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"DTC" means the Depository Trust Company, a limited purpose company organized under the laws of the State of New York, and its successors and assigns. "DTC Participant(s)" means securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing cor-

porations that have access to the DTC system. "Escrow Agent" means the Escrow Agent acting as such under

the Escrow Agreement, or its successor or successors as are appointed under the terms of the Escrow Agreement.

"Escrow Agreement" means the Refunding Escrow Agreement. "Insurer" means such entity as indicated in the Bond Purchase Agreement which issues an Insurance Policy.

"Insurance Policy" means the insurance policy issued by the Insurer guaranteeing the scheduled payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds when due.

"Interest Payment Dates" means each date on which interest shall be payable on the Bonds so long as any of the Bonds shall be outstanding.

"Letter of Representation" means the Issuer Letter of Representations or Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations to DTC of the County.

"Official Statement" and "Preliminary Official Statement" means that Official Statement and Preliminary Official Statement described in Section 8.2 hereof pertaining to the sale of the Bonds. "Original Issue Discount or OID" means an amount by which the par value of a security exceeds it

public offering price at the time of its original issuance "Original Issue Premium or OIP"

means the amount by which the public offering price of a security at the time of its original issuance exceeds its par value. "Outstanding," "Bonds Outstand-

ing," or "Outstanding Bonds" means, as of a particular date all Bonds issued and delivered under this Bond Resolution except: (1) any Bond paid or redeemed or otherwise canceled by the County at or before such date; (2) any Bond for the payment of which cash, equal to the principal amount thereof with interest to date of maturity, shall have theretofore been deposited prior to maturity by the County for the benefit of the Owner thereof; (3) any Bond for the redemption of which cash, equal to the redemption price thereof with interest to the redemption date, shall have theretofore been deposited with the Registration Agent and for which notice of redemption shall have been mailed in accordance with this Bond Resolution; (4) any Bond in lieu of or in substitution for which another Bond shall have been delivered pursuant to this Resolution, unless proof satisfactory to the County is presented that any Bond, for which a Bond in lieu of or in substitution therefor shall have been delivered, is held by a bona fide purchaser, as that term is defined in Article 8 of the Uniform Commercial Code of the State, as amended, in which case both the Bond in lieu of or in substitution for which a new Bond has been delivered and such new Bond so delivered therefor shall be deemed Outstanding; and, (5) any Bond deemed paid under the provisions

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"Schedule" the schedule which indicates the principal and interest payments on the Bonds. Underwriter" means Dougherty

& Company LLC, acting for and on behalf of itself and such securities dealers as it may designate. "Verification Agent" means Grant Thornton, or any other firm that the Authorized Officers of the District appoint. 'Vice-Chairman" means the Vice-Chairman of the County Commis-

sion who may act for the Chairman in the absence of the Chairman.

#### Section 1.2. References to **Resolution.**

The words "hereof", "herein" "hereunder", and other words of similar import refer to this Bond Resolution as a whole.

#### Section 1.3. References to Articles, Sections, Etc.

References to Articles, Sections, and other subdivisions of this Bond Resolution are to the designated Articles, Sections, and other subdivisions of this Bond Resolution as originally adopted.

#### Section 1.4. Headings.

The headings of this Bond Resolution are for convenience only and shall not define or limit the provisions hereof.

#### ARTICLE II

**FINDINGS** 

### Section 2.1.

It is hereby found and determined by the County Commission as follows:

(a) The refunding of the Refunded Bonds as set forth herein through the issuance of the Bonds will result in the reduction in debt service payable by the County over the term of the Refunded Bonds thereby effecting a cost savings to the public;

(b) The County does declare a necessity to issue the Bonds. (c) The County hereby determines that all limitations upon the issuance of Bonds have been met and the Bonds are being authorized, issued and sold in accordance with the provisions of §§ 6-8B-30 to 6-8B-52, inclusive.

# ARTICLE III

# AUTHORITY, PLEDGE, AND LEVY

# Section 3.1. Authority.

In order to provide funds to (i) crossover advance refund and refinance Bonds maturing December 1, 2017 to December 1, 2025 validly issued outstanding General Obligation Law Enforcement Center Bonds, Series 2006A (the Refunded Bonds), (ii) to pay interest on the 2015 Bonds from date of Issuance until December 1, 2016, and (iii) pay the costs of issuance of the Series 2015 Bonds, there shall be issued pursuant to, and in accordance with, the provisions of the Act, the Bond Resolution, and other applicable provisions of law, General Obligation Refunding Bonds of the County in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$4,790,000.

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County Commission, attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the County Auditor, and approved as to form and countersigned by a Resident Attorney by his manual or facsimile signature. (c) In the event any officer whose manual or facsimile signature shall appear on any Bond shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such Bond, such manual or such facsimile signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes as if he or she had remained in office until such delivery. Any Bond may bear the facsimile signature of, or may be manually signed by, such individuals who, at the actual time of the execution of such Bond, were the proper officers of the County to sign such Bond, although on the date of the adoption by the County of this Resolution, such individuals may not have been such officers.

#### Section 4.3 Maturities, Interest Rates, and Certain Other Provisions of Bonds.

(a) The Bonds shall become due and payable as set forth in the Bond Purchase Agreement.

(b) The Bonds shall be designated "General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Crossover Advance Refunding Bonds) Series 2015", or such other designation as shall be determined by the County Commission pursuant to Section 8.1 hereof. The Bonds shall bear interest from their date or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, until the principal amount of the Bond is paid, such interest (computed upon the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) being payable on Interest Payment Dates. Interest on each Bond shall be paid by wire transfer, check or draft of the Paying Agent, payable in lawful money of the United States of America, to the person in whose name such Bond is registered at the close of business on the Record Date. The principal of the Bond shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the principal office of the Paying Agent on the Bond Payment Date. Each Bond shall state that it is issued pursuant to SDCL § 6-8B-30 through 6-8B-

(c) The Registration Agent shall make all interest payments with respect to the Bonds on each interest payment date directly to the registered owners as shown on the Bond registration records maintained by the Registration Agent as of the close of business on the Record Date by wire transfer, check or draft mailed to such owners at their addresses shown on said Bond registration records, without, except for final payment, the presentation or surrender of such registered Bonds, and all such payments shall discharge the obligations of the County in respect of such Bonds to the extent of the payments so made. Payment of principal of and premium, if any, on the Bonds shall be made upon presentation and surrender of such Bonds to the Registration Agent as the same shall

#### Section 4.4 Negotiability of Bonds.

become due and payable.

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#### & Co., as nominee of DTC, which maturity, interest rate, and princiwill act as securities depository pal amount, and bearing the same for the Bonds. References in this number (but with appropriate des-Section to a Bond or the Bonds ignation indicating that such new shall be construed to mean the Bond is a replacement Bond) as Bond or the Bonds that are held the mutilated, destroyed, lost, or under the Book-Entry System. stolen Bond, in exchange for the One Bond for each maturity shall mutilated Bond or in substitution for the Bond so destroyed, lost, or be issued to DTC and immobi-

lized in its custody. Unless otherstolen. In every case of exchange wise provided herein, a Book-Enor substitution, the Bondholder try System shall be employed, evshall furnish to the County and idencing ownership of the Bonds the Registration Agent: (1) such in authorized denominations, with security or indemnity as may be transfers of beneficial ownership required by them to save each of affected on the records of DTC them harmless from all risks, and the DTC Participants purhowever remote; and, (2) evisuant to rules and procedures esdence to their satisfaction of the tablished by DTC. mutilation, destruction, loss, or

Each DTC Participant shall be credited in the records of DTC ownership thereof. Upon the iswith the amount of such DTC Parsuance of any Bond upon such exticipants interest in the Bonds. change or substitution, the County and the Registration Agent may Beneficial ownership interests in the Bonds may be purchased by require the Owner thereof to pay a or through DTC Participants. The sum sufficient to defray any tax or holders of these beneficial ownerother governmental charge that ship interests are herein referred may be imposed in relation thereto as the "Beneficial Owners." to and any other expenses, includ-The Beneficial Owners shall not ing printing costs and counsel receive the Bonds representing fees, of the County and the Registration Agent. In the event any their beneficial ownership inter-Bond which has matured or is ests. The ownership interests of about to mature shall become mueach Beneficial Owner shall be tilated or be destroyed, lost, or recorded through the records of stolen, the County may, instead of the DTC Participant from which issuing a Bond in exchange or such Beneficial Owner purchased substitution therefor, pay or auits Bonds. Transfers of ownership thorize the payment of the same interests in the Bonds shall be ac-(without surrender thereof except complished by book entries made in the case of a mutilated Bond) if by DTC and, in turn, by DTC Parthe Owner thereof shall pay all ticipants acting on behalf of Bencosts and expenses, including ateficial Owners. SO LONG AS torneys fees, incurred by the CEDE & CO., AS NOMINEE County and the Registration FOR DTC, IS THE REGIS-Agent in connection herewith, as TERED OWNER OF THE BONDS, THE REGISTRATION well as a sum sufficient to defray any tax or other governmental AGENT SHALL TREAT CEDE charge that may be imposed in re-& CO., AS THE ONLY HOLDlation thereto and shall furnish to ER OF THE BONDS FOR ALL the County and the Registration PURPOSES UNDER THIS RES-Agent such security or indemnity OLUTION, INCLUDING REas they may require to save them CEIPT OF ALL PRINCIPAL OF. harmless and evidence to the sat-PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND IN-TEREST ON THE BONDS, REisfaction of the County and the Registration Agent the mutilation, CEIPT OF NOTICES, VOTING destruction, loss, or theft of such AND REQUESTING OR DI-Bond and of the ownership there-RECTING THE REGISTRA-TION AGENT TO TAKE OR ot (b) Every Bond issued pursuant to NOT TO TAKE, OR CONSENTthe provisions of this section shall ING TO. CERTAIN ACTIONS constitute an additional contractu-UNDER THIS BOND RESOLUal obligation of the County TION.

(whether or not the destroyed Payments of principal, interest, and redemption premium, if any, with respect to the Bonds, so long as DTC is the only owner of the Bonds, shall be paid by the Registration Agent directly to DTC or its nominee, Cede & Co., as provided in the Letter of Representation. DTC shall remit such payowned upon the express condition ments to DTC Participants, and such payments thereafter shall be paid by DTC Participants to the Beneficial Owners. Neither the lated, destroyed, lost, or stolen County nor the Registration Agent shall be responsible or litent legally permissible, shall pre-clude all other rights or remedies, able for payment by DTC or DTC Participants, for sending transacnotwithstanding any law or statute tion statements or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing records maintained by DTC or DTC Participants. Section 4.7 Authentication.

In the event that (1) DTC determines not to continue to act as securities depository for the Bonds or (2) the County determines that the continuation of the Book-Entry System of evidence and transfer of ownership of the Bonds would adversely affect their interests or the interests of the Beneficial Owners of the Bonds, the County may discontinue the Book-Entry System with DTC. If PRESS & DAKOTAN ■ FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2015

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#### Section 4.12. Dissemination Agent.

The County authorizes the Authorized Officer of the County to retain a dissemination agent with regard to the written undertaking authorized in Section 10.8 hereof.

#### ARTICLE V REDEMPTION OF BONDS PRIOR TO MATURITY

The redemption provisions shall be set forth in the Purchase Agreement.

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REGISTRATION AGENT, ES-CROW AGENT, VERIFICA-TION AGENT

## Section 6.1. Appointment and Acceptance of Duties.

The County hereby authorizes the Auditor to appoint the Registration Agent with respect to the Bonds and authorizes and directs the Registration Agent to maintain Bond registration records with respect to the Bonds, to authenticate and deliver the Bonds as provided herein, either at original issuance, upon transfer, or as otherwise directed by the County, to effect transfers of the Bonds, to give all notices of redemption as required herein, to make all payments of principal and interest with respect to the Bonds as provided herein, to cancel and destroy Bonds which have been paid at maturity or upon earlier redemption or submitted for exchange or transfer, to furnish the County at least annually a certificate of destruction with respect to Bonds canceled and destroyed, and to furnish the County at least annually an audit confirmation of Bonds paid, Bonds Outstanding and payments made with respect to interest on the Bonds. The Chairman and the Auditor, or either of them is hereby authorized to execute and the Auditor is hereby authorized to attest such written agreement between the County and the Registration Agent as they shall deem necessary or proper with respect to the obligations, duties and rights of the Registration Agent. The payment of all reasonable fees and expenses of the Registration Agent for the discharge of its duties and obligations hereunder or under any such agreement is hereby authorized and directed.

#### Section 6.2. Permitted Acts and Functions.

The Registration Agent may become the Owner of any Bonds, with the same rights as it would have if it were not a Registration Agent. The Registration Agent may act as an underwriter or fiscal agent in connection with the sale of the Bonds or of any other securities offered or issued by the County.

#### Section 6.3. Resignation or Removal of the Registration Agent and Appointment of Successors.

(a) The Registration Agent may at any time resign and be discharged of the duties and obligations created by this Bond Reso-lution by giving at least sixty (60)

VII of this except that any such Bond shall be considered Outstanding until the maturity or redemption date thereof only for the purposes of being exchanged, transferred, or registered.

"Person" means an individual, partnership, corporation, trust, or unincorporated organization, or a governmental entity or agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Pledged Taxes" means the ad valorem taxes levied in such amounts as is necessary to pay principal, interest and premium, if any, when due which is pledged hereunder by the County as security for the Bonds and any accrued interest received upon the sale of the Bonds and deposited into the Bond Fund.

"Purchase Agreement" means the Bond Purchase Agreement authorized pursuant to and described in Section 8.1 hereof by and between the County and the Underwriter.

"Rating Agency" means one or more of the following rating agencies: Standard & Poor's Credit Rating Services, Moody's Investors Service Inc. and Fitch IBCA, Inc.

"Record Date" means the close of business on the first/fifteenth day (whether or not a business day) of the calendar month next preceding each interest payment date. "Refunded Bonds" means the following maturities aggregating Four Million Five Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand (\$4,595,000) of the Countys outstanding General Obligation Law Enforcement Center Bonds, Series 2006A dated May 1, 2006:

Maturity, Principal Outstanding, Interest Rate, CUSIP December 1, 2017, 435,000, 4.00, 98480T AL3 December 1, 2018, 450,000, 4.00, 98480T AM1 470,000. December 1, 2019. 4.00, 98480T AN9 December 1, 2020, 485,000, 4.00, 98480T AP4 December 1, 2021, 505,000, 4.00, 98480T AQ2 December 1, 2022 530,000, 4.00, 98480T AR0 550,000, December 1, 2023. 4.05, 98480T AS8 December 1, 2024 575,000, 4.10, 98480T AT6 December 1, 2025, 595,000, 4.125, 98480T AU3

\$4,595,000 "Registration Agent" means the County Auditor or any Registration Agent appointed by the Auditor and its successor or successors hereafter appointed in the manner provided in Article VI hereof. "Resolution" means this Bond

# Section 3.2. Pledge.

The full faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of, interest on and Premium, if any, of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be direct and general obligations of the County and the County shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property in the County for the payment of the Bonds and the interest thereon, without limitation as to rate or amount. The County does hereby pledge and provide for an annual tax sufficient to pay principal and interest on the Bonds when due.

#### Section 3.3. Levy of Taxes.

Pursuant to SDCL § 7-24-18, the County does hereby provide for an annual levy to produce collected taxes, taking into consideration an amount necessary to provide for delinquencies, reasonable reserve and mandatory early redemption, to pay principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The Schedule is made a part this resolution as if stated in full and shall be open to public inspection at the office of the Auditor. Said levies shall be irrepealable so long as any of the Bonds of said issue or interest thereon shall remain unpaid.

# ARTICLE IV FORM, TERMS, EXECUTION,

AND TRANSFER OF BONDS

# Section 4.1. Authorized Bonds.

The aggregate principal amount of Bonds that may be issued under the Bond Resolution shall not exceed Four Million Seven Hundred Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$4,790,000).

#### Section 4.2. Form of Bonds; Execution and Terms of the Bonds.

a) The Bonds are issuable only as fully registered Bonds, without coupons, in the denomination of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) or any integral multiple thereof (but no single Bond shall represent installments of principal maturing on more than one date). All Bonds issued under this Resolution shall be substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto, and by this reference incorporated herein as fully as though copied.

(b) The Bonds shall be executed in such manner as may be prescribed by applicable law in the name and on behalf of the County with the manual or facsimile signature of the Chairman of the All Bonds issued under this Resolution shall be negotiable, subject to the provisions for registration and transfer contained in this Resolution and in the Bonds.

#### Section 4.5 Registration, Transfer and Exchange of Bonds.

(a) The Bonds are transferable only by presentation to the Registration Agent by the registered owner, or his legal representative duly authorized in writing, of the registered Bond(s) to be transferred with the form of assignment on the reverse side thereof completed in full and signed with the name of the registered owner as it appears upon the face of the Bond(s) accompanied by appropriate documentation necessary to prove the legal capacity of any legal representative of the registered owner. Upon receipt of the Bond(s) in such form and with such documentation, if any, the Registration Agent shall issue a new Bond or Bonds to the assignee(s) in \$5,000 denominations, or integral multiples thereof, as requested by the registered owner requesting transfer. The Registration Agent shall not be required to transfer or exchange any Bond during the period commencing on a Record Date and ending on the corresponding interest payment date of such Bond, nor to transfer or exchange any Bond after the publication of notice calling such Bond for redemption has been made, nor to transfer or exchange any Bond during the period following the receipt of instructions from the County to call such Bond for redemption; provided, the Registration Agent, at its option, may make transfers after any of said dates. No charge shall be made to any registered owner for the privilege of transferring any Bond, provided that any transfer tax relating to such transaction shall be paid by the registered owner requesting transfer. The person in whose name any Bond shall be registered shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes and neither the County nor the Registration Agent shall be affected by any notice to the contrary whether or not any payments due on the Bonds shall be overdue. Bonds, upon surrender to the Registration Agent, may, at the option of the registered owner, be exchanged for an equal aggregate principal amount of Bonds of the same maturity in any authorized denomination or denominations.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Bonds shall be registered in the name of Cede

the County fails to identify another qualified securities depository to replace DTC, the County shall cause the Registration Agent to authenticate and deliver replacement Bonds in the form of fully registered Bonds to each Beneficial Owner. NEITHER THE COUNTY NOR

THE REGISTRATION AGENT SHALL HAVE ANY RESPONSI-BILITY OR OBLIGATIONS TO ANY DTC PARTICIPANT OR ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER WITH RESPECT TO (i) THE BONDS; (ii) THE ACCURACY OF ANY RECORDS MAIN-TAINED BY DTC OR ANY DTC PARTICIPANT; (iii) THE PAY-MENT BY DTC OR ANY DTC PARTICIPANT OF ANY AMOUNT DUE TO ANY BENE-FICIAL OWNER IN RESPECT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS: (iv) THE DELIVERY OR TIME-LINESS OF DELIVERY BY DTC OR ANY DTC PARTICI-PANT OF ANY NOTICE DUE TO ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER THAT IS REQUIRED OR PER-MITTED UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS BOND RESOLUTION TO BE GIVEN TO BENEFICIAL OWNERS, (v) THE SELECTION OF BENEFICIAL OWNERS TO RECEIVE PAYMENTS IN THE EVENT OF ANY PARTIAL RE-DEMPTION OF THE BONDS: OR (vi) ANY CONSENT GIVEN OR OTHER ACTION TAKEN BY DTC, OR ITS NOMINEE,

CEDE & CO., AS OWNER. SO LONG AS A BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM OF EVIDENCE OF TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF ALL THE BONDS IS MAIN-TAINED IN ACCORDANCE HEREWITH, THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION RE-LATING TO THE DELIVERY OF PHYSICAL BOND CERTIFI-CATES SHALL BE DEEMED INAPPLICABLE OR BE OTH-ERWISE SO CONSTRUED AS TO GIVE FULL EFFECT TO SUCH BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM. IF THE PROVISIONS OF THE LETTER OF REPRESENTA-TION SHALL BE IN CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION AS SAID PROVISIONS RELATE TO DTC, THE PROVISIONS OF THE LETTER OF REPRESEN-TATION SHALL CONTROL.

Section 4.6 Mutilated, Lost, Stolen, or Destroyed Bonds.

(a) In the event any Bond is mutilated, lost, stolen, or destroyed, the County may execute, and upon the request of an Authorized Officer of the County the Registration Agent shall authenticate and deliver, a new Bond of like

transferred in proper form with proper documentation as herein above described. The Bonds shall not be valid for any purpose unless authenticated by the Registration Agent by the manual signature of an officer thereof on the certificate set forth herein on the Bond form.

lost, or stolen Bond shall be found

at any time to be enforceable) and

shall be entitled to all the benefits

of this Bond Resolution equally

and proportionately with any and

all other Bonds duly issued under

(c) All Bonds shall be held and

that the provisions of this Section

are exclusive, with respect to the

replacement or payment of muti-

Bonds, and, to the maximum ex-

now existing or hereafter enacted

The Registration Agent is hereby

authorized to authenticate and de-

liver the Bonds to the Underwriter

or as it may designate upon re-

ceipt by the County of the pro-

ceeds of the sale thereof, to au-

thenticate and deliver Bonds in

exchange for Bonds of the same

principal amount delivered for

transfer upon receipt of the Bond

this Bond Resolution.

to the contrary.

# Section 4.8. Qualification for DTC.

The Registration Agent is hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary from time to time to qualify and maintain the Bonds for deposit with DTC, including but not limited to, wire transfers of interest and principal payments with respect to the Bonds, utilization of electronic book entry data received from DTC in place of actual delivery of Bonds and provision of notices with respect to Bonds registered by the DTC (or any of its designees identified to the Registration Agent) by overnight delivery, courier service, telegram, telecopy or other similar means of communication. No such arrangements with DTC may adversely affect the interest of any of the Owners of the Bonds, provided, however, that the Registration Agent shall not be liable with respect to any such arrangements it may make pursuant to this section.

# Section 4.9. Rating Agency.

The County is authorized to enter into an agreement with a Rating Agency as may be required under the Purchase Agreement. Any terms or conditions of the Rating Agency shall be attached to this Resolution and incorporated herein as if stated in full.

### Section 4.10. Bond Insurer.

The Chairman and Auditor are authorized to enter into an agreement with a Bond Insurer as may be required under the Bond Purchase Agreement. Any terms or conditions of the Bond Insurer shall be attached to this resolution and incorporated herein as if stated in full.

## Section 4.10. Bond Counsel.

The Chairman and Auditor are authorized to retain Meierhenry Sargent LLP as Bond Counsel upon such terms as they approve.

#### Section 4.9. Underwriter.

The Chairman and Auditor are authorized to retain Dougherty & Company LLC as Underwriter upon such terms as they approve.

calendar days written notice to the Auditor. The Registration Agent may be removed at any time by the Auditor, provided that such removal does not constitute a breach of any contractual agreement with any such Registration Agent, by filing written notice of such removal with such Registration Agent. Any successor Registration Agent shall be appointed by the Auditor and shall be a trust company or a bank having the powers of a trust company, having a combined capital, surplus, and undivided profits aggregating at least Seventy-Five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000), willing to accept the office of Registration Agent on reasonable and customary terms and authorized by law to perform all the duties imposed upon it by this Bond Resolution. (b) In the event of the resignation or removal of the Registration Agent, such Registration Agent shall pay over, assign and deliver

any monies and securities held by it as Registration Agent, and all books and records and other properties held by it as Registration Agent, to its successor, or if there be no successor then appointed, to the Auditor until such successor be appointed.

#### Section 6.4. Merger or Consolidation of Registration Agent.

Any corporation or association into which the Registration Agent may be converted or merged, or with which it may be consolidated, or to which it may sell or transfer its trust business and assets as a whole, or substantially as a whole, or any corporation or association resulting from any such conversion, sale, merger, consolidation, or transfer to which it is a party shall be and become successor Registration Agent hereunder and shall be vested with all the trusts, powers, discretion, immunities, privileges, and other matters as was its predecessor, without the execution or filing of any instrument or any further act, deed, or conveyance on the part of any of the parties hereto, anything herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding. Upon any such conversion, merger, consolidation, sale or transfer, the Auditor shall have the right and option. upon notice to such converted, merged, consolidated or acquiring entity, to remove such entity and appoint a successor thereto pursuant to the procedures and requirements set forth in Section 6.3 hereof.

Section 6.5. Escrow Agent.