



2016 Uniform Multifamily Application Certifications

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Austin, TX 78701

This document includes certifications required in Applications for multifamily funding from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (the “Department”). There are five separate certifications:

1. **Development Owner Certification.** This document must be signed and notarized by the authorized representative of the Development Owner and is required for all multifamily funding programs. It addresses the specific requirements associated with the Development, particularly those found in §§10.101 and 10.204(1) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules. The Person executing the certification is responsible for ensuring all individuals referenced therein are in compliance with the certification. Applicants are encouraged to read the certification carefully as it contains certain construction and Development specifications that each Development must meet.
2. **Applicant Eligibility Certification.** This document must be signed and notarized by those individuals required to be listed on the organizational chart and pursuant to §10.204(2) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules. It identifies the various criteria relating to eligibility requirements associated with multifamily funding from the Department, including but not limited to the criteria identified under §10.202 of the Uniform Multifamily Rules (relating to Ineligible Applicants and Applications).
3. **Architect Certification** This document must be signed by the Development engineer, an accredited architect, or Third Party accessibility specialist. It addresses both federal and state requirements, primarily with respect to accessibility.
4. **Multifamily Direct Loan Certification.** This document must be signed and notarized by all Applicants for HOME/TCAP funding. It addresses a number of federal regulations, as well as certifications regarding HUD Section 3, environmental clearance, and relocation requirements. This certification will be posted as a separate document.
5. **Section 811 Certification.** This document must be signed and notarized by all Applicants for Section 811 participation. This certification will be posted as a separate document.

If you have any questions regarding any of the certifications, please contact Marni Holloway at marni.holloway@tdhca.state.tx.us or by phone at 512.475.1676 or Sharon Gamble at Sharon.Gamble@tdhca.state.tx.us or by phone at 512.936.7834. Questions regarding the Multifamily Direct Loan Certification should be directed to Andrew Sinnott at andrew.sinnott@tdhca.state.tx.us or by phone at 512.475.0538. Questions regarding the Section 811 Certification should be directed to Spencer Duran at spencer.duran@tdhca.state.tx.us or by phone at 512.475.1784

Development Owner Certification

All defined terms used in this certification and not specifically defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in Chapter 2306 of the Texas Government Code, §42 of the Internal Revenue Code, and §10.3 of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

The undersigned, in each and all of the following capacities in which it may serve or exist -- Applicant, Development Owner, Developer, Guarantor of any obligation of the Applicant, and/or Principal of the Applicant and hereafter referred to as "Applicant" or "Development Owner," whether serving in one or more such capacities, is hereby submitting its Application to the Department for consideration of Department funding.

Applicant hereby represents, warrants, agrees, acknowledges and certifies to the Department and to the State of Texas that:

The Development will adhere to the Texas Property Code relating to security devices and other applicable requirements for residential tenancies, and will adhere to local building codes or, if no local building codes are in place, then to the most recent version of the International Building Code.

This Application and all materials submitted to the Department constitute records of the Department subject to Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, and the Texas Public Information Act.

The Application is in compliance with all requirements related to the eligibility of an Applicant, Application and Development as further defined in §§10.101 and 10.202 of the Uniform Multifamily Rules. Any issues of non-compliance have been disclosed.

All representations, undertakings and commitments made by Applicant in the Application process for Development assistance expressly constitute conditions to any Commitment, Determination Notice, Carryover Allocation, or Direct Loan Commitment for such Development which the Department may issue or award, and the violation of any such condition shall be sufficient cause for the cancellation and rescission of such Commitment, Determination Notice, Carryover Allocation, or Direct Loan Commitment by the Department. To the extent allowed under §2306.6720 Texas Government Code, if any such representations, undertakings and commitments concern or relate to the ongoing features or operation of the Development, they shall each and all be enforceable even if not reflected in the Land Use Restriction Agreement. All such representations, undertakings and commitments are also enforceable by the

Department and the tenants of the Development, including enforcement by administrative penalties for failure to perform, in accordance with the Land Use Restriction Agreement.

When providing a Pre-Application, Application or other materials to a state representative, local governmental body, Neighborhood Organization, or anyone else to secure support or approval that may affect the Applicant's competitive posture, an Applicant must disclose that in accordance with the Department's rules the aspects of the Development may be subject to change, including but not limited to, changes in the amenities ultimately selected and provided.

The Development Owner is and will remain in compliance with state and federal laws, including but not limited to, fair housing laws, including Chapter 301, Property Code, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. §§2000a et seq.), the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. §§12101 et seq.), the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. §§701 et seq.), Fair Housing Accessibility, the Texas Fair Housing Act; and the Development is designed consistent with the Fair Housing Act Design Manual produced by HUD, and the Texas Accessibility Standards. (§2306.257; §2306.6705(7))

The Development Owner has read and understands the Department's fair housing educational materials posted on the Department's website as of the beginning of the Application Acceptance Period.

The Development shall comply with the accessibility standards that are required under §504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. §794), specified under 24 C.F.R. Part 8, Subpart C and as further defined in 10 TAC Chapter 1 Subchapter B. (§§2306.6722; 2306.6730)

For New Construction (excluding New Construction of non-residential buildings) Developments where some Units are normally exempt from Fair Housing accessibility requirements, a minimum of 20% of each unit type of otherwise exempt units (i.e., one bedroom one bath, two bedroom one bath, two bedroom two bath, three bedroom two bath) must provide an accessible entry level and all common-use facilities in compliance with the Fair Housing Guidelines, and include a minimum of one bedroom and one bathroom or half bath at the entry level.

All Applications proposing Rehabilitation (including Reconstruction) will be treated as Substantial Alteration, in accordance with 10 TAC §1.205.

The Development Owner will establish a reserve account consistent with §2306.186 of the Texas Government Code and as further described in §10.404 of the Uniform Multifamily Rules, relating to Replacement Reserve Account requirements.

The Development will operate in accordance with the requirements pertaining to rental assistance in Chapter 10, Subchapter F.

The Development Owner agrees to implement a plan to use Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB) in the development process consistent with the Historically Underutilized Business Guidelines for contracting with the State of Texas. The Development Owner will be required to submit a report of the success of the plan as part of the cost certification documentation, in order to receive IRS Forms 8609 or, if the Development does not have Housing Tax Credits, release of retainage.

The Applicant will attempt to ensure that at least 30% of the construction and management businesses with which the Applicant contracts in connection with the Development are Minority Owned Businesses as further described in §2306.6734 of the Texas Government Code.

The Development Owner will affirmatively market to veterans through direct marketing or contracts with veteran's organizations. The Development Owner will be required to identify how they will affirmatively market to veterans and report to the Department in the annual housing report on the results of the marketing efforts to veterans. Exceptions to this requirement must be approved by the Department.

Unused Credit or Penalty Fee (*select one box as applicable*)

_____ The Applicant returned a full credit allocation after the Carryover Allocation deadline required for that allocation and is subject to the Unused Credit or Penalty Fee pursuant to §10.901(18) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

_____ The Applicant certifies that no disclosure regarding §10.901(18) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules is necessary.

Termination of Relationship in an Affordable Housing Transaction (*select one box as applicable*)

_____ The Applicant has disclosed, in the Application, any Principal or any entity or Person in the Development ownership structure who was or is involved as a Principal in any other affordable housing transaction, that has terminated, voluntarily or involuntarily, within the past 10 years or plans to or is negotiating to terminate their relationship with any other affordable housing development. The disclosure identified the person or persons and

development involved, the identity of each other development and contact information for the other Principals of each such development, a narrative description of the facts and circumstances of the termination or proposed termination, and any appropriate supporting documents. The Applicant has read and understands §10.202(1)(M) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules related to such disclosure.

_____The Applicant certifies that no disclosure regarding §10.202(1)(M) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules is necessary.

The Applicant certifies that, for any Development proposing New Construction or Reconstruction and located within the one-hundred (100) year floodplain as identified by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Maps, the Development Site will be developed in full compliance with the National Flood Protection Act and all applicable federal and state statutory and regulatory requirements so that all finished ground floor elevations are at least one foot above the floodplain and parking and drive areas are no lower than six inches below the floodplain, subject to more stringent local requirements. The Applicant certifies that, floodplain maps will be used and the Development Site will comply with regulations as they exist at the time of commencement of construction. Applicant further certifies that, for any Development proposing Rehabilitation (excluding Reconstruction) that is not a HUD or TRDO-USDA assisted property, the Development Site is not located in the one-hundred year floodplain unless the existing structures already meet the requirements for New Construction or Reconstruction, as certified to by a Third Party engineer, or unless the state or local government has undertaken and can substantiate sufficient mitigation efforts and such documentation is submitted in the Application. The Development Site will be located within a one mile radius (two-mile radius for Developments located in a Rural Area) of at least six (6) community assets as described further in §10.101(a)(2) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

The Development is not located in an area with undesirable site features as further described in §10.101(a)(3) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules. If an undesirable site feature is present and the proposed Development is Rehabilitation (excluding Reconstruction) with ongoing and existing federal assistance from HUD, USDA, or Veterans Affairs (“VA”) and an exemption is requested at the time of or prior to the filing of an Application in accordance with §10.101(a)(3) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

Undesirable Neighborhood Characteristics *(select one of the main boxes as applicable)*

_____The Development Owner certifies that the Development **is not** located in an area with any of the undesirable neighborhood characteristics described in §10.101(a)(4) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules and that no disclosure is necessary;

_____The Development Owner has disclosed in the Application that the Development **is** located in an area with the following undesirable neighborhood characteristic(s) and documentation, as appropriate, is submitted (select all that apply):

_____ in a census tract with a poverty rate above 40% for individuals (or 55% for Developments in regions 11 and 13);

_____ in a census tract or within 1,000 feet of any census tract in an Urban Area and the rate of Part I violent crimes is greater than 18 per 1,000 persons (annually)as reported on neighborhoodscout.com;

_____is located within 1,000 feet of a blighted or abandoned area as further described in §10.101(a)(4)(B)(iii) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

_____ is located in the attendance zones of an elementary, middle, and high school that does not have a 2015 Met Standard rating by the Texas Education Agency, unless the Development Site is subject to an Elderly Limitation.

_____ the Environmental Site Assessment for the Development Site indicates any facilities listings within the ASTM-required search distances from the approximate site boundaries on any of the databases identified in §10.101(a)(4)(B)(v) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

The Development will include all of the mandatory Development amenities required in §10.101(b)(4) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules at no charge to the tenants and written notice of such amenities will be provided to the tenants.

The Development will satisfy the minimum point threshold for common amenities as further described in §10.101(b)(5) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules. These amenities must be for the benefit of all tenants, meet accessibility standards, be sized appropriately to serve the proposed Target Population, be made available throughout normal business hours, and be maintained throughout the Affordability Period. The tenant must be provided written notice of the elections made by the Development Owner.

The Development will meet the minimum size of Units as further described §10.101(b)(6)(A) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

The Development (excluding competitive Housing Tax Credit Applications) will include enough unit and development features to meet the minimum number of points as further described in §10.101(b)(6)(B) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

The Development (excluding competitive Housing Tax Credit Applications) will include enough supportive services, at no charge to the tenants, be accessible to all, and maintained throughout the Affordability Period, to meet the required minimum number of points as further described in §10.101(b)(7) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules, and offered in accordance with §10.619 of the Uniform Multifamily Rules. The tenant must be provided written notice of the elections made by the Development Owner.

If the Development has an existing LURA with the Department, the Development Owner will comply with the existing restrictions.

The Development Owner will comply with any and all notices required by the Department.

None of the criteria in subparagraphs (A) – (N) of §10.202(1) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules, related to ineligible Applicants, applies to any member of the Development Team.

The individual whose name is subscribed hereto, in his or her individual capacity, on behalf of Applicant, and in all other related capacities described above, as applicable, expressly represents, warrants, and certifies that all information contained in this certification and in the Application, including any and all supplements, additions, clarifications, or other materials or information submitted to the Department in connection therewith as required or deemed necessary by the materials governing the multifamily funding programs are true and correct and the Applicant has undergone sufficient investigation to affirm the validity of the statements made. Further, the Applicant hereby expressly represents, warrants, and certifies that the individual whose name is subscribed hereto has read and understands all the information contained in this form of the Application.

By signing this document, the undersigned, in their individual capacity, on behalf of Applicant, whether formed or to be formed, and in all other related capacities described above, is affirming under penalty of Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code titled Perjury and Other Falsification and subject to criminal penalties as defined by the State of Texas. TEX. PENAL CODE ANN. §§37.01 et seq. (Vernon 2003 & Supp. 2007) and subject to any and all other state or federal laws regarding the making of false statements to governmental bodies or the false statements or the providing of false information in connection with the procurement of allocations or awards that the Application and all materials relating thereto constitute government documents and that the Application and all materials relating thereto are true, correct, and complete in all material respects.

By:

Signature

Printed Name

Title

Date

THE STATE OF _____ §

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COUNTY OF _____ §

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that name is signed to the foregoing statement, and who is known to be one in the same, has acknowledged before me on this date, that being informed of the contents of this statement, executed the same voluntarily on the date same foregoing statement bears.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this _____ day of _____, _____

(Seal)

Notary Public Signature

Applicant Eligibility Certification

All defined terms used in this certification and not specifically defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in Chapter 2306 of the Texas Government Code, §42 of the Internal Revenue Code, and §10.3 of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

The undersigned, in each and all of the following capacities in which it may serve or exist -- Applicant, Development Owner, Developer, Guarantor of any obligation of the Applicant, and/or Principal of the Applicant and hereafter referred to as "Applicant," whether serving in one or more such capacities, is hereby submitting its Application to the Department for consideration of multifamily funding.

Applicant hereby represents, warrants, agrees, acknowledges and certifies to the Department and to the State of Texas that:

This Application and all materials submitted to the Department constitute records of the Department subject to Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, the Texas Public Information Act.

All representations, undertakings and commitments made by Applicant in the Application process for a Development, whether with respect to Threshold Criteria, selection criteria or otherwise, expressly constitute conditions to any Commitment, Determination Notice, Carryover Allocation, or Direct Loan Commitment for such Development which the Department may issue or award, and the violation of any such condition shall be sufficient cause for the cancellation and rescission of such Commitment, Determination Notice, Carryover Allocation, or Direct Loan Commitment by the Department. To the extent allowed under §2306.6720 Texas Government Code, if any such representations, undertakings and commitments concern or relate to the ongoing features or operation of the Development, they shall each and all shall be enforceable even if not reflected in the Land Use Restriction Agreement. All such representations, undertakings and commitments are also enforceable by the Department and the tenants of the Development, including enforcement by administrative penalties for failure to perform, in accordance with the Land Use Restriction Agreement.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team has not been or is not barred, suspended, or terminated from procurement in a state or Federal program or listed in HUD's System for Award Management (SAM).

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team has not been convicted of a state or federal felony crime involving fraud, bribery, theft, misrepresentation of material fact, misappropriation of funds, or other similar criminal offenses within fifteen (15) years preceding the Application submission.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team is not, at the time of Application, subject to an enforcement or disciplinary action under state or federal securities law or by the NASD; is not subject to a federal tax lien; and is not the subject of a proceeding in which a Governmental Entity has issued an order to impose penalties, suspend funding, or take adverse action based on an allegation of financial misconduct or uncured violation of material laws, rules, or other legal requirements governing activities considered relevant by the Governmental Entity.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team has not breached a contract with a public agency and failed to cure that breach within the timeframe provided or allowed by contract. If such breach is permitted to be cured under the contract, notice of the breach has been given and a reasonable opportunity to cure.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team has not misrepresented to a subcontractor the extent to which the Developer has benefited from contracts or financial assistance that has been awarded by a public agency, including the scope of the Developer's participation in contracts with the agency and the amount of financial assistance awarded to the Developer by the agency.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team has not been found by the Board to be ineligible based on a previous participation review performed in accordance with 10 TAC Chapter 1 Subchapter C.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team is not delinquent in any loan, fee, or escrow payments to the Department in accordance with the terms of the loan, as amended, and is otherwise not in default with any provisions of such loans.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team has not failed to cure any past due fees owed to the Department at least ten (10) days prior to the Board meeting at which the decision for an award is to be made.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team is not in violation of a state revolving door or other standard of conduct or conflict of interest statute, including §2306.6733 of the Texas Government Code, or a provision of Chapter 572 of the Texas Government Code, in making, advancing, or supporting the Application.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team does not have previous Contracts or Commitments that have been partially or fully de-obligated during the twelve (12) months prior to the submission of the Application and through the date of final allocation due to a failure to meet contractual obligations, and the Person is not on notice that such de-obligation results in ineligibility under 10 TAC Chapter 10.

Applicant or any other member of the Development Team has not provided fraudulent information, knowingly falsified documentation, or other intentional or negligent material misrepresentation or omission in an Application or Commitment as part of a challenge to another application, or any other information provided to the Department for any reason. Such conduct could subject the Applicant to assessment of administrative penalties under Texas Government Code, Chapter 2306 and 10 TAC Chapters 2 and 10.

The Applicant or any other member of the Development team has not been the owner or Affiliate of the owner of a Department HOME or NSP-assisted rental development for which the federal affordability requirements were prematurely terminated and the affordability requirements have not re-affirmed or HOME or NSP funds repaid.

The Applicant or any other member of the Development Team has not participated in the dissemination of misinformation about affordable housing and the persons it serves or about a competing Applicant that would likely have the effect of fomenting opposition to an Application where such opposition is not based on substantive and legitimate concerns that do not implicate potential violations of fair housing laws.

The Applicant will not violate §2306.1113 of the Texas Government Code relating to Ex Parte Communication and further explained in §10.202(2)(A) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules.

For any Development utilizing Housing Tax Credit or Tax-Exempt Bonds, at all times during the two-year period preceding the date the Application Round begins (or for Tax-Exempt Bond Developments any time during the two-year period preceding the date the Application is submitted to the Department), the Applicant or a Related Party is not or has not been a member of the Board or employed by the Department as the Executive Director, Chief of Staff, General Counsel, a Deputy Executive Director, the Director of Multifamily Finance, the Chief of Compliance, the Director of Real Estate Analysis, a manager over the program for which an Application has been submitted, or any person exercising such responsibilities regardless of job title; or in violation of §2306.6733 of the Texas Government Code.

For any Development utilizing Housing Tax Credits, the Applicant will not propose to replace in less than fifteen (15) years any private activity bond financing of the Development described by the Application, unless the exceptions in §2306.6703(a)(2) of the Texas Government Code are met.

All the instances in which any Principal or any entity or Person in the Development ownership structure who was or is involved as a Principal in any other affordable housing transaction, that has terminated voluntarily or involuntarily within the past ten years or is negotiating to terminate their relationship with any other affordable housing development have been fully

disclosed pursuant to §10.202(1)(M) of the Uniform Multifamily Rules. Applicant understands that failure to disclose is grounds for termination.

All housing developments with which Applicant, Development Owner, Developer, Guarantor and/or Principal thereof participating, are in compliance with: state and federal fair housing laws, including Chapter 301, Property Code, the Texas Fair Housing Act; Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. Section 3601 et seq.); and the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. Section 3601 et seq.); the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. Section 2000a et seq.); the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et seq.); and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. Section 701 et seq.).

The making of an allocation or award by the Department does not constitute a finding or determination that the Development is deemed qualified to receive such allocation or award. Applicant agrees that the Department or any of its directors, officers, employees, and agents will not be held responsible or liable for any representations made to the undersigned or its investors relating to the Housing Tax Credit Program; therefore, Applicant assumes the risk of all damages, losses, costs, and expenses related thereto and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Department and any of its officers, employees, and agents against any and all claims, suits, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any kind and of any nature that the Department may hereinafter suffer, incur, or pay arising out of its decisions and actions concerning this Application for Housing Tax Credits or the use of information concerning the Housing Tax Credit Program.

Applicant, Development Owner, Developer, Guarantor or other Related Party is not subject to any pending criminal proceedings and if any such proceeding or any other charges which would invalidate the certifications are finally adjudicated or otherwise disposed of prior to Carryover, the Applicant will immediately notify the Department. Such notification must be presented to the Board for consideration at the next available Board meeting.

The individual whose name is subscribed hereto, in his or her individual capacity, on behalf of Applicant, and in all other related capacities described above, as applicable, expressly represents, warrants, and certifies that all information contained in this certification and in the Application, including any and all supplements, additions, clarifications, or other materials or information submitted to the Department in connection therewith as required or deemed necessary by the materials governing the multifamily funding programs are true and correct and the Applicant has undergone sufficient investigation to affirm the validity of the statements made. Further, the Applicant hereby expressly represents, warrants, and certifies that the individual whose name is subscribed hereto has read and understands all the information contained in this form of the Application.

Architect Certification

I (We) certify that the Development will be designed and built to meet the accessibility requirements of the Federal Fair Housing Act as implemented by HUD at 24 C.F.R. Part 100 and the Fair Housing Act Design Manual, Titles II and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. Sections 12131-12189) as implemented by the Department of Justice regulations at 28 C.F.R. Parts 35 and 36, and the Department's Accessibility rules in 10 TAC Chapter 1, Subchapter B, as may be amended from time to time.

I (We) certify that in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and implemented at 24 C.F.R. Part 8, if the Development includes the New Construction or substantial rehabilitation of multifamily units (4 or more units per building), at least five percent (5%) of all dwelling units will be designed and built to be accessible for persons with mobility impairments. A unit that is on an accessible route and is adaptable and otherwise compliant with the 2010 ADA Standards with the exceptions listed in "Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability in Federally Assisted Programs and Activities" (Federal Register 79 FR 29671) meets this requirement. In addition, at least two percent (2%) of all dwelling units will be designed and built to be accessible for persons with hearing or vision impairments.

I (We) certify that if the Development includes the New Construction or Rehabilitation of single family units (1 to 3 units per building), every unit will be designed and built to meet the accessibility requirements of Section 2306.514 of the Texas Government Code, as it may be amended from time to time.

I (We) certify that for New Construction (excluding New Construction of non-residential buildings) Developments where some Units are normally exempt from Fair Housing accessibility requirements, a minimum of 20% of each unit type of otherwise exempt units (i.e., one bedroom one bath, two bedroom one bath, two bedroom two bath, three bedroom two bath) must provide an accessible entry level and all common-use facilities in compliance with the Fair Housing Guidelines, and include a minimum of one bedroom and one bathroom or powder room at the entry level.

If the Applicant is applying for HOME funds and the Development consists of New Construction, I (We) further certify that the Development meets the Site and Neighborhood Standards in 24 C.F.R §983.57(e).

2016 Architect Certification

This certification meets the requirement that the Applicant provide a certification from the Development engineer, an accredited architect or Third Party accessibility specialist. A similar certification will also be required after the Development is completed from an inspector, architect, or accessibility specialist.

By: _____

Signature

Date

Printed Name

Firm Name (If applicable)

Multifamily Direct Loan Certification

I (We) hereby make application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (the "Department") for an award of Multifamily Direct Loan funds, which may be composed of HOME Investment Partnerships Program ("HOME") and/or Tax Credit Assistance Program Repayment Funds "TCAP RF." The undersigned hereby acknowledges that an award by the Department does not warrant that the Development is deemed qualified to receive such award. I (We) agree that the Department or any of its directors, officers, employees, and agents will not be held responsible or liable for any representations made to the undersigned or its investors relating to the Multifamily Direct Loan; therefore, I (We) assume the risk of all damages, losses, costs, and expenses related thereto and agree to indemnify and save harmless the Department and any of its officers, employees, and agents against any and all claims, suits, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any kind and of any nature that the Department may hereinafter suffer, incur, or pay arising out of its decision concerning this application for Multifamily Direct Loan funds or the use of information concerning the Multifamily Direct Loan.

On behalf of the Applicant and all affiliates of the Applicant (hereinafter "Applicant"), I (We) hereby certify that the Applicant is familiar with the state Rules, as published in 10 TAC Chapters 1, 2, and 10. I (We) hereby acknowledge that this Application is subject to disclosure under Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, the Texas Public Information Act, unless a valid exception exists.

I (We) acknowledge all representations, undertakings, and commitments made by Applicant in the application process for a Development, whether with respect to threshold criteria, selection criteria or otherwise, shall be deemed to be a condition to any Commitment Notice, Determination Notice, Award Letter and Loan Term Sheet, Loan Commitment or Contract for such Development, the violation of which shall be cause for cancellation of such Commitment Notice, Determination Notice, Award Letter and Loan Term Sheet, Loan Commitment or Contract by the Department and if concerning the ongoing features or operation of the Development, shall be enforceable even if not reflected in the Land Use Restriction Agreement (LURA) and Contract. All such representations are enforceable by the Department and the tenants of the Development, including but not limited to enforcement by administrative penalties for failure to perform, in accordance with the LURA and Contract.

I (We) certify I (We) have disclosed in the Application all instances in which the Developer or Principal of the Applicant has been removed by a lender, equity provider, or limited partners in the past ten years for its failure to perform obligations under loan documents or limited partnership agreements. I (We) understand that if the Department learns at a later date that a removal did take place as described and was not disclosed, the Application may be terminated and any award made will be rescinded.

I (We) agree the Department may, at its discretion, request additional information and/or documentation in its evaluation of this Application and or is authorized but not obligated under this document to conduct its own investigation regarding any information required requested and or provided in relation to the application or the Development.

2016 Multifamily Direct Loan Certification

I (We) hereby assert that the information contained in this Application as required or deemed necessary by the materials governing the Multifamily Direct Loan are true and correct and that I (We) have undergone sufficient investigation to affirm the validity of the statements made and the Department may rely on any such statements.

Further, I (We) hereby assert that I (We) have read and understand all the information contained in the application. By signing this document, I (We) affirm that all statements made in this government document are true and correct under penalty of Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code titled Perjury and Other Falsification and subject to criminal penalties as defined by the State of Texas. TEX. PENAL CODE ANN. §37.01 et seq. (Vernon 2011).

I (We) understand and agree that if false information is provided in this Application which has the effect of increasing the Applicant's competitive advantage, the Department will disqualify the Applicant and may hold the Applicant ineligible to apply for Multifamily Direct Loan funds or until any issue of restitution is resolved.

If false information is discovered after the award of Multifamily Direct Loan funds, the Department may terminate the Applicant's written agreement and recapture all Multifamily Direct Loan funds expended.

I (We) shall not, in the provision of services, or in any other manner discriminate against any person on the basis of age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, or disability. Verification of any of the information contained in this application may be obtained from any source named herein.

I (We) will at all times indemnify and hold the Department harmless against all losses, costs, damages, expenses, and liabilities of any nature directly or indirectly resulting from, arising out of or relating to the Department's acceptance, consideration, approval, or disapproval of this request and the issuance or non-issuance of Multifamily Direct Loan funds herewith.

I (We) have written below the name of the individual authorized to execute the Multifamily Direct Loan agreement and any and all future Multifamily Direct Loan commitments and contracts related to this application. If this individual is replaced by the organization, I (We) must inform the Department within 30 days of the person authorized to execute agreements, commitment and/or contracts on behalf of the Applicant.

I (We) certify that no person or entity that would benefit from the award of Multifamily Direct Loan funds has committed to providing a source of match.

I (We) certify that I (We) will meet, Texas Minimum Construction Standards, 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design, as well as the Fair Housing Accessibility Standards and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 as further detailed in 10 TAC Chapter 1, Subchapter B. I (We) certify that the Development will meet all local building codes or standards that may apply as well as the Uniform Physical Conditions Standards in 24 CFR §5.705

In the event of an award of HOME funds, if the Development is located within a jurisdiction that does not have building codes, I (We) will meet the most current International Building Code.

2016 Multifamily Direct Loan Certification

I (We) certify that if Department funds have a first lien position in the project for which assistance is being requested, assurance of completion of the development will be provided in the form of payment and performance bonds in the full amount of the construction contract, running to the Department as obligee, or equivalent guarantee in the sole determination of the Department.

I (We) certify that if refinancing is a component of the proposed development the Applicant must confirm that Multifamily Direct Loan funds will not be used to replace loans, grants or other financing by any other Federal program.

I (We) certify that if other federal or governmental assistance is used in the financing of this development I (We) will notify the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

I (We) certify that I (We) do not and will not knowingly employ an undocumented worker, where "undocumented worker" means an individual who, at the time of employment, is not lawfully admitted for permanent residence to the United States or authorized under law to be employed in that manner in the United States.

If, after receiving a public subsidy, I (We), am convicted of a violation under 8 U.S.C Section 1324a (f), I (We) shall repay the amount of the public subsidy with interest, at the rate and according to the other terms provided by an agreement under Texas Government Code Section 2264.053, not later than the 120th day after the date TDHCA notifies Name of Applicant of the violation.

On behalf of the Applicant, I (We) hereby certify that the Applicant is familiar with the provisions of the federal HOME Final Rule, as published in 24 CFR Part 92, and other related administrative rules and regulations and court rulings issued by the Federal government or State of Texas with respect to the HOME Investment Partnerships Program and all Developments eligible to receive HOME funds will comply with such rules during the application process and, in the event of award of HOME funds, for the duration of the proposed Development.

Lead Based Paint

I (We) certify that documentation of compliance with the Texas Environmental Lead Reduction Rules in 25 TAC Chapter 295, Subchapter I or 24 CFR Part 35 (Lead Safe Housing Rule), as applicable, will be maintained in project files. I (We) understand that for Developments subject to 24 CFR Part 25, standard forms are available in the Federal Register , as indicated by the sources noted below.

- 1) Applicability 24 CFR §35.115 – A copy of a statement indicating that the property is covered by or exempt from Lead Safe Housing Rule.
 - a) If the property is exempt, the file should include the reason for the exemption and no further documentation is required.
 - b) if the property is covered by the Rule, the file should include the appropriate documentation to indicate basic compliance, as listed below:
 - i) Summary Paint Testing Report or Presumption Notice 24 CFR §35.930(a) – A copy of any report to indicate the presence of lead-based paint (LBP) for projects receiving up to \$5,000

- per unit in rehabilitation assistance. If no testing was performed, then LBP is presumed to be on all disturbed surfaces;
- ii) Notice of Evaluation 24 CFR §35.125(a) – A copy of a notice demonstrating that an evaluation summary was provided to residents following a lead-based-paint inspection, risk assessment or paint testing;
 - iii) Clearance Report 24 CFR §35.930(b) (3) – A report indicating a “clearance examination” was performed of the work site upon completion; and
 - iv) Notice of Hazard Reduction Completion 24 CFR §35.125(b) – Upon completion, a copy of a notice to show that a LBP remediation summary was provided to residents.

Threshold Certification

On behalf of the Applicant and all affiliates of the Applicant (hereinafter “Applicant”), I (We) hereby certify that the Applicant is familiar with the provisions and requirements of the Multifamily Direct Loan Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) approved by the Department’s Governing Board on November 12, 2015, for which I (We) am applying.

I (We) understand that housing units subsidized by Multifamily Direct Loan funds must be affordable to low, very low or extremely low-income persons. I (We) understand that mixed income rental developments may only receive funds for units that meet the Multifamily Direct Loan affordability standards. I (We) understand that all Applications intended to serve persons with disabilities must adhere to the Department’s Integrated Housing Rule at 10 TAC §1.15.

I (We) understand that funds being used for Multifamily Developments must establish a reserve account consistent with §2306.186, Texas Government Code, and as further described in 10 TAC §10.404.

I (We) understand that, pursuant to 10 TAC §10.403, all contractors, consulting firms, Borrowers, Development Owners and Contract Administrators must sign and submit the appropriate documentation with each draw to attest that each request for payment of Multifamily Direct Loan funds is for the actual cost of providing a service and that the service does not violate any conflict of interest provisions in 24 CFR Part 92.

I (We) certify that I (We) am eligible to apply for funds or any other assistance from the Department. I (We) certify that all audits are current at the time of application. I (We) certify that any Audit Certification Forms have been submitted to the Department in a satisfactory format on or before the application deadline for funds or other assistance pursuant to 10 TAC §1.3(b).

All applicants applying under the 2016-1 Multifamily Direct Loan Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) must read and initial after each of the following sections regarding federal cross cutting requirements.

HUD Section 3

I (We) hereby agree that the work to be performed in connection with any award of HOME funds is subject to the requirements of section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (“Section 3”). The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing. I (We) agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 135, which implement Section 3. For more information about HUD Section 3, please reference the TDHCA website dedicated to Section 3 at: <http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/program-services/hud-section-3/index.htm>

Environmental

I (We) understand that the environmental effects of each activity carried out with an award of HOME funds must be assessed in accordance with the provisions of National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. §4321 et seq.) and the related activities listed in HUD’s implementing regulations at 24 C.F.R. parts 50, 51, 55 and 58 (NEPA regulations). Each such activity must have an environmental review completed and support documentation prepared complying with the NEPA and NEPA regulations. **No loan may close or funds be committed to an activity before the completion of the environmental review process, including the requirements of 24 C.F.R. Part 58, and the Department has provided written clearance.**

The Department as the Responsible Entity must ensure that environmental effects of the property are assessed in accordance with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the related authorities listed in HUD’s implementing regulations at 24 CFR Parts 50 and 58.

I (We) certify that I (we) have read and understand the requirements in 24 CFR §58.22, and I (we) understand *that acquisition of the site, even with non-HUD funds, prior to completion of the environmental review process will jeopardize all HOME funding.*

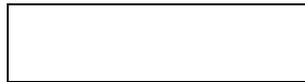
I (We) certify that all parties involved in any aspect of the development process began the project with no intention of using Federal assistance.

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I (We) certify that as of the date of the Multifamily Direct Loan application all project work, other than as allowed in 24 C.F.R. Part 58, has ceased.

I (We) certify that we will not engage in any choice limiting actions until the site has achieved Environmental Clearance as required in 24 C.F.R. Part 58. **Choice-limiting activities include but are not limited to these examples:**

- Acquisition of land, except through the use of an option agreement, regardless of funding source;
- Closing on loans including loans for interim financing;
- Signing a construction contract.



Relocation and Anti-Displacement

Displacement of Existing Tenants

I (We) certify that that the work to be performed in connection with any award of HOME funds is subject to Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (“URA”), as amended, and implementing regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. Consistent with the goals and objectives of activities assisted under the Act and HUD Handbook 1378, if the Development is eligible for TDHCA HOME funds the Applicant must prepare and submit the following to TDHCA with the Multifamily Uniform Application:

- 1) A detailed explanation of the reasons for displacement relocation;
- 2) A detailed plan of the relocation, including evidence of comparable replacement housing;
- 3) A copy of the General Information Notice (signed by the tenant or sent Certified Mail, return recipient requested) sent to all tenants on the Rent Roll listed with the Multifamily Direct Loan Application, and
- 4) Estimated costs and funding sources available to complete the permanent relocation.

Demolition and Conversion

I (We) certify that that the work to be performed in connection with any award of HOME funds is subject to 24 CFR Part 42 and Development Owner will replace all occupied and vacant occupiable low-income housing that is demolished or converted to a use other than low-income housing as a direct result of the project. All replacement housing will be provided within three (3) years after the commencement of the demolition or conversion. Before receiving a commitment of HOME funds for a project that will directly result in demolition or conversion, the project owner will make the information public in accordance with 24 CFR Part 42 and submit the information to TDHCA along with the following information in writing at application:

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- 1) The location map, address, and number of dwelling units by bedroom size of lower income housing that will be demolished or converted to use other than as lower income housing as a direct result of the project;
- 2) A time schedule for the commencement and completion of the demolition and conversion;
- 3) To the extent known, the location, map, address, and number of dwelling units by bedroom size of the replacement housing that has been or will be provided;
- 4) The amount and source of funding and a time schedule for the provision of the replacement housing;
- 5) The basis for concluding that the replacement housing will remain lower income housing beyond the date of initial occupancy;
- 6) Information demonstrating that any proposed replacement of housing units with similar dwelling units (e.g. a 2-bedroom unit with two 1-bedroom units) or any proposed replacement of efficiency or SRO units with units of a different size is appropriate and consistent with the housing needs of the community; and
- 7) The name and title of the person or persons responsible for tracking the replacement of lower income housing and the name and title of the person responsible for providing relocation payments and other relocation assistance to any lower-income person displaced by the demolition of any housing or the conversion of lower-income housing to another use.



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By: _____
Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

Title

Date

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF _____ §

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that name is signed to the foregoing statement, and who is known to be one in the same, has acknowledged before me on this date, that being informed of the contents of this statement, executed the same voluntarily on the date same foregoing statement bears.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this ____ day of _____, ____

(Seal)

Notary Public Signature

811 Project Rental Assistance Program “PRA” Certification

On behalf of the Applicant and all affiliates of the Applicant (“Applicant”), I (We) hereby certify that the Applicant is familiar with the provisions of HUD’s 811 program, enacted by Section 811 of the Cranston Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (Pub L. 111-374) and the Frank Melville Supportive Housing Investment Act of 2010, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (“TDHCA”) Rules as published in Title 10 of the Texas Administrative Code, HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1 (Occupancy Requirements of Multifamily Housing Programs), and the Section 811 Project Rental Assistance (“PRA”) Program Cooperative Agreement, including the Rental Assistance Contract (“RAC”) and the Use Agreement. I (We) hereby certify that the Applicant will comply with future guidance regarding the Section 811 PRA Program provided by HUD and/or TDHCA, including Rules, FAQs, and program manuals.

I (We) hereby certify that Applicant will execute a Section 811 PRA Participation Agreement, in a form to be provided by TDHCA, for the Development included in this application, or if allowed by TDHCA, a TDHCA approved Existing Property. Once a Participation Agreement has been executed, I (We) hereby certify that I (We) understand that TDHCA will market the Development included in this Application, or if allowed by TDHCA, a TDHCA approved Existing Property to potential Section 811 tenants at any time during the term of the Participation Agreement and I (We) hereby certify that I (We) will furnish to TDHCA, any requested materials, including pictures, to do such marketing. If requested by TDHCA, I (We) hereby certify that I (We) will execute a RAC and record the required Use Agreement in the county deed records.

I (We) understand, even though the owner will be required to execute a Participation Agreement, TDHCA may never require the owner to execute a RAC and therefore the Development may not be required to serve Section 811 tenants.

I (We) hereby certify that I (We) will comply with all HUD regulations, court rulings, related administrative rules, and eligibility guidelines and restrictions during the application process and in the event of award, for the duration of the Section 811 Participation Agreement or the Use Agreement, whichever has a longer term.

I (We) hereby make application to the TDHCA to participate in the Section 811 PRA Program. The undersigned hereby acknowledges that an award of Housing Tax Credits by the TDHCA does not warrant that the Development is deemed qualified to receive 811 funds. I (We) agree that the TDHCA or any of its directors, officers, employees, and agents will not be held responsible or liable for any representations made to the undersigned or its investors relating to the 811 PRA Program; therefore, I (We) assume the risk of all damages, losses, costs, and expenses related thereto and agree to indemnify and save harmless the TDHCA and any of its officers, employees, and agents against any and all claims, suits, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any kind and of any nature that the TDHCA may hereinafter suffer, incur, or pay arising out of its decision concerning this application for 811 PRA funds or the use of information concerning the 811 PRA program.

I (We) hereby acknowledge that this Application is subject to disclosure under Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, the Texas Public Information Act, unless a valid exception exists.

I (We) acknowledge all representations, undertakings, and commitments made by Applicant in the application process for a Development, whether with respect to eligibility criteria, selection criteria or otherwise, shall be deemed to be a condition to any Commitment or Contract for such Development, the violation of which shall be cause for cancellation of such Commitment or Contract by the TDHCA and if concerning the ongoing features or operation of the Development, shall be enforceable by the TDHCA and the tenants of the Development, including enforcement by administrative penalties for failure to perform, in accordance with the LURA. Regardless of whether the ultimate selection criteria would not have warranted the need to participate in the 811 Program for points, the election of the 811 points is binding and I (We) may not change that selection unless written permission is granted by the TDHCA.

I (We) agree the TDHCA may, at its discretion, request additional information and/or documentation in its evaluation of this Application to garner required information relating to the qualification of the Development for the 811 Program. I (We) hereby assert that the information contained in this Application as required or deemed necessary by the materials governing the 811 PRA program are true and correct and that I (We) have undergone sufficient investigation to affirm the validity of the statements made.

Further, I (We) hereby assert that I (We) have read and understand all the information contained in the application. By signing this document, I (We) affirm that all statements made in this government document are true and correct under penalty of Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code titled Perjury and Other Falsification and subject to criminal penalties as defined by the State of Texas. TEX. PENAL CODE ANN. §37.01 et seq. (Vernon 2011).

I (We) understand and agree that if false information is provided in this Application which has the effect of increasing the Applicant's competitive advantage, the TDHCA will disqualify the Applicant and may hold the Applicant ineligible to apply for 811 PRA funds or until any issue of restitution is resolved.

If, at any time, including after the award of 811 PRA funds, it is discovered that I (We) provided false or misleading information to TDHCA, TDHCA may terminate the Applicant's HUD RAC and/or the Section 811 Participation Agreement and recapture all 811 PRA subsidy funds expended.

I (We) hereby certify that I (We) will comply with applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements in 24 CFR §5.105(a), including, but not limited to, the Fair Housing Act; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Further, I (We) certify that I (We) shall not, in the provision of services, or in any other manner, discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, or disability. I (We) certify that I (We) will comply with HUD's Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity requirements. See 24 C.F.R. §§ 5.100, 5.105(a)(2), 5.403. I (We) hereby certify that I (We) understand that the Development must prominently display HUD's Fair Housing Poster (HUD Form 928.1) in all offices in which rental activity takes place. This includes property management leasing offices located at their projects with Section 811 PRA units, and may include a designated place where information or other business regarding the Section 811 PRA program is conducted with potential tenants. I (We) will comply with any requirements of the Section 811 PRA Program that require to tenant selection plans.

I (We) will at all times indemnify and hold the TDHCA harmless against all losses, costs, damages, expenses, and liabilities of any nature directly or indirectly resulting from, arising out of or relating to the TDHCA's acceptance, consideration, approval or disapproval of this request and the issuance or non-issuance of a RAC or 811 PRA funds herewith.

I (We) have written below the name of the individual authorized to execute the TDHCA Participation Agreement, the HUD RAC, the HUD Use Agreement, and any and all future commitments and contracts related to this application. I (We) hereby certify that this individual has the full authority and has been authorized by all of the Parties, Affiliates, or Associates with interest in the Development in this Application. If this individual is replaced by the organization, I (We) must inform the TDHCA within 30 days of the person authorized to execute agreements, commitments and/or contracts on behalf of the Applicant.

I (We) certify that I (We) do not and will not knowingly employ an undocumented worker, where "undocumented worker" means an individual who, at the time of employment, is not lawfully admitted for permanent residence to the United States or authorized under law to be employed in that manner in the United States.

If, after receiving a public subsidy, I (We) are convicted of a violation under 8 U.S.C Section 1324a(f), I (We) shall repay the amount of the public subsidy with interest, at the rate and according to the other terms provided by an agreement under Tex. Government Code §2264.053, not later than the 120th day after the date TDHCA notifies the Applicant of the violation.

I (We) certify that I (We) am eligible to apply for funds or any other assistance from the TDHCA. I (We) certify that all audits are current at the time of application. I (We) certify that any Audit Certification Forms have been submitted to the TDHCA in a satisfactory format on or before the application deadline for funds or other assistance pursuant to 10 TAC §1.3(b).

Property Condition Standards Certification

I (We) certify that I (We) will meet local and state housing code, ordinances, and zoning requirements, Texas Minimum Construction Standards, Uniform Physical Construction Standards and Inspection Requirements under 24 CFR Section 5 Subpart G, including any changes in the regulation and related directives and will comply with HUD's Physical Condition Standards of Multifamily Properties of 24 CFR Part 200, Subpart P, including any changes in the regulation and related directives.

I (We) certify that the Development or if allowed by TDHCA in writing, a TDHCA approved Existing Property, referenced in this Application is in compliance and that during the term of the Section 811 Participation Agreement and/or RAC the Applicant will respond to all requests for deficiency resolution within the timeframes mandated by the Uniform Multifamily Rules at 10 TAC Chapter 10 or other requirements associated with the satisfactory provision of a unit as required by the 811 PRA program.

Federal Cross-Cutting Certifications

Lead Based Paint

I (We) certify that documentation of compliance with 24 CFR Part 35 (Lead Safe Housing Rule), including but not limited to the documentation reflected in the following clauses, will be maintained in project files. I (We) understand that standard forms are available in the Federal Register, as indicated by the sources noted below.

1. Applicability Form 24 CFR §35.115 – A copy of a statement indicating that the property is covered by or exempt from the Lead Safe Housing Rule.
 - a. If the property is exempt, the file should include the reason for the exemption and no further documentation is required.
 - b. If the property is subject to the Rule, the file should include the appropriate documentation to indicate basic compliance, as listed below:
 - i. Summary Paint Testing Report or Presumption Notice 24 CFR §35.930(a) – A copy of any report to indicate the presence of lead-based paint (LBP) for projects receiving up to \$5,000 per unit in rehabilitation assistance. If no testing was performed, then LBP is presumed to be on all disturbed surfaces;
 - ii. Notice of Evaluation 24 CFR §35.125(a) – A copy of a notice demonstrating that an evaluation summary was provided to residents following a lead-based paint inspection, risk assessment or paint testing;
 - iii. Clearance Report 24 CFR §35.930(b)(3) – A report indicating a “clearance examination” was performed of the work-site upon completion; and
 - iv. Notice of Hazard Reduction Completion 24 CFR §35.125(b) – Upon completion, a copy of a notice to show that a LBP remediation summary was provided to residents.

Environmental

I (We) understand that the environmental effects of each activity carried out with funds provided under this application must be assessed in accordance with the provisions of the 811 PRA Cooperative Agreement, § PRA.215 and § PRA.216. Each activity must have an environmental review completed and support documentation prepared complying with HUD regulations. No Section 811 Participation Agreement may be signed and no subsidy can be provided for a unit before the completion of the environmental review process and the provision of written clearance by TDHCA.

I (We) certify that I (We) have read and understand the requirements the HUD Section 811 PRA Cooperative Agreement, § PRA.215 and § PRA.216.

Displacement of Existing Tenants

I (We) certify that the work to be performed in connection with the award of Section 811 PRA funds is subject to Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (“URA”), as

amended, and regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. Hence, I(We) commit to minimize the direct and indirect displacement of persons from their homes and assure full compliance with URA federal relocation assistance mandates including adherence to TDHCA established procedure relocation requirements.

Davis Bacon

I (We) certify that if Davis Bacon is applicable to this award, I (We) will fully comply with contract Federal labor law mandates and TDHCA established labor standards procedural requirements.

Energy and Water Conservation

I (We) certify to comply with Energy and Water Conservation standards and requirements as outlined in § PRA.214.

Procurement of Recovered Materials

I (We) certify to comply with the Procurement of Recovered Materials requirements as outlined in § PRA.219.

Housing Standards for Assisted Units

I (We) certify to comply with Housing Standards for Assisted Units as outlined in § PRA.307 for Section 811 PRA units and as outlined in 10 TAC Chapter 1 Subchapter B “Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and The Fair Housing Act” and Chapter 10 “Uniform Multifamily Rules.”

Eligibility and Threshold Certification

On behalf of the Applicant and all affiliates of the Applicant, I (We) hereby certify that the Applicant is familiar with the provisions and requirements of the Section 811 PRA Program for which I (We) am applying.

I (We) understand that housing units subsidized (in whole or in part) by Section 811 PRA funds must be affordable to Extremely Low-Income persons. I (We) understand that mixed income rental Developments may only apply PRA to units that meet 811 program affordability standards. I (We) understand that all Applications must adhere to the TDHCA’s Integrated Housing Rule at 10 TAC §1.15 and § PRA.305. Additionally, I (we) certify that the units identified for 811 PRA assistance will be dispersed throughout the property and must not be segregated to one area of a building or Development.

I (We) certify to follow the requirements of § PRA.403 regarding the Selection and Admission of Eligible Tenants. In addition, I (We) understand that prior to receiving referrals for Section 811 tenants, I (We) must submit and receive approval by the TDHCA for the Development’s Tenant Selection Plan. I (We) understand that the Applicant or their designated property management staff will accept referrals of Section 811 Applicants from the TDHCA and determine eligibility based on the TDHCA-approved Tenant Selection Plan. I (We) understand that upon the request of TDHCA or HUD, the Applicant must furnish copies of all applications to HUD and/or TDHCA.

I (We) understand that the Applicant or their designated property management staff will be responsible for:

- (1) obtaining and verifying information related to Social Security Numbers of Eligible Family members in accordance with 24 CFR Part 5, subpart B. Applicant or their designated property management staff shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapters 3-3, B. and C., 3-9, and 3-11, and 3-31 for further guidance;
- (2) obtaining and verifying income through the use of Enterprise Income Verification (EIV), pursuant to 24 C.F.R. 5.233(a)(2). Applicant or their designated property management staff shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapter 3-30 for further guidance;
- (3) obtaining and verifying information related to income eligibility of Eligible Families in Assisted Units in accordance with 24 CFR Part 5, subpart F. Applicant or their designated property management staff shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapter 3-30 for further guidance;
- (4) preventing crime in the Assisted Units, including the denial of admission to persons engaged in criminal activity or has certain criminal histories, in accordance with 24 CFR Part 5, Subpart H. Applicant or its designated property management staff shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapter 4-27, E. for further guidance.
- (5) complying with protections for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, pursuant to 24 CFR Part 5, Subpart L; and
- (6) complying with all other applicable requirements, including but not limited to the RAC, Project Rental Assistance Program Guidelines, and any other HUD administrative requirements.

I (We) understand that the Section 811 tenants participation in supportive services is voluntary and cannot be required as a condition of admission or occupancy.

I (We) understand that if the Applicant or their designated property management staff determines that an applicant is ineligible on the basis of income or Household composition, or because of failure to meet the disclosure and verification requirements for Social Security Numbers (as provided by 24 CFR Part 5), or because of failure by an Section 811 applicant to sign and submit consent forms for the obtaining of wage and claim information from State Wage Information Collection Agencies, or that the Applicant or their designated property management staff is not selecting the Section 811 applicant for other reasons, the Applicant or their designated property management staff will promptly notify the Section 811 applicant in writing of the determination and its reasons, and that the applicant has the right to meet with the Applicant or their designated property management staff and has the right to request a reasonable accommodation. I (We) understand that the Section 811 applicant may also exercise other rights if the applicant believes that he or she is being discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability or familial status. I (We) understand that records on Section 811 applicants and Section 811 tenants, which provide racial, ethnic, gender and place of previous residency data required by HUD, must be maintained and retained for three (3) years. I (We) shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapter 4-9 for further guidance on rejecting Section 811 applicants and denial of rental assistance.

I (We) certify that no 811 PRA subsidy funds will be attached to units receiving any other form of federal or state housing operating assistance or units that have received any form of long-term operating housing subsidy within a six-month period prior to receiving PRA funds. I (We)

additionally certify that 811 PRA subsidy funds will not be attached to any unit that is currently a 30% AMI rent and income restricted unit or any unit that is currently operating with an existing use restriction or contractual obligation to serve persons with disabilities or persons 62 and older.

I (We) understand that funding through the full, initial 20 year term of a RAC contract to provide 811 PRA assistance will be conditional based upon available appropriations during each 5 year renewal cycle and may be moved or dissolved by TDHCA at anytime. Additionally, I (We) understand that the total number of units and the associated bedroom associated with the units maybe adjusted at anytime by TDHCA for a maximum number of units as associated in the Section 811 PRA Participation Agreement.

Management Practices Certification

I (We) certify that the Applicant or their designated property management staff will immediately notify TDHCA of Section 811 PRA unit vacancies if requested by TDHCA. I (We) certify that, once a RAC is executed, that the available unit will be held vacant for an 811 PRA tenant referred by TDHCA for up to 60 days before the unit will be re-rented to a non-811 PRA applicant.

I (We) certify that the Applicant or their designated property management staff will comply with any current or future requirement for marketing or outreach of the units and I (We) certify that I (we) will follow all HUD Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity requirements.

I (We) certify that I (we) will furnish all required documentation, reports, and forms as necessary to assist TDHCA in entering necessary eligibility and income information in HUD systems as required; information requested for reporting on performance measures to HUD will be furnished within the timelines as specified by TDHCA.

I (We) certify that we understand that all Applicants who are States, Territories, Urban Counties, and Metropolitan cities shall be subject to the requirements of 24 CFR Part 85, and further that all Applicants who are Nonprofits shall be subject to the requirements of 24 CFR Part 84.

I (We) certify that the initial lease between the Development and any 811 PRA assisted tenant will be a minimum of one year; I (we) further certify that the HUD model lease form HUD-92236-PRA will be used as required by the Cooperative Agreement, Section XII. GRANTEE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION.

In addition, I (We) certify that we understand that all lease addendums must be sent to TDHCA. TDHCA will consider lease addendums on a case by case basis and may decide to send to HUD for approval. Owners may only modify the lease terms with a tenant at the end of the initial term or a successive term by serving an appropriate notice to the tenant, together with the provision of a revised agreement or addendum.

I (We) certify to follow requirements of § PRA.406. I (We) understand that prior to occupancy of a Section 811 unit, that an Eligible Section 811 Household must be given the opportunity to be present for the move-in unit inspection. I (we) understand that the inspection of the Section 811 Unit will be completed by both the Applicant or the designated Property Management staff and the Eligible Section 811 Household and both shall certify, on a form prescribed or approved by TDHCA that they have inspected the Section 811 Unit and have determined it to be Decent, Safe, and

Sanitary condition in accordance with the criteria provided in the form. The Applicant or the designated Property Management staff shall keep a copy of this inspection and make part of the lease as an attachment to the lease. If the Eligible Section 811 Household waives the right to this inspection, a form prescribed or approved by the TDHCA would be signed by the Eligible Household indicating they have waived this right.

In addition, I (We) certify that the Applicant or the designated Property Management staff shall perform unit inspections of the Section 811 Units on at least an annual basis to determine whether the appliances and equipment in the unit are functioning properly and to assess whether a component needs to be repaired or replaced. This will ensure that the Applicant is meeting its obligation to maintain the Assisted Units in Decent, Safe, and Sanitary condition.

In addition, I (We) understand that the TDHCA and/or HUD may ask, and must be permitted, to review the records related to the RAC at least annually to determine compliance. I (We) understand that HUD may independently inspect project operations and Section 811 Units at any time with reasonable notice prior to inspection; and Equal Opportunity reviews may be conducted by HUD at any time.

I (We) certify that the Applicant or the designated Property Management staff shall comply with the Overcrowded and Under Occupied Unit requirements set by TDHCA and will ensure that Section 811 tenants are not over or under housed according to those requirements.

I (We) certify that the Applicant or the designated Property Management staff shall comply and participate with any dispute resolution processes as required by TDHCA.

I (We) certify, as referenced in § PRA.409, that the Applicant shall not impede the reasonable efforts of tenants of the Assisted Units to organize pursuant to 24 CFR Part 245, or any successor regulations of 24 CFR Part 245, or unreasonably withhold the use of any community room or other available space appropriate for meetings which is part of the mortgaged property when requested by: (i) a resident tenant organization in connection with the representational purposes of the organization; or (ii) tenants seeking to organize or to consider collectively any matter pertaining to the operation of the mortgaged property.

I (We) certify that the Development site referenced in this application will take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to its programs and activities to Limited English Proficiency tenants. Additionally, I (We) certify that all communications provided to Eligible Applicants and Eligible Households at the Development referenced in this application are provided in a manner that is effective for persons with hearing, visual, and other communications-related disabilities consistent with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and, as applicable, the Americans with Disabilities Act.

I (We) certify that Development staff will assist 811 PRA tenants with annual re-certification of income and program requirements as required by HUD; property staff are familiar with HUD income verification requirements and tenant re-certification policies as published in the HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1.

I (We) certify that Development staff has the capacity and agrees to participate in the Tenant Rental Assistance Certification System for Section 811 PRA tenants. I (We) certify that if TDHCA procures a third party for one or more duties of the 811 PRA program, the Development will respond and comply with that third party in all ways as required of their obligations to TDHCA.

I (We) certify that the Development will obtain and maintain any information technology systems required of the PRA Program will be utilized at the Development at no expense to the TDHCA.

I (We) certify that any updated screening, eligibility, or fee criteria established for tenants of the identified Development in this application will be provided to TDHCA 30 days prior to property implementation; additionally, upon request TDHCA will receive copies of tenant re-certifications completed by property staff.

I (We) certify that TDHCA will receive upon request any notices advising of property or resident rental increases.

I (We) certify that a copy of the Development's property management plan, tenant selection criteria (or plan) and Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing plan will be provided to and discussed with onsite Development staff.

By: _____
Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

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Date

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I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that name is signed to the foregoing statement, and who is known to be one in the same, has acknowledged before me on this date, that being informed of the contents of this statement, executed the same voluntarily on the date same foregoing statement bears.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this ____ day of _____, _____

(Seal)

Notary Public Signature