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Document Title: **Subordination Agreement**

Grantor(s): Frontier Bank

Grantee: **Washington State Housing Finance Commission**

Legal Description (abbreviated form): **Ptn. Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 21, Township 34 North, Range 4 East W.M. and Lots 7, 8,9, 16, 17, RIDGEWOOD 2ND ADDITION**

Additional legal description in Exhibit "A" of document.

Assessor's Property Tax Parcel Account Number(s): 340421-3-014-0009; 340421-3-017-0303; 4337-000-008-0008; 4337-000-007-0009; 4337-000-017-0007; 4337-000-009-0007; 4337-000-016-0008

Reference numbers of related documents: 1) 200407300162

2) 200603210147

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SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT

NOTICE: THIS SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT RESULTS IN YOUR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY BECOMING SUBJECT TO AND OF LOWER PRIORITY THAN THE INTERESTS OF THE WASHINGTON STATE HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION AS REFLECTED IN THE REGULATORY AGREEMENT (EXTENDED USE AGREEMENT).

THIS SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") is made and entered into this ___ day of March, 2006 by the undersigned to and for the benefit of WASHINGTON STATE HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION, a public body corporate and politic (the "Commission").

RECITALS

NOTE: Recital A.1. must be completed if this Agreement is being executed with regard to a deed of trust, mortgage or similar security instrument. Alternatively, Recital A.2. must be completed if this Agreement is being executed by a fee owner/ground lessor.

A.1. Frontier Bank ("Interest Holder") is the owner and holder of a Deed of Trust, (the "Security Instrument"), executed by **Mount Vernon Arbor Park LLC**, a **Washington Limited Liability Company** as grantor ("Project Owner"), creating a lien on the property and improvements thereon, if any, commonly known as the **Arbor Park Apartment Homes** project, TC or OID number **04-84A** (the "Project"). The Project is located on the property legally described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Land"). The Security Instrument was recorded in the records of Skagit County, Washington, on July 30, 2004, under Auditor's file number 200407300162.

A.2. _____ ("Interest Holder") is the fee title holder and landlord under that certain ground lease dated _____ (the "Lease"), under which _____ ("Project Owner") is the tenant. Project Owner is the owner of the project commonly known as the **Arbor Park Apartment Homes** project, TC or OID number **04-84A** (the "Project"). The Project is located on the property legally described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Land").

B. The Governor of the State of Washington designated the Commission to be the sole housing credit agency authorized to allocate the federal low-income housing



tax credit ("Credit") for residential rental buildings located in the state of Washington, in accordance with Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, is hereinafter called the "Code."

C. Project Owner submitted a Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program Application dated **June 17, 2004**, and any amendments thereto (collectively, the "Application"), to the Commission for an allocation of Credit to the Project. Project Owner has also entered into a Credit Reservation Contract and Carryover Allocation Contract (RAC) with the Commission dated N/A, and any amendments thereto (collectively, the "RAC").

D. In connection with an allocation of Credit, Project Owner has executed and delivered to the Commission a Regulatory Agreement (Extended Use Agreement) dated February 16, 2005 and recorded under Auditor's File No. 200603210147 records of Skagit County, Washington (the "Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement"). The Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement, the Application, the Credit Reservation Carryover Allocation Contract (RAC) and all ancillary documents entered into by Project Owner in connection therewith are called the "Program Documents."

E. The Commission has determined, based solely on the information in the Application, that the Project, if completed as proposed and operated in accordance with Section 42 of the Code and the representations made in the Application and the Credit Reservation and Carryover Allocation Contract (RAC), will qualify for an allocation of Credit that is to be apportioned to each building in the Project at the time such building is placed in service.

F. As a condition of having an effective allocation of Credit, Project Owner must enter into a Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement with the Commission that imposes on the Land and Project certain covenants, restrictions, charges and easements that run with the Land and are binding and a burden on (i) the Project and all portions thereof; (ii) any successor in interest, purchaser, grantee, transferee, developer, owner or lessee (other than a Resident) of any portion of the Project; (iii) any other person or entity having any right, title or interest therein; and (iv) the heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, devisees, successors and assigns of any of the foregoing persons or entities, for the length of time and to the extent provided for in the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement. The persons and entities listed in (ii) through (iv) above are collectively called "Successors." Furthermore, as a condition of obtaining Credit, the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement must be recorded in first position or each lender or holder must subordinate its liens and security interest(s) in the Project to the interests of the Commission as reflected in the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement. Further, if the Project is subject to a ground lease, the fee owner/lessor must subject its interest to the interests of the Commission as reflected in the Regulatory Agreement.



NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and to induce the Commission to allocate Credit to the Project, Interest Holder hereby agrees as follows:

TERMS

1.A. Interest Holder hereby unconditionally subordinates the lien of the Security Instrument, and all advances or charges made or accruing thereunder, including any extensions or renewals thereof, to the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement. This Section 1.A. is applicable only if this Agreement is being executed in connection with a Security Instrument (i.e. only if Recital A.1. has been completed).

1.B. Interest Holder hereby unconditionally subjects the Land and any reversionary interest in the Project to the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement. By executing this Agreement, Interest Holder is not assuming any personal liability for payment or performance and Project Owner's obligations under the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement, unless and until termination or expiration of the Lease and reversion of the Project to Interest Holder and then only to the extent provided in the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement. This Section 1.B. is applicable only if this Agreement is being executed by an Interest Holder who is a fee owner/lessor of the Land (i.e. only if Recital A. 2. has been completed).

2. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Agreement, if, (a) Interest Holder becomes the owner of the Project following the foreclosure of the Security Instrument (or deed in lieu thereof) or, (b) in the case of a Lease, the Lease terminates or expires and the Project reverts to Interest Holder, paragraph 10.3 of the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement shall apply.

3. Interest Holder acknowledges that, before execution hereof, it has had the opportunity to review the terms of the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement and recognizes that the Commission has no obligation to Interest Holder under this Agreement or the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement to allocate Credit to any portion of the Project. Furthermore, Interest Holder acknowledges that the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement imposes substantial restrictions on the use of the Land and Project and limits the amount of income that can be derived therefrom. Interest Holder agrees that the terms, conditions, restrictions, obligations and limitations of the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement are covenants running with the Land and are binding and a burden on the Project and all portions thereof, and on any Successors for the length of time and to the extent provided in the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement. Interest Holder agrees that the Commission shall be entitled under the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement to enforce the terms, conditions, restrictions, obligations and limitations of the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement against any Successor, subject to the limitations of this



Agreement. In addition, the Interest Holder acknowledges that it has reviewed the following notice:

Investor and Lender Notice

The Washington State Housing Finance Commission ("Commission") has determined, based solely upon the information submitted in an application prepared by **Mount Vernon Arbor Park LLC** (the owner), a **Washington Limited Liability Company**, that the low-income housing project, if completed as proposed in the application and consistent with Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code and the Commission's *Policies*, will be entitled to receive an allocation of low-income housing tax credit. The Commission is neither underwriting the project nor certifying that any building will actually meet the requirements necessary to qualify for the low-income housing tax credit. The Commission has not performed any independent investigation of the applicant, the owner or any other party connected with the project, nor as to the qualification of any building in the project for the low-income housing tax credit and will not perform such investigation or otherwise monitor any building in the project for its eligibility for the low-income housing tax credit in the future except as required by law. The Commission makes no representation concerning the applicability of the low-income housing tax credit to any building in the project or the ability of any owner, lender or investor in the project to utilize such low-income housing tax credit. The Commission has neither performed any review nor makes any representations of the commercial viability of any building in the project.

The Commission bears no liability to any owner, investor, resident, lender or any other person or entity for any claim arising out of this project, the financing or syndication of this project or the low-income housing tax credit program. The credit reservation, carryover allocation, and/or final allocation and the terms and provisions of the Credit Reservation and Carryover Allocation Contract (RAC) and the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement, as applicable, are not for the benefit of third parties and may not be relied on by third parties. The applicant, developer and owner of this project are not the agents of the Commission and have no authority to act on behalf of or to bind the Commission or the Commission's members, officers, employees, agents or representatives. Lenders and investors are cautioned that the actual amount of low-income housing tax credit available to the project and any building is subject to change or reduction by the Commission up to the date of issuance of IRS Form 8609, *Low-Income Housing Credit Certification*.

Lenders and investors should consult with their personal tax and/or investment counsel to determine whether this project qualifies for low-income housing tax credit; whether an investor (or a lender, upon foreclosure) may utilize



the low-income housing tax credit, if any; and the commercial viability and feasibility of any building in the project.

4. Interest Holder acknowledges that the Commission will not make an allocation of Credit to the Project or to any building that is a part thereof without this Agreement. Further, Project Owner's failure to obtain this Agreement shall be a default under the Credit Reservation and Carryover Allocation Contract (RAC) and the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement, entitling the Commission to exercise all remedies available to it.

5. In the event suit or action is instituted in connection with this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, including fees and costs in any arbitration, appellate or bankruptcy proceeding, in addition to all other amounts provided by law.

6. This Agreement shall be binding on Interest Holder and its Successors and assigns.

7. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Interest Holder shall not be deemed a Successor under this Agreement or the Tax Credit Regulatory Agreement until such time, if ever, that the Interest Holder becomes the owner of the Project following a foreclosure (or deed in lieu thereof) or, in the case of a lease, the lease terminates or expires and the Project reverts to the Interest Holder.

8. This Agreement is made by Interest Holder solely in its capacity as holder of the specified Security Instrument and the terms hereof are not intended to apply to other interests, if any, of the Interest Holder in the Project.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Interest Holder has executed this Agreement for the benefit of the Commission as of the date first written above.

INTEREST HOLDER: Frontier Bank

By: Mary K Jobe Date: 3-27-06

Name (print): Mary K Jobe

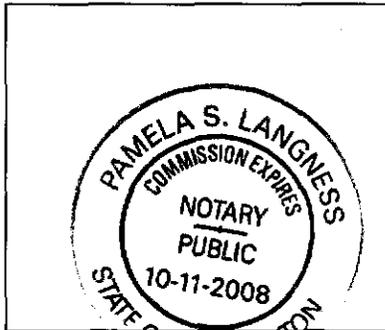
Its: Vice President



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STATE OF WASHINGTON)
) ss.
COUNTY OF Snichomish)

I certify that I know or have satisfactory evidence that Mary K Job is the person who appeared before me, and said person acknowledged that he/she signed this instrument, on oath stated that he/she was authorized to execute the instrument as the/a Vice President of Frontier Bank, which is the/a _____ of _____, and acknowledged it to be the free and voluntary act of such party for the uses and purposes mentioned in the instrument.



(Use this space for notarial stamp/seal.)

Dated: 3/27/06

Pamela S. Langness
Notary Public

Print Name: Pamela S. Langness
My commission expires: 10-11-08



EXHIBIT "A"

TO SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

PARCEL A:

The West Half of the West Half of the West Half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 21, Township 34 North, Range 4 East of the Willamette Meridian;

EXCEPT the West 30 feet thereof conveyed to the City of Mount Vernon for street purposes by deed dated August 10, 1977, and recorded August 19, 1977, under Auditor's File No. 863093, records of Skagit County, Washington;

ALSO EXCEPT the West 5 feet thereof deeded to the City of Mount Vernon December 21, 1993, under Auditor's File No. 9312210046, records of Skagit County, Washington.

PARCEL B:

**The East 300 feet of the North 20 feet of the following described parcel:
The West 330 feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 21, Township 34 North, Range 4 East of the Willamette Meridian;**

EXCEPT county road along the South line thereof.

PARCEL C:

Lots 7, 8, 9, 15, 16 and 17, RIDGEWOOD 2ND ADDITION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Volume 11 of Plats, page 40, records of Skagit County, Washington.

ALL situated in Skagit County, Washington.

