpart F, or any successor thereto, to the extent legally required), and shall mail upon request, and make available generally, the report of said Independent Certified Public Accountants, or a summary thereof, to any Holder or Holders of the Series 2023 Bonds and shall submit said report to the Authority and the DEP, or any other original purchaser of the Series 2023 Bonds. Such audit report submitted to the Authority and the DEP shall include a statement that the Issuer is in compliance with the terms and provisions of the Act, the Bond Purchase Agreement and this Bond Legislation and that the revenues of the System are adequate to meet the Issuer's Operating Expenses and debt service and reserve requirements.

Subject to the terms, conditions and provisions of the Bond Purchase Agreement and the Act, the Issuer has acquired, or shall do all things necessary to acquire, the proposed site of the Project and shall do, is doing or has done all things necessary to construct the Project in accordance with the plans, specifications and designs prepared by the Consulting Engineers. All real estate and interests in real estate and all personal property constituting the Project and the Project site heretofore or hereafter acquired shall at all times be and remain the property of the Issuer.

The Issuer shall provide the DEP with all appropriate documentation to comply with any special conditions established by federal and/or state regulations as set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement for the Series 2023 Bonds or any Exhibit thereto or as promulgated from time to time.

The Issuer shall permit the Authority and the DEP, or their agents and representatives, to enter and inspect the Project site and Project facilities at all reasonable times. Prior to, during and after completion of construction and commencement of operation of the Project, the Issuer shall provide the Authority and the DEP, or their agents and representatives, with access to the System site and System facilities as may be reasonably necessary to accomplish all of the powers and rights of the Authority and the DEP with respect to the System pursuant to the Act.

Section 7.09. Rates. Prior to the issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds, equitable rates or charges for the use of and service rendered by the System have been established all in the manner and form required by law, and copies of such rates and charges so established will be continuously on file with the Clerk, which copies will be open to inspection by all interested parties. The schedule of rates and charges shall at all times be adequate to produce Gross Revenues from the System sufficient to pay Operating Expenses and to make the prescribed payments into the funds created hereunder. Such schedule of rates and charges shall be changed and readjusted whenever necessary so that the aggregate of the rates and charges will be sufficient for such purposes. In order to assure full and continuous performance of this covenant, with a margin for contingencies and temporary unanticipated reduction in income and revenues, the Issuer hereby covenants and agrees that the schedule of rates or charges from time to time in effect shall be sufficient, together with other revenues of the System to meet the coverage requirements set forth in the Prior Ordinances so long as the Prior Bonds are Outstanding and thereafter, (i) to provide for all Operating Expenses of the System and (ii) to leave a balance each year equal to at least 115% of the maximum amount required in any year for payment of principal of and interest, if any, on the Series 2023 A Bonds, the Prior Bonds and all other obligations secured by a lien on or payable from such revenues on a parity with, or subordinate to, the Series 2023 A Bonds, including the Prior Bonds provided, that in the event the amounts equal to or in excess of the reserve requirements are on deposit respectively in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account and any Reserve Accounts for obligations on a parity with the Series 2023 A Bonds, are funded at least at the requirement therefor, such balance each year need only equal at least 110% of the maximum amount required in any year for payment of principal of and interest, if any, on the Series 2023 A Bonds, the Prior Bonds and all other obligations secured by a lien on or payable from such revenues on a parity with the Series 2023 A Bonds. In any event, the Issuer shall not reduce the rates or charges for services set forth in the rate ordinance described in Section 7.04 hereof.

The Issuer hereby covenants to commence enactment of such ordinance or ordinances as shall be required to increase the rates and charges for the services and facilities of the System within 30 days following a determination of the Independent Certified Public Accountant that less than the above-required coverage exists or in the event that the annual audit report shows less than the above-required coverage, such increase to provide rates and charges sufficient to produce such required coverage.

Section 7.10. Operating Budget and Monthly Financial Report. The Issuer shall annually, at least 45 days preceding the beginning of each Fiscal Year, prepare and adopt by resolution a detailed, balanced budget of the estimated revenues and expenditures for operation and maintenance of the System during the succeeding Fiscal Year and shall submit a copy of such budget to the DEP and the Authority within 30 days of adoption thereof. The Issuer shall mail copies of such annual budget and all resolutions authorizing increased expenditures for operation and maintenance within 30 days of adoption to the Authority and the DEP and to any Holder of the Bonds, who shall file his or her address with the Issuer and request in writing that copies of all such budgets and resolutions be furnished him or her and shall make available such budgets and all resolutions authorizing increased expenditures for operation and maintenance of the System at all reasonable times to the DEP, the Authority and to any Holder of any Bonds, or anyone acting for and in behalf of such Holder of any Bonds.

Commencing on the date contracts are executed for the acquisition and construction of the Project and for two years following the completion of the Project, the Issuer shall each month complete a "Monthly Financial Report," a form of which is attached to the Bond Purchase Agreement, and forward a copy of such report to the DEP and the Authority by the 20th day of each month.

Section 7.11. Engineering Services and Operating Personnel. The Issuer will obtain a certificate of the Consulting Engineers in the form attached to the Bond Purchase Agreement, stating, among other things, that the Project has been or will be constructed in accordance with the approved plans, specifications and designs as submitted to the Authority and the DEP, the Project is adequate for the purposes for which it was designed, the funding plan as submitted to the Authority and the DEP is sufficient to pay the costs of acquisition and construction of the Project, and all permits required by federal and state laws for construction of the Project have been obtained.

The Issuer shall provide and maintain competent and adequate engineering services satisfactory to the Authority and the DEP covering the supervision and inspection of the development and construction of the Project and bearing the responsibility of assuring that construction conforms to the plans, specifications and designs prepared by the Consulting Engineers, which have been approved by all necessary governmental bodies. Such engineer shall certify to the Authority and the DEP and the Issuer at the completion of construction that construction of the Project is in accordance with the approved plans, specifications and designs, or amendments thereto, approved by all necessary governmental bodies.

The Issuer shall require the Consulting Engineers to submit Record Drawings, as defined in the SRF Regulations, to it within 60 days of the completion of the Project. The Issuer shall notify the DEP in writing of such receipt. The Issuer shall submit a "Performance Certificate," a form of which is attached to the Bond Purchase Agreement as Exhibit A, to the DEP within 60 days of the end of the first year after the Project is completed.

The Issuer shall require the Consulting Engineers to submit the final Operation and Maintenance Manual, as defined in the SRF Regulations, to the DEP when the Project is 90% completed. The Issuer shall at all times provide operation and maintenance of the System in compliance with all state and federal standards.

The Issuer shall employ qualified operating personnel properly certified by the State before the Project is 50% complete and shall retain such a certified operator to operate the System during the entire term of the Bond Purchase Agreement. The Issuer shall notify the DEP in writing of the certified operator employed at the 50% completion stage.

The Issuer shall serve the additional customers at the location(s) as set forth in Certificate of Engineer. The Issuer shall not reduce the amount of additional customers served by the project without the prior written approval of the Board of the Authority. Following completion of the Project the Issuer shall certify to the Authority the number of customers added to the System.

Section 7.12. No Competing Franchise. To the extent legally allowable, the Issuer will not grant or cause, consent to or allow the granting of, any franchise or permit to any person, firm, corporation, body, agency or instrumentality whatsoever for the providing of any services which would compete with services provided by the System.

Section 7.13. Enforcement of Collections. The Issuer will diligently enforce and collect all fees, rentals or other charges for the services and facilities of the System, and take all steps, actions and proceedings for the enforcement and collection of such fees, rentals or other charges which shall become delinquent to the full extent permitted or authorized by the Act, the rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia and other laws of the State of West Virginia.

Whenever any fees, rates, rentals or other charges for the services and facilities of the System shall remain unpaid for a period of 30 days after the same shall become due and payable, the property and the owner thereof, as well as the user of the services and facilities, shall be delinquent until such time as all such rates and charges are fully paid. To the extent authorized by the laws of the State and the rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, rates, rentals and other charges, if not paid when due, shall become a lien on the premises served by the System. The Issuer further covenants and agrees that, it will, to the full extent permitted by law and the rules and regulations promulgated by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, discontinue and shut off the services of the System, and any services and facilities of the water system, if so owned by the Issuer, to all users of the services of the System delinquent in payment of charges for the services of the System and will not restore such services of either system until all delinquent charges for the services of the System, plus reasonable interest and penalty charges for the restoration of service, have been fully paid and shall take all further actions to enforce collections to the maximum extent permitted by law. If the water facilities are not owned by the Issuer, the Issuer shall enter into a termination agreement with the water provider of such water, subject to any required approval of such agreement by the Public Service Commission of West Virginia and all rules, regulations and orders of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia.

Section 7.14. No Free Services. The Issuer will not render or cause to be rendered any free services of any nature by the System, nor will any preferential rates be established for users of the same class; and in the event the Issuer, or any department, agency, instrumentality, officer or employee of the Issuer shall avail itself or themselves of the facilities or services provided by the System, or any part thereof, the same rates, fees or charges applicable to other customers receiving like services under similar circumstances shall be charged the Issuer and any such department, agency, instrumentality, officer or employee. The revenues so received shall be deemed to be revenues derived from the operation of the System, and shall be deposited and accounted for in the same manner as other revenues derived from such operation of the System.

Section 7.15. Insurance and Construction Bonds. A. The Issuer hereby covenants and agrees that so long as the Series 2023 Bonds remain Outstanding, the Issuer will, as an Operating Expense, procure, carry and maintain insurance with a reputable insurance carrier or carriers as is customarily covered

with respect to works and properties similar to the System. Such insurance shall initially cover the following risks and be in the following amounts:

(1) FIRE, LIGHTNING, VANDALISM, MALICIOUS MISCHIEF AND EXTENDED COVERAGE INSURANCE, on all above-ground insurable portions of the System in an amount equal to the actual cost thereof. In time of war the Issuer will also carry and maintain insurance to the extent available against the risks and hazards of war. In the event of any damage to or destruction of any portion of the System, the proceeds of all such insurance policies shall be placed in the Renewal and Replacement Fund and used only for the repairs and restoration of the damaged or destroyed properties or for the other purposes provided herein for the Renewal and Replacement Fund. The Issuer will itself, or will require each contractor and subcontractor to, obtain and maintain builder's risk insurance (fire and extended coverage) to protect the interests of the Issuer, the Authority, the prime contractor and all subcontractors as their respective interests may appear, in accordance with the Bond Purchase Agreement, during construction of the Project on a 100% basis (completed value form) on the insurable portion of the Project, such insurance to be made payable to the order of the Authority, the Issuer, the contractors and subcontractors, as their interests may appear.

(2) PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE, with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence to protect the Issuer from claims for bodily injury and/or death and not less than \$500,000 per occurrence from claims for damage to property of others which may arise from the operation of the System, and insurance with the same limits to protect the Issuer from claims arising out of operation or ownership of motor vehicles of or for the System.

(3) WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR ALL EMPLOYEES OF OR FOR THE SYSTEM ELIGIBLE THEREFOR; AND PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS, such bonds to be in the amounts of 100% of the construction contract and to be required of each contractor contracting directly with the Issuer, and such payment bonds will be filed with the Clerk of The County Commission of the County in which such work is to be performed prior to commencement of construction of the Project in compliance with West Virginia Code, Chapter 38, Article 2, Section 39.

(4) FLOOD INSURANCE, if the facilities of the System are or will be located in designated special flood or mudslide-prone areas and to the extent available at reasonable cost to the Issuer.

(5) BUSINESS INTERRUPTION INSURANCE, to the extent available at reasonable cost to the Issuer.

(6) FIDELITY BONDS will be provided as to every officer, member and employee of the Issuer or the Governing Body having custody of the revenues or of any other funds of the System, in an amount at least equal to the total funds in the custody of any such person at any one time.

B. The Issuer shall require all contractors engaged in the construction of the Project to furnish a performance bond and a payment bond, each in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price of the portion of the Project covered by the particular contract as security for the faithful performance of such contract. The Issuer shall verify such bonds prior to commencement of construction.

The Issuer shall also require all contractors engaged in the construction of the Project to carry such workers' compensation coverage for all employees working on the Project and public liability insurance, vehicular liability insurance and property damage insurance in amounts adequate for such purposes and as is customarily carried with respect to works and properties similar to the Project; provided, that the amounts and terms of such coverage are satisfactory to the Authority and the DEP and the Issuer shall verify such insurance prior to commencement of construction. In the event the Bond Purchase Agreement so requires, such insurance shall be made payable to the order of the Authority, the Issuer, the prime contractor and all subcontractors, as their interests may appear.

Section 7.16. Mandatory Connections. The mandatory use of the System is essential and necessary for the protection and preservation of the public health, comfort, safety, convenience and welfare of the inhabitants and residents of, and the economy of, the Issuer and in order to assure the rendering harmless of sewage and water-borne waste matter produced or arising within the territory served by the System. Accordingly, every owner, tenant or occupant of any house, dwelling or building located near the System, where sewage will flow by gravity or be transported by such other methods approved by the State Department of Health from such house, dwelling or building into the System, to the extent permitted by the laws of the State and the rules and regulations of the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, shall connect with and use the System and shall cease the use of all other means for the collection, treatment and disposal of sewage and waste matters from such house, dwelling or building where there is such gravity flow or transportation by such other method approved by the State Department of Health and such house, dwelling or building can be adequately served by the System, and every such owner, tenant or occupant shall, after a 30-day notice of the availability of the System, pay the rates and charges established therefor.

Any such house, dwelling or building from which emanates sewage or water-borne waste matter and which is not so connected with the System is hereby declared and found to be a hazard to the health, safety, comfort and welfare of the inhabitants of the Issuer and a public nuisance which shall be abated to the extent permitted by law and as promptly as possible by proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction.

Section 7.17. Completion and Operation of Project; Permits and Orders. The Issuer shall complete the Project as promptly as possible and operate and maintain the System as a revenue-producing utility in good condition and in compliance with all federal and state requirements and standards.

The Issuer has obtained all permits required by State and federal laws for the acquisition and construction of the Project and all orders and approvals required by State law necessary for the acquisition and construction of the Project, the operation of the System and all approvals for issuance of the Bonds required by State law, with all requisite appeal periods having expired without successful appeal and the Issuer shall provide an opinion of counsel to such effect.

Section 7.18. Compliance with Bond Purchase Agreement and Law. The Issuer shall perform, satisfy and comply with all the terms and conditions of the Bond Purchase Agreement and the

Act. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuer shall provide the DEP with copies of all documents submitted to the Authority.

The Issuer shall also comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations issued by the Authority, all federal requirement imposed by BIL, Public Law 117-58, DEP or other State, federal or local bodies in regard to the acquisition and construction of the Project and the operation, maintenance and use of the System.

The Issuer shall perform an annual maintenance audit which maintenance audit shall be submitted to the Authority and the Public Service Commission of West Virginia in the manner prescribed by and the guidelines established by the Authority and the Public Service Commission of West Virginia.

Section 7.19. [RESERVED]

Section 7.20. Securities Laws Compliance. The Issuer will provide the Authority, in a timely manner, with any and all information that may be requested of it (including its annual audit report, financial statements, related information and notices of changes in usage and customer base) so that the Authority may comply with the provisions of SEC Rule 15c2-12 (17 CFR Part 240).

Section 7.21. Contracts; Change Orders; Public Releases. A. The Issuer shall, simultaneously with the delivery of the Series 2023 Bonds or immediately thereafter, enter into written contracts for the immediate acquisition or construction of the Project.

B. The Issuer shall submit all proposed change orders to the DEP for written approval. The Issuer shall obtain the written approval of the DEP before expending any proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds held in "contingency" as set forth in the Schedule attached to the certificate of the Consulting Engineer. The Issuer shall also obtain the written approval of the DEP before expending any proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds made available due to bid or construction or project underruns.

C. The Issuer shall list the funding provided by the DEP and the Authority in any press release, publication, program bulletin, sign or other public communication that references the Project, including but not limited to any program document distributed in conjunction with any ground breaking or dedication of the Project. The Issuer shall provide DEP with appropriate documentation to comply with special conditions regarding public release requirements established by federal and stat regulations.

Section 7.22. Statutory Mortgage Lien. For the further protection of the Holders of the Series 2023 A Bonds, a statutory mortgage lien upon the System is granted and created by the Act, which statutory mortgage lien is hereby recognized and declared to be valid and binding, shall take effect immediately upon delivery of the Series 2023 A Bonds and shall be on a parity with the statutory mortgage lien in favor of the Holders of the Prior Bonds.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **INVESTMENT OF FUNDS**

Section 8.01. Investments. Any monies held as a part of the funds and accounts created by this Bond Legislation other than the Revenue Fund, shall be invested and reinvested by the Commission,

the Depository Bank, or such other bank or national banking association holding such fund or account, as the case may be, at the written direction of the Issuer in any Qualified Investments to the fullest extent possible under applicable laws, this Bond Legislation, the need for such monies for the purposes set forth herein and the specific restrictions and provisions set forth in this Section 8.01.

Any investment shall be held in and at all times deemed a part of the fund or account in which such monies were originally held, and the interest accruing thereon and any profit or loss realized from such investment shall be credited or charged to the appropriate fund or account. The investments held for any fund or account shall be valued at the lower of cost or then current market value, or at the redemption price thereof if then redeemable at the option of the holder, including the value of accrued interest and giving effect to the amortization of discount, or at par if such investment is held in the "Consolidated Fund." The Commission, the Depository Bank, or such other bank or national banking association, as the case may be, shall sell and reduce to cash a sufficient amount of such investments whenever the cash balance in any fund or account is insufficient to make the payments required from such fund or account, regardless of the loss on such liquidation. The Depository Bank may make any and all investments permitted by this section through its own investment or trust department and shall not be responsible for any losses from such investments, other than for its own negligence or willful misconduct.

The Depository Bank shall keep complete and accurate records of all funds, accounts and investments, and shall distribute to the Issuer, at least once each year, or more often as reasonably requested by the Issuer, a summary of such funds, accounts and investment earnings. The Issuer shall retain all such records and any additional records with respect to such funds, accounts and investment earnings so long as any of the Series 2023 Bonds are Outstanding and as long thereafter as necessary to assure the exclusion of interest on the Series 2023 Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

Section 8.02. Certificate as to Use of Proceeds; Covenants as to Use of Proceeds. The Issuer shall deliver a certificate as to use of proceeds or other similar certificate to be prepared by nationally recognized bond counsel relating to restrictions on the use of proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds as a condition to issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds. In addition, the Issuer covenants (i) to comply with the Code and all Regulations from time to time in effect and applicable to the Series 2023 Bonds as may be necessary in order to maintain the status of the Series 2023 Bonds as governmental bonds; (ii) that it shall not take, or permit or suffer to be taken, any action with respect to the Issuer's use of the proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds which would cause any bonds, the interest on which is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 103(a) of the Code, issued by the Authority or the DEP, as the case may be, from which the proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds are derived, to lose their status as tax-exempt bonds; and (iii) to take such action, or refrain from taking such action, as shall be deemed necessary by the Issuer, or requested by the Authority or the DEP, to ensure compliance with the covenants and agreements set forth in this Section, regardless of whether such actions may be contrary to any of the provisions of this Bond Legislation.

The Issuer shall annually furnish to the Authority information with respect to the Issuer's use of the proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds and any additional information requested by the Authority.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **DEFAULT AND REMEDIES**

Section 9.01. Events of Default. Each of the following events shall constitute an “Event of Default” with respect to the Series 2023 Bonds:

- (1) If default occurs in the due and punctual payment of the principal of or interest, if any, on the Series 2023 A Bonds; or
- (2) If default occurs in the Issuer’s observance of any of the covenants, agreements or conditions on its part relating to the Series 2023 Bonds set forth in this Bond Legislation, any supplemental resolution or in the Series 2023 Bonds, and such default shall have continued for a period of 30 days after the Issuer shall have been given written notice of such default by the Commission, the Depository Bank, the Registrar, the Paying Agent or any other Paying Agent or a Holder of a Bond; or
- (3) If the Issuer files a petition seeking reorganization or arrangement under the federal bankruptcy laws or any other applicable law of the United States of America; or
- (4) If default occurs with respect to the Prior Bonds or the Prior Ordinances.

Section 9.02. Remedies. Upon the happening and continuance of any Event of Default, any Registered Owner of a Bond may exercise any available remedy and bring any appropriate action, suit or proceeding to enforce his or her rights and, in particular, (i) bring suit for any unpaid principal or interest then due; (ii) by mandamus or other appropriate proceeding enforce all rights of such Registered Owners including the right to require the Issuer to perform its duties under the Act and the Bond Legislation relating thereto, including but not limited to the making and collection of sufficient rates or charges for services rendered by the System; (iii) bring suit upon the Bonds; (iv) by action at law or bill in equity require the Issuer to account as if it were the trustee of an express trust for the Registered Owners of the Bonds; and (v) by action or bill in equity enjoin any acts in violation of the Bond Legislation with respect to the Bonds, or the rights of such Registered Owners; provided, that all rights and remedies of the Holders of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be on a parity with those Holders of the Prior Bonds.

Section 9.03. Appointment of Receiver. Any Registered Owner of a Bond may, by proper legal action, compel the performance of the duties of the Issuer under the Bond Legislation and the Act, including, the completion of the Project and after commencement of operation of the System, the making and collection of sufficient rates and charges for services rendered by the System and segregation of the revenues therefrom and the application thereof. If there be any Event of Default with respect to such Bonds, any Registered Owner of a Bond shall, in addition to all other remedies or rights, have the right by appropriate legal proceedings to obtain the appointment of a receiver to administer the System or to complete the acquisition and construction of the Project on behalf of the Issuer, with power to charge rates, rentals, fees and other charges sufficient to provide for the payment of Operating Expenses of the System, the payment of the Bonds and interest and the deposits into the funds and accounts hereby established, and to apply such rates, rentals, fees, charges or other revenues in conformity with the provisions of this Bond Legislation and the Act.

The receiver so appointed shall forthwith, directly or by his or her or its agents and attorneys, enter into and upon and take possession of all facilities of said System and shall hold, operate and maintain, manage and control such facilities, and each and every part thereof, and in the name of the Issuer exercise all the rights and powers of the Issuer with respect to said facilities as the Issuer itself might exercise.

Whenever all that is due upon the Bonds and interest thereon and under any covenants of this Bond Legislation for reserve, sinking or other funds and upon any other obligations and interest thereon having a charge, lien or encumbrance upon the revenues of the System shall have been paid and made good, and all defaults under the provisions of this Bond Legislation shall have been cured and made good, possession of the System shall be surrendered to the Issuer upon the entry of an order of the court to that effect. Upon any subsequent default, any Registered Owner of any Bonds shall have the same right to secure the further appointment of a receiver upon any such subsequent default.

Such receiver, in the performance of the powers hereinabove conferred upon him or her or it, shall be under the direction and supervision of the court making such appointment, shall at all times be subject to the orders and decrees of such court and may be removed thereby, and a successor receiver may be appointed in the discretion of such court. Nothing herein contained shall limit or restrict the jurisdiction of such court to enter such other and further orders and decrees as such court may deem necessary or appropriate for the exercise by the receiver of any function not specifically set forth herein.

Any receiver appointed as provided herein shall hold and operate the System in the name of the Issuer and for the joint protection and benefit of the Issuer and Registered Owners of the Bonds. Such receiver shall have no power to sell, assign, mortgage or otherwise dispose of any assets of any kind or character belonging or pertaining to the System, but the authority of such receiver shall be limited to the completion of the Project and the possession, operation and maintenance of the System for the sole purpose of the protection of both the Issuer and Registered Owners of such Bonds and the curing and making good of any Event of Default with respect thereto under the provisions of this Bond Legislation, and the title to and ownership of said System shall remain in the Issuer, and no court shall have any jurisdiction to enter any order or decree permitting or requiring such receiver to sell, assign, mortgage or otherwise dispose of any assets of the System.

## **ARTICLE X**

### **PAYMENT OF BONDS**

Section 10.01. Payment of Series 2023 A Bonds. If the Issuer shall pay or there shall otherwise be paid to the Holders of the Series 2023 A Bonds, the principal of and interest due or to become due thereon, if any, at the times and in the manner stipulated therein and in this Bond Legislation, then the pledge of Net Revenues and other monies and securities pledged under this Bond Legislation and all covenants, agreements and other obligations of the Issuer to the Registered Owners of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall thereupon cease, terminate and become void and be discharged and satisfied, except as may otherwise be necessary to assure the exclusion of interest, if any, on the Series 2023 A Bonds from gross income for federal income tax purposes.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**MISCELLANEOUS**

Section 11.01. Amendment or Modification of Bond Legislation. Prior to issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds, this Ordinance may be amended or supplemented in any way by the Supplemental Resolution. Following issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds, no material modification or amendment of this Ordinance, or of any ordinance, resolution or order amendatory or supplemental hereto, that would materially and adversely affect the rights of Registered Owners of the Series 2023 Bonds, shall be made without the consent in writing of the Registered Owners of the Series 2023 Bonds so affected and then Outstanding; provided, that no change shall be made in the maturity of any Bond or Bonds or the rate of interest, if any, thereon, or in the principal amount thereof, or affecting the unconditional promise of the Issuer to pay such principal and interest out of the funds herein pledged therefor without the consent of the respective Registered Owner thereof. No amendment or modification shall be made that would reduce the percentage of the principal amount of the Series 2023 Bonds required for consent to the above-permitted amendments or modifications. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Bond Legislation may be amended without the consent of any Bondholder as may be necessary to assure compliance with Section 148(f) of the Code relating to rebate requirements or otherwise as may be necessary to assure the exclusion of interest, if any, on the Series 2023 Bonds from gross income of the Holders thereof.

Section 11.02. Bond Legislation Constitutes Contract. The provisions of the Bond Legislation shall constitute a contract between the Issuer and the Registered Owners of the Series 2023 Bonds, and no change, variation or alteration of any kind of the provisions of the Bond Legislation shall be made in any manner, except as in this Bond Legislation provided.

Section 11.03. Severability of Invalid Provisions. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance should be held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance, the Supplemental Resolution or the Series 2023 Bonds.

Section 11.04. Headings, Etc. The headings and catchlines of the articles, sections and subsections hereof are for convenience of reference only, and shall not affect in any way the meaning or interpretation of any provision hereof.

Section 11.05. Conflicting Provisions Repealed. All ordinances, orders or resolutions and or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby repealed; provided, that in the event of any conflict between this Ordinance and the Prior Ordinances, the Prior Ordinances shall control (unless less restrictive), so long as the Prior Bonds are Outstanding.

Section 11.06. Covenant of Due Procedure, Etc. The Issuer covenants that all acts, conditions, things and procedures required to exist, to happen, to be performed or to be taken precedent to and in the adoption of this Ordinance do exist, have happened, have been performed and have been taken in regular and due time, form and manner as required by and in full compliance with the laws and Constitution of the State of West Virginia applicable thereto; and that the Mayor, the Clerk and members of the Governing Body were at all times when any actions in connection with this Ordinance occurred and are duly in office and duly qualified for such office.

Section 11.07. Statutory Notice and Public Hearing. Upon adoption hereof, an abstract of this Ordinance determined by the Governing Body to contain sufficient information as to give notice of the contents hereof shall be published once a week for 2 successive weeks within a period of fourteen consecutive days, with at least 6 full days intervening between each publication, in the *Moundsville Daily Echo*, a newspaper published and of general circulation in the City of Benwood, together with a notice stating that this Ordinance has been adopted and that the Issuer contemplates the issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds, and that any person interested may appear before the Governing Body upon a date certain, not less than ten days subsequent to the date of the first publication of such abstract of this Ordinance and notice, and present protests, and that a certified copy of this Ordinance is on file with the Governing Body for review by interested persons during office hours of the Governing Body. At such hearing, all objections and suggestions shall be heard and the Governing Body shall take such action as it shall deem proper in the premises.

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Section 11.08. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately following the public hearing and final reading hereof.

Passed on First Reading: December 13, 2022

Passed on Second Reading: January 10, 2023

Passed on Final Reading  
Following Public Hearing: February 14, 2023

CITY OF BENWOOD

  
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Mayor

CERTIFICATION

Certified a true copy of an Ordinance duly enacted by the Council of the CITY OF BENWOOD on the 14th day of February, 2023.

Dated: May 2, 2023.

[SEAL]

  
Clerk

CITY OF BENWOOD

Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(West Virginia SRF Program); and  
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B  
(West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable)

SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION

SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION PROVIDING AS TO PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, DATE, MATURITY DATE, REDEMPTION PROVISION, INTEREST RATE, INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL PAYMENT DATES, SALE PRICE AND OTHER TERMS OF THE SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM) AND SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 B (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM/FORGIVABLE) OF THE CITY OF BENWOOD; APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT RELATING TO SUCH BONDS AND THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF SUCH BONDS TO THE WEST VIRGINIA WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY; DESIGNATING A REGISTRAR, PAYING AGENT AND DEPOSITORY BANK; AND MAKING OTHER PROVISIONS AS TO THE BONDS.

WHEREAS, the City Council (the “Governing Body”) of the City of Benwood (the “Issuer”) has duly and officially adopted and enacted a bond ordinance, effective February 14, 2023 (the “Bond Ordinance”), entitled:

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION AND CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONS, BETTERMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC SEWERAGE SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF BENWOOD AND THE FINANCING OF THE COST THEREOF, NOT OTHERWISE PROVIDED, THROUGH THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,800,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM); AND NOT MORE THAN \$2,000,000 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 B (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM/FORGIVABLE) PROVIDING FOR THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES OF AND SECURITY FOR THE REGISTERED OWNERS OF SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF ALL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS; APPROVING, RATIFYING AND CONFIRMING A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT RELATING TO SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND PROVIDING

FOR THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF SUCH BONDS AND  
ADOPTING OTHER PROVISIONS RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meaning set forth in the Bond Ordinance when used herein;

WHEREAS, the Bond Ordinance provides for the issuance of Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (West Virginia SRF Program), of the Issuer, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,800,000 (the "Series 2023 A Bonds") and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B (West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable), of the Issuer, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$2,000,000 (the "Series 2023 B Bonds"), (collectively, the "Series 2023 Bonds").

WHEREAS, the Bond Ordinance has authorized the execution and delivery of the Bond Purchase Agreement relating to the Series 2023 Bonds, including all schedules and exhibits attached thereto, by and among the Issuer, the West Virginia Water Development Authority (the "Authority") and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP") (the "Bond Purchase Agreement"), all in accordance with Chapter 16, Article 13 and Chapter 22C, Article 2 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (collectively, the "Act"), and in the Bond Ordinance it is provided that the form of the Bond Purchase Agreement and the exact principal amount, date, maturity date, redemption provision, interest rate, interest and principal payment dates, sale price and other terms of the Series 2023 Bonds should be established by a supplemental resolution pertaining to the Series 2023 Bonds; and that other matters relating to the Series 2023 Bonds be herein provided for;

WHEREAS, the Bond Purchase Agreement has been presented to the Issuer at this meeting;

WHEREAS, the Series 2023 Bonds are proposed to be purchased by the Authority pursuant to the Bond Purchase Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body deems it essential and desirable that this supplemental resolution (the "Supplemental Resolution") be adopted, that the Bond Purchase Agreement be approved and ratified by the Issuer, that the exact principal amount, the date, the maturity date, the redemption provision, the interest rate, the interest and principal payment dates and the sale price of the Series 2023 Bonds be fixed hereby in the manner stated herein, and that other matters relating to the Series 2023 Bonds be herein provided for;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
CITY OF BENWOOD:

Section 1.       A.       Pursuant to the Bond Ordinance and the Act, this Supplemental Resolution is adopted and there are hereby authorized and ordered to be issued the Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (West Virginia SRF Program), of the Issuer, originally represented by a single Bond, numbered AR-1, in the original aggregate principal amount of \$684,900. The Series 2023 A Bonds shall be dated the date of delivery thereof, shall finally mature March 1, 2063, and shall bear interest at the rate of 0.25%. The principal and interest of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be payable quarterly on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing September 1, 2024, to and including March 1, 2063, and in the amounts as set forth in the "Schedule Y" attached to the Bond Purchase Agreement and incorporated in and made a part of the Series 2023 A Bonds. The Series 2023 A Bonds

shall be subject to redemption upon the written consent of the Authority and the DEP, and upon payment of the interest and redemption premium, if any, and otherwise in compliance with the Bond Purchase Agreement, so long as the Authority shall be the Registered Owner of the Series 2023 A Bonds. The Issuer does hereby approve and shall pay the SRF Administrative Fee equal to 0.25% as set forth in "Schedule Y" attached to the Bond Purchase Agreement.

B. Pursuant to the Bond Ordinance and the Act, this Supplemental Resolution is adopted and there are hereby authorized and ordered to be issued the Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B (West Virginia SRF Program/Forigivable), of the Issuer, originally represented by a single Bond, numbered BR-1, in the principal amount of \$2,000,000. The Series 2023 B Bonds shall be dated the date of delivery thereof and shall bear no interest. The principal amounts advanced under the Series 2023 B Bonds will be deemed forgiven on the 30th day of June in the fiscal year in which advanced. The Series 2023 B Bonds shall be deemed no longer Outstanding after the last advance is forgiven. The Series 2023 B Bonds may be redeemed prior to its stated date of maturity in whole or in part, but only with the express written consent of the Authority and the DEP, and otherwise in compliance with, the Bond Purchase Agreement. The Series 2023 B Bonds are not subject to the SRF Administrative Fee.

Section 2. All other provisions relating to the Series 2023 Bonds and the text of the Series 2023 Bonds shall be in substantially the form provided in the Bond Ordinance.

Section 3. The Issuer does hereby authorize, approve, ratify and accept the Bond Purchase Agreement, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference, and the execution and delivery of the Bond Purchase Agreement by the Mayor, and the performance of the obligations contained therein, on behalf of the Issuer, are hereby authorized, directed, ratified and approved. The Issuer hereby affirms all covenants and representations made in the Bond Purchase Agreement and in the applications to the DEP and the Authority. The price of the Series 2023 Bonds shall be 100% of par value, there being no interest accrued thereon, provided that the proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds shall be advanced from time to time as requisitioned by the Issuer.

Section 4. The Issuer does hereby appoint and designate United Bank, Charleston, West Virginia, to serve as Registrar (the "Registrar") for the Series 2023 Bonds under the Bond Ordinance and does approve and accept the Registrar's Agreement to be dated the date of delivery of the Series 2023 Bonds, by and between the Issuer and the Registrar, and the execution and delivery of the Registrar's Agreement by the Mayor, and the performance of the obligations contained therein, on behalf of the Issuer, are hereby authorized, approved and directed.

Section 5. The Issuer does hereby appoint and designate the West Virginia Municipal Bond Commission, Charleston, West Virginia, to serve as Paying Agent for the Series 2023 A Bonds under the Bond Ordinance.

Section 6. The Issuer does hereby appoint and designate WesBanco Bank, Inc., Moundsville, West Virginia, to serve as Depository Bank under the Bond Ordinance.

Section 7. Series 2023 A Bonds proceeds in the amount of \$-0- shall be deposited in the Series 2023 A Bonds Sinking Fund, as capitalized interest.

Section 8. Series 2023 A Bonds proceeds in the amount of \$-0- shall be deposited in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account.

Section 9. The balance of the proceeds of the Series 2023 A Bonds shall be deposited in or credited to the Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund as received from the DEP from time to time for payment of the Costs of the Project, including, without limitation, costs of issuance of the Series 2023 A Bonds and related costs.

Section 10. The proceeds of the Series 2023 B Bonds shall be deposited in or credited to the Series 2023 Bonds Construction Trust Fund as received from the DEP from time to time for payment of the Costs of the Project, including, without limitation, costs of issuance of the Series 2023 B Bonds and related costs.

Section 11. The Mayor and the Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver such other documents and certificates required or desirable in connection with the Series 2023 Bonds hereby and by the Bond Ordinance approved and provided for, to the end that the Series 2023 Bonds may be delivered on or about May 2, 2023, to the Authority pursuant to the Bond Purchase Agreement.

Section 12. The Sanitary Board of the Issuer is hereby authorized to approve invoices and requests for payment of the Project.

Section 13. The acquisition and construction of the Project and the financing thereof in part with proceeds of the Series 2023 Bonds are in the public interest, serve a public purpose of the Issuer and will promote the health, welfare and safety of the residents of the Issuer.

Section 14. The Issuer does hereby approve and authorize all contracts relating to the financing, acquisition and construction of the Project.

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Section 15. This Supplemental Resolution shall be effective immediately following adoption hereof.

Adopted this 11th day of April, 2023.

CITY OF BENWOOD

By: Walter W. Yote  
Its: Mayor

CERTIFICATION

Certified a true copy of a Supplemental Resolution duly adopted by the Council of the City of Benwood on the 11th day of April, 2023.

Dated: May 2, 2023.

[SEAL]

Clerk 

CITY OF BENWOOD

Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(West Virginia SRF Program); and  
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B  
(West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable)

CROSS-RECEIPT FOR BONDS AND BOND PROCEEDS

On this 2nd day of May, 2023, the undersigned authorized representative of the West Virginia Water Development Authority (the "Authority"), for and on behalf of the Authority, and the undersigned Mayor of the City of Benwood (the "Issuer"), for and on behalf of the Issuer, hereby certify as follows:

1. On the date hereof, the Authority received the Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (West Virginia SRF Program), of the Issuer, in the principal amount of \$689,400, numbered AR-1, issued as a single, fully registered Bond, and dated May 2, 2023 (the "Series 2023 A Bonds").

2. On the date hereof, the Authority received the Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B (West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable), of the Issuer, in the principal amount of \$2,000,000, numbered BR-1, issued as a single, fully registered Bond, and dated May 2, 2023 (the "Series 2023 B Bonds").

3. At the time of such receipt, the Series 2023 A Bonds and Series 2023 B Bonds had been executed by the Mayor and the Clerk of the Issuer by their respective manual signatures, and the official seal of the Issuer had been affixed upon the Bonds.

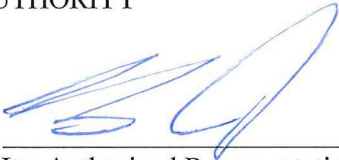
4. The Issuer has received and hereby acknowledges receipt from the Authority, as the original purchaser of the Series 2023 A Bonds, of the sum of \$274,396.14, being a portion of the principal amount of the Series 2023 A Bonds. The balance of the principal amount of the Series 2023 A Bonds will be advanced by the Authority and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection to the Issuer as acquisition and construction of the Project progresses.

5. The Issuer has received and hereby acknowledges receipt from the Authority, as the original purchaser of the Series 2023 B Bonds, of the sum of \$-0-, being a portion of the principal amount of the Series 2023 B Bonds. The balance of the principal amount of the Series 2023 B Bonds will be advanced by the Authority and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection to the Issuer as acquisition and construction of the Project progresses.

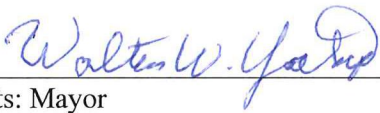
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Dated as of the day and year first written above.

WEST VIRGINIA WATER DEVELOPMENT  
AUTHORITY

By:   
Its: Authorized Representative

CITY OF BENWOOD

By:   
Its: Mayor

SPECIMEN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
CITY OF BENWOOD  
SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 A  
(WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM)

No. AR-1

\$684,900

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: The 2nd day of May, 2023, that the CITY OF BENWOOD, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Marshall County of said State (the "Issuer"), for value received, hereby promises to pay, solely from the special funds provided therefor, as hereinafter set forth, to the WEST VIRGINIA WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (the "Authority") or registered assigns the sum of SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$684,900), or such lesser amount as shall have been advanced to the Issuer hereunder and not previously repaid, as set forth in the "Record of Advances" attached as EXHIBIT A hereto and incorporated herein by reference, the principal of, in quarterly installments on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing September 1, 2024, to and including March 1, 2063 as set forth on the "Debt Service Schedule" attached as EXHIBIT B hereto and incorporated herein by reference with interest of 0.25% per annum payable quarterly on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 of each year commencing September 1, 2024, to and including March 1, 2063, as set forth on the "Debt Service Schedule" attached as EXHIBIT B hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The SRF Administrative Fee of 0.25% (as defined in the hereinafter described Bond Legislation) on this Bond shall be payable quarterly on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing September 1, 2024, as set forth on EXHIBIT B attached hereto.

Principal installments of this Bond are payable in any coin or currency which, on the respective dates of payment of such installments, is legal tender for the payment of public and private debts under the laws of the United States of America, at the office of the West Virginia Municipal Bond Commission, Charleston, West Virginia (the "Paying Agent"). The interest on this bond is payable by check or draft of the Paying Agent mailed to the Registered Owner hereof at the address as it appears on the books of United Bank, Charleston, West Virginia, as registrar (the "Registrar"), on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the next month preceding an interest payment date, or such other method as shall be mutually agreeable so long as the Authority is the Registered Owner hereof.

This Bond may be redeemed prior to its stated date of maturity in whole or in part, but only with the express written consent of the Authority on behalf of the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP"), and upon the terms and conditions prescribed by, and otherwise in compliance with, the Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Bond Purchase Agreement") by and among the Issuer, the Authority and the DEP, dated May 2, 2023.

This Bond is issued (i) to pay a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing public sewerage system of the Issuer (the "Project"); and (ii) to pay certain costs of issuance of the Bonds (the "Bonds") and related costs. The public sewerage system of the Issuer, the Project, and any further additions, betterments or improvements thereto are herein called the "System." This Bond is issued under the authority of and in full compliance with the Constitution and statutes of the State of West Virginia, including particularly Chapter 16, Article 13 and

Chapter 22C, Article 2 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (collectively, the “Act”), a Bond Ordinance duly enacted by the Issuer on February 14, 2023, and a Supplemental Resolution duly adopted by the Issuer on April 11, 2023 (collectively, the “Bond Legislation”), and is subject to all the terms and conditions thereof. The Bond Legislation provides for the issuance of additional bonds under certain conditions, and such bonds would be entitled to be paid and secured equally and ratably from and by the funds and revenues and other security provided for the Bonds under the Bond Legislation.

THIS BOND IS ISSUED ON A PARITY AS TO LIENS, PLEDGE AND SOURCE OF AND SECURITY FOR PAYMENT WITH THE ISSUER’S:

(I) SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2000 A (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM), DATED DECEMBER 20, 2000, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$318,300 (THE “SERIES 2000 ABONDS”);

(II) SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2000 B (WEST VIRGINIA INFRASTRUCTURE FUND), DATED DECEMBER 20, 2000, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$245,600 (THE “SERIES 2000 B BONDS”);

(III) SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2017 A (WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM), DATED JULY 11, 2017, ISSUED IN THE ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$2,404,539 (THE “SERIES 2017 A BONDS”), (COLLECTIVELY, THE “PRIOR BONDS”).

This Bond is payable only from and secured by a pledge of the Net Revenues (as defined in the Bond Legislation) to be derived from the operation of the System on a parity with the Prior Bonds, and from monies in the Reserve Account created under the Bond Legislation for the Bonds (the “Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account”), and unexpended proceeds of the Bonds. Such Net Revenues shall be sufficient to pay the principal of and interest, if any, on all bonds which may be issued pursuant to the Act and which shall be set aside as a special fund hereby pledged for such purpose. This Bond does not constitute a corporate indebtedness of the Issuer within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory provisions or limitations, nor shall the Issuer be obligated to pay the same or the interest, if any, hereon, except from said special fund provided from the Net Revenues, the monies in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account and unexpended proceeds of the Bonds. Pursuant to the Bond Legislation, the Issuer has covenanted and agreed to establish and maintain just and equitable rates and charges for the use of the System and the services rendered thereby, which shall be sufficient, together with other revenues of the System, to provide for the reasonable expenses of operation, repair and maintenance of the System, and to leave a balance each year equal to at least 115% of the maximum amount payable in any year for principal of and interest, if any, on the Bonds, the Prior Bonds and all other obligations secured by a lien on or payable from such revenues on a parity with the Bonds; provided however, that so long as there exists in the Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve Account an amount at least equal to the maximum amount of principal and interest, if any, which will become due on the Bonds in the then current or any succeeding year, and in the respective reserve accounts established for any other obligations Outstanding on a parity with or junior and subordinate, to the Bonds, including the Prior Bonds, an amount at least equal to the requirement therefore, such percentage may be reduced to 110%. The Issuer has entered into certain further covenants with the Registered Owners of the Bonds for the terms of which reference is made to the Bond Legislation. Remedies provided the Registered Owners of the Bonds are exclusively as provided in the Bond Legislation, to which reference is here made for a detailed description thereof.

Subject to the registration requirements set forth herein, this Bond is transferable, as provided in the Bond Legislation, only upon the books of the Registrar (as defined in the Bond Legislation), by the Registered Owner, or by its attorney duly authorized in writing, upon the surrender of this Bond, together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Registrar, duly executed by the Registered Owner or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

Subject to the registration requirements set forth herein, this Bond, under the provision of the Act is, and has all the qualities and incidents of, a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia.

All money received from the sale of this Bond, after reimbursement and repayment of all amounts advanced for preliminary expenses as provided by law and the Bond Legislation, shall be applied solely to payment of the Costs of the Project and costs of issuance hereof described in the Bond Legislation, and there shall be and hereby is created and granted a lien upon such monies, until so applied, in favor of the Registered Owner of this Bond.

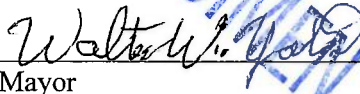
IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, RECITED AND DECLARED that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, happen and be performed precedent to and at the issuance of this Bond do exist, have happened, and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law, and that the amount of this Bond, together with all other obligations of the Issuer, does not exceed any limit prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of the State of West Virginia and that a sufficient amount of the Net Revenues of the System has been pledged to and will be set aside into said special fund by the Issuer for the prompt payment of the principal and interest, if any, on of this Bond.

All provisions of the Bond Legislation, resolutions and statutes under which this Bond is issued shall be deemed to be a part of the contract evidenced by this Bond to the same extent as if written fully herein.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY OF BENWOOD has caused this Bond to be signed by its Mayor, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its Clerk, and has caused this Bond to be dated the day and year first written above.

[SEAL]

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION AND REGISTRATION

This Bond is one of the Series 2023 A Bonds described in the within-mentioned Bond Legislation and has been duly registered in the name of the Registered Owner set forth above, as of the date set forth below.

Date: May 2, 2023.

UNITED BANK  
as Registrar

  
Authorized Officer

EXHIBIT A  
RECORD OF ADVANCES

| <u>AMOUNT</u>    | <u>DATE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| (1) \$274,396.14 | 05/02/2023  | (19)          |             |
| (2)              |             | (20)          |             |
| (3)              |             | (21)          |             |
| (4)              |             | (22)          |             |
| (5)              |             | (23)          |             |
| (6)              |             | (24)          |             |
| (7)              |             | (25)          |             |
| (8)              |             | (26)          |             |
| (9)              |             | (27)          |             |
| (10)             |             | (28)          |             |
| (11)             |             | (29)          |             |
| (12)             |             | (30)          |             |
| (13)             |             | (31)          |             |
| (14)             |             | (32)          |             |
| (15)             |             | (33)          |             |
| (16)             |             | (34)          |             |
| (17)             |             | (35)          |             |
| (18)             |             | (36)          |             |

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

EXHIBIT B

DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE

**Net Debt Service****City of Benwood****SRF****\$684,900****0.25% Interest Rate****0.25% Administrative Fee**

| Date      | Principal | Interest | Total Debt<br>Service | Admin Fee | Net Debt<br>Service |
|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------------------|-----------|---------------------|
| 9/1/2024  | 4,210     | 428.06   | 4,638.06              | 218.87    | 4,638.06            |
| 12/1/2024 | 4,212     | 425.43   | 4,637.43              | 218.87    | 4,637.43            |
| 3/1/2025  | 4,215     | 422.80   | 4,637.80              | 218.87    | 4,637.80            |
| 6/1/2025  | 4,217     | 420.16   | 4,637.16              | 218.87    | 4,637.16            |
| 9/1/2025  | 4,220     | 417.53   | 4,637.53              | 218.87    | 4,637.53            |
| 12/1/2025 | 4,223     | 414.89   | 4,637.89              | 218.87    | 4,637.89            |
| 3/1/2026  | 4,225     | 412.25   | 4,637.25              | 218.87    | 4,637.25            |
| 6/1/2026  | 4,228     | 409.61   | 4,637.61              | 218.87    | 4,637.61            |
| 9/1/2026  | 4,231     | 406.97   | 4,637.97              | 218.87    | 4,637.97            |
| 12/1/2026 | 4,233     | 404.32   | 4,637.32              | 218.87    | 4,637.32            |
| 3/1/2027  | 4,236     | 401.68   | 4,637.68              | 218.87    | 4,637.68            |
| 6/1/2027  | 4,239     | 399.03   | 4,638.03              | 218.87    | 4,638.03            |
| 9/1/2027  | 4,241     | 396.38   | 4,637.38              | 218.87    | 4,637.38            |
| 12/1/2027 | 4,244     | 393.73   | 4,637.73              | 218.87    | 4,637.73            |
| 3/1/2028  | 4,246     | 391.08   | 4,637.08              | 218.87    | 4,637.08            |
| 6/1/2028  | 4,249     | 388.43   | 4,637.43              | 218.87    | 4,637.43            |
| 9/1/2028  | 4,252     | 385.77   | 4,637.77              | 218.87    | 4,637.77            |
| 12/1/2028 | 4,254     | 383.11   | 4,637.11              | 218.87    | 4,637.11            |
| 3/1/2029  | 4,257     | 380.45   | 4,637.45              | 218.87    | 4,637.45            |
| 6/1/2029  | 4,260     | 377.79   | 4,637.79              | 218.87    | 4,637.79            |
| 9/1/2029  | 4,262     | 375.13   | 4,637.13              | 218.87    | 4,637.13            |
| 12/1/2029 | 4,265     | 372.47   | 4,637.47              | 218.87    | 4,637.47            |
| 3/1/2030  | 4,268     | 369.80   | 4,637.80              | 218.87    | 4,637.80            |
| 6/1/2030  | 4,270     | 367.13   | 4,637.13              | 218.87    | 4,637.13            |
| 9/1/2030  | 4,273     | 364.46   | 4,637.46              | 218.87    | 4,637.46            |
| 12/1/2030 | 4,276     | 361.79   | 4,637.79              | 218.87    | 4,637.79            |
| 3/1/2031  | 4,278     | 359.12   | 4,637.12              | 218.87    | 4,637.12            |
| 6/1/2031  | 4,281     | 356.45   | 4,637.45              | 218.87    | 4,637.45            |
| 9/1/2031  | 4,284     | 353.77   | 4,637.77              | 218.87    | 4,637.77            |
| 12/1/2031 | 4,286     | 351.09   | 4,637.09              | 218.87    | 4,637.09            |
| 3/1/2032  | 4,289     | 348.42   | 4,637.42              | 218.87    | 4,637.42            |
| 6/1/2032  | 4,292     | 345.74   | 4,637.74              | 218.87    | 4,637.74            |
| 9/1/2032  | 4,295     | 343.05   | 4,638.05              | 218.87    | 4,638.05            |
| 12/1/2032 | 4,297     | 340.37   | 4,637.37              | 218.87    | 4,637.37            |
| 3/1/2033  | 4,300     | 337.68   | 4,637.68              | 218.87    | 4,637.68            |
| 6/1/2033  | 4,303     | 335.00   | 4,638.00              | 218.87    | 4,638.00            |
| 9/1/2033  | 4,305     | 332.31   | 4,637.31              | 218.87    | 4,637.31            |
| 12/1/2033 | 4,308     | 329.62   | 4,637.62              | 218.87    | 4,637.62            |
| 3/1/2034  | 4,311     | 326.92   | 4,637.92              | 218.87    | 4,637.92            |
| 6/1/2034  | 4,313     | 324.23   | 4,637.23              | 218.87    | 4,637.23            |
| 9/1/2034  | 4,316     | 321.53   | 4,637.53              | 218.87    | 4,637.53            |
| 12/1/2034 | 4,319     | 318.84   | 4,637.84              | 218.87    | 4,637.84            |
| 3/1/2035  | 4,321     | 316.14   | 4,637.14              | 218.87    | 4,637.14            |
| 6/1/2035  | 4,324     | 313.44   | 4,637.44              | 218.87    | 4,637.44            |
| 9/1/2035  | 4,327     | 310.73   | 4,637.73              | 218.87    | 4,637.73            |
| 12/1/2035 | 4,330     | 308.03   | 4,638.03              | 218.87    | 4,638.03            |
| 3/1/2036  | 4,332     | 305.32   | 4,637.32              | 218.87    | 4,637.32            |

Quarterly administration fee is calculated based on 0.25% of the loan payments and will be \$218.87, with a final payment of \$218.35, to total \$33,924.33.

**Net Debt Service**  
**City of Benwood**  
**SRF**  
**\$684,900**  
**0.25% Interest Rate**  
**0.25% Administrative Fee**

| Date      | Principal | Interest | Total Debt Service | Admin Fee | Net Debt Service |
|-----------|-----------|----------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|
| 6/1/2036  | 4,335     | 302.61   | 4,637.61           | 218.87    | 4,637.61         |
| 9/1/2036  | 4,338     | 299.91   | 4,637.91           | 218.87    | 4,637.91         |
| 12/1/2036 | 4,340     | 297.19   | 4,637.19           | 218.87    | 4,637.19         |
| 3/1/2037  | 4,343     | 294.48   | 4,637.48           | 218.87    | 4,637.48         |
| 6/1/2037  | 4,346     | 291.77   | 4,637.77           | 218.87    | 4,637.77         |
| 9/1/2037  | 4,349     | 289.05   | 4,638.05           | 218.87    | 4,638.05         |
| 12/1/2037 | 4,351     | 286.33   | 4,637.33           | 218.87    | 4,637.33         |
| 3/1/2038  | 4,354     | 283.61   | 4,637.61           | 218.87    | 4,637.61         |
| 6/1/2038  | 4,357     | 280.89   | 4,637.89           | 218.87    | 4,637.89         |
| 9/1/2038  | 4,359     | 278.17   | 4,637.17           | 218.87    | 4,637.17         |
| 12/1/2038 | 4,362     | 275.44   | 4,637.44           | 218.87    | 4,637.44         |
| 3/1/2039  | 4,365     | 272.72   | 4,637.72           | 218.87    | 4,637.72         |
| 6/1/2039  | 4,368     | 269.99   | 4,637.99           | 218.87    | 4,637.99         |
| 9/1/2039  | 4,370     | 267.26   | 4,637.26           | 218.87    | 4,637.26         |
| 12/1/2039 | 4,373     | 264.53   | 4,637.53           | 218.87    | 4,637.53         |
| 3/1/2040  | 4,376     | 261.80   | 4,637.80           | 218.87    | 4,637.80         |
| 6/1/2040  | 4,379     | 259.06   | 4,638.06           | 218.87    | 4,638.06         |
| 9/1/2040  | 4,381     | 256.32   | 4,637.32           | 218.87    | 4,637.32         |
| 12/1/2040 | 4,384     | 253.59   | 4,637.59           | 218.87    | 4,637.59         |
| 3/1/2041  | 4,387     | 250.85   | 4,637.85           | 218.87    | 4,637.85         |
| 6/1/2041  | 4,389     | 248.10   | 4,637.10           | 218.87    | 4,637.10         |
| 9/1/2041  | 4,392     | 245.36   | 4,637.36           | 218.87    | 4,637.36         |
| 12/1/2041 | 4,395     | 242.62   | 4,637.62           | 218.87    | 4,637.62         |
| 3/1/2042  | 4,398     | 239.87   | 4,637.87           | 218.87    | 4,637.87         |
| 6/1/2042  | 4,400     | 237.12   | 4,637.12           | 218.87    | 4,637.12         |
| 9/1/2042  | 4,403     | 234.37   | 4,637.37           | 218.87    | 4,637.37         |
| 12/1/2042 | 4,406     | 231.62   | 4,637.62           | 218.87    | 4,637.62         |
| 3/1/2043  | 4,409     | 228.86   | 4,637.86           | 218.87    | 4,637.86         |
| 6/1/2043  | 4,411     | 226.11   | 4,637.11           | 218.87    | 4,637.11         |
| 9/1/2043  | 4,414     | 223.35   | 4,637.35           | 218.87    | 4,637.35         |
| 12/1/2043 | 4,417     | 220.59   | 4,637.59           | 218.87    | 4,637.59         |
| 3/1/2044  | 4,420     | 217.83   | 4,637.83           | 218.87    | 4,637.83         |
| 6/1/2044  | 4,423     | 215.07   | 4,638.07           | 218.87    | 4,638.07         |
| 9/1/2044  | 4,425     | 212.31   | 4,637.31           | 218.87    | 4,637.31         |
| 12/1/2044 | 4,428     | 209.54   | 4,637.54           | 218.87    | 4,637.54         |
| 3/1/2045  | 4,431     | 206.77   | 4,637.77           | 218.87    | 4,637.77         |
| 6/1/2045  | 4,434     | 204.00   | 4,638.00           | 218.87    | 4,638.00         |
| 9/1/2045  | 4,436     | 201.23   | 4,637.23           | 218.87    | 4,637.23         |
| 12/1/2045 | 4,439     | 198.46   | 4,637.46           | 218.87    | 4,637.46         |
| 3/1/2046  | 4,442     | 195.69   | 4,637.69           | 218.87    | 4,637.69         |
| 6/1/2046  | 4,445     | 192.91   | 4,637.91           | 218.87    | 4,637.91         |
| 9/1/2046  | 4,447     | 190.13   | 4,637.13           | 218.87    | 4,637.13         |
| 12/1/2046 | 4,450     | 187.35   | 4,637.35           | 218.87    | 4,637.35         |
| 3/1/2047  | 4,453     | 184.57   | 4,637.57           | 218.87    | 4,637.57         |
| 6/1/2047  | 4,456     | 181.79   | 4,637.79           | 218.87    | 4,637.79         |
| 9/1/2047  | 4,459     | 179.00   | 4,638.00           | 218.87    | 4,638.00         |
| 12/1/2047 | 4,461     | 176.22   | 4,637.22           | 218.87    | 4,637.22         |

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**Net Debt Service**  
**City of Benwood**  
**SRF**  
**\$684,900**  
**0.25% Interest Rate**  
**0.25% Administrative Fee**

| Date      | Principal | Interest | Total Debt Service | Admin Fee | Net Debt Service |
|-----------|-----------|----------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|
| 3/1/2048  | 4,464     | 173.43   | 4,637.43           | 218.87    | 4,637.43         |
| 6/1/2048  | 4,467     | 170.64   | 4,637.64           | 218.87    | 4,637.64         |
| 9/1/2048  | 4,470     | 167.85   | 4,637.85           | 218.87    | 4,637.85         |
| 12/1/2048 | 4,473     | 165.05   | 4,638.05           | 218.87    | 4,638.05         |
| 3/1/2049  | 4,475     | 162.26   | 4,637.26           | 218.87    | 4,637.26         |
| 6/1/2049  | 4,478     | 159.46   | 4,637.46           | 218.87    | 4,637.46         |
| 9/1/2049  | 4,481     | 156.66   | 4,637.66           | 218.87    | 4,637.66         |
| 12/1/2049 | 4,484     | 153.86   | 4,637.86           | 218.87    | 4,637.86         |
| 3/1/2050  | 4,487     | 151.06   | 4,638.06           | 218.87    | 4,638.06         |
| 6/1/2050  | 4,489     | 148.25   | 4,637.25           | 218.87    | 4,637.25         |
| 9/1/2050  | 4,492     | 145.45   | 4,637.45           | 218.87    | 4,637.45         |
| 12/1/2050 | 4,495     | 142.64   | 4,637.64           | 218.87    | 4,637.64         |
| 3/1/2051  | 4,498     | 139.83   | 4,637.83           | 218.87    | 4,637.83         |
| 6/1/2051  | 4,501     | 137.02   | 4,638.02           | 218.87    | 4,638.02         |
| 9/1/2051  | 4,503     | 134.21   | 4,637.21           | 218.87    | 4,637.21         |
| 12/1/2051 | 4,506     | 131.39   | 4,637.39           | 218.87    | 4,637.39         |
| 3/1/2052  | 4,509     | 128.58   | 4,637.58           | 218.87    | 4,637.58         |
| 6/1/2052  | 4,512     | 125.76   | 4,637.76           | 218.87    | 4,637.76         |
| 9/1/2052  | 4,515     | 122.94   | 4,637.94           | 218.87    | 4,637.94         |
| 12/1/2052 | 4,517     | 120.12   | 4,637.12           | 218.87    | 4,637.12         |
| 3/1/2053  | 4,520     | 117.29   | 4,637.29           | 218.87    | 4,637.29         |
| 6/1/2053  | 4,523     | 114.47   | 4,637.47           | 218.87    | 4,637.47         |
| 9/1/2053  | 4,526     | 111.64   | 4,637.64           | 218.87    | 4,637.64         |
| 12/1/2053 | 4,529     | 108.81   | 4,637.81           | 218.87    | 4,637.81         |
| 3/1/2054  | 4,532     | 105.98   | 4,637.98           | 218.87    | 4,637.98         |
| 6/1/2054  | 4,534     | 103.15   | 4,637.15           | 218.87    | 4,637.15         |
| 9/1/2054  | 4,537     | 100.31   | 4,637.31           | 218.87    | 4,637.31         |
| 12/1/2054 | 4,540     | 97.48    | 4,637.48           | 218.87    | 4,637.48         |
| 3/1/2055  | 4,543     | 94.64    | 4,637.64           | 218.87    | 4,637.64         |
| 6/1/2055  | 4,546     | 91.80    | 4,637.80           | 218.87    | 4,637.80         |
| 9/1/2055  | 4,549     | 88.96    | 4,637.96           | 218.87    | 4,637.96         |
| 12/1/2055 | 4,551     | 86.12    | 4,637.12           | 218.87    | 4,637.12         |
| 3/1/2056  | 4,554     | 83.27    | 4,637.27           | 218.87    | 4,637.27         |
| 6/1/2056  | 4,557     | 80.43    | 4,637.43           | 218.87    | 4,637.43         |
| 9/1/2056  | 4,560     | 77.58    | 4,637.58           | 218.87    | 4,637.58         |
| 12/1/2056 | 4,563     | 74.73    | 4,637.73           | 218.87    | 4,637.73         |
| 3/1/2057  | 4,566     | 71.88    | 4,637.88           | 218.87    | 4,637.88         |
| 6/1/2057  | 4,569     | 69.02    | 4,638.02           | 218.87    | 4,638.02         |
| 9/1/2057  | 4,571     | 66.17    | 4,637.17           | 218.87    | 4,637.17         |
| 12/1/2057 | 4,574     | 63.31    | 4,637.31           | 218.87    | 4,637.31         |
| 3/1/2058  | 4,577     | 60.45    | 4,637.45           | 218.87    | 4,637.45         |
| 6/1/2058  | 4,580     | 57.59    | 4,637.59           | 218.87    | 4,637.59         |
| 9/1/2058  | 4,583     | 54.73    | 4,637.73           | 218.87    | 4,637.73         |
| 12/1/2058 | 4,586     | 51.86    | 4,637.86           | 218.87    | 4,637.86         |
| 3/1/2059  | 4,589     | 49.00    | 4,638.00           | 218.87    | 4,638.00         |
| 6/1/2059  | 4,591     | 46.13    | 4,637.13           | 218.87    | 4,637.13         |
| 9/1/2059  | 4,594     | 43.26    | 4,637.26           | 218.87    | 4,637.26         |

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**Net Debt Service**  
**City of Benwood**  
**SRF**  
**\$684,900**  
**0.25% Interest Rate**  
**0.25% Administrative Fee**

| Date      | Principal | Interest  | Total Debt Service | Admin Fee | Net Debt Service |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|
| 12/1/2059 | 4,597     | 40.39     | 4,637.39           | 218.87    | 4,637.39         |
| 3/1/2060  | 4,600     | 37.52     | 4,637.52           | 218.87    | 4,637.52         |
| 6/1/2060  | 4,603     | 34.64     | 4,637.64           | 218.87    | 4,637.64         |
| 9/1/2060  | 4,606     | 31.76     | 4,637.76           | 218.87    | 4,637.76         |
| 12/1/2060 | 4,609     | 28.89     | 4,637.89           | 218.87    | 4,637.89         |
| 3/1/2061  | 4,612     | 26.01     | 4,638.01           | 218.87    | 4,638.01         |
| 6/1/2061  | 4,614     | 23.12     | 4,637.12           | 218.87    | 4,637.12         |
| 9/1/2061  | 4,617     | 20.24     | 4,637.24           | 218.87    | 4,637.24         |
| 12/1/2061 | 4,620     | 17.35     | 4,637.35           | 218.87    | 4,637.35         |
| 3/1/2062  | 4,623     | 14.47     | 4,637.47           | 218.87    | 4,637.47         |
| 6/1/2062  | 4,626     | 11.58     | 4,637.58           | 218.87    | 4,637.58         |
| 9/1/2062  | 4,629     | 8.69      | 4,637.69           | 218.87    | 4,637.69         |
| 12/1/2062 | 4,632     | 5.79      | 4,637.79           | 218.87    | 4,637.79         |
| 3/1/2063  | 4,635     | 2.90      | 4,637.90           | 218.35    | 4,637.90         |
|           | 684,900   | 33,924.33 | 718,824.33         | 33,924.33 | 752,748.66       |

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calculated based on 0.25% of the loan  
payments and will be \$218.87, with a  
final payment of \$218.35, to total  
\$33,924.33.**

(Form of)

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned sells, assigns, and transfers unto  
the within Bond and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint  
\_\_\_\_\_, Attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books  
kept for registration of the within Bond of the said Issuer with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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In the presence of:

\_\_\_\_\_

SPECIMEN

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA  
CITY OF BENWOOD  
SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2023 B  
(WEST VIRGINIA SRF PROGRAM/FORGIVABLE)

No. BR-1

\$2,000,000

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: The 2nd day of May, 2023, that the CITY OF BENWOOD, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in Marshall County of said State (the "Issuer"), for value received, hereby promises to pay, solely from the special funds provided therefor, as hereinafter set forth, to the WEST VIRGINIA WATER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (the "Authority") or registered assigns the sum of TWO MILLION DOLLARS (\$2,000,000), or such lesser amount as shall have been advanced to the Issuer hereunder and not previously forgiven, as set forth in the "Record of Advances" attached as EXHIBIT A hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The Series 2023 B Bonds are not subject to the SRF Administrative Fee (as defined in the hereinafter described Bond Legislation).

This Bond shall bear no interest. The principal amounts advanced under the Series 2023 B Bonds will be deemed forgiven on the 30th day of June in the fiscal year in which advanced. The Series 2023 B Bonds shall be deemed no longer Outstanding after the last advance is forgiven.

This Bond may be redeemed prior to its stated date of maturity in whole or in part, but only with the express written consent of the Authority on behalf of the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP"), and upon the terms and conditions prescribed by, and otherwise in compliance with, the Bond Purchase Agreement (the "Bond Purchase Agreement") by and among the Issuer, the Authority and the DEP, dated May 2, 2023.

This Bond is issued (i) to pay a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements to the existing public sewerage system of the Issuer (the "Project"); and (ii) to pay certain costs of issuance hereof and related costs. The existing public sewerage system of the Issuer, the Project, and any further additions, betterments or improvements thereto are herein called the "System." This Bond is issued under the authority of and in full compliance with the Constitution and statutes of the State of West Virginia, including particularly Chapter 16, Article 13 and Chapter 22C, Article 2 of the West Virginia Code of 1931, as amended (collectively, the "Act"), a Bond Ordinance duly enacted by the Issuer on February 14, 2023, and a Supplemental Resolution duly adopted by the Issuer on April 11, 2023 (collectively, the "Bond Legislation"), and is subject to all the terms and conditions thereof. The Bond Legislation provides for the issuance of additional bonds under certain conditions, and such bonds would be entitled to be paid and secured equally and ratably from and by the funds and revenues and other security provided for the Bonds under the Bond Legislation.

THIS BOND IS FORGIVABLE AND HAS NO LIEN ON THE NET REVENUES OR GROSS REVENUES OF THE SYSTEM.

Subject to the registration requirements set forth herein, this Bond is transferable, as provided in the Bond Legislation, only upon the books of the Registrar (as defined in the Bond Legislation) by the Registered Owner, or by its attorney duly authorized in writing, upon the surrender of this Bond, together with a written instrument of transfer satisfactory to the Registrar, duly executed by the Registered Owner or its attorney duly authorized in writing.

Subject to the registration requirements set forth herein, this Bond, under the provision of the Act is, and has all the qualities and incidents of, a negotiable instrument under the Uniform Commercial Code of the State of West Virginia.

All money received from the sale of this Bond, after reimbursement and repayment of all amounts advanced for preliminary expenses as provided by law and the Bond Legislation, shall be applied solely to payment of the Costs of the Project and costs of issuance described in the Bond Legislation, and there shall be and hereby is created and granted a lien upon such monies, until so applied, in favor of the Registered Owner of this Bond.

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED, RECITED AND DECLARED that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, happen and be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond do exist, have happened, and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law, and that the amount of this Bond, together with all other obligations of the Issuer, does not exceed any limit prescribed by the Constitution or statutes of the State of West Virginia.

All provisions of the Bond Legislation, resolutions and statutes under which this Bond is issued shall be deemed to be a part of the contract evidenced by this Bond to the same extent as if written fully herein.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the CITY OF BENWOOD has caused this Bond to be signed by its Mayor, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its Clerk, and has caused this Bond to be dated the day and year first written above.

[SEAL]

Walter W. Foster  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Shirley Ann  
Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION AND REGISTRATION

This Bond is one of the Series 2023 B Bonds described in the within-mentioned Bond Legislation and has been duly registered in the name of the Registered Owner set forth above, as of the date set forth below.

Date: May 2, 2023.

UNITED BANK  
as Registrar

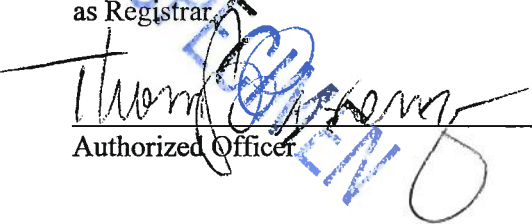
  
Authorized Officer

EXHIBIT A

RECORD OF ADVANCES

| <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> | <u>AMOUNT</u> | <u>DATE</u> |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
| (1) \$-0-     | 05/02/2023  | (19)          |             |
| (2)           |             | (20)          |             |
| (3)           |             | (21)          |             |
| (4)           |             | (22)          |             |
| (5)           |             | (23)          |             |
| (6)           |             | (24)          |             |
| (7)           |             | (25)          |             |
| (8)           |             | (26)          |             |
| (9)           |             | (27)          |             |
| (10)          |             | (28)          |             |
| (11)          |             | (29)          |             |
| (12)          |             | (30)          |             |
| (13)          |             | (31)          |             |
| (14)          |             | (32)          |             |
| (15)          |             | (33)          |             |
| (16)          |             | (34)          |             |
| (17)          |             | (35)          |             |
| (18)          |             | (36)          |             |

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Form of)

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED the undersigned sells, assigns, and transfers unto \_\_\_\_\_ the within Bond and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint \_\_\_\_\_, Attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books kept for registration of the within Bond of the said Issuer with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_

In the presence of:

\_\_\_\_\_



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May 2, 2023

City of Benwood  
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(West Virginia SRF Program)

City of Benwood  
Benwood, West Virginia

West Virginia Water Development Authority  
Charleston, West Virginia

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection  
Charleston, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have served as bond counsel to the City of Benwood (the "Issuer"), a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia in connection with its \$684,900 Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated the date hereof (the "Bonds").

We have examined the law and a certified copy of proceedings and other papers relating to the authorization of (i) a Bond Purchase Agreement dated May 2, 2023, including all schedules and exhibits attached thereto (the "Bond Purchase Agreement"), by and among the Issuer, the West Virginia Water Development Authority (the "Authority"), and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP"), and (ii) the Bonds to be purchased by the Authority in accordance with the provisions of the Bond Purchase Agreement. The Bonds are issued in the principal amount of \$684,900, in the form of one bond, bearing interest in the amount of 0.25% per annum, registered as to principal and interest to the Authority, with principal of and interest on the Bonds payable quarterly on March 1, June 1, September 1, and December 1 of each year, beginning September 1, 2024, to and including March 1, 2063 all as set forth in "Schedule Y" attached to the Bond Purchase Agreement and incorporated in and made a part of the Bonds. The Series 2023 A Bonds are subject to an SRF Administrative Fee of 0.25% as set forth in the Schedule Y attached to the Bond Purchase Agreement.

The Bonds are issued for the purposes of (i) paying a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements to the public sewerage system of the Issuer (the "Project"); and (ii) paying certain issuance and other costs in connection therewith.

We have also examined the applicable provisions of Chapter 16, Article 13 and Chapter 22C, Article 2 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended (collectively, the "Act"), and the Bond Ordinance duly enacted by the Issuer on February 14, 2023, as supplemented by the Supplemental Resolution duly adopted by the Issuer on April 11, 2023 (collectively, the "Bond Legislation"), pursuant to and under which Act and Bond Legislation the Bonds are authorized and issued, and the Bond Purchase Agreement has been undertaken. The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to maturity to the extent, at the time, under the conditions and subject to the limitations set forth in the Bond Legislation and the Bond Purchase Agreement. All capitalized terms used herein and not defined herein shall have the same meanings set forth in the Bond Legislation.

Based upon the foregoing and upon our examination of such other documents as we have deemed necessary, we are of the opinion as follows:

1. The Bond Purchase Agreement has been duly authorized by and executed on behalf of the Issuer and is a valid and binding special obligation of the Issuer enforceable in accordance with the terms thereof.

2. The Bond Purchase Agreement inures to the benefit of the Authority and DEP and cannot be amended so as to affect adversely the rights of the Authority or the DEP or diminish the obligations of the Issuer without the written consent of the Authority and the DEP.

3. The Issuer is a duly organized and presently existing municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia, with full power and authority to acquire and construct the Project, to operate and maintain the System, to adopt or enact the Bond Legislation and to issue and sell the Bonds, all under the Act and other applicable provisions of law.

4. The Bond Legislation and all other necessary ordinances and resolutions have been legally and effectively adopted or enacted by the Issuer and constitute valid and binding obligations of the Issuer enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with their terms. The Bond Legislation contains provisions and covenants substantially in the form of those set forth in Section 4.1 and Exhibits of the Bond Purchase Agreement.

5. The Bonds have been duly authorized, issued, executed and delivered by the Issuer to the Authority and are valid, legally enforceable and binding special obligations of the Issuer, payable from the Net Revenues of the System and secured by a first lien on and pledge of the Net Revenues of the System, on a parity with the Issuer's: (i) Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated December 20, 2000, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$318,300 (the "Series 2000 A Bonds"); (ii) Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 B (West Virginia Infrastructure Fund), dated December 20, 2000, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$245,600 (the "Series 2000 B Bonds"); and (iii) Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated July 11, 2017, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,404,539 (the "Series 2017 A Bonds"), (collectively, the "Prior Bonds").

6. The Bonds are, under the Act, exempt from all taxation by the State of West Virginia or any county, municipality, political subdivision or agency thereof.

7. The Bonds have not been issued on the basis that the interest thereon, if any, is or will be excluded from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes. We express no opinion regarding the excludability of such interest from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes or other federal tax consequences arising with respect to the Bonds.

No opinion is given herein as to the effect upon enforceability of the Bonds of bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium and other laws affecting creditors' rights or in the exercise of judicial discretion in appropriate cases.

We have examined the executed and authenticated Bond numbered AR-1, and in our opinion the form of said bond and its execution and authentication are regular and proper.

Very truly yours,



STEPTOE & JOHNSON PLLC

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May 2, 2023

City of Benwood  
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(West Virginia SRF Program); and  
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B  
(West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable)

City of Benwood  
Benwood, West Virginia

West Virginia Water Development Authority  
Charleston, West Virginia

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection  
Charleston, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are counsel to the City of Benwood in Marshall County, West Virginia (the "Issuer"). As such counsel, we have examined copies of the approving opinions of Steptoe & Johnson PLLC, as bond counsel, a Bond Purchase Agreement for the Bonds dated May 2, 2023, including all schedules and exhibits attached thereto, by and among the Issuer, the West Virginia Water Development Authority (the "Authority") and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP") (the "Bond Purchase Agreement"), a Bond Ordinance duly enacted by the Issuer on February 14, 2023, as supplemented by a Supplemental Resolution duly adopted by the Issuer on April 11, 2023 (collectively, the "Bond Legislation"), and other documents relating to the above-captioned Bonds of the Issuer (the "Bonds"). All capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meaning set forth in the Bond Legislation and the Bond Purchase Agreement when used herein.

We are of the opinion that:

1. The Issuer has been duly created and is validly existing as a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the State of West Virginia, and the Mayor, Clerk and members of the

Council of the Issuer and the Sanitary Board have been duly and properly elected or appointed, as applicable, have taken the requisite oaths, and are authorized to act on behalf of the Issuer in their respective capacities. The Sanitary Board has been duly created by the Issuer and is validly existing as a sanitary board under the Act.

2. The Bond Purchase Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Issuer and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the other parties thereto, constitutes a valid and binding agreement of the Issuer, enforceable in accordance with its terms.

3. The Bond Legislation has been duly adopted and enacted by the Issuer and is in full force and effect.

4. The execution and delivery of the Bonds and the Bond Purchase Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the Bonds, the Bond Purchase Agreement and the Bond Legislation and the carrying out of the terms thereof, do not and will not, in any material respect, conflict with or constitute, on the part of the Issuer, a breach of or default under any ordinance, order, resolution, agreement or other instrument to which the Issuer is a party or by which the Issuer or its properties are bound or any existing law, regulation, court order or consent decree to which the Issuer is subject.

5. The Issuer has received all permits, licenses, approvals, consents, exemptions, orders, certificates and authorizations necessary for the issuance of the Bonds, the acquisition and construction of the Project, the operation of the System and the imposition of rates and charges for use of the System, including, without limitation, the receipt of all requisite orders and approvals from the DEP and the Public Service Commission of West Virginia and has taken any other action required for the imposition of such rates and charges, including, without limitation, the enactment of a sewer ordinance prescribing such sewer rates and charges dated February 22, 2022. The ordinance remains in full force and effect.

6. To the best of our knowledge, there is no litigation, action, suit, proceeding or investigation at law or in equity before or by any court, public board or body, pending or threatened, wherein an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding would adversely affect the transactions contemplated by the Bond Purchase Agreement, the Bond Legislation, the acquisition and construction of the Project, the operation of the System, the validity of the Bonds or the collection or pledge of the Net Revenues therefore.

7. We have ascertained that all successful bidders have provided the drug-free workplace affidavit, submitted their drug-free workplace plan and the contracts contain language that complies with the Drug-Free Workplace Act, Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the West Virginia Code. We have also ascertained that all successful bidders have made required provisions for all insurance and payment and performance bonds and such insurance policies or binders and such bonds have been verified for accuracy. Based upon our review of the submitted bids, the surety bonds or other evidence of insurance coverage in connection with the bids, we are of the opinion that such surety bonds and policies (1) are in compliance with the project bidding specifications and requirements; (2) are adequate in form, substance and amount to protect the various interests of the Issuer; (3) have been executed by duly authorized representatives of the proper parties; (4) meet the requirements of

the Act, the Bond Legislation and the Bond Purchase Agreement; and (5) all such documents constitute valid and legally binding obligations of the parties thereto in accordance with the terms, conditions and provisions thereof.

All counsel to this transaction may rely upon this opinion as if specifically addressed to them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Eric M. Gordon", with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Eric M. Gordon



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May 2, 2023

City of Benwood  
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(West Virginia SRF Program); and  
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B  
(West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable)

City of Benwood  
Benwood, West Virginia

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection  
Charleston, West Virginia

West Virginia Water Development Authority  
Charleston, West Virginia

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are special counsel to the City of Benwood, a municipality in Marshall County, West Virginia (the "Issuer"). As such counsel, we have represented the Issuer before the Public Service Commission of West Virginia in connection with the issuance of the above-referenced bonds, and the acquisition and construction of the Project. All capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the same meaning set forth in the Bond Legislation and the Bond Purchase Agreement when used herein.

We are of the opinion that the Issuer has received all orders and approvals from the Public Service Commission of West Virginia, including the Recommended Decision entered on May 24, 2022, which became Final Order on June 13, 2022, in Case No. 22-0080-S-CN, among other things, granting to the Issuer a certificate of convenience and necessity for the Project and approving the financing for the Project. The time for appeal of the Order has expired prior to the date hereof. Such Order remains in full force and effect.

All counsel to this transaction may rely upon this opinion as if specifically addressed to them.

Very truly yours,

  
STEPTOE & JOHNSON PLLC

## WEST VIRGINIA MUNICIPAL BOND COMMISSION

## NEW ISSUE REPORT FORM

900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 1117, Charleston, WV 25302

Phone: (304) 558-3971

FAX: (304) 558-1280

mbc.wv.gov

Date of Report: 5/2/2023

ISSUE: City of BenwoodSewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (West Virginia SRF Program)ADDRESS: 430 Main Street, Benwood, WV 26031COUNTY: MarshallPURPOSE OF ISSUE: ☒ New Money☐ Refunding

Refunding issue(s) dated: \_\_\_\_\_

ISSUE DATE: 5/2/2023RATE: 0.25% ADMIN FEE 0.25%ISSUE AMOUNT: \$ 684,900.001st DEBT SERVICE DUE: 9/1/20241st PRINCIPAL DUE: 9/1/20241st DEBT SERVICE AMOUNT: \$ 4,638.06PAYING AGENT: Municipal Bond CommissionBOND COUNSEL: Steptoe & Johnson PLLCUNDERWRITERS COUNSEL: Jackson Kelly PLLCContact Name: John StumpContact Name: Samme GeePhone: 304.353.8196Phone: 304.340.1318Email: john.stump@steptoe-johnson.comEmail: sgee@JacksonKelly.comCLOSING BANK: WesBanco Bank

ESCROW TRUSTEE: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: Katrina Bonar

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: 304.905.7366

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

KNOWLEDGEABLE ISSUER CONTACT:

OTHER: WV DEPContact Name: Tiffany AnkromContact Name: John GiroirTitle: ClerkTitle: Acting ManagerPhone: 304.323.4320Phone: 304.926.0499 ext 1603Email: tiffany@mcsww.netEmail: john.giroir@wv.gov

DEPOSITS TO MBC AT CLOSE: \_\_\_\_\_

Accrued Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

By: Wire

Capitalized Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Check

Reserve Account: \_\_\_\_\_

In-house Transfer

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

REFUNDS &amp; TRANSFERS BY MBC AT CLOSE:

To Escrow Trustee: \_\_\_\_\_

By: Wire

To Issuer: \_\_\_\_\_

Check

To Cons.Invest Fund: \_\_\_\_\_

IGT

To Other: \_\_\_\_\_

ISSUER NUMBERS:

BANK ID NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CUSIP: \_\_\_\_\_

ACCOUNT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAM NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES: The Series 2023 A Bonds Reserve will be funded over 10 years

FOR MUNIICIPAL BOND COMMISSION USE ONLY:

Documents Required: \_\_\_\_\_

Transfers Required: \_\_\_\_\_

**WEST VIRGINIA MUNICIPAL BOND COMMISSION****NEW ISSUE REPORT FORM**

900 Pennsylvania Avenue, Suite 1117, Charleston, WV 25302

Phone:(304) 558-3971

FAX: (304) 558-1280

**mbc.wv.gov**Date of Report: 5/2/2023ISSUE: City of BenwoodSewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B (West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable)ADDRESS: 430 Main Street, Benwood, WV 26031COUNTY: MarshallPURPOSE OF ISSUE: ☒ New Money☐ Refunding

Refunding issue(s) dated: \_\_\_\_\_

ISSUE DATE: 5/2/2023RATE: NA ADMIN FEE: \_\_\_\_\_ISSUE AMOUNT: \$2,000,000 / Forgivable1st DEBT SERVICE DUE: NA1st PRINCIPAL DUE: NA1st DEBT SERVICE AMOUNT: NA

PAYING AGENT: \_\_\_\_\_

BOND COUNSEL: Steptoe & Johnson PLLCUNDERWRITERS COUNSEL: Jackson Kelly PLLCContact Name: John StumpContact Name: Samme GeePhone: 304.353.8196Phone: 304.340.1318Email: john.stump@steptoe-johnson.comEmail: sgee@JacksonKelly.comCLOSING BANK: WesBanco Bank

ESCROW TRUSTEE: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: Katrina Bonar

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Phone: 304.905.7366

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DEPOSITS TO MBC AT CLOSE: \_\_\_\_\_

Accrued Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

By: Wire

Capitalized Interest: \_\_\_\_\_

Check

Reserve Account: \_\_\_\_\_

In-house Transfer

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

REFUNDS &amp; TRANSFERS BY MBC AT CLOSE:

To Escrow Trustee: \_\_\_\_\_

By: Wire

To Issuer: \_\_\_\_\_

Check

To Cons.Invest Fund: \_\_\_\_\_

IGT

To Other: \_\_\_\_\_

ISSUER NUMBERS:

BANK ID NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CUSIP: \_\_\_\_\_

ACCOUNT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PROGRAM NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTES: No account set up at Municipal Bond Commission. Series 2023 B Bonds are forgivable

FOR MUNIICIPAL BOND COMMISSION USE ONLY:

Documents Required: \_\_\_\_\_ Transfers Required: \_\_\_\_\_

## SWEEP RESOLUTION

**WHEREAS**, the City of Benwood (the "Issuer") is a governmental body and political subdivision of West Virginia;

**WHEREAS**, the Issuer has issued bonds, as more specifically set forth on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference (the "Bonds");

**WHEREAS**, the Issuer makes monthly debt service payments on the Bonds by check to the West Virginia Municipal Bond Commission (the "MBC") which in turn pays the owners of the Bonds and deposits funds in the reserve accounts;

**WHEREAS**, the MBC may accept such monthly payments by electronic funds transfer thereby eliminating delay in payments and lost checks;

**WHEREAS**, Pursuant to Chapter 13, Article 3, Section 5a, the MBC has established fees for its services (the "MBC Fee");

**WHEREAS**, the Issuer find and determines that it is in the best interest of the Issuer, its citizens and the owners of the Bonds that the monthly debt service and reserve fund payments be made by electronic transfer with the State Treasurer sweeping the Issuer's account.

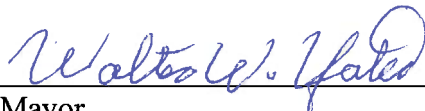
### **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:**

1) The monthly debt service payments on the Bonds, as set forth in Exhibit A, along with the MBC Fee, shall be made to the MBC by electronic transfer by the State Treasurer from the accounts set forth in Exhibit A in such form and at such directions as are provided by the MBC.

2) The Mayor and Clerk are hereby authorized to sign and execute all such documents as are necessary to facilitate the electronic transfer of the Bond debt service and reserve fund payments.

3) This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted this 11th day of April, 2023.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

CITY OF BENWOOD

Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(West Virginia SRF Program); and  
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 B  
(West Virginia SRF Program/Forgivable)

CERTIFICATE OF ENGINEER

I, Michael P. Davis, Registered Professional Engineer, West Virginia License No. 016347, of Burgess & Niple, Inc., Parkersburg, West Virginia, hereby certify this 2nd day of May, 2023, as follows:

1. My firm is engineer for the acquisition and construction of certain additions, betterments and improvements (the "Project") to the existing sewerage system (the "System") of the City of Benwood (the "Issuer"), to be constructed in Marshall County, West Virginia, which acquisition and construction are being permanently financed by the proceeds of the above-captioned bonds (collectively, the "Bonds") of the Issuer. Capitalized terms used herein and not defined herein shall have the same meaning set forth in the Bond Ordinance enacted by the Issuer on February 14, 2023, as supplemented by the Supplemental Resolution of the Issuer adopted April 11, 2023 (collectively, the "Bond Legislation") and the Bond Purchase Agreement for the Series 2023 Bonds, by and among the Issuer, the West Virginia Water Development Authority (the "Authority") and the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection (the "DEP"), dated May 2, 2023 (the "Bond Purchase Agreement").

2. The Bonds are being issued (i) to pay a portion of the costs of acquisition and construction of the Project; and (ii) to pay certain costs of issuance and related costs.

3. To the best of my knowledge, information and belief, (i) within the limits and in accordance with the applicable and governing contractual requirements relating to the Project, the Project will be constructed in general accordance with the approved plans, specifications and designs prepared by my firm and approved by the DEP and the Authority and any change orders approved by the Issuer, the Authority, the DEP and all necessary governmental bodies; (ii) the Project does not include any buildings to be designed and constructed in compliance with the ICC International Energy Conservation Code, adopted by the State Fire Commission, and the ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA Standard 90.1-2007; (iii) the Project, as designed, is adequate for its intended purpose and has a useful life of at least 40 years, if properly constructed, operated and maintained, excepting anticipated replacements due to normal wear and tear; (iv) the Issuer has received bids for the acquisition and construction of the Project which are in an amount and otherwise compatible with the plan of financing set forth in the Schedule B attached hereto as Exhibit A and Berry, Kessler, Crutchfield, Taylor & Gordon, counsel to the Issuer, will ascertain that all successful bidders have made required provisions for all insurance and payment and performance bonds and such insurance policies or binders and such bonds will be verified for accuracy; (v) the successful bidders received any and all addenda to the original bid documents; (vi) the successful bidders have provided the Drug-Free Workplace Affidavit as evidence of the Vendor's compliance with the

provisions of Article 1D, Chapter 21 of the West Virginia Code; (vii) the bid documents relating to the Project reflect the Project as approved by the DEP and the bid forms provided to the bidders contain the critical operational components of the Project; (viii) the successful bids include prices for every item on such bid forms; (ix) the uniform bid procedures were followed; (x) the Issuer has obtained all permits required by the laws of the State of West Virginia and the United States necessary for the acquisition and construction of the Project and operation of the System; (xi) the net proceeds of the Bonds, together with all other monies on deposit or to be simultaneously deposited and irrevocably pledged thereto and the proceeds of grants, if any, irrevocably committed therefor, are sufficient to pay the costs of acquisition and construction of the Project approved by the DEP; and (xii) attached hereto as Exhibit A is the final amended "Schedule B - Final Total Cost of Project, Sources of Funds and Cost of Financing" for the Project.

4. The Project will serve -0- new customers.

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WITNESS my signature and seal on the day and year first written above.

BURGESS & NIPLE, INC.

(SEAL)



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael P. Davis", written over a horizontal line.

Michael P. Davis, P.E.  
West Virginia License No. 016347

**POST-BIDSCHEDULE B**

City of Benwood  
CSO Phase II Project  
3/2/2023

IJDC # 2019S-1825  
CWSRF # 544613

| A. Cost of Project                           | PreBid    | Adjustments | Post Bid  | CWSRF Loan<br>(0.50%; 40 yrs) | CWSRF PF  | IJDC Grant | WDA EEGF |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|----------|
| 1. Construction                              |           |             |           |                               |           |            |          |
| a. Contract 1 - Collection System            | 2,706,000 | 331,376     | 3,037,376 | 137,600                       | 2,000,000 | 546,262    | 353,514  |
| b. Construction Contingency 10%              | 281,600   | 22,138      | 303,738   | 0                             | 0         | 303,738    | 0        |
| 2. Technical Services (B & N)                |           |             |           |                               |           |            |          |
| a. Planning                                  | 0         | 0           | 0         | 0                             | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| b. Preliminary Design                        | 17,900    | 0           | 17,900    | 17,900                        | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| c. Final Design                              | 88,700    | 0           | 88,700    | 88,700                        | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| d. Bidding & Negotiation                     | 10,100    | 0           | 10,100    | 10,100                        | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| e. Construction Engineering                  | 75,400    | 0           | 75,400    | 75,400                        | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| f. Post Construction                         | 4,100     | 0           | 4,100     | 4,100                         | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| g. Resident Project Representation           | 174,900   | 0           | 174,900   | 174,900                       | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| h. Special Services                          | 155,700   | 0           | 155,700   | 155,700                       | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| 3. Accounting (Michael Griffiths & Assoc)    | 35,000    | 0           | 35,000    | 0                             | 0         | 35,000     | 0        |
| 4. Legal                                     |           |             |           |                               |           |            |          |
| a. Legal & R-O-W Legal (Eric Gordon)         | 15,000    | 0           | 15,000    | 0                             | 0         | 15,000     | 0        |
| b. PSC Attorney (S&J)                        | 15,000    | 0           | 15,000    | 0                             | 0         | 15,000     | 0        |
| 5. Administration (Belomar)                  | 60,000    | 0           | 60,000    | 0                             | 0         | 60,000     | 0        |
| 6. Sites and Other Lands                     | 10,000    | 0           | 10,000    | 0                             | 0         | 10,000     | 0        |
| 7. Permits                                   | 15,000    | 0           | 15,000    | 0                             | 0         | 15,000     | 0        |
| 8. Total of Lines 1 through 7                | 3,664,400 | 353,514     | 4,017,914 | 664,400                       | 2,000,000 | 1,000,000  | 353,514  |
| B. Cost of Financing                         |           |             |           |                               |           |            |          |
| 9. Capitalized Interest                      | 0         | 0           | 0         | 0                             | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| 10. Bond Counsel (S&J)                       | 20,000    | 0           | 20,000    | 20,000                        | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| 11. Bank Registrar Fee                       | 500       | 0           | 500       | 500                           | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| 12. Funded Reserve                           | 0         | 0           | 0         | 0                             | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| 13. Total Cost of Financing                  | 20,500    | 0           | 20,500    | 20,500                        | 0         | 0          | 0        |
| 14. Total Project Cost (line 8 plus line 13) | 3,684,900 | 353,514     | 4,038,414 | 684,900                       | 2,000,000 | 1,000,000  | 353,514  |
| C. Sources of Funds                          |           |             |           |                               |           |            |          |
| 15. Federal Grant                            | 0         |             | 2,000,000 | 0                             | 2,000,000 | 0          | 0        |
| 16. State Grant                              | 0         |             | 1,253,514 | 0                             | 0         | 1,000,000  | 353,514  |
| 17. Total Grants                             | 0         |             | 3,253,514 | 0                             | 2,000,000 | 1,000,000  | 353,514  |
| 18. Bond Issue Amount                        | 0         |             | 684,900   | 684,900                       |           |            |          |



Signature of Authorized Representative

Date: 3/6/23



Signature of Consulting Engineer

Date: 3/6/23



May 2, 2023

## CPA Certificate

City of Benwood  
Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A  
(West Virginia CWSRF Program)

City of Benwood  
Benwood, West Virginia

West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection  
Charleston, West Virginia

West Virginia Water Development Authority  
Charleston, West Virginia

**RE: CPA CERTIFICATE  
CSO Phase II Sewer Project**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Based upon the rates and charges set forth in the sewer rate ordinance enacted by City of Benwood (the "Issuer") on February 22, 2022, and projected operation and maintenance expenses and anticipated customer usage as furnished to us by Burgess & Niple, Inc., consulting engineers, it is our opinion that such rates and charges will be sufficient to provide revenues which, together with other revenues of the sewerage system (the "System") of the Issuer, will pay all repair, operation and maintenance expenses of the System and leave a balance each year equal to at least 115% of the maximum amount required in any year for debt service on the Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2023 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated May 2, 2023, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$684,900 (the "Series 2023 A Bonds"), and the Issuer's outstanding:

1. Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated December 20, 2000, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$318,300 (the "Series 2000 A Bonds");
2. Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2000 B (West Virginia Infrastructure Fund), dated December 20, 2000, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$245,600 (the "Series 2000 B Bonds"); and
3. Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2017 A (West Virginia SRF Program), dated July 11, 2017, issued in the original aggregate principal amount of \$2,404,539 (the "Series 2017 A Bonds"), (collectively, the "Prior Bonds").

*Michael D. Griffith, CPA, AFI*  
[Michael@Griffith.CPA](mailto:Michael@Griffith.CPA)

*950 Little Coal River Road Alum Creek, WV 25003*  
*Phone: (304) 756.3600 Facsimile: (304) 756.2911*

It is further our opinion that the Net Revenues actually derived from the System during any 12 consecutive months, within the 18 months immediately preceding the date of the actual issuance of the Series 2023 Bonds, plus the estimated average increased annual Net Revenues to be received in each of the 3 succeeding years after the completion of the improvements to be financed by the Series 2023 Bonds, are not less than 115% of the largest aggregate amount that will mature and become due in any succeeding fiscal year for the principal of and interest on the Prior Bonds and the Series 2023 Bonds.

In the course of our due diligence to render this Certificate, we have reviewed the books and records of the System and further opine as follows:

(a.) The Debt Service Reserve Funds for the Prior Bonds are each funded or are being funded at the level required by the respective ordinance of the Issuer authorizing the issuance of such Prior Bonds (collectively, the “Prior Ordinances”);

(b.) The Renewal and Replacement Fund required by the Prior Ordinances is established and the rates and charges for the System have been established which are projected to be sufficient in the upcoming Fiscal Year to make the required deposits in the Renewal and Replacement Fund; and

(c.) The Working Capital Reserve Account required by W. V. Code Section 24-1-1(k) is established and the rates and charges for the System have been established which are projected to be sufficient in the upcoming Fiscal Year to make the required deposits in the Working Capital Reserve Account.

Sincerely,

*Michael D. Griffith, CPA*

Michael D. Griffith, CPA, AFI  
Griffith & Associates, PLLC

MDG/s