MINUTES of a regular public meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, held at Station #123, 10 South 110 Madison Street, Burr Ridge, Illinois, in said District at 6:00 o'clock P.M., on the 21st day of April, 2026.

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The President called the meeting to order and directed the Secretary to call the roll.

Upon the roll being called, Joseph Wolski, the President, and the following trustees were physically present at said location: TRUSTEE MENSINGER.

The following trustees were allowed by a majority of the members of the Board of Trustees in accordance with and to the extent allowed by rules adopted by the Board of Trustees to attend the meeting by video or audio conference: NONE.

No trustee was not permitted to attend the meeting by video or audio conference.

The following trustees were absent and did not participate in the meeting in any manner or to any extent whatsoever: TRUSTEE SCARPELLI.

The President announced that the next item of business before the Board of Trustees would be an ordinance providing for the issue of not to exceed $38,100,000 of the District's General Obligation Bonds, which were approved by the voters of the District at the general primary election held on March 17, 2026, and that the Board of Trustees would consider the adoption of an ordinance providing for the issue and sale of said bonds. The President then explained that the ordinance sets forth the parameters for the issuance of said Bonds and sale thereof by designated officials of the District and summarized the pertinent terms of said parameters, including the specific parameters governing the manner of sale, length of maturity, rates of interest and purchase price for said Bonds.

Whereupon the Secretary read by title an ordinance as follows, copies of which were made available to all in attendance at said meeting who requested a copy:

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-O-002

AN ORDINANCE providing for the issue of not to exceed $38,100,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2026, of the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, for fire protection purposes, providing for the levy and collection of a direct annual tax sufficient for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the proposed sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.

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WHEREAS, the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois (the *"District"*), is a duly organized and operating fire protection district, and is now operating under the provisions of the Fire Protection District Act of the State of Illinois, as amended (the *"Act"*); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the *"Board"*) of the District, by ordinance adopted on the 25th day of November, 2025, did authorize the submission to the voters of the District, at the general primary election held on the 17th day of March, 2026 (the *"Election"*), the following proposition:

> Shall bonds of the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, in the amount of $38,100,000 be issued?

; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerks of The Counties of DuPage and Cook, Illinois (the *"County Clerk"*), caused proper notice to be given of the Election, including the Spanish, Chinese and Asian Indian translations thereof as deemed by the County Clerks to be required by law (the *"Notice"*), by (i) publishing the Notice once not more than 60 nor less than 10 days prior to the date of the Election in a local, community newspaper having general circulation in the District, and (ii) posting a copy of the Notice at least 10 days before the date of the Election at the principal office of the County Clerks; and

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Board posted a copy of the Notice at the principal office of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Election was duly held in the manner provided by law and it has heretofore been found, determined, declared and proclaimed that a majority of all the votes cast at the Election on said proposition was cast in favor of said proposition, and said proposition was properly carried; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Election, the Board has been authorized to borrow the sum of $38,100,000 for the purpose of purchasing land, improving sites, renovating and equipping fire stations and building and equipping one or more fire stations (the *"Project"*), such money to be borrowed upon the credit of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the best interests of the District that not to exceed $38,100,000 of the bonds so authorized be issued at this time (the *"Bonds"*); and

WHEREAS, the Bonds shall be payable from a direct annual ad valorem tax levied against all taxable property in the District, without limitation as to rate or amount; and

WHEREAS, the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law of the State of Illinois, as amended, imposes certain limitations on the *"aggregate extension"* of certain property taxes levied by the District, but provides that the definition of *"aggregate extension"* applicable to the District contained in Section 18-185 of the Property Tax Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, does not include extensions "made for the taxing district to pay interest or principal on general obligation bonds that were approved by referendum"; and

WHEREAS, the Board does hereby find and determine that the Bonds were approved by referendum; and

WHEREAS, the County Clerks are therefore authorized to extend and collect said tax so levied for the payment of the Bonds without limitation as to rate or amount:

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Incorporation of Preambles. The Board hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Ordinance are full, true and correct and does incorporate them into this Ordinance by this reference.

Section 2. Authorization. It is hereby found and determined that the Board has been authorized by law to borrow the sum of $38,100,000 upon the credit of the District and as evidence of such indebtedness to issue the Bonds to said amount, the proceeds of the Bonds to be used for the Project, and that it is necessary and for the best interests of the District that there be issued at this time not to exceed $38,100,000 of the Bonds so authorized.

Section 3. Bond Details. For the purpose of providing for the Project, there shall be issued and sold the Bonds in the principal amount not to exceed $38,100,000. The Bonds shall be designated as "General Obligation Bonds, Series 2026" (the *"Bonds"*), with such additional series designations and descriptions as set forth in the Bond Notification (as hereinafter defined). The Bonds, if issued, shall be dated such date as set forth in the Bond Notification, and shall also bear the date of authentication, shall be in fully registered form, shall be in denominations of $5,000 each and authorized integral multiples thereof (unless otherwise provided in the Bond Notification) (but no single Bond shall represent installments of principal maturing on more than one date), and shall be numbered 1 and upward. The Bonds shall become due and payable serially or be subject to mandatory redemption (subject to prior redemption as hereinafter described) on January 1 of each of the years (not later than 2046), in the amounts (not exceeding $3,950,000 per year) and

bearing interest at the rates per annum (not exceeding 6.00% per annum) as set forth in the Bond Notification.

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 Bonds is paid, such interest (computed upon the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) being payable semi-annually commencing on the first interest payment date as set forth in the Bond Notification, and on January 1 and July 1 thereafter to maturity. Interest on each Bond shall be paid by check or draft of the bond registrar and paying agent (which shall be a bank or trust company authorized to do business in the State of Illinois or the Treasurer (as hereinafter defined) as set forth in the Bond Notification (the *"Bond Registrar"*)), payable upon presentation 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 15th day of the month next preceding the interest payment date. The principal of the Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America at the principal office or the principal corporate trust office (the *"Principal Office"*), as applicable, of the Bond Registrar.

The Bonds shall be signed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the President and Secretary of the Board, and shall be registered, numbered and countersigned by the manual or facsimile signature of the Treasurer of the Board (the *"Treasurer"*), and the seal of the District shall be affixed thereto or printed thereon. In case any officer whose signature shall appear on any Bond shall cease to be such officer before the delivery of such Bond, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if such officer had remained in office until delivery.

All Bonds shall have thereon a certificate of authentication substantially in the form hereinafter set forth duly executed by the Bond Registrar, as authenticating agent of the District

and showing the date of authentication. No Bond shall be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under this Ordinance unless and until such certificate of authentication shall have been duly executed by the Bond Registrar by manual signature, and such certificate of authentication upon any such Bond shall be conclusive evidence that such Bond has been authenticated and delivered under this Ordinance. The certificate of authentication on any Bond shall be deemed to have been executed by the Bond Registrar if signed by an authorized officer of the Bond Registrar, but it shall not be necessary that the same officer sign the certificate of authentication on all of the Bonds issued hereunder.

Section 4. Registration of Bonds; Persons Treated as Owners. (a) *General.* The District shall cause books (the *"Bond Register"*) for the registration and for the transfer of the Bonds as provided in this Ordinance to be kept at the Principal Office of the Bond Registrar, which is hereby constituted and appointed the registrar of the District. The District is authorized to prepare, and the Bond Registrar shall keep custody of, multiple Bond blanks executed by the District for use in the transfer and exchange of Bonds.

Any Bond may be transferred or exchanged, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations, and upon payment of the charges as set forth in this Ordinance. Upon surrender for transfer of any Bond at the Principal Office of the Bond Registrar, duly endorsed by, or accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer in form satisfactory to the Bond Registrar and duly executed by, the registered owner or his or her attorney duly authorized in writing, the District shall execute and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate, date and deliver in the name of the transferee or transferees a new fully registered Bond or Bonds of the same maturity of authorized denominations, for a like aggregate principal amount. Any fully registered Bond or Bonds may be exchanged at said office of the Bond Registrar for a like aggregate principal amount of Bond or Bonds of the same maturity of other authorized denominations, for a like aggregate principal amount.

The Bond Registrar shall not be required to transfer or exchange any Bond during the period beginning at the close of business on the 15th day of the month next preceding any interest payment date on such Bond and ending at the opening of business on such interest payment date, nor to transfer or exchange any Bond after notice calling such Bond for redemption has been mailed, nor during a period of fifteen (15) days next preceding mailing of a notice of redemption of any Bonds.

The execution by the District of any fully registered Bond shall constitute full and due authorization of such Bond, and the Bond Registrar shall thereby be authorized to authenticate, date and deliver such Bond; *provided, however,* that the principal amount of outstanding Bonds of each maturity authenticated by the Bond Registrar shall not exceed the authorized principal amount of Bonds for such maturity less previous retirements.

The person in whose name any Bond shall be registered shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes, and payment of the principal of or interest on any Bond shall be made only to or upon the order of the registered owner thereof or his or her legal representative. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

No service charge shall be made for any transfer or exchange of Bonds, but the District or the Bond Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any transfer or exchange of Bonds, except in the case of the issuance of a Bond or Bonds for the unredeemed portion of a Bond surrendered for redemption.

(b) *Global Book-Entry System.* The Bonds shall be initially issued in the form of a separate single fully registered Bond for each of the maturities of the Bonds determined as described in Section 4 hereof. If so requested by the Purchaser, the following provisions shall

apply: Upon initial issuance, the ownership of each such Bond shall be registered in the Bond Register in the name of Cede & Co., or any successor thereto (*"Cede"*), as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, and its successors and assigns (*"DTC"*). All of the outstanding Bonds shall be registered in the Bond Register in the name of Cede, as nominee of DTC, except as hereinafter provided. The President and Secretary of the Board, the Fire Chief of the District, the Treasurer and the Bond Registrar are each authorized to execute and deliver, on behalf of the District, such letters to or agreements with DTC as shall be necessary to effectuate such book-entry system (any such letter or agreement being referred to herein as the *"Representation Letter"*), which Representation Letter may provide for the payment of principal of or interest on the Bonds by wire transfer.

With respect to Bonds registered in the Bond Register in the name of Cede, as nominee of DTC, the District and the Bond Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation to any broker-dealer, bank or other financial institution for which DTC holds Bonds from time to time as securities depository (each such broker-dealer, bank or other financial institution being referred to herein as a *"DTC Participant"*) or to any person on behalf of whom such a DTC Participant holds an interest in the Bonds. Without limiting the immediately preceding sentence, the District and the Bond Registrar shall have no responsibility or obligation with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of DTC, Cede or any DTC Participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Bonds, (ii) the delivery to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a registered owner of a Bond as shown in the Bond Register, of any notice with respect to the Bonds, including any notice of redemption, or (iii) the payment to any DTC Participant or any other person, other than a registered owner of a Bond as shown in the Bond Register, of any amount with respect to the principal of or interest on the Bonds. The District and the Bond Registrar may treat and consider the person in whose name each Bond is registered in the Bond Register as the holder and absolute

owner of such Bond for the purpose of payment of principal and interest with respect to such Bond, for the purpose of giving notices of redemption and other matters with respect to such Bond, for the purpose of registering transfers with respect to such Bond, and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Bond Registrar shall pay all principal of and interest on the Bonds only to or upon the order of the respective registered owners of the Bonds, as shown in the Bond Register, or their respective attorneys duly authorized in writing, and all such payments shall be valid and effective to fully satisfy and discharge the District's obligations with respect to payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. No person other than a registered owner of a Bond as shown in the Bond Register, shall receive a Bond evidencing the obligation of the District to make payments of principal and interest with respect to any Bond. Upon delivery by DTC to the Bond Registrar of written notice to the effect that DTC has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of Cede, and subject to the provisions in Section 4 hereof with respect to the payment of interest to the registered owners of Bonds at the close of business on the 15th day of the month next preceding the applicable interest payment date, the name "Cede" in this Ordinance shall refer to such new nominee of DTC.

In the event that (i) the District determines that DTC is incapable of discharging its responsibilities described herein and in the Representation Letter, (ii) the agreement among the District, the Bond Registrar and DTC evidenced by the Representation Letter shall be terminated for any reason or (iii) the District determines that it is in the best interests of the beneficial owners of the Bonds that they be able to obtain certificated Bonds, the District shall notify DTC and DTC Participants of the availability through DTC of certificated Bonds and the Bonds shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the Bond Register in the name of Cede, as nominee of DTC. At that time, the District may determine that the Bonds shall be registered in the name of and deposited with such other depository operating a universal book-entry system, as may be acceptable to the

District, or such depository's agent or designee, and if the District does not select such alternate universal book-entry system, then the Bonds may be registered in whatever name or names registered owners of Bonds transferring or exchanging Bonds shall designate, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4(a) hereof.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of Cede, as nominee of DTC, all payments with respect to principal of and interest on such Bond and all notices with respect to such Bond shall be made and given, respectively, in the name provided in the Representation Letter.

Section 5. Redemption. (a) *Optional Redemption.* All or a portion of the Bonds, if any, due on and after the date, if any, specified in the Bond Notification shall be subject to redemption prior to maturity at the option of the District from any available funds, as a whole or in part, and if in part in integral multiples of $5,000 in any order of their maturity as determined by the District (less than all of the Bonds of a single maturity to be selected by the Bond Registrar), on the date specified in the Bond Notification, and on any date thereafter, at the redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

(b) *Mandatory Redemption.* The Bonds maturing on the date or dates, if any, indicated in the Bond Notification shall be subject to mandatory redemption, in integral multiples of $5,000 selected by lot by the Bond Registrar, at a redemption price of par plus accrued interest to the redemption date, on January 1 of the years, if any, and in the principal amounts, if any, as indicated in the Bond Notification.

The principal amounts of Bonds to be mandatorily redeemed in each year may be reduced through the earlier optional redemption thereof, with any partial optional redemptions of such Bonds credited against future mandatory redemption requirements in such order of the mandatory redemption dates as the District may determine. In addition, on or prior to the 60th day preceding

any mandatory redemption date, the Bond Registrar may, and if directed by the Board shall, purchase Bonds required to be retired on such mandatory redemption date. Any such Bonds so purchased shall be cancelled and the principal amount thereof shall be credited against the mandatory redemption required on such next mandatory redemption date.

(c) *General.* The Bonds shall be redeemed only in the principal amount of $5,000 and integral multiples thereof. The District shall, at least forty-five (45) days prior to any optional redemption date (unless a shorter time period shall be satisfactory to the Bond Registrar) notify the Bond Registrar of such redemption date and of the principal amount and maturity or maturities of Bonds to be redeemed. For purposes of any redemption of less than all of the outstanding Bonds of a single maturity, the particular Bonds or portions of Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by lot by the Bond Registrar from the Bonds of such maturity by such method of lottery as the Bond Registrar shall deem fair and appropriate; *provided* that such lottery shall provide for the selection for redemption of Bonds or portions thereof so that any $5,000 Bond or $5,000 portion of a Bond shall be as likely to be called for redemption as any other such $5,000 Bond or $5,000 portion. The Bond Registrar shall make such selection upon the earlier of the irrevocable deposit of funds with an escrow agent sufficient to pay the redemption price of the Bonds to be redeemed or the time of the giving of official notice of redemption.

The Bond Registrar shall promptly notify the District in writing of the Bonds or portions of Bonds selected for redemption and, in the case of any Bond selected for partial redemption, the principal amount thereof to be redeemed.

Section 6. Redemption Procedure. Unless waived by any holder of Bonds to be redeemed, notice of the call for any such redemption shall be given by the Bond Registrar on behalf of the District by mailing the redemption notice by first class mail at least thirty (30) days and not more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered owner of the Bond

to be redeemed at the address shown on the Bond Register or at such other address as is furnished in writing by such registered owner to the Bond Registrar.

All notices of redemption shall state:

(1) the redemption date,

(2) the redemption price,

(3) if less than all outstanding Bonds are to be redeemed, the identification (and, in the case of partial redemption, the respective principal amounts) of the Bonds to be redeemed,

(4) that on the redemption date the redemption price will become due and payable upon each such Bond or portion thereof called for redemption, and that interest thereon shall cease to accrue from and after said date,

(5) the place where such Bonds are to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price, which place of payment shall be the Principal Office of the Bond Registrar, and

(6) such other information then required by custom, practice or industry standard.

Unless moneys sufficient to pay the redemption price of the Bonds to be redeemed at the option of the District shall have been received by the Bond Registrar prior to the giving of such notice of redemption, such notice may, at the option of the District, state that said redemption shall be conditional upon the receipt of such moneys by the Bond Registrar on or prior to the date fixed for redemption. If such moneys are not received, such notice shall be of no force and effect, the District shall not redeem such Bonds, and the Bond Registrar shall give notice, in the same manner in which the notice of redemption shall have been given, that such moneys were not so received and that such Bonds will not be redeemed. Otherwise, prior to any redemption date, the District shall deposit with the Bond Registrar an amount of money sufficient to pay the redemption price of all the Bonds or portions of Bonds which are to be redeemed on that date.

Subject to the provisions for a conditional redemption described above, notice of redemption having been given as aforesaid, and notwithstanding the failure to receive such notice, the Bonds or portions of Bonds so to be redeemed shall, on the redemption date, become due and payable at the redemption price therein specified, and from and after such date (unless the District shall default in the payment of the redemption price) such Bonds or portions of Bonds shall cease to bear interest. Upon surrender of such Bonds for redemption in accordance with said notice, such Bonds shall be paid by the Bond Registrar at the redemption price. Installments of interest due on or prior to the redemption date shall be payable as herein provided for payment of interest. Upon surrender for any partial redemption of any Bond, there shall be prepared for the registered holder a new Bond or Bonds of the same maturity in the amount of the unpaid principal.

If any Bond or portion of Bond called for redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for redemption, the principal shall, until paid, bear interest from the redemption date at the rate borne by the Bond or portion of Bond so called for redemption. All Bonds which have been redeemed shall be cancelled and destroyed by the Bond Registrar and shall not be reissued.

Section 7. Form of Bond. The Bonds shall be in substantially the following form; *provided, however,* that if the text of the Bond is to be printed in its entirety on the front side of the Bond, then paragraph [2] and the legend, *"See Reverse Side for Additional Provisions"*, shall be omitted and paragraph [6] and the paragraphs thereafter, as may be appropriate, shall be inserted immediately after paragraph [1]:

[Form of Bond - Front Side]

REGISTERED
NO. _____

REGISTERED
$_____

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

STATE OF ILLINOIS

COUNTIES OF DUPAGE AND COOK

TRI-STATE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND, SERIES 2026

See Reverse Side for Additional Provisions

Interest Rate: ____%	Maturity Date: January 1, 20__	Dated Date: _____, 2026	CUSIP: ____ ___

Registered Owner:

Principal Amount:

[1] KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois (the *"District"*), hereby acknowledges itself to owe and for value received promises to pay to the Registered Owner identified above, or registered assigns as hereinafter provided, on the Maturity Date identified above, the Principal Amount identified above and to pay interest (computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) on such Principal Amount from the date of this Bond or from the most recent interest payment date to which interest has been paid at the Interest Rate per annum set forth above on January 1 and July 1 of each year, commencing _____ 15, 20__, until said Principal Amount is paid. Principal of this Bond is payable in lawful money of the United States of America upon presentation and surrender hereof at the principal [corporate trust] office of _____, as bond registrar and paying agent (the *"Bond Registrar"*). Payment of the installments of interest shall be made to the Registered Owner hereof as shown on the registration books of the District

maintained by the Bond Registrar, at the close of business on the 15th day of the month next preceding each interest payment date and shall be paid by check or draft of the Bond Registrar, payable upon presentation in lawful money of the United States of America, mailed to the address of such Registered Owner as it appears on such registration books or at such other address furnished in writing by such Registered Owner to the Bond Registrar. For the prompt payment of this Bond, both principal and interest at maturity, the full faith, credit and resources of the District are hereby irrevocably pledged.

[2] Reference is hereby made to the further provisions of this Bond set forth on the reverse hereof and such further provisions shall for all purposes have the same effect as if set forth at this place.

[3] It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, acts and things required by law to exist or to be done precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond did exist, have happened, been done and performed in regular and due form and time as required by law; that the indebtedness of the District, including the issue of bonds of which this is one, does not exceed any limitation imposed by law; and that provision has been made for the collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the interest hereon as it falls due and also to pay and discharge the principal hereof at maturity.

[4] This Bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication hereon shall have been signed by the Bond Registrar.

[5] IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, by its Board of Trustees, has caused this Bond to be signed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the President and Secretary of said Board of Trustees, and has caused the seal of the District to be affixed hereto or printed hereon, and has caused this Bond to be countersigned by the manual or facsimile signature of the Treasurer of said Board of Trustees, all as of the Dated Date identified above.

SPECIMEN
President, Board of Trustees

[SEAL]

SPECIMEN
Secretary, Board of Trustees

Countersigned:

SPECIMEN
Treasurer, Board of Trustees

Date of Authentication: _____, 2026

CERTIFICATE
OF
AUTHENTICATION

This Bond is one of the Bonds described in the within mentioned ordinance and is one of the General Obligation Bonds, Series 2026, of the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois.

_____,
as Bond Registrar

By SPECIMEN
Authorized Officer

Bond Registrar and Paying Agent:

_____

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[Form of Bond - Reverse Side]

TRI-STATE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

DUPAGE AND COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND, SERIES 2026

[6] This Bond is one of a series of Bonds issued by the District for fire protection purposes pursuant to and in all respects in compliance with the Fire Protection District Act of the State of Illinois, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, and is authorized by a majority of all votes cast on the proposition at an election duly called, noticed and canvassed in accordance with the general election law of the State of Illinois and by an ordinance duly and properly adopted by the Board of Trustees of the District, in all respects as provided by law.

[[7] Optional and Mandatory Redemption provisions, as applicable, will be inserted here.]

[[8] Notice of any such redemption shall be sent by first class mail not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption to the registered owner of each Bond to be redeemed at the address shown on the registration books of the District maintained by the Bond Registrar or at such other address as is furnished in writing by such registered owner to the Bond Registrar. When so called for redemption, this Bond will cease to bear interest on the specified redemption date, provided funds for redemption are on deposit at the place of payment at that time, and shall not be deemed to be outstanding.]

[9] This Bond is transferable by the Registered Owner hereof in person or by his or her attorney duly authorized in writing at the principal [corporate trust] office of the Bond Registrar in _____, but only in the manner, subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges provided in the authorizing ordinance, and upon surrender and cancellation of this Bond. Upon such transfer a new Bond or Bonds of authorized denominations of the same maturity and for the same aggregate principal amount will be issued to the transferee in exchange therefor.

[10] The Bonds are issued in fully registered form in the denomination of $_____ each or authorized integral multiples thereof. This Bond may be exchanged at the principal [corporate trust] office of the Bond Registrar for a like aggregate principal amount of Bonds of the same maturity of other authorized denominations, upon the terms set forth in the authorizing ordinance. The Bond Registrar shall not be required to transfer or exchange any Bond during the period beginning at the close of business on the 15th day of the month next preceding any interest payment date on such Bond and ending at the opening of business on such interest payment date[, nor to transfer or exchange any Bond after notice calling such Bond for redemption has been mailed, nor during a period of fifteen (15) days next preceding mailing of a notice of redemption of any Bonds].

[11] The District and the Bond Registrar may deem and treat the Registered Owner hereof as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of principal hereof and interest due hereon and for all other purposes and neither the District nor the Bond Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

(ASSIGNMENT)

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned sells, assigns and transfers unto _____

_____

(Name and Address of Assignee)

the within Bond and does hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint _____

_____

attorney to transfer the said Bond on the books kept for registration thereof with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____ _____

Signature guaranteed: _____

NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name of the registered owner as it appears upon the face of the within Bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever.

Section 8. Sale of Bonds. Any two of the President of the Board, Treasurer and the Fire Chief of the District (the *"Designated Representatives"*), are hereby authorized to proceed not later than the 21st day of October, 2026, without any further authorization or direction from the Board, to sell the Bonds upon the terms as prescribed in this Ordinance. The Bonds hereby authorized shall be executed as in this Ordinance provided as soon after the delivery of the Bond Notification as may be, and thereupon be deposited with the Treasurer and, after authentication thereof by the Bond Registrar, be by the Treasurer delivered to delivered to Bernardi Securities, Inc., the purchaser thereof (the "*Purchaser*"), upon receipt of the purchase price therefor, the same being not less than 97.00% of the principal amount of the Bonds (exclusive of original issue discount, if any), plus accrued interest to date of delivery, it being hereby found and determined that no person holding any office of the District, either by election or appointment, is in any manner interested, directly or indirectly, in his or her own name or in the name of any other person, association, trust or corporation, in the Purchaser.

Prior to the sale of the Bonds, the Designated Representatives are hereby authorized to approve and execute a commitment for the purchase of a Municipal Bond Insurance Policy (as hereinafter defined), to further secure the Bonds, as long as the present value of the fee to be paid for the Municipal Bond Insurance Policy (using as a discount rate the expected yield on the Bonds treating the fee paid as interest on the Bonds) is less than the present value of the interest reasonably expected to be saved on the Bonds over the term of the Bonds as a result of the Municipal Bond Insurance Policy.

Upon the sale of the Bonds, the Designated Representatives shall prepare a Notification of Sale of the Bonds, which shall include the pertinent details of sale as provided herein (the *"Bond Notification"*). In the Bond Notification, the Designated Representatives shall find and determine that the Bonds have been sold at such price and bear interest at such rates that either the true interest cost (yield) or the net interest rate received upon the sale of the Bonds does not exceed the maximum rate otherwise authorized by applicable law. The Bond Notification shall be entered into the records of the District and made available to the Board at the next regular meeting thereof; but such action shall be for information purposes only, and the Board shall have no right or authority at such time to approve or reject such sale as evidenced in the Bond Notification.

Upon the sale of the Bonds, as evidenced by the execution and delivery of the Bond Notification by the Designated Representatives, the President and Secretary of the Board, the Treasurer and any other officers of the District, as shall be appropriate, shall be and are hereby authorized and directed to approve or execute, or both, such documents of sale of the Bonds as may be necessary, including, without limitation, the contract for the sale of the Bonds between the District and the Purchaser (the *"Purchase Contract"*). Prior to the execution and delivery of a Purchase Contract, the Designated Representatives shall find and determine that no person holding any office of the District, either by election or appointment, is in any manner interested, directly

or indirectly, in his or her own name or in the name of any other person, association, trust or corporation, in the Purchase Contract.

The Bonds before being issued shall be registered, numbered and countersigned by the Treasurer, such registration being made in a book provided for that purpose, in which shall be entered the record of the ordinance authorizing the Board to borrow said money and a description of the Bonds issued, including the number, date, to whom issued, amount, rate of interest and when due.

The use by the Purchaser of any Preliminary Official Statement and any final Official Statement relating to the Bonds (the *"Official Statement"*) is hereby ratified, approved and authorized; the execution and delivery of the Official Statement is hereby authorized; and the officers of the Board are hereby authorized to take any action as may be required on the part of the District to consummate the transactions contemplated by the Purchase Contract, this Ordinance, said Preliminary Official Statement, the Official Statement and the Bonds.

Section 9. Tax Levy. In order to provide for the collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on the Bonds as it falls due, and also to pay and discharge the principal thereof at maturity, there be and there is hereby levied upon all the taxable property within the District a direct annual tax for each of the years while the Bonds or any of them are outstanding, in amounts sufficient for that purpose, and that there be and there is hereby levied upon all of the taxable property in the District, the following direct annual tax, to-wit:

FOR THE YEAR	A TAX SUFFICIENT TO PRODUCE THE SUM OF:	
2026	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal up to and including January 1, 2028
2027	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2028	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2029	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2030	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2031	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2032	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2033	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2034	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2035	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2036	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2037	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2038	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2039	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2040	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2041	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2042	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2043	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal
2044	$4,100,000.00	for interest and principal

Principal or interest maturing at any time when there are not sufficient funds on hand from the foregoing tax levy to pay the same shall be paid from the general funds of the District and the fund from which such payment was made shall be reimbursed out of the taxes hereby levied when the same shall be collected.

The District covenants and agrees with the purchasers and the holders of the Bonds that so long as any of the Bonds remain outstanding, the District will take no action or fail to take any

action which in any way would adversely affect the ability of the District to levy and collect the foregoing tax levy and the District and its officers will comply with all present and future applicable laws in order to assure that the foregoing taxes will be levied, extended and collected as provided herein and deposited in the fund established to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds.

To the extent that the taxes levied above exceed the amount necessary to pay debt service on the Bonds as set forth in the Bond Notification, the President and Secretary of the Board and the Treasurer are hereby authorized to direct the abatement of such taxes to the extent of the excess of such levy in each year over the amount necessary to pay debt service on the Bonds in the following bond year. Proper notice of such abatement shall be filed with the County Clerks in a timely manner to effect such abatement.

Section 10. Filing of Ordinance. Forthwith upon the passage of this Ordinance, the Secretary of the Board is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the County Clerks and it shall be the duty of the County Clerks to annually in and for each of the years 2026 to 2044, inclusive, ascertain the rate necessary to produce the tax herein levied, and extend the same for collection on the tax books against all of the taxable property within the District in connection with other taxes levied in each of said years for fire protection purposes, in order to raise the respective amounts aforesaid and in each of said years such annual tax shall be computed, extended and collected in the same manner as now or hereafter provided by law for the computation, extension and collection of taxes for general fire protection purposes of the District, and, when collected, the taxes hereby levied shall be placed to the credit of a special fund to be designated the "Bond and Interest Fund of 2026" (the *"Bond Fund"*), which taxes are hereby irrevocably pledged to and shall be used only for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds.

Section 11. Use of Bond Proceeds. Accrued interest received on the delivery of the Bonds and proceeds of the Bonds in an amount not to exceed the amount of interest to accrue within two years from the date of issuance of the Bonds (if so set forth in the Bond Notification) are hereby appropriated for the purpose of paying first interest due on the Bonds and is hereby ordered deposited into the Bond Fund. The remaining principal proceeds of the Bonds and any premium received on the delivery of the Bonds are hereby appropriated to pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds and the Project, and the portion thereof not needed to pay such costs of issuance is hereby ordered deposited into the Capital Projects Fund of the District (the *"Project Fund"*). The District and the Board hereby covenant that all of the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used in strict compliance with all of the requirements of the Act. At the time of the issuance of the Bonds, the costs of issuance of the Bonds may be distributed by the Purchaser or Bond Registrar on behalf of the District from the proceeds of the Bonds.

Section 12. Non-Arbitrage and Tax-Exemption. The District hereby covenants that it will not take any action, omit to take any action or permit the taking or omission of any action within its control (including, without limitation, making or permitting any use of the proceeds of the Bonds) if taking, permitting or omitting to take such action would cause any of the Bonds to be an arbitrage bond or a private activity bond within the meaning of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the *"Code"*), or would otherwise cause the interest on the Bonds to be included in the gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes. The District acknowledges that, in the event of an examination by the Internal Revenue Service (the *"IRS"*) of the exemption from federal income taxation for interest paid on the Bonds, under present rules, the District may be treated as a "taxpayer" in such examination and agrees that it will respond in a commercially reasonable manner to any inquiries from the IRS in connection with such an examination.

The District also agrees and covenants with the purchasers and holders of the Bonds from time to time outstanding that, to the extent possible under Illinois law, it will comply with whatever federal tax law is adopted in the future which applies to the Bonds and affects the tax-exempt status of the Bonds.

The Board hereby authorizes the officials of the District responsible for issuing the Bonds, the same being the President and Secretary of the Board and the Treasurer, to make such further covenants and certifications regarding the specific use of the proceeds of the Bonds as approved by the Board and as may be necessary to assure that the use thereof will not cause the Bonds to be arbitrage bonds and to assure that the interest on the Bonds will be exempt from federal income taxation. In connection therewith, the District and the Board further agree: (a) through their officers, to make such further specific covenants, representations as shall be truthful, and assurances as may be necessary or advisable; (b) to consult with counsel approving the Bonds and to comply with such advice as may be given; (c) to pay to the United States, as necessary, such sums of money representing required rebates of excess arbitrage profits relating to the Bonds; (d) to file such forms, statements, and supporting documents as may be required and in a timely manner; and (e) if deemed necessary or advisable by their officers, to employ and pay fiscal agents, financial advisors, attorneys, and other persons to assist the District in such compliance.

Section 13. List of Bondholders. The Bond Registrar shall maintain a list of the names and addresses of the holders of all Bonds and upon any transfer shall add the name and address of the new Bondholder and eliminate the name and address of the transferor Bondholder.

Section 14. Duties of Bond Registrar. If requested by the Bond Registrar, the President and Secretary of the Board are authorized to execute the Bond Registrar's standard form of agreement between the District and the Bond Registrar with respect to the obligations and duties of the Bond Registrar hereunder which may include the following:

(a) to act as bond registrar, authenticating agent, paying agent and transfer agent as provided herein;

(b) to maintain a list of Bondholders as set forth herein and to furnish such list to the District upon request, but otherwise to keep such list confidential;

(c) to give notice of redemption of Bonds as provided herein;

(d) to cancel and/or destroy Bonds which have been paid at maturity or upon earlier redemption or submitted for exchange or transfer;

(e) to furnish the District at least annually a certificate with respect to Bonds cancelled and/or destroyed; and

(f) to furnish the District at least annually an audit confirmation of Bonds paid, Bonds outstanding and payments made with respect to interest on the Bonds.

Section 15. Continuing Disclosure Undertaking. The President of the Board is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Undertaking under Section (b)(5) of Rule 15c2-12 adopted by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the *"Continuing Disclosure Undertaking"*), if applicable. When the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking is executed and delivered on behalf of the District as herein provided, the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking will be binding on the District and the officers, employees and agents of the District, and the officers, employees and agents of the District are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents as may be necessary to carry out and comply with the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking as executed. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Ordinance, the sole remedy for failure to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking shall be the ability of the beneficial owner of any Bond to seek mandamus or specific performance by court order to cause the District to comply with its obligations under the Continuing Disclosure Undertaking.

Section 16. Municipal Bond Insurance. If the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds is insured pursuant to a municipal bond insurance policy (the *"Municipal Bond Insurance*

Policy") issued by a bond insurer (the *"Bond Insurer"*), and as long as the Municipal Bond Insurance Policy shall be in full force and effect, the District and the Bond Registrar agree to comply with such usual and reasonable provisions regarding presentment and payment of the Bonds, subrogation of the rights of the Bondholders to the Bond Insurer upon payment of the Bonds by the Bond Insurer, amendment hereof, or other terms, as approved by the President of the Board on advice of counsel, his or her approval to constitute full and complete acceptance by the District of such terms and provisions under authority of this Section.

Section 17. Record-Keeping Policy and Post-Issuance Compliance Matters. It is necessary and in the best interest of the District to maintain sufficient records to demonstrate compliance with its covenants and expectations to ensure the appropriate federal tax status for the Bonds and other debt obligations of the District, the interest on which is excludable from "gross income" for federal income tax purposes or which enable the District or the holder to receive federal tax benefits, including, but not limited to, qualified tax credit bonds and other specified tax credit bonds (including the Bonds, the *"Tax Advantaged Obligations"*). Further, it is necessary and in the best interest of the District that (i) the Board adopt policies with respect to record-keeping and post issuance compliance with the District's covenants related to its Tax Advantaged Obligations and (ii) the Compliance Officer (as hereinafter defined) at least annually review the District's Contracts (as hereinafter defined) to determine whether the Tax Advantaged Obligations comply with the federal tax requirements applicable to each issue of the Tax Advantaged Obligations. The Board and the District hereby adopt the following Record-Keeping Policy:

(a) *Compliance Officer Is Responsible for Records.* The Fire Chief of the District (the *"Compliance Officer"*) is hereby designated as the keeper of all records of the District with respect to each issue of the Tax Advantaged Obligations, and such officer shall report to the Board at least annually that he/she has all of the required records in his/her possession, or is taking appropriate action to obtain or recover such records.

(b) *Closing Transcripts.* For each issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations, the Compliance Officer shall receive, and shall keep and maintain, a true, correct and complete counterpart of each and every document and agreement delivered in connection with the issuance of the Tax Advantaged Obligations, including without limitation (i) the proceedings of the District authorizing the Tax Advantaged Obligations, (ii) any offering document with respect to the offer and sale of the Tax Advantaged Obligations, (iii) any legal opinions with respect to the Tax Advantaged Obligations delivered by any lawyers, and (iv) all written representations of any person delivered in connection with the issuance and initial sale of the Tax Advantaged Obligations.

(c) *Arbitrage Rebate Liability.* The Compliance Officer shall review the agreements of the District with respect to each issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations and shall prepare a report for the Board stating whether or not the District has any rebate liability to the United States Treasury, and setting forth any applicable exemptions that each issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations may have from rebate liability. Such report shall be updated annually and delivered to the Board.

(d) *Recommended Records.* The Compliance Officer shall review the records related to each issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations and shall determine what requirements the District must meet in order to maintain the tax-exemption of interest paid on its Tax Advantaged Obligations, its entitlement to direct payments by the United States Treasury of the applicable percentages of each interest payment due and owing on its Tax Advantaged Obligations, and applicable tax credits or other tax benefits arising from its Tax Advantaged Obligations. The Compliance Officer shall then prepare a list of the contracts, requisitions, invoices, receipts and other information that may be needed in order to establish that the interest paid on the Tax Advantaged Obligations is entitled to be excluded from "gross income" for federal income tax purposes, that the District is entitled to receive from the United States Treasury direct payments of the applicable percentages of interest payments coming due and owing on its Tax Advantaged Obligations, and the entitlement of holders of any Tax Advantaged Obligations to any tax credits or other tax benefits, respectively. Notwithstanding any other policy of the District, such retained records shall be kept for as long as the Tax Advantaged Obligations relating to such records (and any obligations issued to refund the Tax Advantaged Obligations) are outstanding, plus three years, and shall at least include:

(i) complete copies of the transcripts delivered when any issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations is initially issued and sold;

(ii) copies of account statements showing the disbursements of all Tax Advantaged Obligation proceeds for their intended purposes, and records showing the assets and other property financed by such disbursements;

(iii) copies of account statements showing all investment activity of any and all accounts in which the proceeds of any issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations has been held or in which funds to be used for the payment of principal of or interest

on any Tax Advantaged Obligations has been held, or which has provided security to the holders or credit enhancers of any Tax Advantaged Obligations;

(iv) copies of all bid requests and bid responses used in the acquisition of any special investments used for the proceeds of any issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations, including any swaps, swaptions, or other financial derivatives entered into in order to establish that such instruments were purchased at *fair market value*;

(v) copies of any subscriptions to the United States Treasury for the purchase of State and Local Government Series (SLGS) obligations;

(vi) any calculations of liability for *arbitrage rebate* that is or may become due with respect to any issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations, and any calculations prepared to show that no arbitrage rebate is due, together, if applicable, with account statements or cancelled checks showing the payment of any rebate amounts to the United States Treasury together with any applicable IRS Form 8038-T; and

(vii) copies of all contracts and agreements of the District, including any leases (the *"Contracts"*), with respect to the use of any property owned by the District and acquired, constructed or otherwise financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Tax Advantaged Obligations effective at any time when such Tax Advantaged Obligations are, will or have been outstanding. Copies of contracts covering no more than 50 days of use and contracts related to District employees need not be retained.

(e) *IRS Examinations or Inquiries.* In the event the IRS commences an examination of any issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations or requests a response to a compliance check, questionnaire or other inquiry, the Compliance Officer shall inform the Board of such event, and is authorized to respond to inquiries of the IRS, and to hire outside, independent professional counsel to assist in the response to the examination or inquiry.

(f) *Annual Review.* The Compliance Officer shall conduct an annual review of the Contracts and other records to determine for each issue of Tax Advantaged Obligations then outstanding whether each such issue complies with the federal tax requirements applicable to such issue, including restrictions on private business use, private payments and private loans. The Compliance Officer is expressly authorized, without further official action of the Board, to hire outside, independent professional counsel to assist in such review. To the extent that any violations or potential violations of federal tax requirements are discovered incidental to such review, the Compliance Officer may make recommendations or take such actions as the Compliance Officer shall reasonably deem necessary to assure the timely correction of such violations or potential violations through remedial actions described in the United States Treasury Regulations, or the Tax Exempt Bonds Voluntary Closing Agreement Program described in Treasury Notice 2008-31 or similar program instituted by the IRS.

(g) *Training.* The Compliance Officer shall undertake to maintain reasonable levels of knowledge concerning the rules related to tax-exempt bonds (and build America bonds and tax credit bonds to the extent the District has outstanding build America bonds or tax-credit bonds) so that such officer may fulfill the duties described in this Section. The Compliance Officer may consult with counsel, attend conferences and presentations of trade groups, read materials posted on various web sites, including the web site of the Tax Exempt Bond function of the IRS, and use other means to maintain such knowledge. Recognizing that the Compliance Officer may not be fully knowledgeable in this area, the Compliance Officer may consult with outside counsel, consultants and experts to assist him or her in exercising his or her duties hereunder. The Compliance Officer will endeavor to make sure that the District's staff is aware of the need for continuing compliance. The Compliance Officer will provide copies of this Ordinance and the Tax Exemption Certificate and Agreement or other applicable tax documents for each series of Tax Advantaged Obligations then currently outstanding (the *"Tax Agreements"*) to staff members who may be responsible for taking actions described in such documents. The Compliance Officer should assist in the education of any new Compliance Officer and the transition of the duties under these procedures. The Compliance Officer will review this Ordinance and each of the Tax Agreements periodically to determine if there are portions that need further explanation and, if so, will attempt to obtain such explanation from counsel or from other experts, consultants or staff.

(h) *Amendment and Waiver.* The procedures described in this Section are only for the benefit of the District. No other person (including an owner of a Tax Advantaged Obligation) may rely on the procedures included in this Section. The District may amend this Section and any provision of this Section may be waived, without the consent of the holders of any Tax Advantaged Obligations and as authorized by passage of an ordinance by the Board. Additional procedures may be required for Tax Advantaged Obligations the proceeds of which are used for purposes other than capital governmentally owned projects or refundings of such, including tax increment financing bonds, bonds financing output facilities, bonds financing working capital, or private activity bonds. The District also recognizes that these procedures may need to be revised in the event the District enters into any derivative products with respect to its Tax Advantaged Obligations.

Section 18. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 19. *Repeal.* All ordinances, resolutions, or parts thereof, in conflict herewith, be and the same are repealed and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect forthwith upon its adoption.

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Section 20. *Effective Date.* This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and approval.

ADOPTED this 21st day of April, 2026, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 2

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1

President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Pro tem

Trustee WOLSKI moved and Trustee MENSINGER seconded the motion that said ordinance as read by title be adopted.

After a full and complete discussion thereof, the President directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion to adopt said ordinance.

Upon the roll being called, the following trustees voted AYE: WOLSKI, MENSINGER

ABSENT: SCARPELLI

Whereupon the President declared the motion carried and said ordinance adopted, approved and signed the same in open meeting and directed the Secretary to record the same in full in the records of the Board of Trustees of the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, which was done.

Other business not pertinent to the adoption of said ordinance was duly transacted at the meeting.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Pro tem

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF DUPAGE)

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Trustees (the *"Board"*) of the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois (the *"District"*), and as such official I am the keeper of the records and files of the District and the Board.

I do further certify that the foregoing constitutes a full, true and complete transcript of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 21st day of April, 2026, insofar as same relates to the adoption of Ordinance No. 2026-O-002 entitled:

> AN ORDINANCE providing for the issue of not to exceed $38,100,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2026, of the Tri-State Fire Protection District, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, for fire protection purposes, providing for the levy and collection of a direct annual tax sufficient for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the proposed sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.

a true, correct and complete copy of which ordinance as adopted at said meeting appears in the foregoing transcript of the minutes of said meeting.

I do further certify that the deliberations of the Board on the adoption of said ordinance were conducted openly, that the vote on the adoption of said ordinance was taken openly, that said meeting was called and held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that notice of said meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that an agenda for said meeting was posted at the location where said meeting was held and at the principal office of the Board at least 96 hours in advance of the holding of said meeting, that at least one copy of said agenda was continuously available for public review during the entire 96-hour period preceding said meeting, that a true, correct and complete copy of said agenda as so posted is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*, that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and with the provisions of the Fire Protection District Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and that the Board has complied with all of the provisions of said Acts and with all of the procedural rules of the Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my official signature and seal of the District, this 21st day of April, 2026.

[SEAL]

Secretary, Board of Trustees

pro tem