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**COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND**

By County Council

SUBJECT: Authorizing and empowering Frederick County, Maryland (the “County”) to issue and sell at public (competitive) sale, upon its full faith and credit, its general obligation bonds from time to time in one or more series in an amount not to exceed \$225,000,000 (the “Series 2025A Bonds”), pursuant to the provisions of Section 10-203 of the Local Government Chapter of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, Section 19-101 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, Bill No. 19-19 enacted by the County Council of Frederick County (the “Frederick County Council”) on January 21, 2019, Bill No. 22-19 enacted by the Frederick County Council on October 25, 2022, Bill No. 24-16 enacted by the Frederick County Council on October 15, 2024, Chapter 2-13-1 et seq. of the Code of Public Local Laws of Frederick County (1979), as amended, and Sections 5-601 through 5-604 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, for the public purposes of financing or refinancing the acquisition, construction and equipping of certain public facilities, including roads and bridges, parks and recreation, health care, solid waste, water supply and sewage systems and educational facilities in the County and paying costs incurred by the County in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Series 2025A Bonds; prescribing the terms and conditions of the Series 2025A Bonds and upon which the Series 2025A Bonds shall be issued and sold and other incidental details with respect thereto; providing that, in the event that funds available to the County are insufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Series 2025A Bonds, the County shall levy and collect ad valorem taxes upon all the legally assessable property within the County sufficient to provide for such payments when due; authorizing the preparation and distribution of an official statement in connection with the issuance and sale of the Series 2025A Bonds and the publication of a notice of sale in connection therewith; and generally providing for the issuance of the Series 2025A Bonds.

R E C I T A L S

Section 10-203 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended (the “Bond Act”), authorizes Frederick County, Maryland (the “County”) to borrow money on the faith and credit of the County and to issue bonds or other evidences of indebtedness in accordance with local law.

Section 19-101 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended (the “Consolidated Bonds Act”), authorizes bonds authorized to be sold by separate acts of enabling legislation to be consolidated for sale and issued, sold and delivered as a single issue of bonds, regardless of when the enabling legislation authorizing the sale of any such bonds was enacted.

Bill No. 19-19 (the “2019 Bond Bill”) enacted by the County Council of Frederick County (the “Frederick County Council”) on January 21, 2019, authorizes and empowers the County to issue and sell bonds upon its full faith and credit to provide bonds to finance the cost of certain public facilities in the County and finance such construction by the issuance and sale of its general obligation bonds in an aggregate and principal amount not to exceed \$200,000,000. The County has previously incurred \$174,377,558 of indebtedness pursuant to the 2019 Bond Bill, leaving a balance of \$25,622,442 of available borrowing authority under such Bill.

Bill No. 22-19 (the “2022 Bond Bill”) enacted by the Frederick County Council on October 25, 2022, authorizes and empowers the County to issue and sell bonds upon its full faith and credit to provide bonds to finance the cost of certain public facilities in the County and finance such construction by the issuance and sale of its general obligation bonds in an aggregate and principal amount not to exceed \$100,000,000. The County has not previously incurred any indebtedness pursuant to the 2022 Bond Bill.

Bill No. 24-16 (the “2024 Bond Bill”) enacted by the Frederick County Council on October 15, 2024, authorizes and empowers the County to issue and sell bonds upon its full faith and credit to provide bonds to finance the cost of certain public facilities in the County and finance such construction by the issuance and sale of its general obligation bonds in an aggregate and principal amount not to exceed \$100,000,000. The County has not previously incurred any indebtedness pursuant to the 2024 Bond Bill.

Sections 2-13-1 through 2-13-35 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Frederick County (1979), as amended (the “Water and Sewer Act”), authorize and empower the County to issue and sell its bonds upon the full faith and credit of the County to provide funds for the design, construction, establishment, purchase or condemnation of water, sewerage and solid waste systems.

Sections 5-601 through 5-604 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended (the “School Bond Act”), authorizes and empowers the County to issue and sell bonds upon its full faith and credit to provide funds to finance the costs of certain public schools in the County and to finance such construction by the issuance and sale of its general obligation bonds.

Pursuant to the authority granted by the Bond Act, the Consolidated Bond Act, the 2019 Bond Bill, the 2022 Bond Bill, the 2024 Bond Bill, the Water and Sewer Act and the School Bond

Act, the County has determined to issue and sell its general obligation bonds to finance and refinance certain public facilities, including roads and bridges, parks and recreation, health care, solid waste, water supply and sewage systems and educational facilities in the County.

The Bond Act, the Consolidated Bond Act, the 2019 Bond Bill, the 2022 Bond Bill, the 2024 Bond Bill, the Water and Sewer Act and the School Bond Act are hereafter collectively referred to as the "Acts."

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND:

Section 1. Pursuant to the authority of the Acts, the County has determined to borrow on its full faith and credit a sum not to exceed \$225,000,000 and shall evidence such borrowing by the issuance of its general obligation bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$225,000,000 (the "Series 2025A Bonds"). The specific amount of borrowing under each of the Acts shall be determined by an executive order of the County Executive executed prior to the issuance of the Series 2025A Bonds.

Section 2. Pursuant to the authority granted by the applicable Acts, the Series 2025A Bonds authorized to be issued by Section 1 of this Resolution shall be issued, sold, and delivered from time to time in one or more series its general obligation bonds. Each series of the Series 2025A Bonds shall bear such title as shall be determined by an executive order of the County Executive executed prior to the issuance of the Series 2025A Bonds.

Section 3. Pursuant to the authority granted by the Acts, the Series 2025A Bonds may be consolidated for sale, and issued, sold, and delivered as one or more consolidated series of bonds. The categories of projects for which the Series 2025A Bonds are issued (collectively, the "2025 Projects") and the initial amount of Series 2025A Bond proceeds allocated to each 2025 Project are set forth in Exhibit C hereto. The County Executive is authorized to make changes to such 2025 Projects and to reallocate the Series 2025A Bond proceeds among the 2025 Projects in a manner as the County Executive determines to be in the best interest of the County.

Section 4. The Series 2025A Bonds shall be dated the date of their delivery and shall be issued in the denomination of \$5,000 each or any integral multiple thereof. The Series 2025A Bonds shall bear interest from the date of their delivery, payable on April 1 and October 1 in each year, starting October 1, 2025 (each, an "Interest Payment Date") until maturity or earlier redemption.

The Series 2025A Bonds shall mature on April 1 of the years and in the amounts as set forth in an executive order of the County Executive executed prior to the issuance of the Series 2025A Bonds.

Interest on the Series 2025A Bonds shall be paid at the rate or rates named by the successful bidder for the Series 2025A Bonds in accordance with the terms of the Notice of Sale hereinafter adopted. Each Series 2025A Bond shall bear interest from the date of initial delivery if no interest payment has been paid or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for; provided, however, that each Series 2025A Bond authenticated after the

Record Date (as hereinafter defined) for any Interest Payment Date, but prior to such Interest Payment Date shall bear interest from such Interest Payment Date.

The principal of and interest on the Series 2025A Bonds shall be payable in such money of the United States of America as is lawful at the time of payment.

So long as the Series 2025A Bonds are maintained in book-entry form, payments of principal of, and premium, if any, on the Series 2025A Bonds shall be made as described in Section 6. At any other time, the principal of, and premium, if any, on each Series 2025A Bond shall be paid upon presentment and surrender of such Series 2025A Bond on the date such principal is payable or if such date is not a Business Day (as hereinafter defined) then on the next succeeding Business Day at the principal corporate trust office of the Paying Agent (as hereinafter defined).

Interest on each Series 2025A Bond shall be payable to the person in whose name such Series 2025A Bond is registered on the registration books for the Series 2025A Bonds (the "Registered Owner") as of the close of business on the 30th calendar day of the month immediately preceding each Interest Payment Date (the "Record Date"). So long as the Series 2025A Bonds are maintained in book-entry form, payment of interest on the Series 2025A Bonds shall be made as described in Section 6. At any other time, payment of the interest on each Series 2025A Bond shall be made by check mailed on the date such interest is payable or if such date is not a Business Day, then the next succeeding Business Day to the address of such Registered Owner as it appears on said registration books (the "Bond Register").

"Business Day" means a day other than a Saturday, Sunday or day on which the Paying Agent is authorized or obligated by law or required by executive order to remain closed.

The interest on any Series 2025A Bond which is payable, but is not punctually paid or duly provided for, on the appropriate Interest Payment Date shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Registered Owner thereof by virtue of having been such Registered Owner on the relevant Record Date; and such interest shall be paid by the Paying Agent to the persons in whose names the Series 2025A Bond (or its predecessor Series 2025A Bond) is registered at the close of business on a date to be fixed by the Bond Registrar for the payment of such interest, notice thereof being given by first class mail (postage prepaid) to said person not less than 30 days prior to such record date, at the address of such person appearing on the Bond Register, or may be paid at any time in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which the Series 2025A Bonds may be listed and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange.

Section 5. The Series 2025A Bonds shall be issued as fully registered bonds registered on the Bond Register kept for that purpose by Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company, Baltimore, Maryland, hereby designated as bond registrar (the "Bond Registrar"), and shall be registered and transferred in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Series 2025A Bonds, the form of which is hereinafter adopted. The Series 2025A Bonds shall be initially issued in the form of separate, single, authenticated, fully registered Series 2025A Bonds in the amount of each separate stated maturity of each series of the Series 2025A Bonds.

Section 6. It is intended that the Series 2025A Bonds shall be issued in as book-entry-only securities. The County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial

Officer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized to take any action necessary or advisable to facilitate the issuance of the Series 2025A Bonds as book-entry-only securities.

The provisions of this Section shall apply to the Series 2025A Bonds so long as all of the Series 2025A Bonds shall be maintained in Book-Entry Form with a Depository, any other provisions of this Resolution to the contrary notwithstanding.

A system for registration of the Series 2025A Bonds in Book-Entry Form with a Depository, which shall initially be The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), shall be in effect on the date of the issuance and sale of the Series 2025A Bonds.

(a) One fully registered bond for the aggregate principal amount of each maturity and interest rate will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for DTC and immobilized in the custody of DTC.

(b) Transfer of ownership interest in the Series 2025A Bonds will be accomplished by book entries made by DTC and, in turn, by the participants (the "DTC Participants") who act on behalf of the ultimate purchasers of the Series 2025A Bonds (the "Beneficial Owners"). The Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership in the Series 2025A Bonds, except as hereafter provided.

(c) The principal or redemption price of and interest on the Series 2025A Bonds shall be payable to the Depository, or registered assigns, as the registered owner of the Series 2025A Bonds, in same day funds on each date on which the principal or redemption price of or interest on the Series 2025A Bonds is due as set forth in this Resolution and in the Series 2025A Bonds. Such payments shall be made to the offices of the Depository specified by the Depository to the Paying Agent in writing. Without notice to or the consent of the holders of the Series 2025A Bonds, the County, the Paying Agent and the Depository may agree in writing to make payments of principal and interest in a manner different from that set out herein. Neither the County nor the Paying Agent shall have any obligation with respect to the transfer or crediting of the appropriate principal and interest payments to the direct or indirect participants of the Depository (the "Participants") or the Beneficial Owners or their nominees.

(d) The County may replace any Depository as the Depository for the Series 2025A Bonds with another Depository or discontinue the maintenance of the Series 2025A Bonds with any Depository if (i) the County, in its sole discretion, determines that (A) any such Depository is incapable of discharging its duties with respect to the Series 2025A Bonds, or (B) the interests of the Beneficial Owners might be adversely affected by the continuation of the Book-Entry System with such Depository as the Depository for the Series 2025A Bonds, or (ii) such Depository determines not to continue to act as a securities depository for the Series 2025A Bonds or is no longer permitted to act as such Depository. Notice of any determination pursuant to clause (i) shall be given to such Depository at least 30 days prior to any such determination (or such fewer number of days as shall be acceptable to such Depository). Neither the County nor the Paying Agent will have any obligation to make any investigation to determine the occurrence of any events that would permit the County to make any determination described in this paragraph.

(e) If, following a determination or event specified in paragraph (d) above, the County discontinues the maintenance of the Series 2025A Bonds in Book-Entry Form, the County will issue replacement bonds (the "Replacement Bonds") directly to the Participants as shown on the records of the Depository or, to the extent requested by any Participant, to the Beneficial Owners as further described in this Section. The Bond Registrar shall make provisions to notify Participants and the Beneficial Owners by mailing an appropriate notice to the Depository, or by other means deemed appropriate by the Bond Registrar in its discretion, that the County will issue Replacement Bonds directly to the Participants shown on the records of the Depository or, to the extent requested by any Participant, to Beneficial Owners shown on the records of such Participant, as of a date set forth in such notice, which shall be a date at least 10 days after receipt of such notice by the Depository (or such fewer number of days as shall be acceptable to the Depository).

In the event that Replacement Bonds are to be issued to Participants or to Beneficial Owners, the Paying Agent shall promptly have prepared Replacement Bonds registered in the names of such Participants as shown on the records of the Depository or, if requested by such Participants, in the names of the Beneficial Owners, as shown on the records of such Participants as of the date set forth in the notice delivered in accordance with the immediately preceding paragraph. Replacement Bonds issued to Participants or to beneficial owners shall be in the authorized denomination, be payable as to principal and interest on the same dates as the Series 2025A Bonds by check or draft mailed to each registered owner at the address of such owner as it appears on the Bond Register and be in fully registered form.

Replacement Bonds issued to a Depository shall have the same terms, form and content as the Series 2025A Bonds initially registered in the name of the Depository to be replaced or its nominee except for the name of the record owner.

The Depository and its Participants and the Beneficial Owners, by their acceptance of the Series 2025A Bonds, agree that neither the County nor the Paying Agent shall have any liability for the failure of such Depository to perform its obligations to the Participants and the Beneficial Owners, nor shall the County or the Paying Agent be liable for the failure of any Participant or other nominee of the Beneficial Owners to perform any obligation to the Beneficial Owner.

For purposes of this Section 6, the following words have the following meanings:

"Book-Entry Form" or "Book-Entry System" means a form or system, as applicable, under which (i) the ownership of beneficial interests in the Series 2025A Bonds may be transferred only through a book-entry and (ii) physical bond certificates in fully registered form are registered only in the name of a Depository or its nominee as holder, with the physical bond certificates "immobilized" in the custody of the Depository.

"Depository" means any securities depository that is a "clearing corporation" within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code and a "clearing agency" registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, operating and maintaining, with its participants or otherwise, a Book-Entry System to record ownership of beneficial interests in municipal bonds, and to effect transfers of municipal bonds, in Book-Entry Form, and includes and means initially The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York.

“Paying Agent” means Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company or any other firm appointed by the County to carry out the duties described herein.

Section 7. The Series 2025A Bonds may be subject to redemption prior to their respective maturities, at the option of the County, at such times and at such redemption prices, as the County Executive shall determine by executive order to be in the best interests of the County. The Series 2025A Bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption to the extent so provided in the winning bid for the Series 2025A Bonds submitted in accordance with the provisions of Section 12 hereof.

If less than all of the outstanding Series 2025A Bonds are called for redemption, the County shall choose the maturities of the Series 2025A Bonds to be redeemed and the principal amount of each maturity to be redeemed, in its sole discretion; and if less than all of the Series 2025A Bonds of any one maturity are called for redemption, the particular Series 2025A Bonds to be redeemed from such maturity shall be selected by lot by the Bond Registrar in such manner as the Bond Registrar in its sole discretion may determine, except that any Series 2025A Bond held in book-entry form shall be selected in accordance with the procedures of the securities depository.

In case part but not all of a Series 2025A Bond shall be selected for redemption, then, upon the surrender thereof, there shall be issued without charge to the registered owner thereof a Series 2025A Bond or Series 2025A Bonds in any authorized denomination as specified by the registered owner. The aggregate principal amount of the Series 2025A Bond or Series 2025A Bonds so issued shall be equal to the unredeemed balance of the principal amount of the Series 2025A Bond surrendered.

If the County elects to redeem all or a portion of the Series 2025A Bonds outstanding, a redemption notice as prescribed in the Resolution shall be mailed by the Bond Registrar, on behalf of the County, not less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, postage prepaid, to the registered owners of the Series 2025A Bonds to be redeemed by first-class mail at their last addresses appearing on the registration books maintained by the Bond Registrar (the “Bond Register”); provided, however, that if the Series 2025A Bonds are held in book-entry form, in lieu of mailing such notice, the County shall deliver a redemption notice to the Depository not less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption by a secure means in accordance with the Depository’s applicable operation arrangements (or such fewer number of days as shall be acceptable to the Depository); and provided further that the failure to deliver or mail such notice or any defect in such notice, or in the delivery or mailing thereof, shall not affect the validity of any redemption proceedings. The redemption notice may be conditioned upon receipt of sufficient funds on the redemption date to pay the redemption price of the Series 2025A Bonds called for redemption, plus interest accrued to the redemption date, or such other conditions as are set forth in the redemption notice.

From and after the date fixed for redemption, if funds sufficient for the payment of the redemption price of the Series 2025A Bonds called for redemption and accrued interest thereon are held by the Bond Registrar on such date and any other conditions to redemption have been satisfied, the Series 2025A Bonds so called for redemption shall become due and payable at the redemption price provided for the redemption of such Series 2025A Bonds on such date, interest on the Series 2025A Bonds shall cease to accrue and the registered owners of such Series 2025A

Bonds so called for redemption shall have no rights in respect thereof except to receive payment of the redemption price thereof and interest thereon from such monies held by the Bond Registrar. Upon presentation and surrender of a Series 2025A Bond called for redemption in compliance with the redemption notice, the Bond Registrar shall pay the appropriate redemption price of such Series 2025A Bond and interest thereon. If Series 2025A Bonds so called for redemption are not paid upon presentation and surrender as described above, such Series 2025A Bonds shall continue to bear interest at the rates stated therein until paid. All Series 2025A Bonds redeemed and paid hereunder will be canceled.

Notwithstanding any provisions contained herein, during any period in which the Series 2025A Bonds are maintained pursuant to a Book-Entry System, redemption of the Series 2025A Bonds shall occur in accordance with the Depository's standard procedures for redemption of obligations such as the Series 2025A Bonds.

Section 8. The Series 2025A Bonds, when issued, shall be executed in the name of the County by the manual or facsimile signature of the County Executive of Frederick County and the seal of, or a facsimile of the seal of, the County shall be imprinted thereon, and the Series 2025A Bonds shall be attested by the manual or facsimile signature of the Chief Administrative Officer and authenticated by the manual signature of the Bond Registrar.

The issuance and delivery of the Series 2025A Bonds is subject to the approving opinion of McGuireWoods LLP ("Bond Counsel").

In the event any official of the County, whose signature shall appear on any Series 2025A Bond described in this Resolution, or on other documents pertaining thereto, shall cease to be such official prior to the delivery of said Series 2025A Bond, or document, or in the event that any official shall take office subsequent to the sale of the Series 2025A Bonds, the official's signature shall nevertheless be valid, sufficient and binding for the purposes herein intended as if such official had remained in office until such delivery or had held such office on the date of issuance of the Series 2025A Bonds.

Section 9. The Series 2025A Bonds shall be in substantially the form of Exhibit B, attached hereto and made a part hereof, suitably completed in accordance with the terms of sale of the Series 2025A Bonds, which form together with all of the terms, covenants and conditions therein contained, is hereby adopted by the County as and for the form of obligation to be incurred by it, and said terms, covenants and conditions are hereby made binding upon the County, including the promise to pay therein contained.

Section 10. The County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized to make such changes in the form of bond set forth in Exhibit B hereof or in the form of Notice of Sale or summary thereof set forth hereinafter as any such officer shall deem necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this Resolution or to comply with recommendations of Bond Counsel; provided, however, that no such officer shall make any change materially affecting the substance of such forms unless such change is determined by the Chief Financial Officer or the Director of Finance with the advice of the County's financial advisor, to be in the best interest of the County.

The execution of the Series 2025A Bonds by such officer shall be conclusive evidence of the approval by the County of all changes in the form of the Series 2025A Bonds and of the due execution of the Series 2025A Bonds by the County.

Section 11. No Series 2025A Bond shall be valid or obligatory for the purpose or entitled to any security or benefit under this Resolution unless and until a certificate of authentication of such Series 2025A Bond substantially in the form hereinabove provided shall have been duly executed by the Bond Registrar and such executed certificate of the Bond Registrar on such Series 2025A Bond shall be conclusive evidence that such Series 2025A Bond has been authenticated and delivered under this Resolution. The Bond Registrar's certificate of authentication on any Series 2025A Bond shall be deemed to have been executed by it if signed by an authorized officer or signatory of the Bond Registrar. It shall not be necessary that the same officer or signatory of the Bond Registrar sign the certificate of authentication on all the Series 2025A Bonds issued hereunder.

Section 12. The Series 2025A Bonds shall be sold at public (competitive) sale by electronic bids to the bidder or bidders therefor for cash whose bid results in the lowest interest cost to the County in the manner and in accordance with the formula set forth in the Notice of Sale (the "Notice of Sale") attached to the Preliminary Official Statement (as hereafter defined). The County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Director of Finance are hereby authorized to make such changes in the form of Notice of Sale as any such officer shall deem necessary to carry into effect the purposes of this Resolution or to comply with recommendations of Bond Counsel, or with the advice of the County's financial advisor, to be in the best interest of the County. The County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Director of Finance, upon the advice of the County's financial advisor, are authorized to adjust the aggregate principal amount of the Series 2025A Bonds or any series thereof, the maturities thereof and the redemption provisions therefore, in the manner and in accordance with the Notice of Sale. Bids for the Series 2025A Bonds shall be received electronically by the Director of Finance on such date as shall be determined by the County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer or the Director of Finance.

Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Director of Finance is authorized to make such adjustments to the Notice of Sale as the Director of Finance shall deem necessary or advisable, upon the advice of Bond Counsel or the County's financial advisor, to accomplish electronic bidding procedures.

In view of the desirability of flexibility in the scheduling of the sale of the Series 2025A Bonds to take full advantage of market conditions, the County determines that it is in the best interest of the County to authorize and empower the County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Director of Finance to change the time of the sale or cancel said sale at any time prior to January 30, 2025 and to reschedule said sale without publishing a new Notice of Sale or advertisement, if (i) the County's financial advisor has advised him/her that market conditions are such that it is in the best interest of the County to do so, and (ii) he/she concurs in such recommendation to cancel and/or reschedule the sale. The County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Director of Finance may cancel and reschedule any rescheduled sale in accordance with phrases (i) and (ii) of the preceding sentence. If the date of sale is rescheduled as provided above, the County Executive, the Chief

Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Director of Finance may also postpone the expected date of delivery of the Series 2025A Bonds, the date of the Series 2025A Bonds (and hence the date from which interest shall accrue), the dates of the semiannual interest payments and annual principal payments, and the optional redemption dates.

The Notice of Sale and the form of Proposal for the Series 2025A Bonds authorized by this Resolution shall be substantially in the form set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement and the terms, provisions and conditions set forth in said form of Notice of Sale and Proposal are hereby adopted and approved as the terms, provisions and conditions under which the Series 2025A Bonds shall be sold, issued and delivered at public sale. Said Notice of Sale, or an advertisement in form attached hereto as Exhibit A, is authorized and directed to be published prior to said date of sale in one or more daily or weekly newspapers having a general circulation in the County. In addition, the Director of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to cause to be prepared and distributed to prospective bidders copies of said Notice of Sale and Proposal, as well as the Preliminary Official Statement. The Director of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to handle all inquiries in connection with the sale authorized hereby and the Preliminary Official Statement hereafter referred to and is further authorized to reschedule any postponed sale with or without the republication of the Notice of Sale or advertisement.

Section 13. Immediately after the sale of the Series 2025A Bonds, the County Executive shall execute an executive order fixing the principal amount and maturity dates of and interest rate or rates payable on the Series 2025A Bonds in accordance with the terms and conditions of the sale of the Series 2025A Bonds set forth in the Notice of Sale, and the Series 2025A Bonds shall be suitably prepared and delivered to the purchasers thereof in accordance with the conditions of delivery set forth in the Notice of Sale.

Section 14. All of the expenses relating to the issuance and sale of the Series 2025A Bonds, including the cost of preparing the Series 2025A Bonds, printing the Preliminary Official Statement and advertising their sale and the legal fees of the County, may be paid from the gross proceeds received from the sale of the Series 2025A Bonds. Any premium received on the sale of the Series 2025A Bonds and accrued interest received thereon shall be applied either to finance additional facilities and costs of issuance, to adjust the original principal amount of the Series 2025A Bonds or, upon approval of Bond Counsel, to the first payment of the principal of the Series 2025A Bonds and the first interest payment on the Series 2025A Bonds, respectively. After providing for such expenses, and making such provision relating to premium and accrued interest thereon, the balance of the proceeds from the sale of the Series 2025A Bonds shall be deposited in two accounts for the 2025 Projects, one for the par amount and one for any original issue premium. If the proceeds from the sale of the Series 2025A Bonds shall exceed the amount required for such purposes, upon approval of Bond Counsel, such proceeds may be applied for payment of the principal of the Series 2025A Bonds next coming due or, upon adoption of a resolution by the County, to the construction, improvement or development of other permitted facilities.

Section 15. The Series 2025A Bonds may be issued with the expectation that the interest thereon will be excludable from the gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes, as determined by an executive order of the County Executive. As to any Series 2025A Bonds issued with the expectation that the interest thereon will be excludable from the gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes, the County Executive and the

Director of Finance shall be responsible for the execution and delivery of a certificate of the County which complies with the requirements of Section 103 and Sections 141 through 150, inclusive, of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and the applicable regulations thereunder, and Bond Counsel shall render an opinion on the validity of such Series 2025A Bonds and the excludability of the interest on such Series 2025A Bonds from the gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes on the date of the issuance of such Series 2025A Bonds. The County Executive and the Director of Finance may each execute and deliver such additional certificates of the County as may be advised by Bond Counsel to establish and maintain the tax-exempt status of the Series 2025A Bonds.

The County shall set forth in said certificate its reasonable expectations as to relevant facts, estimates and circumstances relating to the use of the proceeds of the Series 2025A Bonds, or of any moneys, securities or other obligations which may be deemed to be proceeds of the Series 2025A Bonds pursuant to Section 148 of the Code or the said regulations (collectively, the "Bond Proceeds"). The County covenants with each of the holders of any of the Series 2025A Bonds that the facts, estimates and circumstances set forth in the said certificate will be based on the County's reasonable expectations on the date of issuance of the Series 2025A Bonds and will be, to the best of the knowledge of the person executing such certificate, true, correct and complete as of that date.

The County covenants with each of the holders of any of the Series 2025A Bonds issued with the expectation that the interest thereon will be excludable from the gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes that it will not use, or permit the use of any of, the Bond Proceeds or any other funds of the County, directly or indirectly, to acquire any securities or obligations, and will not take or permit to be taken or fail to take any other action or actions which would cause any of the Series 2025A Bonds to be an "arbitrage bond" within the meaning of said Section 148 and said regulations or that would otherwise cause the interest on such Series 2025A Bonds to be includible in gross income of the holder of the Series 2025A Bonds for federal income tax purposes.

The County further covenants that it will comply with said Section 148 and said regulations and such other requirements of the Code which are applicable to the Series 2025A Bonds on the date of issuance of the Series 2025A Bonds and which may subsequently lawfully be made applicable to the Series 2025A Bonds.

The County will hold and shall invest Bond Proceeds within its control (if such proceeds are invested) in accordance with the expectations of the County set forth in said certificate.

The County shall make timely payment of any rebate amount or payment in lieu thereof (or installment thereof) required to be paid to the United States of America in order to preserve the exclusion from gross income for purposes of federal income taxation of interest on the Series 2025A Bonds and shall include with any such payment such other documents, certificates or statements as shall be required to be included therewith under then applicable law and regulations.

The County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer or the Director of Finance may execute a certificate or certificates supplementing or amending said certificate, and actions taken by the County subsequent to the execution of such certificate shall

be in accordance with said certificate as amended or supplemented; provided, however, that the County shall execute any such certificate only upon receipt by it of an opinion of Bond Counsel addressed to the County to the effect that actions taken by the County in accordance with the amending or supplementing certificate will not adversely affect the exclusion from gross income for federal income taxation purposes of interest on the Series 2025A Bonds.

The County shall retain such records as necessary to document the investment and expenditure of Bond Proceeds, the uses of Bond Proceeds and of the facilities financed with such proceeds, together with such other records as may be required by the tax certificate or the IRS in order to establish compliance with requirements of the Code and the regulations thereunder as conditions to the exclusion of the interest on the Series 2025A Bonds from federal gross income.

Section 16. The County hereby covenants with the owners from time to time of the Series 2025A Bonds issued with the expectation that the interest thereon will be excludable from the gross income of the holders thereof for federal income tax purposes that it shall not take or cause to be taken any action or fail to take any action, the taking of which or the omission of which, under the law existing on the date of issuance of the Series 2025A Bonds, or which may subsequently lawfully be made applicable to the Series 2025A Bonds, would cause the interest on the Series 2025A Bonds to become subject to federal income taxation.

Section 17. For the purposes of paying the interest on and principal of the Series 2025A Bonds as such interest and principal comes due, the County shall include in the levy against all legally assessable property in the County, in each and every fiscal year of the County that any of said Series 2025A Bonds are outstanding, ad valorem taxes sufficient to provide such sums as the County may deem sufficient and necessary in conjunction with any other funds that will be available for the purpose, to provide for the payment of the interest on the Series 2025A Bonds coming due in each such year and to pay the principal of the Series 2025A Bonds maturing in each such fiscal year. In the event the proceeds from taxes so levied in any such fiscal year shall prove inadequate for such purposes, additional taxes shall be levied in the succeeding fiscal years to make up such deficiency. The full faith and credit and unlimited taxing power of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the maturing principal of and interest on the Series 2025A Bonds as and when such principal and interest comes due and to the levy and collection of the taxes hereinabove prescribed as and when such taxes may become necessary in order to provide sufficient funds to meet the debt service requirements of said Series 2025A Bonds. The County hereby solemnly covenants to take all action as may be appropriate from time to time during the period that any of said Series 2025A Bonds remain outstanding and unpaid to provide the funds necessary to make said principal and interest payments. The County further covenants and agrees to levy and collect the taxes hereinabove prescribed.

The County may apply to the payment of the principal of and interest on any of the Series 2025A Bonds any funds received by it and available for such purpose from the State of Maryland, the United States of America, any agency or instrumentality thereof, or from any other source, and, to the extent any such funds are received or receivable in any fiscal year, taxes that might otherwise be required to be levied hereunder may be reduced or need not be levied.

The Series 2025A Bonds shall be deemed to be paid and no longer to be outstanding when payment of the principal of the Series 2025A Bonds plus interest thereon to the due dates thereof

(whether such due date be by reason of maturity or upon redemption) either (i) shall have been made or caused to have been made in accordance with the terms thereof, or (ii) shall have been provided by irrevocably depositing in trust and irrevocably setting aside exclusively for such payment, moneys sufficient to make such payment, or direct non-callable obligations of the United States of America, maturing as to principal and interest in such amount and at such times as will assure the availability of sufficient moneys to make such payment, or a combination thereof, and all necessary and proper fees, compensation and expenses pertaining to the Series 2025A Bonds with respect to which such deposit is made shall have been paid or the payment thereof provided for.

Section 18. If any Series 2025A Bond shall become mutilated or be destroyed, lost or stolen, the County in its discretion may execute, and upon its request the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver, a new Series 2025A Bond in exchange for the mutilated Series 2025A Bond or in lieu of and substitution for the Series 2025A Bond so destroyed, lost or stolen. In every case of exchange or substitution, the applicant shall furnish to the County and to the Bond Registrar such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless from all risks, however remote, and the applicant shall also furnish to the County and to the Bond Registrar evidence to their satisfaction of the mutilation, destruction, loss or theft of the applicant's Series 2025A Bond. Upon the issuance of any Series 2025A Bond upon such exchange or substitution, the County may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses, including counsel fees, of the County or the Bond Registrar. If any Series 2025A Bond which has matured or is about to mature shall become mutilated or be destroyed, lost or stolen, instead of issuing a Series 2025A Bond in exchange or substitution therefor, the County may pay or authorize the payment of such Series 2025A Bond (without surrender thereof except in the case of a mutilated Series 2025A Bond) if the applicant for such payment shall furnish to the County and to the Bond Registrar such security or indemnity as they may require to save them harmless, and evidence to the satisfaction of the County and the Bond Registrar of the mutilation, destruction, loss or theft of such Series 2025A Bond.

Section 19. Each Series 2025A Bond paid at maturity or upon prior redemption shall be canceled or destroyed by the Paying Agent and a certificate of destruction describing the Series 2025A Bond so canceled or destroyed and evidencing such cancellation or destruction shall be furnished by the Paying Agent to the County.

Section 20. The County authorizes and directs the preparation of a preliminary official statement (the "Preliminary Official Statement") relating to the Series 2025A Bonds. A copy of such Preliminary Official Statement will be filed among the permanent records of the County. The County authorizes the distribution of said Preliminary Official Statement in connection with its solicitation of bids for the sale of the Series 2025A Bonds. The County hereby approves the final official statement in the form of the Preliminary Official Statement (the "Official Statement"), with such changes therein as may be required or deemed appropriate by the County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer or the Director of Finance, upon advice of Bond Counsel or the County's financial advisor. The execution of the Official Statement by the County Executive shall be conclusive evidence of the approval of the County of any and all such changes or modifications in said Official Statement in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Series 2025A Bonds. Each of the County Executive, the Chief Administrative

Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, and the Director of Finance are authorized to deem the Preliminary Official Statement to be “final” as of its date for the purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (“Rule 15c2-12”)

Section 21. In order to assist any Participating Underwriter (as hereafter defined) in complying with Rule 15c2-12, the County is authorized to execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Agreement (as hereafter defined). The County hereby covenants and agrees that it will comply with and carry out all of the provisions of the Continuing Disclosure Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Resolution, failure of the County to comply with the Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall not be considered an event of default; however, any bondholder may take such actions as may be necessary and appropriate, including seeking mandate or specific performance by court order, to cause the County to comply with its obligations under this Section.

“Continuing Disclosure Agreement” shall mean that certain Continuing Disclosure Agreement executed by the County and dated the date of issuance and delivery of the Series 2025A Bonds, as originally executed and as it may be amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof. The Continuing Disclosure Agreement shall be in the form attached to the Preliminary Official Statement.

“Participating Underwriter” shall have the meaning ascribed thereto in the Continuing Disclosure Agreement.

Section 23. The County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Finance and such other officers, officials and employees of the County as the County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer or the Director of Finance shall designate, are authorized hereby to do any and all things, execute all instruments, documents and certificates, and otherwise take all action necessary, proper, or expedient in connection with the issuance, sale and delivery of the Series 2025A Bonds. The County Executive, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Director of Finance, and all other officers, officials and employees of the County are authorized and directed hereby to do all acts and things required of them by the provisions hereof and of the Series 2025A Bonds for the full, punctual, and complete performance of all of the terms, covenants, provisions and agreements of this Resolution and the Series 2025A Bonds. Any provision of this Resolution authorizing any official or officer of the County to exercise authority or perform duties shall extend to any person duly exercising the duties of such official or officer on an acting or temporary basis.

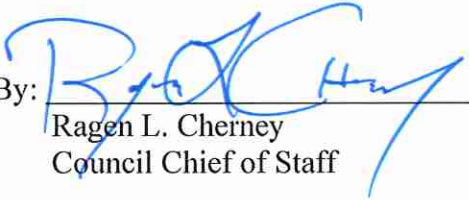
Section 24. This Resolution shall take effect from the date of its adoption.

Adopted this 17th day of December, 2024.

The undersigned hereby certifies that this Resolution was approved and adopted on the 17th day of December, 2024.

ATTEST:

FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: 
Ragen L. Cherney
Council Chief of Staff

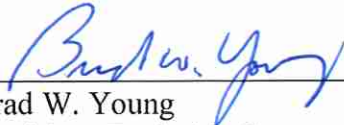
By: 
Brad W. Young
President, Frederick County Council 

Exhibit A

Summary Notice of Sale

\$225,000,000

**FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND
GENERAL OBLIGATION PUBLIC FACILITIES PROJECT BONDS,
SERIES 2025A**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Frederick County, Maryland (the “County”) will receive electronic bids via PARITY® for the purchase of the above-referenced general obligation bonds (the “Bonds”) until 10:30 a.m. local Frederick, Maryland time on:

January 30, 2025

The Bonds will be issued pursuant to Section 10-203 of the Local Government Chapter of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, Section 19-101 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, Bill No. 19-19 enacted by the County Council of Frederick County (the “Frederick County Council”) on January 21, 2019, Bill No. 22-19 enacted by the Frederick County Council on October 25, 2022, Bill No. 24-16 enacted by the Frederick County Council on October 15, 2024, Chapter 2-13-1 et seq. of the Code of Public Local Laws of Frederick County (1979), as amended, and Sections 5-601 through 5-604 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended. The Bonds will be dated the date of issuance and delivery (expected to be February 13, 2025) and will bear interest payable semi-annually on the first day of April and October, commencing October 1, 2025, and will be issuable in denominations of \$5,000 each or multiples thereof.

The aggregate principal amount and the principal amount of each maturity of the Bonds are subject to reduction or increase by the County after the receipt of bids for their purchase. The dollar amount bid for principal by the successful bidder will be adjusted to reflect any reduction or increase in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds, but the interest rates specified by the successful bidder for all maturities will not change. Procedures for announcing such adjustments after the sale are set forth in the official Notice of Sale, and the successful bidder may not withdraw its bid as a result of any changes made within the limits set forth therein.

The Bonds will be issued in book-entry form only.

The Bonds are subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities.

The County reserves the right to postpone, from time to time, the date established for the receipt of bids or to change the bid parameters of the Bonds. In addition, the County reserves the right, on the date established for the receipt of the bids, to reject all bids and establish a subsequent alternative sale date. The official Notice of Sale contains specific provisions regarding the announcement of any such postponement and alternative sale date or bid parameter changes. The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Each bid must be on the Proposal for Bonds and conform to the terms and conditions set forth in the Notice of Sale. This announcement does not constitute the solicitation of bids to

purchase the Bonds. The sale of the Bonds shall be made exclusively pursuant to the terms of the Notice of Sale. Copies of the Notice of Sale, the Proposal for Bonds and the Preliminary Official Statement will be furnished upon written request made to the Director of Finance, Frederick County, Winchester Hall, 12 East Church Street, Frederick, Maryland 21701 or the County's financial advisor, Davenport & Company LLC, 8600 LaSalle Road, Suite 618, Towson, Maryland 21286.

Jessica Fitzwater, County Executive
Frederick County, Maryland

Dated: _____

(To be published on January 16, 2025 and January 23, 2025)

Exhibit B

Form of Series 2025A Bonds

No. ____

\$ _____

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

STATE OF MARYLAND

FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND
GENERAL OBLIGATION PUBLIC FACILITIES PROJECT BONDS,
SERIES 2025A

<u>Annual</u> <u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Maturity</u> <u>Date</u>	<u>Date of</u> <u>Original Issue</u>	<u>CUSIP</u> <u>Number</u>
	April 1, 20__	_____, 2025	355694__

Registered Owner: CEDE & CO.

Principal Amount:

Dollars

Frederick County, Maryland, a body politic and corporate organized and existing under the Constitution and laws of the State of Maryland (the "County"), hereby acknowledges itself indebted for value received and, upon surrender hereof, promises to pay to the Registered Owner shown above, or its registered assigns, on the Maturity Date shown above unless this bond shall have been called for prior redemption and payment of the redemption price made or provided for, the Principal Amount shown above, and to pay interest on the outstanding principal amount hereof from the later of _____, 2025 and the most recent Interest Payment Date (as hereinafter defined) to which interest has been paid or provided for; provided, however, if this bond is authenticated after a Record Date (as hereinafter defined) for any Interest Payment Date and before such Interest Payment Date, it shall bear interest from such Interest Payment Date.

Interest on this bond shall be paid at the Annual Interest Rate shown above (computed on a 360-day year, 30-day month basis), payable on each April 1 and October 1, commencing October 1, 2025 (the "Interest Payment Dates") until payment of such Principal Amount shall be discharged as provided in the Resolution (as hereinafter defined). Such interest shall be paid to the person in whose name this bond is registered on the registration books maintained by the Bond Registrar at the close of business on the 30th calendar day of the month next preceding each Interest Payment Date (the "Record Date").

Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, interest on this bond which is payable, but is not punctually paid or duly provided for, on any Interest Payment Date shall forthwith cease to be payable to the Registered Owner by virtue of having been such Registered Owner on the relevant Record Date and such interest shall be paid by the Paying Agent to the person in whose name this bond (or its predecessor bond) is registered at the close of business on a date fixed by the Bond Registrar for the payment of such interest, notice thereof being given by first class mail, postage

prepaid, to said person not less than 30 days prior to such Record Date, at the address of such person appearing on the Bond Register, or may be paid at any time in any other lawful manner not inconsistent with the requirements of any securities exchange on which this bond may be listed and upon such notice as may be required by such exchange.

Principal of, premium, if any, and interest on this bond are payable in such money of the United States of America as is lawful at the time of payment.

This bond is one of an issue of bonds limited in aggregate principal amount to \$____,000, all dated _____, 2025 and all known as "Frederick County, Maryland, General Obligation Public Facilities Project Bonds, Series 2025A" (the "Bonds"). The Bonds are issued as registered bonds, without coupons, in the denominations of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. The Bonds are numbered consecutively from No. 1 upward and mature serially on April 1 in the years and in the amounts and bear interest at the annual rates, all as set forth below:

<u>Maturing April 1</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>	<u>Maturing April 1</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>
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The Bonds maturing on or after April 1, 20__ shall be subject to redemption prior to their respective maturities, at the option of the County, at any time on or after April 1, 20__, either as a whole or in part, but only upon payment of a redemption price equal to ____% of the principal amount thereof, together with accrued interest thereon to the date fixed for redemption.

[INSERT SINKING FUND REDEMPTION, IF ANY]

If less than all of the outstanding Bonds are called for redemption, the County shall choose the maturities of the Bonds to be redeemed and the principal amount of each maturity to be redeemed, in its sole discretion; and if less than all of the Bonds of any one maturity are called for redemption, the particular Bonds to be redeemed from such maturity shall be selected by lot by the Registrar, except that so long as The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") or its nominee is the sole registered owner of the Bonds, the particular, Bonds or portion to be redeemed shall be selected by lot by DTC, in such manner as DTC shall determine. Each \$5,000 portion of a Bond shall be treated as a separate Bond in the selection by lot of Bonds to be redeemed.

In case part but not all of a Bond shall be selected for redemption, then, upon the surrender thereof, there shall be issued without charge to the registered owner thereof a Bond or Bonds in any authorized denomination as specified by the registered owner. The aggregate principal amount of the Bond or Bonds so issued shall be equal to the unredeemed balance of the principal amount of the Bond surrendered.

If the County elects to redeem all or a portion of the Bonds outstanding, a redemption notice as prescribed in the Resolution shall be mailed by the Bond Registrar (hereinafter defined), on behalf of the County, not less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, postage prepaid, to the registered owners of the Bonds to be redeemed by first-class mail at their last addresses appearing on the registration books maintained by the Bond Registrar (the "Bond Register"); provided, however, that the failure to mail such notice with respect to a particular, Bond to be redeemed or any defect in such notice, or in the mailing thereof, shall not affect the sufficiency of the redemption of any other Bond. So long as DTC or its nominee is the sole

registered owner of the Bonds, any redemption notice shall be given to DTC by a secure means (e.g., legible facsimile transmission, registered or certified mail or overnight express delivery) in a timely manner designed to assure that such notice is in DTC's possession no later than the close of business on such 30th day. From and after the date fixed for redemption, if notice has been duly and properly given and if funds sufficient for the payment of the redemption price of the Bonds called for redemption are held by the Bond Registrar on such date, the Bonds so called for redemption shall become due and payable at the redemption price provided for the redemption of such Bonds on such date, interest on the Bonds shall cease to accrue and the registered owners of such Bonds so called for redemption shall have no rights in respect thereof except to receive payment of the redemption price thereof from such monies held by the Bond Registrar. Upon presentation and surrender of a Bond called for redemption in compliance with the redemption notice, the Bond Registrar shall pay the appropriate redemption price of such Bond. If Bonds so called for redemption are not paid upon presentation and surrender as described above, such Bonds shall continue to bear interest at the rates stated therein until paid.

Notwithstanding any provisions contained herein, during any period in which the Bonds are maintained pursuant to a Book-Entry System, redemption of the Bonds shall occur in accordance with the Depository's standard procedures for redemption of obligations such as the Bonds.

[BOND IN BOOK-ENTRY FORM ONLY]

Provisions Applicable to Book-Entry Bonds. So long as all of the Bonds shall be maintained in book-entry form with a Depository (as defined in the Resolution) in accordance with Section 6 of the Resolution, in the event that part, but not all, of this bond shall be called for redemption, the holder of this bond may elect not to surrender this bond in exchange for a new bond and in such event shall make a notation indicating the principal amount of such redemption and the date thereof on the Payment Grid attached hereto. For all purposes, the principal amount of this bond outstanding at any time shall be equal to the lesser of (A) the Principal Sum shown on the face hereof and (B) such Principal Sum reduced by the principal amount of any partial redemption of this bond following which the holder of this bond has elected not to surrender this bond. The failure of the holder hereof to note the principal amount of any partial redemption on the Payment Grid attached hereto, or any inaccuracy therein, shall not affect the payment obligation of the County hereunder. THEREFORE, IT CANNOT BE DETERMINED FROM THE FACE OF THIS BOND WHETHER A PART OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THIS BOND HAS BEEN PAID.

Legend for Bonds Registered in Book-Entry Form with DTC. Unless this bond is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC"), to the County or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange, or payment and any Bond issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.]

The Bonds are issued pursuant to the authority of Section 10-203 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, Section 19-101 of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, Bill No. 19-19 enacted by the Frederick County Council on January 21, 2019, Bill No. 22-19 enacted by the Frederick County Council on October 25, 2022, Bill No. 24-16 enacted by the Frederick County Council on October 15, 2024, Sections 2-13-1 et seq. of the Code of Public Local Laws of Frederick County (1979), as amended, and Sections 5-601 through 5-604 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended, and in accordance with the Resolution.

The Bonds will be transferable only upon the Bond Register by the Bond Registrar. Any Bond presented for transfer, exchange, registration, redemption or payment (if so required by the Bond Registrar) shall be accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer or authorization for exchange, in form and with guaranty of signature satisfactory to the Bond Registrar, duly executed by the registered owner thereof or by the registered owner's duly authorized attorney. Upon any transfer or exchange, the County shall execute and the Bond Registrar shall authenticate and deliver in the name of the registered owner or the transferee or transferees, as the case may be, a new registered Bond or Bonds of any of the authorized denominations in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of the Bond exchanged or transferred and maturing on the same date and bearing interest at the same rate. In each case, the County and the Bond Registrar may require payment by the registered owner requesting the exchange or transfer of any tax, fee or other governmental charge, shipping charges and insurance that may be required to be paid with respect thereto, but otherwise no charge shall be made to the registered owner for the exchange or transfer.

The Bond Registrar shall not be required to transfer or exchange any Bond after the mailing of notice calling such Bond or portion thereof for redemption; provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to any portion of a Bond which is not being called for redemption.

It is hereby certified and recited that each and every act, condition and thing required to exist, to be done, to have happened and to be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this bond, does exist, has been done, has happened and has been performed in full and strict compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Maryland and Resolution No. 24-_____ of the County Council of Frederick County, adopted on December 17, 2024 authorizing the issuance of the Bonds, of which this bond is one (the "Resolution") and that said issue of Bonds, together with all other indebtedness of the County, is within every debt and other limit prescribed by the Constitution and laws of said State. This bond is an obligation of the County, payable as provided in the Resolution, and the full faith and credit and unlimited taxing power of Frederick County, Maryland are hereby irrevocably pledged to the payment of the principal of this bond and of the interest to accrue hereon at the dates and in the manner mentioned herein.

This bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any benefit or security under the Resolution until the Certificate of Authentication endorsed hereon shall have been signed by an authorized signatory of the Bond Registrar.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the County has caused this bond to be executed in its name by its County Executive and attested by the Chief Administrative Officer, and has also caused its corporate seal to be printed hereon as of the Date of Original Issue.

ATTEST:

FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

By: _____
Chief Administrative Officer

By: _____
County Executive

[SEAL]

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

Date of Authentication:

This bond is one of the registered bonds of Frederick County, Maryland designated Frederick County, Maryland, General Obligation Public Facilities Project Bonds, Series 2025A.

Manufacturers and Traders Trust Company
Baltimore, Maryland

Bond Registrar

By: _____
Authorized Signatory

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto _____ (Tax Identification or Social Security No. _____) the within bond and all rights thereunder, and does hereby constitute and appoint _____ attorney to transfer the within bond on the books kept for the registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated:

Signature Guaranteed:

NOTICE: Signatures must be guaranteed by a member firm of the New York Stock Exchange or a commercial bank or trust company

(Signature of Registered Owner)

NOTICE: Signature must correspond with the name of the Registered Owner of the within bond as it appears on the face of the within bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatsoever.

[BONDS IN BOOK-ENTRY FORM ONLY]

<u>Date of Payment</u>	<u>Principal Amount Paid</u>	<u>Principal Amount Outstanding</u>	<u>Holder Signature</u>

Exhibit C

List of 2025 Projects

Project Category	Activity Description	Total 2025 Bond Project Funding
FCC	Plant Operations - Building P	\$400,000.00
FCC	Systemics - FCC	\$400,000.00
FCC Total		\$800,000.00
FCPS	Elementary School Renovations	\$16,723,154.00
FCPS	Brunswick Elementary Modernization	\$320,680.00
FCPS	Eastern Elementary School	\$1,000,000.00
FCPS	Green Valley Elementary Replacement	\$5,129,346.00
FCPS	Middletown Campus	\$3,178,211.00
FCPS	Valley Elementary Replacement	\$10,995,571.00
FCPS	Waverly Elementary School	\$827,273.00
FCPS	Yellow Springs Elementary Replacement	\$5,906,130.00
FCPS	Land Acquisition	\$1,555,108.00
FCPS	Playgrounds - Various Locations	\$326,374.00
FCPS	Systemics - FCPS	\$2,292,375.00
FCPS	Portable Classrooms	\$1,490,755.00
FCPS Total		\$49,744,977.00
Gen Govt	ADC & Courthouse Elevator Mod	\$211,000.00
Gen Govt	Courthouse Roof Subproj	\$1,000,000.00
Gen Govt	Gen Govt Land Acquisition	\$352,684.00
Gen Govt	Gen Govt Systemics	\$9,694,830.00
Gen Govt	Montevue Assisted Living Renovation	\$760,776.00
Gen Govt	Montevue Campus Refuel Station	\$3,397,013.00
Gen Govt	Prospect Center	\$20,500,000.00
Gen Govt	Solar Canopy	\$45,404.00
Gen Govt	Technology - Software	\$1,059,000.00
Gen Govt	Treasury Redesign	\$770,730.00
Gen Govt	West Frederick Library	\$758,700.00
Gen Govt	Winchester Hall Lobby Security Renovation	\$360,000.00
Gen Govt Total		\$38,910,137.00
Public Safety	Animal Control Addition	\$2,475,000.00
Public Safety	Carroll Manor Fire Station	\$797,000.00
Public Safety	Corrections - ADC / Work Release Parking	\$8,459,412.00
Public Safety	Crisis Stabilization Center	\$3,000,000.00
Public Safety	DFRS - Apparatus / Equipment	\$12,664,039.00
Public Safety	DFRS - Tilco Renovations	\$1,272,369.00
Public Safety	Fire Service Water Supply Locations	\$100,000.00
Public Safety	Green Valley Station	\$7,480,800.00
Public Safety	Hazmat Team Meters	\$223,414.00

Public Safety	Northgate Fire Station	\$660,430.00
Public Safety	Portable Radio Replacement	\$24,760.00
Public Safety	PSTF Training Bldg/Parking	\$545,202.00
Public Safety	Sheriffs Dept District Office	\$694,700.00
Public Safety	Westview Fire Station Renovation	\$232,300.00
Public Safety Total		\$38,629,426.00
Parks	Ball Creek Widrick House	\$18,111.00
Parks	Fred & PA RR Trail - Phase 1	\$33,814.00
Parks	Old National Pike Park Phase 2	\$3,327,300.00
Parks	Othello Regional Park	\$108,349.00
Parks	Parks - Systemics	\$1,656,180.00
Parks	Parks Schools	\$38,345.00
Parks	Rose Hill Carriage Museum	\$110,900.00
Parks	Utica District Park -Phase 2	\$7,343.00
Parks Total		\$5,300,342.00
Stormwater	Dam Restoration - Pt of Rocks	\$272,400.00
Stormwater	Reforestation	\$535,000.00
Stormwater	Stormwater Restoration	\$4,275,000.00
Stormwater	Stream Restoration	\$1,922,000.00
Stormwater Total		\$7,004,400.00
Transportation	Boyers Mill Road	\$12,103,445.00
Transportation	Braddock Improvements	\$300,000.00
Transportation	Bridge Projects - Various Locations	\$4,058,305.00
Transportation	Cloverhill Storm Drain	\$50,000.00
Transportation	Gas House Pike Frederick City to Boyers	\$13,069,530.00
Transportation	Intercoastal Drive Brine System	\$152,800.00
Transportation	Pavement Rehabilitation	\$4,500,000.00
Transportation	Road Projects - Various Locations	\$7,837,899.00
Transportation	Road Satellite Facilities - Various Locations	\$4,383,537.00
Transportation	Traffic Control and Safety	\$730,155.00
Transportation	Transportation Systemics	\$4,112,140.00
Transportation	White Rock Subdivision	\$102,907.00
Transportation Total		\$51,400,718.00
Water / Sewer	Ballenger McKinney	\$2,950,000.00
Water / Sewer	DWSU Office Building Fit Out	\$431,500.00
Water / Sewer	Maintenance Building Expansion Relocation	\$7,280,000.00
Water / Sewer	Sewer Projects - Various Locations	\$4,720,000.00
Water / Sewer	Water Projects - Various Locations	\$3,918,500.00
Water / Sewer	Water Storage Tank Improvements	\$2,200,000.00
Water / Sewer Total		\$21,500,000.00
Grand Total		\$213,290,000.00