NOTE PURCHASE CONTRACT

LATON JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (Fresno and Kings Counties, California) 2025-26 TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES

, 2025
Board of Supervisors County of Fresno 2281 Tulare Street Fresno, California 93721
Board of Education Laton Joint Unified School District 6259 E DeWoody Street Laton, California 93242
Ladies and Gentlemen:
(the "Underwriter") offers to enter into this Note Purchase Contract (the "Purchase Contract") with the County of Fresno (the "County") and the Laton Joint Unified School District (the "District"). The offer made hereby is subject to acceptance by the County and the District by execution and delivery of this Purchase Contract (the "Purchase Contract") to the Underwriter at or prior to 11:59 p.m., California time, on the date hereof, but it shall be irrevocable until such time as it is sooner accepted or rejected by the County and the District. Upon acceptance of this offer by the County and the District in accordance with the terms hereof, this Purchase Contract will be binding upon the County, upon the District and upon the Underwriter.
1. Purchase and Sale. Upon the terms and conditions and upon the basis of the representations, covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, the Underwriter hereby agrees to purchase from the County for offering to the public, and the County hereby agrees, on behalf of the District, to sell to the Underwriter for such purpose, all (but not less than all) of the \$ aggregate principal amount of the District's Laton Joint Unified School District 2025-26 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (the "Notes") at the purchase price of \$ (representing the principal amount of \$ plus original issue premium of \$, less an Underwriter's discount of \$). The true interest cost for the Notes is%.
The County and the District acknowledge and agree that the purchase and sale of the Notes pursuant to this Note Purchase Contract is an arm's-length commercial transaction among

the County, the District and the Underwriter, and the Underwriter is acting solely as an underwriter and principal in connection with the matters contemplated by and with respect to all communications under this Note Purchase Contract and is not acting as the agent or fiduciary of the County or the District or the County's or the District's advisor in connection with the matters

contemplated by this Note Purchase Contract.

2. The Notes. The Notes shall be issued pursuant to Sections 53850 to 53858, both inclusive, of the California Government Code (being Article 7.6 of Chapter 4 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of said Code, and in accordance with Resolution No. _____ of the Board of Supervisors of the County, adopted on August 5, 2025 (the "County Resolution"), and with Resolution No. ____ of the Board of Education of the District, adopted on July 9, 2025 (the "District Resolution" and, together with the County Resolution, the "Resolutions"). The Notes shall conform in all respects to the terms and provisions set forth in the Resolutions. The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. has been appointed to act as the initial paying agent and registrar (the "Paying Agent") with respect to the Notes pursuant to the County Resolution.

A single maturity of Notes shall be issued, dated the date of Closing (as defined herein), and the Notes shall mature on _____, 2026, without possibility of prior redemption. The Notes shall bear interest at the rate of ____% per annum, and shall have yield of ____% and price of ____%. [The Notes satisfy the 10% Test.] The Notes shall otherwise be as described in the Preliminary Official Statement of the District with respect to the Notes, defined below.

As security for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes, the District covenants to deposit in trust for the registered owners of the Notes in a special account designated as the "Laton Joint Unified School District 2025-26 Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note Repayment Fund" (the "Repayment Fund") an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on the Notes at the maturity thereof to be received by the County on behalf of the District during calendar year 2026. In the event that there have been insufficient Unrestricted Moneys (as defined in the Resolutions) received by the District by the end of any such period, then the amount of any deficiency in the Repayment Fund shall be satisfied and made up from the first Unrestricted Moneys thereafter received by the District.

A single certificate for the Notes shall be prepared and delivered as described in Section 8 hereof, registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, NY ("DTC"), and shall be made available to the Underwriter for inspection at such place as may be mutually agreed to by the Underwriter and the District, not less than one business day prior to the Closing. The Underwriter shall order CUSIP identification numbers and the District shall cause such CUSIP identification numbers to be printed on the Notes, but neither the failure to print such number on any Note nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the Underwriter to accept delivery of and pay for the Notes in accordance with the terms of this Purchase Contract.

3. Establishment of Issue Price.

(a) Actions to Establish Price. The Underwriter agrees to assist the District in establishing the issue price of the Notes and shall execute and deliver to the District at Closing an "issue price" or similar certificate, together with the supporting pricing wires or equivalent communications, substantially in the form attached hereto as Appendix A, with such modifications as may be appropriate or necessary, in the reasonable judgment of the Underwriter, the District, the County and Bond Counsel, to accurately reflect, as applicable, the sales price or prices or the initial offering price or prices to the public of the Notes. As applicable, all actions to be taken by the District under this section to establish the issue price of the Notes may be taken on behalf of the District by the District's municipal advisor and any notice or report to be provided to the District may be provided to the District's municipal advisor.

- (b) 10% Test. Except for the maturities (if any) identified in Appendix A for which the Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule described in (c) below shall apply, the District will treat the first price at which 10% of each maturity of the Notes (the "10% test") is sold to the public as the issue price of that maturity. At or promptly after the execution of this Purchase Agreement, the Underwriter shall report to the District the price or prices at which it has sold to the public each maturity of Notes. If at that time the 10% test has not been satisfied as to any maturity of the Notes, the Underwriter agrees to promptly report to the District the prices at which it sells the unsold Notes of that maturity to the public. That reporting obligation shall continue, whether or not the Closing Date (as defined herein) has occurred, until either (i) the Underwriter has sold all Notes of that maturity or (ii) the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Notes of that maturity, provided that, the Underwriter's reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the District or Bond Counsel. For purposes of this Section, if Notes mature on the same date but have different interest rates, each separate CUSIP number within that maturity will be treated as a separate maturity of the Notes.
- (c) Hold-The-Offering-Price Rule. The Underwriter confirms that it has offered the Notes to the public on or before the date of this Purchase Agreement at the offering price or prices (the "initial offering price"), or at the corresponding yield or yields, set forth in Appendix A, except as otherwise set forth therein. Appendix A also sets forth, as of the date of this Purchase Agreement, the maturities, if any, of the Notes for which the 10% test has not been satisfied and for which the District and the Underwriter agrees that the restrictions set forth in the next sentence shall apply, which will allow the District to treat the initial offering price to the public of each such maturity as of the sale date as the issue price of that maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"). So long as the hold-the-offering-price rule remains applicable to any maturity of the Notes, the Underwriter will neither offer nor sell unsold Notes of that maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the initial offering price to the public during the period starting on the sale date and ending on the earlier of the following:
 - (1) the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date; or
 - the date on which the Underwriter has sold at least 10% of that maturity of the Notes to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

The Underwriter will advise the District promptly after the close of the fifth (5th) business day after the sale date whether it has sold 10% of that maturity of the Notes to the public at a price that is no higher than the initial offering price to the public.

- (d) Selling Group or Retail Distribution Agreements. The Underwriter confirms that:
 - (i) any selling group agreement and any third-party distribution agreement relating to the initial sale of the Notes to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each dealer who is a member of the selling group and each broker-dealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement, as applicable:

- (A) (i) to report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Notes of each maturity allocated to it, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until either all Notes of that maturity allocated to it have been sold or it is notified by the Underwriter that the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Notes of that maturity, provided that, the reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the Underwriter, and (ii) to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the Underwriter,
- (B) to promptly notify the Underwriter of any sales of Notes that, to its knowledge, are made to a purchaser who is a related party to an underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the public (each such term being used as defined below), and
- (C) to acknowledge that, unless otherwise advised by the dealer or broker-dealer, the Underwriter shall assume that each order submitted by the dealer or broker-dealer is a sale to the public.
- (ii) any selling group agreement relating to the initial sale of the Notes to the public, together with the related pricing wires, contains or will contain language obligating each dealer that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement to be employed in connection with the initial sale of the Notes to the public to require each broker-dealer that is a party to such third-party distribution agreement to (A) report the prices at which it sells to the public the unsold Notes of each maturity allocated to it, whether or not the Closing Date has occurred, until either all Notes of that maturity allocated to it have been sold or it is notified by the Underwriter or the dealer that the 10% test has been satisfied as to the Notes of that maturity, provided that, the reporting obligation after the Closing Date may be at reasonable periodic intervals or otherwise upon request of the Underwriter or the dealer, and (B) comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable, if and for so long as directed by the Underwriter or the dealer and as set forth in the related pricing wires.

The District acknowledges that, in making the representations set forth in this Section, the Underwriter will rely on (i) in the event a selling group has been created in connection with the initial sale of the Notes to the public, the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Notes, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Notes, as set forth in a selling group agreement and the related pricing wires, and (ii) in the event that a third-party distribution agreement was employed in connection with the initial sale of the Notes to the public, the agreement of each broker-dealer that is a party to such agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Notes, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule, if applicable to the Notes, as set forth in the third-party distribution agreement and the related pricing wires. The District further acknowledges that the Underwriter shall not be liable for the failure of any dealer who is a member of a selling group, or of any broker-dealer that is a party to a third-party distribution agreement, to comply with its corresponding agreement to comply with the requirements for establishing issue price of the Notes, including, but not limited to, its agreement to comply with the hold-the-offeringprice rule, if applicable to the Notes.

- (e) <u>Sales to the Public; Definitions</u>. The Underwriter acknowledges that sales of any Notes to any person that is a related party to an underwriter participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the public (each such term being used as defined below) shall not constitute sales to the public for purposes of this section. Further, for purposes of this section:
 - (i) "public" means any person other than an underwriter or a related party,
 - (ii) "underwriter" means (A) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the District (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the public and (B) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (A) to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a retail distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the public),
 - (iii) a purchaser of any of the Notes is a "related party" to an underwriter if the underwriter and the purchaser are subject, directly or indirectly, to (i) more than 50% common ownership of the voting power or the total value of their stock, if both entities are corporations (including direct ownership by one corporation of another), (ii) more than 50% common ownership of their capital interests or profits interests, if both entities are partnerships (including direct ownership by one partnership of another), or (iii) more than 50% common ownership of the value of the outstanding stock of the corporation or the capital interests or profit interests of the partnership, as applicable, if one entity is a corporation and the other entity is a partnership (including direct ownership of the applicable stock or interests by one entity of the other), and
 - (iv) "sale date" means the date of execution of this Purchase Agreement by all parties.
- 4. Offering. The Underwriter agrees to make a bona fide public offering of all the Notes. The County hereby ratifies, approves, and confirms the distribution of the County Resolution, and the District hereby ratifies, approves, and confirms the distribution of the Preliminary Official Statement of the District with respect to the Notes, dated ______, 2025 (together with the appendices thereto, any documents incorporated therein by reference, and any supplements or amendments thereto, the "Preliminary Official Statement"), in connection with the public offering and sale of the Notes by the Underwriter. The District hereby agrees to deliver or cause to be delivered to the Underwriter, within seven business days after the date hereof, copies of the Official Statement, consisting of the Preliminary Official Statement with such changes as may be made with the approval of the District and the Underwriter (the "Official Statement"), in such reasonable quantity as the Underwriter shall request.

The Underwriter hereby represents that it has received and reviewed the Preliminary Official Statement, and agrees that it will provide, consistent with the requirements of Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") Rule G-32, for the delivery of a copy of the Official Statement to each customer who purchases any Notes during the underwriting period (as such term is defined in MSRB Rule G-11), and to deliver a copy of the Official Statement to a national repository on or before the date of Closing, and otherwise to comply with all applicable statutes and regulations in connection with the offering and sale of the Notes, including, without limitation,

MSRB Rule G-32 and 17 CFR Section 240.15c2-12, promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Rule 15c2-12").

The Underwriter hereby agrees that prior to the time the final Official Statement is available, the Underwriter will send to any potential purchaser of the Notes, upon request, a copy of the most recent Preliminary Official Statement. Such Preliminary Official Statement shall be sent by first class mail (or other equally prompt means) not later than the first business day following the date upon which each such request is received.

- **5. Representations and Agreements of the County**. The County represents to and agrees with the Underwriter that, as of the date hereof and as of the date of the Closing:
 - (a) The County is a political subdivision duly organized and validly existing under the Constitution and general laws of the State of California.
 - (b) The County is duly authorized and has full legal right, power and authority to issue, sell and deliver the Notes on behalf of the District, pursuant to the direction of the District contained in the District Resolution, and to provisions of the laws of the State of California.
 - (c) The County has the legal right, power and authority to enter into this Purchase Contract, to adopt the County Resolution, and to observe and perform the covenants and agreements of this Purchase Contract and the County Resolution to be observed and performed by the County.
 - (d) The County has duly adopted the County Resolution in accordance with the laws of the State of California; the County Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, modified or rescinded, and all representations of the County set forth in the County Resolution are true and correct on the date hereof; the County has duly authorized and approved the execution and delivery of, and the observance and performance by the County of its covenants and agreements contained in the Notes and this Purchase Contract required to have been observed or performed at or prior to the date of Closing; and the County has complied, and will at the Closing be in compliance in all respects, with the obligations in connection with the issuance of the Notes on its part contained in this Purchase Contract, the County Resolution, and the Notes.
 - (e) To the best knowledge of the County, there is no litigation pending (with the County having received service of process) or overtly threatened against the County concerning the validity of the Notes, the existence of the County or the entitlement of the respective officers of the County who shall sign any documents and certificates to be executed in connection with the delivery of the Notes, to their respective offices.
- **6. Representations and Agreements of the District**. The District represents to and agrees with the Underwriter that, as of the date hereof and as of the date of the Closing:
 - (a) The District is a school district duly organized and validly existing under the Constitution and general laws of the State of California.

- (b) The District has full legal right, power and authority to enter into this Purchase Contract, to adopt the District Resolution, and to observe and perform the covenants and agreements of this Purchase Contract and the District Resolution required to be observed and performed by the District.
- (c) The District has duly adopted the District Resolution in accordance with the laws of the State; the District Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, modified or rescinded, and all representations of the District set forth in the District Resolution are true and correct; the District has duly authorized and approved the execution and delivery of, and the observance and performance by the District through its officers and agents of its covenants and agreements contained in the Notes and this Purchase Contract required to have been observed or performed at or prior to the date of Closing; and the District has complied, and will at the Closing be in compliance in all respects, with the obligations in connection with the issuance of the Notes on its part contained in this Purchase Contract, the District Resolution and the Notes.
- (d) The Preliminary Official Statement was "deemed final" by the District as of the date thereof within the meaning of paragraph (a)(2) of Rule 15c2-12, except for the omission of some or all of such information the omission of which is permitted under Rule 15c2-12.
- (e) The Preliminary Official Statement as of its date, and the Official Statement as of its date and as of the date of Closing, and if supplemented or amended, as of the date of any such supplement or amendment, do not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; in each case excluding therefrom any information contained therein relating to DTC or its book-entry only system, information relating to the reoffering of the Notes provided by the Underwriter, or information describing the County's investment policy and current portfolio holdings, as to all of which the District expresses no view.
- (f) The District will undertake, pursuant to the District Resolution and a Continuing Disclosure Certificate, to provide notices of the occurrence of certain enumerated events. A description of this undertaking is set forth in the Preliminary Official Statement and will also be set forth in the final Official Statement.
- (g) The District has, and has had, no financial advisory relationship with the Underwriter with respect to the Notes, nor with any investment firm controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Underwriter.
- (h) Unless otherwise described in the Official Statement, the District has not failed during the previous five years to comply in all material respects with any previous undertakings in a written continuing disclosure contract or agreement under Rule 15c2-12.
- **7.** Representations and Agreements of the Underwriter. The Underwriter represents to and agrees with the District and the County that, as of the date hereof and as of the date of the Closing:
 - (a) The Underwriter is duly authorized to execute this Purchase Contract and to take any action under this Purchase Contract required to be taken by it.

- (b) The Underwriter is in compliance with MSRB Rule G-37 with respect to the County and the District, and is not prohibited thereby from acting as underwriter with respect to securities of the District.
- (c) The Underwriter has, and has had, no financial advisory relationship with the District or the County with respect to the Notes and no investment firm controlling, controlled by or under common control with the Underwriter has or has had any such financial advisory relationship.
- (d) The Underwriter has reasonably determined that the District's undertaking pursuant to Sections 6(f) and 8(l) hereof to provide continuing disclosure with respect to the Notes is sufficient to effect compliance with Rule 15c2-12.
- **8. Conditions to Closing.** At or before Closing, and contemporaneously with the acceptance of delivery of the Notes, and the payment of the purchase price thereof, the District will provide to the Underwriter:
 - a certificate of the District, signed by an official of the District, dated the date of the Closing, to the effect that (i) as of the date of the Closing, all of the representations of the District contained in this Purchase Contract are true, and that the District Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, modified or rescinded, (ii) as of the date of the Closing, there is no litigation pending or to the best of the knowledge of the District, threatened concerning the validity of the Notes, the corporate existence of the District, or the entitlement of the respective officers of the District who shall sign any documents and certificates to be executed in connection with the delivery of the Notes, to their respective offices, (iii) the Preliminary Official Statement as of its date, and the Official Statement as of its date and as of the date of Closing, do not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements made therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, excluding in any information contained in the Official Statement relating to DTC or its book-entry only system, information relating to the reoffering of the Notes provided by the Underwriter, and information contained therein describing the County's investment policy and current portfolio holdings, and (iv) since the date of this Purchase Contract, there has been no material adverse change in the financial condition or affairs of the District;
 - (b) a certificate of the County, signed by the appropriate officials of the County, dated the date of the Closing, to the effect that all of the representations of the County contained in this Purchase Contract are true, and that the County Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, modified or rescinded;
 - (c) a tax certificate of the District, dated the date of the Closing, in form satisfactory to Bond Counsel;
 - (d) an opinion of Jones Hall LLP, Bond Counsel ("Bond Counsel"), addressed to the District and dated the date of the Closing, approving the validity of the Notes substantially in the form set forth as Appendix E to the Official Statement:
 - (e) a reliance letter from Bond Counsel to the effect that the Underwriter may rely upon the approving opinion described in (d) above;

- (f) a letter of Jones Hall LLP, Disclosure Counsel, dated the Closing Date and addressed to the District and the Underwriter, to the effect that, without having undertaken to determine independently the accuracy or completeness of the statements contained in the Preliminary Official Statement and the final Official Statement, but on the basis of their participation in conferences with representatives of the District, the Underwriter and others, and their examination of certain documents, nothing has come to their attention which has led them to believe that the Preliminary Official Statement as of its date and the date hereof, and the final Official Statement as of its date and as of the Closing Date, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading (except that no opinion or belief need be expressed as to any financial or statistical data contained in the Preliminary Official Statement or the final Official Statement, or with respect to DTC and the book-entry system);
- (g) evidence satisfactory to the Underwriter that any rating or ratings described in the Official Statement are in full force and effect as of the date of the Closing;
- (h) a certificate of an appropriate official of the District evidencing his determination respecting the Preliminary Official Statement in accordance with Rule 15c2-12;
- (i) a certificate, together with a fully executed copy of the District Resolution, of the Clerk of the Board of Education of the District to the effect that: (i) such copy is a true and correct copy of the District Resolution, and (ii) that the District Resolution was duly adopted and has not been modified, amended, rescinded or revoked and is in full force and effect on the date of the Closing;
- (j) a certificate, together with a fully executed copy of the County Resolution, of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County to the effect that: (i) such copy is a true and correct copy of the County Resolution, and (ii) that the County Resolution was duly adopted and has not been modified, amended, rescinded or revoked and is in full force and effect on the date of the Closing;
- (k) the receipt of the Treasurer confirming payment by the Underwriter of the purchase price of the Notes;
- (I) the Continuing Disclosure Certificate of the District with respect to the Notes, in substantially the form attached to the Preliminary Official Statement, containing such covenants of the District as shall be necessary to facilitate compliance by the Underwriter with the requirements of Rule 15c2-12; and
- (m) the executed Costs of Issuance Agreement referenced in Section 11 hereof.

At or before Closing, and contemporaneously with the acceptance of delivery of the Notes and the payment of the purchase price thereof, the Underwriter will provide to the District the receipt of the Underwriter, in form satisfactory to the District and the County and signed by an authorized officer of the Underwriter, confirming delivery of the Notes to the Underwriter and the satisfaction of all conditions and terms of this Purchase Contract by the District and the County,

respectively, and confirming to the District and the County that as of the date of the Closing all of the representations of the Underwriter contained in this Purchase Contract are true and correct in all material respects.

- **9. Termination**. (a) In the event of the District's failure to cause the Notes to be delivered at the Closing, or inability of the District or the County to satisfy the conditions to the obligations of the Underwriter contained herein (unless waived by the Underwriter), or if the obligations of the Underwriter shall be terminated for any reason permitted by this Purchase Contract, this Purchase Contract shall terminate.
- (b) The Underwriter may terminate this Purchase Contract, without any liability therefor, by notification to the District and the County if, after execution hereof and prior to the date of Closing, regardless of whether any of the following statements of fact were in existence or known on the date of this Purchase Agreement, any of the following shall have had a material adverse effect on the marketability of the Notes or the market price thereof, in the reasonable opinion of the Underwriter, upon consultation with the District and the County:
 - (i) There shall have occurred and be continuing the declaration of a general banking moratorium by any authority of the United States or the State of New York or the State of California;
 - (ii) There shall be in force a general suspension of trading or other material restrictions not in force as of the date hereof on the New York Stock Exchange or other national securities exchange;
 - (iii) Legislation shall have been enacted by the Congress of the United States, or passed by and still pending before either House of the Congress, or recommended or endorsed to the Congress for passage by the President of the United States, or favorably reported for passage to and still pending before either House of the Congress by any committee of such House to which such legislation has been referred for consideration, or a decision shall have been rendered by a court of the United States, or the United States Tax Court, with respect to federal taxation of interest received on securities of the general character of the Notes, or legislation shall have been enacted by the State of California which renders interest on the Notes not exempt from State of California personal income taxes;
 - (iv) Legislation shall have been enacted, or a decision of a court of the United States shall have been rendered or any action shall have been taken by, or on behalf of, the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other governmental agency having jurisdiction in the subject matter which, in the opinion of Bond Counsel, has the effect of requiring the contemplated distribution of the Notes to be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Resolutions to be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended;
 - (v) There shall have been an amendment to the Constitution of the United States or the State or by any federal or State legislation or the promulgation of any rule or regulation thereunder or by any decision of any federal, State, or local court or by any ruling or regulation (final, temporary or proposed) by or on behalf of the Treasury Department of the United States, the Internal Revenue Service or other federal or State authority, affecting the federal income tax status of the District, its property or income or its obligations (including the Notes);

- (vi) There shall have occurred any outbreak of hostilities or an escalation of existing hostilities or other national or international calamity or crisis or a financial crisis effecting the financial markets of the United States;
- (vii) There shall have occurred any adverse change in the condition, financial or otherwise, of the District; or
- (viii) The New York Stock Exchange or other national securities exchange, or any governmental authority, shall impose and there shall be in effect, as to the Notes or obligations of the general character of the Notes, any material restrictions not now in force, or increase materially those now in force, with respect to the extension of credit by, or the charges to the net capital requirements of, underwriters.
- **10.** Closing. At or before 9:00 a.m., California time, on _______, 2025, or at such other date and time as shall have been mutually agreed upon by the District, the County and the Underwriter (the "Closing" or "Closing Date"), the District will deliver or cause to be delivered to the Underwriter the Notes in book-entry form duly executed by the County, together with the other documents described in Section 8 hereof to be delivered by the District; and the Underwriter will accept such delivery and pay the purchase price of the Notes as set forth in Section 1 hereof in immediately available funds (e.g., by federal funds wire) (with a portion to be deposited directly with a custodian to pay expenses as provided in Section 11 hereof), and shall deliver to the District the other documents described in Section 8 hereof to be delivered by the Underwriter, as well as any other documents or certificates Bond Counsel shall reasonably require. The Notes shall be delivered through the facilities of DTC in New York, New York, or at such other place as shall have been mutually agreed upon by the District, the County and the Underwriter. All other documents to be delivered in connection with the delivery of the Notes shall be delivered at the offices of Jones Hall LLP. Such payment and delivery is herein called the "Closing."
- 11. Expenses. The District shall pay the expenses incident to the performance of its obligations hereunder from the proceeds of the Notes (or from any other source of available funds of the District) which expenses include (a) the cost of the preparation and reproduction of the Resolutions, (b) the fees and disbursements of Bond Counsel, Disclosure Counsel and the Financial Advisor, (c) the fees of counsel to the Underwriter, (d) the costs of the preparation, printing and delivery of the Notes, (e) the costs of the preparation, printing and delivery of the Preliminary Official Statement, the Official Statement, and any amendment or supplement thereto in the quantity requested by the Underwriter in accordance with this Purchase Contract, (f) rating agency fees, and (g) fees and expenses of the Paying Agent for the Notes.

The District requests that the Underwriter wire the amount of \$______, representing a portion of the proceeds of the Notes, directly to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., serving as costs of issuance custodian, to be applied to the referenced expenses all as set forth in a Costs of Issuance Custodian Agreement dated as of the Closing Date (the "Costs of Issuance Agreement"). If the expenses relating to the Notes exceed said amount, the District will pay such excess from any lawfully available source.

All other costs and expenses incurred by the Underwriter as a result of or in connection with the purchase of the Notes and their public offering and distribution shall be borne by the Underwriter, including, but not limited to (a) clearing house fees, (b) DTC fees, (c) CUSIP fees, (d) fees required to be paid to the California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission and (e)

fees required to be paid to The Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA) and the MSRB.

- 12. Indemnification. The District agrees to, and shall indemnify the County, its officers, agents and employees against any and all losses, claims, actions, suits, judgments, demands, damages, liabilities and expenses (including attorney fees and costs of investigation) of any nature arising out of any action or inaction of the District with respect to the issuance of the Notes and the tax-exempt status of the Notes; provided, however, that this indemnity shall not apply to any loss, claim, action, suit, judgment demand, damage, liability or expenses arising out of any action or inaction of the County with respect to the issuance of the Notes, including those relating to any information furnished by the County for inclusion in the Preliminary Official Statement and the Official Statement.
- **13. Notices**. Any notice or other communication to be given under this Purchase Contract (other than the acceptance hereof as specified in the introductory paragraph hereof) may be given by delivering the same in writing to the address of each party given below, or such other address as the District, County or the Underwriter may designate by notice to the other parties:

To the District:	Laton Joint Unified School District 6259 E DeWoody Street Laton, California 93242 Attn: Chief Business Official
To the County:	County of Fresno Hall of Records, Room 105 2281 Tulare Street Fresno, California 93721 Attn: Auditor-Controller/Treasurer-Tax Collector
To the Underwriter:	

- **14. Governing Law**. The validity, interpretation and performance of this Purchase Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of California.
- 15. Parties in Interest. This Purchase Contract when accepted by the District and the County in writing as heretofore specified shall constitute the entire agreement among the District, the County, and the Underwriter, and is solely for the benefit of the District, the County and the Underwriter (including the successors or assigns thereof). No other person shall acquire or have any rights hereunder or by virtue hereof. All representations and agreements in this Purchase Contract of each of the parties hereto shall remain operative and in full force and effect, regardless of (a) delivery of and payment for the Notes hereunder, or (b) any termination of this Purchase Contract.
- **16. Electronic Signatures**. Each of the parties hereto agrees that the transaction consisting of this Purchase Contract may be conducted by electronic means. Each party agrees and acknowledges that it is such party's intent that if such party signs this Purchase Contract using an electronic signature, it is signing, adopting and accepting this Purchase Contract, and that signing this Purchase Contract using an electronic signature is the legal equivalent of having

placed the undersigned officer's handwritten signature on this Purchase Contract on paper. Each party acknowledges that it is being provided with an electronic or paper copy of this Purchase Contract in a usable format.

17. Headings. The headings of the paragraphs of this Purchase Contract are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed to be a part hereof. 18. Effectiveness. This Purchase Contract shall become effective upon the execution of the acceptance hereof by the District and by the County by the respective authorized officer of each, and shall be valid and enforceable at the time of such acceptance.

[Signatures are on the following page.]

18. Counterparts. This Purchase Contract may be executed in several counterparts, which together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

	Respectfully	submitted,
	Ву:	Managing Director
ACCEPTED:		Managing Director
LATON JOINT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT		
By: Chief Business Official		
Date Time:		
COUNTY OF FRESNO		
By:Auditor-Controller/		
Treasurer-Tax Collector		

EXHIBIT A

FORM OF ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE

ISSUE PRICE CERTIFICATE	
The undersigned, on behalf of (""), hereby certifies based upon information available to it as set forth below with respect to the sale and issuance of the above-captioned obligations (the "Notes").	
1. Sale of the General Rule Maturities . As of the date of this certificate, for each Maturity of the General Rule Maturities, the first price at which at least 10% of such Maturity was sold to the Public is the respective price listed in <u>Schedule A</u> .	
2. Initial Offering Price of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities.	
(a) offered the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities to the Public for purchase at the respective initial offering prices listed in Schedule A (the "Initial Offering Prices") on or before the Sale Date. A copy of the pricing wire or equivalent communication for the Notes is attached to this certificate as Schedule B.	
(b) As set forth in the Note Purchase Contract dated, 2025, between the Laton Joint Unified School District (the "District") and the Underwriter, has agreed in writing that, (i) for each Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities, it would neither offer nor sell any Notes of such Maturity to any person at a price that is higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Maturity during the Holding Period for such Maturity (the "hold-the-offering-price rule"), and (ii) any selling group agreement shall contain the agreement of each dealer who is a member of the selling group, and any third-party distribution agreement shall contain the agreement of each broker-dealer who is a party to the third-party distribution agreement, to comply with the hold-the-offering-price rule. Pursuant to such agreement, no Underwriter (as defined below) has offered or sold any Maturity of the Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities at a price that is higher than the respective Initial Offering Price for that Maturity of the Notes during the Holding Period.	
3. Defined Terms .	
(a) General Rule Maturities means those Maturities of the Notes listed in Schedule A hereto as the "General Rule Maturities."	
(b) Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities means those Maturities of the Notes listed in Schedule A hereto as the "Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturities."	
(c) Holding Period means, with respect to a Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity, the period starting on the Sale Date and ending on the earlier of (i) the close of the fifth business day after the Sale Date, or (ii) the date on which	

has sold at least 10% of such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity to the Public at prices that are no higher than the Initial Offering Price for such Hold-the-Offering-Price Maturity.

- (d) Issuer means Laton Joint Unified School District.
- (e) **Maturity** means Notes with the same credit and payment terms. Notes with different maturity dates, or Notes with the same maturity date but different stated interest rates, are treated as separate maturities.
- (f) **Public** means any person (including an individual, trust, estate, partnership, association, company, or corporation) other than an Underwriter or a related party to an Underwriter.
- (g) **Sale Date** means the first day on which there is a binding contract in writing for the sale of a Maturity of the Notes. The Sale Date of the Notes is _____, 2025.
- (h) **Underwriter** means (i) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract with the Issuer (or with the lead underwriter to form an underwriting syndicate) to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public, and (ii) any person that agrees pursuant to a written contract directly or indirectly with a person described in clause (i) of this paragraph to participate in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public (including a member of a selling group or a party to a third-party distribution agreement participating in the initial sale of the Notes to the Public). Accordingly, _____ makes no representation as to the legal sufficiency of the factual matters set forth herein.

Dated: [Closing Date]	
	as Underwriter
	Ву:
	Managing Director

SCHEDULE A

SALE PRICES

Maturity Date Principal Amount Interest Rate Reoffering Yield Price