

## GENERAL CERTIFICATE

The undersigned officers of the City of Hampton, Virginia (the "City"), certify in connection with the issuance of the City's Literary Fund Temporary Note dated the date hereof (the "Note") to evidence a loan from the Virginia Board of Education from the Literary Fund for the benefit of the City's School Board in the principal amount not to exceed \$20,000,000, as follows:

1. The issuance of Note was authorized by the City Council in a resolution adopted on May 28, 2025 (the "Authorizing Resolution"), authorizing the loan from the Literary Fund and the issuance of the Note, and such Authorizing Resolution has not been modified, amended, repealed, revoked or rescinded and is in full force and effect on the date hereof.

2. The undersigned have examined the Authorizing Resolution and have determined that the maximum principal amount, the interest rate, the maturity and other terms of the Note are in accordance with and permitted by the terms of the Authorizing Resolution.

3. No litigation of any kind is now pending or, to the best of our information, knowledge and belief, threatened against the City to restrain or enjoin the issuance or delivery of the Note or the collection of revenue of the City, including without limitation, the levy or collection of taxes on real estate or tangible personal property, over and above all other taxes authorized or limited by law and without limitation as to rate or amount to the extent necessary for payment of principal of or interest on the Note, or in any manner questioning the proceedings and authority under which the Note are issued, including the titles or authority of the officers signing the Note, or affecting the validity of the Note.

4. The issuance of the Note and the performance by the City of its obligations thereunder, under the Authorizing Resolution and related agreements will not conflict with, or constitute a breach or result in violation of, (a) the Charter of the City or any federal or state constitutional or statutory provision, (b) any agreement or other instrument to which the City is a party or by which it is bound, or (c) any order, rule, regulation, decree or ordinance of any court, government or governmental authority having jurisdiction over the City or its property.

5. No consent, approval, authorization or order of any governmental or regulatory authority is required to be obtained which has not been obtained by the City as a condition precedent to the issuance of the Note or to the performance of its obligations thereunder and under the Authorizing Resolution.

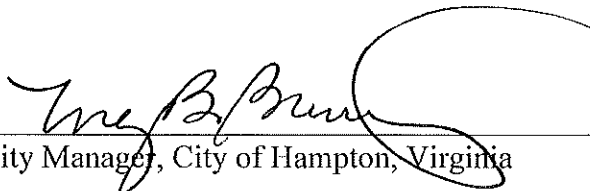
6. The City is not in violation of any existing law, rule or regulation applicable to it and is not in default under any indenture, mortgage, deed of trust, lien, lease, contract, note, order, judgment, decree or other agreement, instrument or restriction of any kind to which the City is a party or by which it is bound or to which any of its assets are subject which would have a material adverse effect on its financial condition or its ability to perform its obligations under the Note, and the execution and delivery by the City of the Note and the compliance with the terms and conditions of the Note will not conflict with or result in the breach of or constitute a default under any of the foregoing.

7. The signature of James A. Gray, Mayor of the City, pursuant to authorization granted in the Authorizing Resolution has been applied to the Note, the City's seal or a facsimile thereof has been applied thereto and attested by the signature of Katherine K. Glass, the Clerk of City Council; and the Note has been countersigned by Dr. Richard Mason, the Chairman of the School Board of the City of Hampton and attested by the Clerk of the School Board.

8. The signatures of Mary B. Bunting, as City Manager, and Karl S. Daughtrey, CPA, as Director of Finance, appearing below are true and genuine.

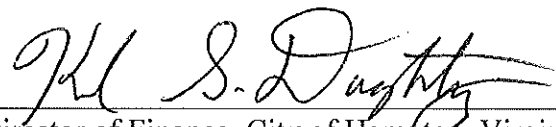
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Dated: June 4, 2025



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City Manager, City of Hampton, Virginia



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Director of Finance, City of Hampton, Virginia