

**When Recorded Return To:**

Boeing Employees' Credit Union  
PO Box 97050  
Seattle, WA 98124-9750

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**DEED OF TRUST**

(OPEN-END CREDIT – THIS DEED OF TRUST SECURES FUTURE ADVANCES)

**DEFINITIONS**

Words used in multiple sections of this document are defined below and other words are defined under the caption TRANSFER OF RIGHTS IN THE PROPERTY and in Sections 2, 6, 7, 11, 14, 16, and 17. Certain rules regarding the usage of words used in this document are also provided in Section 12.

**Parties**

(A) "Borrower" is  
Dennis R Cole & Merle B Cole, a married couple

currently residing at 2605 River Vista Loop Mount Vernon WA 98273  
Borrower is the trustor (grantor) under this Security Instrument.  
(B) "Lender" is Boeing Employees' Credit Union  
Lender is a Credit Union  
organized and existing under the laws of the State of Washington  
Lender's address is PO Box 97050, Seattle, Washington 98124 -9750  
Lender is the beneficiary (grantee) under this Security Instrument. The term "Lender" includes any successors and assigns of Lender.  
(C) "Trustee" is Trustee Services, Inc.  
Trustee's address is PO Box 2980 3647 NW Byron Street #200 Silverdale, WA 98383  
The term "Trustee" includes any substitute/successor Trustee.

**Abbreviated Legal Description**

(D) "Abbreviated Legal Description" means the following abbreviated legal description of the Property, together with the corresponding assessor's property tax parcel or account number, as required by Applicable Law:  
L21PLAT OF NORTH HILL PUD AFN200505050094, SKAGIT CO WA

Assessor's Property Tax Parcel or Account Number: 4855-000-021-0000  
For the full legal description of the Property, refer to the section under the heading "TRANSFER OF RIGHTS IN THE PROPERTY," which is found on Page 2 of this Security Instrument.

**Documents** Reference Account Number 2020118863

(E) "Agreement" means the  
Credit Line Account Variable Interest Rate Home Equity Secured Open-End Credit Agreement and

Dated 12/18/2025, and signed by each Borrower who is legally obligated for the debt under that Agreement, that is in either: (i) paper form, using Borrower's written pen and ink signature; or (ii) electronic form, using Borrower's adopted Electronic Signature in accordance with the UETA or E-SIGN, as applicable. The Agreement is a consumer revolving loan Agreement that states that Borrower may, from time to time, obtain advances not to exceed at any time, a MAXIMUM PRINCIPAL AMOUNT equal to the Maximum Credit Limit (as defined therein) of

Two Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00 / 100 \*\*\*\*\*  
Dollars (U.S. \$250,000.00) plus interest. Each Borrower who signed the Agreement has promised to pay this debt in regular scheduled payments and to pay the debt in full not later than 12/23/2050.

(F) "Riders" means all Riders to this Security Instrument that are signed by Borrower. All such Riders are incorporated into and deemed to be a part of this Security Instrument. The following Riders are to be signed by Borrower:

(G) "Security Instrument" means this document, which is dated 12/18/2025, together with all Riders to this document.



TOGETHER WITH all the improvements now or subsequently erected on the property, including replacements and additions to the improvements on such property, all property rights, including, without limitation, all easements, appurtenances, royalties, mineral rights, oil or gas rights or profits, water rights, and fixtures now or subsequently a part of the property. All of the foregoing is referred to in this Security Instrument as the "Property."

BORROWER REPRESENTS, WARRANTS, COVENANTS, AND AGREES that: (i) Borrower lawfully owns and possesses the Property conveyed in this Security Instrument in fee simple or lawfully has the right to use and occupy the Property under a leasehold estate; (ii) Borrower has the right to grant and convey the Property or Borrower's leasehold interest in the Property; and (iii) the Property is unencumbered, and not subject to any other ownership interest in the Property, except for encumbrances and ownership interests of record. Borrower warrants generally the title to the Property and covenants and agrees to defend the title to the Property against all claims and demands, subject to any encumbrances and ownership interests of record as of Loan closing.

COVENANTS. Borrower and Lender covenant and agree as follows:

**1. Payment of Principal, Interest, Prepayment Charges, and Late Charges.** Borrower will pay each Periodic Payment when due. Borrower will also pay any prepayment charges and late charges due under the Agreement, and any other amounts due under this Security Instrument. Payments due under the Agreement and this Security Instrument must be made in U.S. currency. If any check or other instrument received by Lender as payment under the Agreement or this Security Instrument is returned to Lender unpaid, Lender may require that any or all subsequent payments due under the Agreement and this Security Instrument be made in one or more of the following forms, as selected by Lender: (a) cash; (b) money order; (c) certified check, bank check, treasurer's check, or cashier's check, provided any such check is drawn upon an institution whose deposits are insured by a U.S. federal agency, instrumentality, or entity; or (d) Electronic Fund Transfer.

Payments are deemed received by Lender when received at the location designated in the Agreement or at such other location as may be designated by Lender in accordance with the notice provisions in Section 11.

Any offset or claim that Borrower may have now or in the future against Lender will not relieve Borrower from making the full amount of all payments due under the Agreement and this Security Instrument or performing the covenants and agreements secured by this Security Instrument.

**2. Charges; Liens.** Borrower must pay: (a) all taxes, assessments, charges, fines, and impositions attributable to the Property which have priority or may attain priority over this Security Instrument; (b) leasehold payments or ground rents on the Property, if any; and (c) Community Association Dues, Fees, and Assessments, if any.

Borrower must promptly discharge any lien that has priority or may attain priority over this Security Instrument unless Borrower: (aa) agrees in writing to the payment of the obligation secured by the lien in a manner acceptable to Lender, but only so long as Borrower is performing under such agreement; (bb) contests the lien in good faith by, or defends against enforcement of the lien in, legal proceedings which Lender determines, in its sole discretion, operate to prevent the enforcement of the lien while those proceedings are pending, but only until such proceedings are concluded; or (cc) secures from the holder of the lien an agreement satisfactory to Lender that subordinates the lien to this Security Instrument (collectively, the "Required Actions"). If Lender determines that any part of the Property is subject to a lien that has priority or may attain priority over this Security Instrument and Borrower has not taken any of the Required Actions in regard to such lien, Lender may give Borrower a notice identifying the lien. Within 10 days after the date on which that notice is given, Borrower must satisfy the lien or take one or more of the Required Actions.

### **3. Property Insurance.**

**(a) Insurance Requirement; Coverages.** Borrower must keep the improvements now existing or subsequently erected on the Property insured against loss by fire, hazards included within the term "extended coverage," and any other hazards including, but not limited to, earthquakes, winds, and floods, for which Lender requires insurance. Borrower must maintain the types of insurance Lender requires in the amounts (including deductible levels) and for the periods that Lender requires. What Lender requires pursuant to the preceding sentences can change during the term of the Loan, and may exceed any minimum coverage required by Applicable Law. Borrower may choose the insurance carrier providing the insurance, subject to Lender's right to disapprove Borrower's choice, which right will not be exercised unreasonably.

**(b) Failure to Maintain Insurance.** If Lender has a reasonable basis to believe that Borrower has failed to maintain any of the required insurance coverages described above, Lender may obtain insurance coverage, at Lender's option and at Borrower's expense. Unless required by Applicable Law, Lender is under no obligation to advance premiums for, or to seek to reinstate, any prior lapsed coverage obtained by Borrower. Lender is under no obligation to purchase any particular type or amount of coverage and may select the provider of such insurance in its sole discretion. Before purchasing such coverage, Lender will notify Borrower if required to do so under Applicable Law. Any such coverage will insure Lender, but might not protect Borrower, Borrower's equity in the Property, or the contents of the Property, against any risk, hazard, or liability and might provide greater or lesser coverage than was previously in effect, but not exceeding the coverage required under Section 3(a). Borrower acknowledges that the cost of the insurance coverage so obtained may significantly exceed the cost of insurance that Borrower could have obtained. Any amounts disbursed by Lender for costs associated with reinstating Borrower's insurance policy or with placing new insurance under this Section 3 will become additional debt of Borrower secured by this Security Instrument. These amounts will bear interest at the rate payable under the Agreement from the date of disbursement and will be payable, with such interest, upon notice from Lender to Borrower requesting payment.

**(c) Insurance Policies.** All insurance policies required by Lender and renewals of such policies: (i) will be subject to Lender's right to disapprove such policies; (ii) must include a standard mortgage clause; and (iii) must name Lender as mortgagee and/or as an additional loss payee, and Borrower further agrees to generally assign rights to insurance proceeds to the holder of the Agreement up to the amount of the outstanding loan balance. Lender will have the right to hold the policies and renewal certificates. If Lender requires, Borrower will promptly give to Lender proof of paid premiums and renewal notices. If Borrower obtains any form of insurance coverage, not otherwise required by Lender, for damage to, or destruction of, the Property, such policy must include a standard mortgage clause and must name Lender as mortgagee and/or as an additional loss payee, and Borrower further agrees to generally assign rights to insurance proceeds to the holder of the Agreement up to the amount of the outstanding loan balance.

**(d) Proof of Loss; Application of Proceeds.** In the event of loss, Borrower must give prompt notice to the insurance carrier and Lender. Lender may make proof of loss if not made promptly by Borrower. Any insurance proceeds, whether or not the underlying insurance was required by Lender, will be applied to restoration or repair of the Property, if Lender deems the restoration or repair to be economically feasible and determines that Lender's security will not be lessened by such restoration or repair.

If the Property is to be repaired or restored, Lender will disburse from the insurance proceeds any initial amounts that are necessary to begin the repair or restoration, subject to any restrictions applicable to Lender. During the subsequent repair and restoration period, Lender will have the right to hold such insurance proceeds until Lender has had an opportunity to inspect such Property to ensure the work has been completed to Lender's satisfaction (which may include satisfying Lender's minimum eligibility requirements for persons repairing the Property, including, but not limited to, licensing, bond, and insurance requirements) provided that such inspection must be undertaken promptly. Lender may disburse proceeds for the repairs and restoration in a single payment or in a series of progress payments as the work is completed, depending on the size of the repair or restoration, the terms of the repair agreement, and whether Borrower is in Default on the Loan. Lender may make such disbursements directly to Borrower, to the person repairing or restoring the Property, or payable jointly to both. Lender will not be required to pay Borrower any interest or earnings on such insurance proceeds unless Lender and Borrower agree in writing or Applicable Law requires otherwise. Fees for public adjusters, or other third parties, retained by Borrower will not be paid out of the insurance proceeds and will be the sole obligation of Borrower.

If, in accordance with Applicable Law, Lender deems the restoration or repair not to be economically feasible or Lender's security would be lessened by such restoration or repair, the insurance proceeds will be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due, with the excess, if any, paid to Borrower.

**(e) Insurance Settlements; Assignment of Proceeds.** If Borrower abandons the Property, Lender may file, negotiate, and settle any available insurance claim and related matters. If Borrower does not respond within 30 days to a notice from Lender that the insurance carrier has offered to settle a claim, then Lender may negotiate and settle the claim. The 30-day period will begin when the notice is given. In either event, or if Lender acquires the Property under Section 18 or otherwise, Borrower is unconditionally assigning to Lender: (i) Borrower's rights to any insurance proceeds in an amount not to exceed the amounts unpaid under the Agreement and this Security Instrument; and (ii) any other of Borrower's rights (other than the right to any refund of unearned premiums paid by Borrower) under all insurance policies covering the Property, to the extent that such rights are applicable to the coverage of the Property. If Lender files, negotiates, or settles a claim, Borrower agrees that any insurance proceeds may be made payable directly to Lender without the need to include Borrower as an additional loss payee. Lender may use the insurance proceeds either to repair or restore the Property (as provided in Section 3(d)) or to pay amounts unpaid under the Agreement or this Security Instrument, whether or not then due, in accordance with Applicable Law.

**4. Preservation, Maintenance, and Protection of the Property; Inspections.** Borrower will not destroy, damage, or impair the Property, allow the Property to deteriorate, or commit waste on the Property. Whether or not Borrower is residing in the Property, Borrower must maintain the Property in order to prevent the Property from deteriorating or decreasing in value due to its condition. Unless Lender determines pursuant to Section 3 that repair or restoration is not economically feasible, Borrower will promptly repair the Property if damaged to avoid further deterioration or damage.

If insurance or condemnation proceeds are paid to Lender in connection with damage to, or the taking of, the Property, Borrower will be responsible for repairing or restoring the Property only if Lender has released proceeds for such purposes. Lender may disburse proceeds for the repairs and restoration in a single payment or in a series of progress payments as the work is completed, depending on the size of the repair or restoration, the terms of the repair agreement, and whether Borrower is in Default on the Loan. Lender may make such disbursements directly to Borrower, to the person repairing or restoring the Property, or payable jointly to both. If the insurance or condemnation proceeds are not sufficient to repair or restore the Property, Borrower remains obligated to complete such repair or restoration.

Lender may make reasonable entries upon and inspections of the Property. If Lender has reasonable cause, Lender may inspect the interior of the improvements on the Property. Lender will give Borrower notice at the time of or prior to such an interior inspection specifying such reasonable cause.

**5. Protection of Lender's Interest in the Property and Rights Under this Security Instrument.**

**(a) Protection of Lender's Interest.** If: (i) Borrower fails to perform the covenants and agreements contained in this Security Instrument; (ii) there is a legal proceeding or government order that might significantly affect Lender's interest in the Property and/or rights under this Security Instrument (such as a proceeding in bankruptcy, probate, for condemnation or forfeiture, for enforcement of a lien that has priority or may attain priority over this Security Instrument, or to enforce laws or regulations); or (iii) Lender reasonably believes that Borrower has abandoned the Property, then Lender may do and pay for whatever is reasonable or appropriate to protect Lender's interest in the Property and/or rights under this Security Instrument, including protecting and/or assessing the value of the Property, and securing and/or repairing the Property. Lender's actions may include, but are not limited to: (I) paying any sums secured by a lien

that has priority or may attain priority over this Security Instrument; (II) appearing in court; and (III) paying: (A) reasonable attorneys' fees and costs; (B) property inspection and valuation fees; and (C) other fees incurred for the purpose of protecting Lender's interest in the Property and/or rights under this Security Instrument, including its secured position in a bankruptcy proceeding. Securing the Property includes, but is not limited to, exterior and interior inspections of the Property, entering the Property to make repairs, changing locks, replacing or boarding up doors and windows, draining water from pipes, eliminating building or other code violations or dangerous conditions, and having utilities turned on or off. Although Lender may take action under this Section 5, Lender is not required to do so and is not under any duty or obligation to do so. Lender will not be liable for not taking any or all actions authorized under this Section 5.

**(b) Avoiding Foreclosure; Mitigating Losses.** If Borrower is in Default, Lender may work with Borrower to avoid foreclosure and/or mitigate Lender's potential losses, but is not obligated to do so unless required by Applicable Law. Lender may take reasonable actions to evaluate Borrower for available alternatives to foreclosure, including, but not limited to, obtaining credit reports, title reports, title insurance, property valuations, subordination agreements, and third-party approvals. Borrower authorizes and consents to these actions. Any costs associated with such loss mitigation activities may be paid by Lender and recovered from Borrower as described below in Section 5(c), unless prohibited by Applicable Law.

**(c) Additional Amounts Secured.** Any amounts disbursed by Lender under this Section 5 will become additional debt of Borrower secured by this Security Instrument. These amounts shall bear interest at the rate chargeable for advances under the Agreement from the date of disbursement and will be payable, with such interest, upon notice from Lender to Borrower requesting payment.

**(d) Leasehold Terms.** If this Security Instrument is on a leasehold, Borrower will comply with all the provisions of the lease. If Borrower acquires fee title to the Property, the leasehold and the fee title will not merge unless Lender agrees to the merger in writing. Borrower will not surrender the leasehold estate and interests conveyed or terminate or cancel the ground lease. Borrower will not, without the express written consent of Lender, alter or amend the ground lease.

#### **6. Assignment of Rents.**

**(a) Assignment of Rents.** If the Property is leased to, used by, or occupied by a third party ("Tenant"), Borrower is unconditionally assigning and transferring to Lender any Rents, regardless of to whom the Rents are payable. This assignment of Rents constitutes a perfected, absolute and present assignment. Lender grants to Borrower a license to collect, but not prior to accrual, and retain the Rents; however, upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an event of Default, Borrower's license to collect and retain the Rents will immediately terminate. Under this license, Borrower will receive the Rents until: (i) Lender has given Borrower notice of Default pursuant to Section 18; and (ii) Lender has given notice to the Tenant that the Rents are to be paid to Lender. This Section 6 constitutes an absolute assignment and not an assignment for additional security only.

**(b) Notice of Default.** If Lender gives notice of Default to Borrower, all of the following will apply, unless prohibited by Applicable Law: (i) all Rents received by Borrower must be held by Borrower as trustee for the benefit of Lender only, to be applied to the sums secured by the Security Instrument; (ii) Lender will be entitled to collect and receive all of the Rents; (iii) Borrower agrees to instruct each Tenant that Tenant is to pay all Rents due and unpaid to Lender upon Lender's written demand to the Tenant; (iv) Borrower will ensure that each Tenant pays all Rents due to Lender and will take whatever action is necessary to collect such Rents if not paid to Lender; (v) unless Applicable Law provides otherwise, all Rents collected by Lender will be applied first to the costs of taking control of and managing the Property and collecting the Rents, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, receiver's fees, premiums on receiver's bonds, repair and maintenance costs, insurance premiums, taxes, assessments, and other charges on the Property, and then to any other sums secured by this Security Instrument; (vi) Lender, or any judicially appointed receiver, will be liable to account for only those Rents actually received; and (vii) Lender will be entitled to have a receiver appointed to take possession of and manage the Property and collect the Rents and profits derived from the Property without any showing as to the inadequacy of the Property as security.

**(c) Funds Paid by Lender.** If the Rents are not sufficient to cover the costs of taking control of and managing the Property and of collecting the Rents, any funds paid by Lender for such purposes will become indebtedness of Borrower to Lender secured by this Security Instrument pursuant to Section 5.

**(d) Limitation on Collection of Rents.** Borrower may not collect any of the Rents more than one month in advance of the time when the Rents become due, except for security or similar deposits.

**(e) No Other Assignment of Rents.** Borrower represents, warrants, covenants, and agrees that Borrower has not signed any prior assignment of the Rents, will not make any further assignment of the Rents, and has not performed, and will not perform, any act that could prevent Lender from exercising its rights under this Security Instrument.

**(f) Control and Maintenance of the Property.** Unless required by Applicable Law, Lender, or a receiver appointed under Applicable Law, is not obligated to enter upon, take control of, or maintain the Property before or after giving notice of Default to Borrower. However, Lender, or a receiver appointed under Applicable Law, may do so at any time when Borrower is in Default, subject to Applicable Law.

**(g) Additional Provisions.** Any application of the Rents will not cure or waive any Default or invalidate any other right or remedy of Lender.

This Section 6 will terminate when all the sums secured by this Security Instrument are paid in full.

#### **7. Assignment and Application of Miscellaneous Proceeds; Forfeiture.**

**(a) Assignment of Miscellaneous Proceeds.** Borrower is unconditionally assigning the right to receive all Miscellaneous Proceeds to Lender and agrees that such amounts will be paid to Lender.

**(b) Application of Miscellaneous Proceeds upon Damage to Property.** If the Property is damaged, any Miscellaneous Proceeds will be applied to restoration or repair of the Property, if Lender deems the restoration or repair to be economically feasible and Lender's security will not be lessened by such restoration or repair. During such repair and restoration period, Lender will have the right to hold such Miscellaneous Proceeds until Lender has had an opportunity to inspect the Property to ensure the work

has been completed to Lender's satisfaction (which may include satisfying Lender's minimum eligibility requirements for persons repairing the Property, including, but not limited to, licensing, bond, and insurance requirements) provided that such inspection must be undertaken promptly. Lender may pay for the repairs and restoration in a single disbursement or in a series of progress payments as the work is completed, depending on the size of the repair or restoration, the terms of the repair agreement, and whether Borrower is in Default on the Loan. Lender may make such disbursements directly to Borrower, to the person repairing or restoring the Property, or payable jointly to both. Unless Lender and Borrower agree in writing or Applicable Law requires interest to be paid on such Miscellaneous Proceeds, Lender will not be required to pay Borrower any interest or earnings on such Miscellaneous Proceeds. If Lender deems the restoration or repair not to be economically feasible or Lender's security would be lessened by such restoration or repair, the Miscellaneous Proceeds will be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due, unless prohibited by Applicable Law, with the excess, if any, paid to Borrower.

**(c) Application of Miscellaneous Proceeds upon Condemnation, Destruction, or Loss in Value of the Property.** In the event of a total taking, destruction, or loss in value of the Property, all of the Miscellaneous Proceeds will be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due, unless prohibited by Applicable Law, with the excess, if any, paid to Borrower.

In the event of a partial taking, destruction, or loss in value of the Property (each, a "Partial Devaluation") where the fair market value of the Property immediately before the Partial Devaluation is equal to or greater than the amount of the sums secured by this Security Instrument immediately before the Partial Devaluation, a percentage of the Miscellaneous Proceeds will be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, unless prohibited by Applicable Law, or unless Borrower and Lender otherwise agree in writing. The amount of the Miscellaneous Proceeds that will be so applied is determined by multiplying the total amount of the Miscellaneous Proceeds by a percentage calculated by taking (i) the total amount of the sums secured immediately before the Partial Devaluation, and dividing it by (ii) the fair market value of the Property immediately before the Partial Devaluation. Any balance of the Miscellaneous Proceeds will be paid to Borrower.

In the event of a Partial Devaluation where the fair market value of the Property immediately before the Partial Devaluation is less than the amount of the sums secured immediately before the Partial Devaluation, all of the Miscellaneous Proceeds will be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not the sums are then due, unless Borrower and Lender otherwise agree in writing.

**(d) Settlement of Claims.** Lender is authorized to collect and apply the Miscellaneous Proceeds either to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due, or to restoration or repair of the Property, if Borrower: (i) abandons the Property; or (ii) fails to respond to Lender within 30 days after the date Lender notifies Borrower that the Opposing Party (as defined in the next sentence) offers to settle a claim for damages. "Opposing Party" means the third party that owes Borrower the Miscellaneous Proceeds or the party against whom Borrower has a right of action in regard to the Miscellaneous Proceeds.

**(e) Proceeding Affecting Lender's Interest in the Property.** Borrower will be in Default if any action or proceeding begins, whether civil or criminal, that, in Lender's judgment, could result in forfeiture of the Property or other material impairment of Lender's interest in the Property or rights under this Security Instrument, unless prohibited by Applicable Law. Borrower can cure such a Default and, if acceleration has occurred, reinstate as provided in Section 15, by causing the action or proceeding to be dismissed with a ruling that, in Lender's judgment, precludes forfeiture of the Property or other material impairment of Lender's interest in the Property or rights under this Security Instrument. Borrower is unconditionally assigning to Lender the proceeds of any award or claim for damages that are attributable to the impairment of Lender's interest in the Property, which proceeds will be paid to Lender. All Miscellaneous Proceeds that are not applied to restoration or repair of the Property will be applied first to interest and then to principal due under the Agreement. If all outstanding Periodic Payments then due are paid in full, any remaining Miscellaneous Proceeds will be applied to late charges and to any amounts then due under this Security Instrument. If all sums then due under this Agreement and this Security Instrument are paid in full, any remaining Miscellaneous Proceeds may be applied, in Lender's sole discretion, to a future Periodic Payment or to reduce the principal balance of the Agreement.

**8. Borrower Not Released; Forbearance by Lender Not a Waiver.** Borrower or any Successor in Interest of Borrower will not be released from liability under this Security Instrument if Lender extends the time for payment or modifies the amortization of the sums secured by this Security Instrument. Lender will not be required to commence proceedings against any Successor in Interest of Borrower, or to refuse to extend time for payment or otherwise modify amortization of the sums secured by this Security Instrument, by reason of any demand made by the original Borrower or any Successors in Interest of Borrower. Any forbearance by Lender in exercising any right or remedy including, without limitation, Lender's acceptance of payments from third persons, entities, or Successors in Interest of Borrower or in amounts less than the amount then due, will not be a waiver of, or preclude the exercise of, any right or remedy by Lender.

**9. Joint and Several Liability; Signatories; Successors and Assigns Bound.** Borrower's obligations and liability under this Security Instrument will be joint and several. However, any Borrower who signs this Security Instrument but does not sign the Agreement: (a) signs this Security Instrument to mortgage, grant, and convey such Borrower's interest in the Property under the terms of this Security Instrument; (b) signs this Security Instrument to waive any applicable inchoate rights and any available homestead exemptions, unless prohibited by Applicable Law; (c) signs this Security Instrument to assign any Miscellaneous Proceeds, Rents, or other earnings from the Property to Lender; (d) is not personally obligated to pay the sums due under the Agreement or this Security Instrument; and (e) agrees that Lender and any other Borrower can agree to extend, modify, forbear, or make any accommodations with regard to the terms of the Agreement or this Security Instrument without such Borrower's consent and without affecting such Borrower's obligations under this Security Instrument.

Subject to the provisions of Section 14, any Successor in Interest of Borrower who assumes Borrower's obligations under this Security Instrument in writing, and is approved by Lender, will obtain all of Borrower's rights, obligations, and benefits under this Security Instrument. Borrower will not be released

from Borrower's obligations and liability under this Security Instrument unless Lender agrees to such release in writing.

**10. Loan Charges.**

**(a) Tax and Flood Determination Fees.** Lender may require Borrower to pay: (i) a one-time charge for a real estate tax verification and/or reporting service used by Lender in connection with this Loan; and (ii) either: (A) a one-time charge for flood zone determination, certification, and tracking services; or (B) a one-time charge for flood zone determination and certification services and subsequent charges each time remappings or similar changes occur that reasonably might affect such determination or certification. Borrower will also be responsible for the payment of any fees imposed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, or any successor agency, at any time during the Loan term, in connection with any flood zone determinations.

**(b) Default Charges.** If permitted under Applicable Law, Lender may charge Borrower fees for services performed in connection with Borrower's Default to protect Lender's interest in the Property and rights under this Security Instrument, including: (i) reasonable attorneys' fees and costs; (ii) property inspection, valuation, mediation, and loss mitigation fees; and (iii) other related fees.

**(c) Permissibility of Fees.** In regard to any other fees, the absence of express authority in this Security Instrument to charge a specific fee to Borrower should not be construed as a prohibition on the charging of such fee. Lender may not charge fees that are expressly prohibited by this Security Instrument or by Applicable Law.

**(d) Savings Clause.** If Applicable Law sets maximum loan charges, and that law is finally interpreted so that the interest or other loan charges collected or to be collected in connection with the Loan exceed the permitted limits, then: (i) any such loan charge will be reduced by the amount necessary to reduce the charge to the permitted limit; and (ii) any sums already collected from Borrower which exceeded permitted limits will be refunded to Borrower. Lender may choose to make this refund by reducing the principal owed under the Agreement or by making a direct payment to Borrower. If a refund reduces principal, the reduction will be treated as a partial prepayment without any prepayment charge (whether or not a prepayment charge is provided for under the Agreement). To the extent permitted by Applicable Law, Borrower's acceptance of any such refund made by direct payment to Borrower will constitute a waiver of any right of action Borrower might have arising out of such overcharge.

**11. Notices; Borrower's Physical Address.** All notices given by Borrower or Lender in connection with this Security Instrument must be in writing.

**(a) Notices to Borrower.** Unless Applicable Law requires a different method, any written notice to Borrower in connection with this Security Instrument will be deemed to have been given to Borrower when: (i) mailed by first class mail; or (ii) actually delivered to Borrower's Notice Address (as defined in Section 11 (c) below) if sent by means other than first class mail or Electronic Communication (as defined in Section 11 (b) below). Notice to any one Borrower will constitute notice to all Borrowers unless Applicable Law expressly requires otherwise. If any notice to Borrower required by this Security Instrument is also required under Applicable Law, the Applicable Law requirement will satisfy the corresponding requirement under this Security Instrument.

**(b) Electronic Notice to Borrower.** Unless another delivery method is required by Applicable Law, Lender may provide notice to Borrower by e-mail or other electronic communication ("Electronic Communication") if: (i) agreed to by Lender and Borrower in writing; (ii) Borrower has provided Lender with Borrower's e-mail or other electronic address ("Electronic Address"); (iii) Lender provides Borrower with the option to receive notices by first class mail or by other non-Electronic Communication instead of by Electronic Communication; and (iv) Lender otherwise complies with Applicable Law. Any notice to Borrower sent by Electronic Communication in connection with this Security Instrument will be deemed to have been given to Borrower when sent unless Lender becomes aware that such notice is not delivered. If Lender becomes aware that any notice sent by Electronic Communication is not delivered, Lender will resend such communication to Borrower by first class mail or by other non-Electronic Communication. Borrower may withdraw the agreement to receive Electronic Communications from Lender at any time by providing written notice to Lender of Borrower's withdrawal of such agreement.

**(c) Borrower's Notice Address.** The address to which Lender will send Borrower notice ("Notice Address") will be the Property Address unless Borrower has designated a different address by written notice to Lender. If Lender and Borrower have agreed that notice may be given by Electronic Communication, then Borrower may designate an Electronic Address as Notice Address. Borrower will promptly notify Lender of Borrower's change of Notice Address, including any changes to Borrower's Electronic Address if designated as Notice Address. If Lender specifies a procedure for reporting Borrower's change of Notice Address, then Borrower will report a change of Notice Address only through that specified procedure.

**(d) Notices to Lender.** Any notice to Lender will be given by delivering it or by mailing it by first class mail to Lender's address stated in this Security Instrument unless Lender has designated another address (including an Electronic Address) by notice to Borrower. Any notice in connection with this Security Instrument will be deemed to have been given to Lender only when actually received by Lender at Lender's designated address (which may include an Electronic Address). If any notice to Lender required by this Security Instrument is also required under Applicable Law, the Applicable Law requirement will satisfy the corresponding requirement under this Security Instrument.

**(e) Borrower's Physical Address.** In addition to the designated Notice Address, Borrower will provide Lender with the address where Borrower physically resides, if different from the Property Address, and notify Lender whenever this address changes.

**12. Governing Law; Severability; Rules of Construction.** This Security Instrument is governed by federal law and the law of the State of Washington. All rights and obligations contained in this Security Instrument are subject to any requirements and limitations of Applicable Law. If any provision of this Security Instrument or the Agreement conflicts with Applicable Law: (a) such conflict will not affect other provisions of this Security Instrument or the Agreement that can be given effect without the conflicting provision; and (b) such conflicting provision, to the extent possible, will be considered modified to comply

with Applicable Law. Applicable Law might explicitly or implicitly allow the parties to agree by contract or it might be silent, but such silence should not be construed as a prohibition against agreement by contract. Any action required under this Security Instrument to be made in accordance with Applicable Law is to be made in accordance with the Applicable Law in effect at the time the action is undertaken.

As used in this Security Instrument: (aa) words in the singular will mean and include the plural and vice versa; (bb) the word "may" gives sole discretion without any obligation to take any action; (cc) any reference to "Section" in this document refers to Sections contained in this Security Instrument unless otherwise noted; and (dd) the headings and captions are inserted for convenience of reference and do not define, limit, or describe the scope or intent of this Security Instrument or any particular Section, paragraph, or provision.

**13. Borrower's Copy.** One Borrower will be given one copy of the Agreement and of this Security Instrument.

**14. Transfer of the Property or a Beneficial Interest in Borrower.** For purposes of this Section 14 only, "Interest in the Property" means any legal or beneficial interest in the Property, including, but not limited to, those beneficial interests transferred in a bond for deed, contract for deed, installment sales contract, or escrow agreement, the intent of which is the transfer of title by Borrower to a purchaser at a future date.

If all or any part of the Property or any Interest in the Property is sold or transferred (or if Borrower is not a natural person and a beneficial interest in Borrower is sold or transferred) without Lender's prior written consent, Lender may require immediate payment in full of all sums secured by this Security Instrument. However, Lender will not exercise this option if such exercise is prohibited by Applicable Law.

If Lender exercises this option, Lender will give Borrower notice of acceleration. The notice will provide a period of not less than 30 days from the date the notice is given in accordance with Section 11 within which Borrower must pay all sums secured by this Security Instrument. If Borrower fails to pay these sums prior to, or upon, the expiration of this period, Lender may invoke any remedies permitted by this Security Instrument without further notice or demand on Borrower and will be entitled to collect all expenses incurred in pursuing such remedies, including, but not limited to: (a) reasonable attorneys' fees and costs; (b) property inspection and valuation fees; and (c) other fees incurred to protect Lender's Interest in the Property and/or rights under this Security Instrument.

**15. Borrower's Right to Reinstate the Loan after Acceleration.** If Borrower meets certain conditions, Borrower will have the right to reinstate the Loan and have enforcement of this Security Instrument discontinued at any time up to the later of: (a) five days before any foreclosure sale of the Property; or (b) such other period as Applicable Law might specify for the termination of Borrower's right to reinstate. This right to reinstate will not apply in the case of acceleration under Section 14.

To reinstate the Loan, Borrower must satisfy all of the following conditions: (aa) pay Lender all sums that then would be due under this Security Instrument and the Agreement as if no acceleration had occurred; (bb) cure any Default of any other covenants or agreements under this Security Instrument or the Agreement; (cc) pay all expenses incurred in enforcing this Security Instrument or the Agreement, including, but not limited to: (i) reasonable attorneys' fees and costs; (ii) property inspection and valuation fees; and (iii) other fees incurred to protect Lender's interest in the Property and/or rights under this Security Instrument or the Agreement; and (dd) take such action as Lender may reasonably require to assure that Lender's interest in the Property and/or rights under this Security Instrument or the Agreement, and Borrower's obligation to pay the sums secured by this Security Instrument or the Agreement, will continue unchanged.

Lender may require that Borrower pay such reinstatement sums and expenses in one or more of the following forms, as selected by Lender: (aaa) cash; (bbb) money order; (ccc) certified check, bank check, treasurer's check, or cashier's check, provided any such check is drawn upon an institution whose deposits are insured by a U.S. federal agency, instrumentality, or entity; or (ddd) Electronic Fund Transfer. Upon Borrower's reinstatement of the Loan, this Security Instrument and obligations secured by this Security Instrument will remain fully effective as if no acceleration had occurred.

**16. Hazardous Substances.**

**(a) Definitions.** As used in this Section 16: (i) "Environmental Law" means any Applicable Laws where the Property is located that relate to health, safety, or environmental protection; (ii) "Hazardous Substances" include: (A) those substances defined as toxic or hazardous substances, pollutants, or wastes by Environmental Law; and (B) the following substances: gasoline, kerosene, other flammable or toxic petroleum products, toxic pesticides and herbicides, volatile solvents, materials containing asbestos or formaldehyde, corrosive materials or agents, and radioactive materials; (iii) "Environmental Cleanup" includes any response action, remedial action, or removal action, as defined in Environmental Law; and (iv) an "Environmental Condition" means a condition that can cause, contribute to, or otherwise trigger an Environmental Cleanup.

**(b) Restrictions on Use of Hazardous Substances.** Borrower will not cause or permit the presence, use, disposal, storage, or release of any Hazardous Substances, or threaten to release any Hazardous Substances, on or in the Property. Borrower will not do, nor allow anyone else to do, anything affecting the Property that: (i) violates Environmental Law; (ii) creates an Environmental Condition; or (iii) due to the presence, use, or release of a Hazardous Substance, creates a condition that adversely affects or could adversely affect the value of the Property. The preceding two sentences will not apply to the presence, use, or storage on the Property of small quantities of Hazardous Substances that are generally recognized to be appropriate to normal residential uses and to maintenance of the Property (including, but not limited to, hazardous substances in consumer products).

**(c) Notices; Remedial Actions.** Borrower will promptly give Lender written notice of: (i) any investigation, claim, demand, lawsuit, or other action by any governmental or regulatory agency or private party involving the Property and any Hazardous Substance or Environmental Law of which Borrower has actual knowledge; (ii) any Environmental Condition, including but not limited to, any spilling, leaking, discharge, release, or threat of release of any Hazardous Substance; and (iii) any condition caused by the

presence, use, or release of a Hazardous Substance that adversely affects the value of the Property. If Borrower learns, or is notified by any governmental or regulatory authority or any private party, that any removal or other remediation of any Hazardous Substance affecting the Property is necessary, Borrower will promptly take all necessary remedial actions in accordance with Environmental Law. Nothing in this Security Instrument will create any obligation on Lender for an Environmental Cleanup.

**17. Electronic Agreement Signed with Borrower's Electronic Signature.** If the Agreement evidencing the debt for this Loan is electronic, Borrower acknowledges and represents to Lender that Borrower: (a) expressly consented and intended to sign the electronic Agreement using an Electronic Signature adopted by Borrower ("Borrower's Electronic Signature") instead of signing a paper Agreement with Borrower's written pen and ink signature; (b) did not withdraw Borrower's express consent to sign the electronic Agreement using Borrower's Electronic Signature; (c) understood that by signing the electronic Agreement using Borrower's Electronic Signature, Borrower promised to pay the debt evidenced by the electronic Agreement in accordance with its terms; and (d) signed the electronic Agreement with Borrower's Electronic Signature with the intent and understanding that by doing so, Borrower promised to pay the debt evidenced by the electronic Agreement in accordance with its terms.

**18. Acceleration; Remedies.**

**(a) Notification of Default.** Lender will give a notification of Default to Borrower prior to acceleration following Borrower's Default, except that such notification of Default will not be sent when Lender exercises its right under Section 14 unless Applicable Law provides otherwise. The notification will specify, in addition to any other information required by Applicable Law: (i) the Default; (ii) the action required to cure the Default; (iii) a date, not less than 30 days (or as otherwise specified by Applicable Law) from the date the notification is given to Borrower, by which the Default must be cured; (iv) that failure to cure the Default on or before the date specified in the notification may result in acceleration of the sums secured by this Security Instrument and sale of the Property at public auction; (v) Borrower's right to reinstate after acceleration or commencement of the foreclosure in accordance with Applicable law; and (vi) any other matters required to be included in the notification by Applicable Law.

**(b) Acceleration; Power of Sale; Expenses.** If the Default is not cured on or before the date specified in the notification, Lender, and in accordance with Applicable Law, may require immediate payment in full of all sums secured by this Security Instrument without further demand and may invoke the power of sale and/or any other remedies permitted by Applicable Law. Lender will be entitled to collect all expenses incurred in pursuing the remedies provided in this Section 18, including, but not limited to: (i) reasonable attorneys' fees and costs, and other fees and costs associated with the enforcement of this Security Instrument, including but not limited to, foreclosure trustee's and sheriff's fees and costs, and title costs; (ii) property inspection and valuation fees; and (iii) any other fees incurred to protect Lender's interest in the Property and/or rights under this Security Instrument unless prohibited by Applicable Law.

**(c) Foreclosure Notices; Sale of Property.** If Lender invokes the power of sale, Lender will send notice to Trustee of the occurrence of an event of Default and of Lender's election to cause the Property to be sold. Trustee and/or Lender will take such action regarding any required notices and will give such notices to Borrower and to other recipients as Applicable Law may require. At a time permitted, in accordance with Applicable Law, and after publication of the notice of sale, Trustee, without further demand on Borrower, will sell the Property at public auction to the highest bidder at the time and place and under the terms designated in the notice of sale in one or more parcels and in any order Trustee determines. Trustee may postpone sale of the Property for a period or periods permitted by Applicable Law by public announcement at the time and place fixed in the notice of sale. Lender or its designee may purchase the Property at any sale.

**(d) Trustee's Deed; Proceeds of Sale.** Trustee will deliver to the purchaser a Trustee's deed conveying the Property without any covenant or warranty, expressed or implied. The recitals in the Trustee's deed will be prima facie evidence of the truth of the statements made in that deed. Trustee will apply the proceeds of the sale in the following order: (i) to all expenses of the sale, including, but not limited to, reasonable Trustee's and attorneys' fees and costs; (ii) to all sums secured by this Security Instrument; and (iii) the surplus, if any, less the clerk's filing fee, shall be deposited, together with all documents required under Applicable Law, with the clerk of the superior court of the county in which the sale took place.

**19. Reconveyance.** Upon payment of all sums secured by this Security Instrument and termination of any ability of Borrower to obtain further advances under the Agreement, Lender will request Trustee to reconvey the Property and will surrender this Security Instrument and all Agreements evidencing the debt secured by this Security Instrument to Trustee. Upon such request, Trustee will reconvey the Property without warranty to the person or persons legally entitled to it. Such person or persons will pay any recordation costs and the Trustee's fee for preparing the reconveyance.

**20. Substitute Trustee.** In accordance with Applicable Law, Lender may, from time to time, appoint a successor trustee to any Trustee appointed under this Security Instrument who has ceased to act. Without conveyance of the Property, the successor trustee will succeed to all the rights, title, power, and duties conferred upon Trustee in this Security Instrument and by Applicable Law.

**21. Use of Property.** The Property is not used principally for agricultural purposes.

**22. Attorneys' Fees.** Lender will be entitled to recover in any action or proceeding to construe or enforce any term of this Security Instrument: (a) its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs; and (b) any other fees and costs associated with the enforcement of this Security Instrument, including but not limited to, foreclosure trustee and sheriff's fees and costs and title costs. The term "attorneys' fees," whenever used in this Security Instrument, includes without limitation attorneys' fees incurred by Lender in any bankruptcy proceeding or on appeal.

**ORAL AGREEMENTS OR ORAL COMMITMENTS TO LOAN MONEY, EXTEND CREDIT, OR TO FORBEAR FROM ENFORCING REPAYMENT OF A DEBT ARE NOT ENFORCEABLE UNDER WASHINGTON LAW.**

BY SIGNING BELOW, Borrower accepts and agrees to the terms and covenants contained in this Security Instrument and in any Rider signed by Borrower and recorded with it.

The undersigned Borrower requests that a copy of any Notice of Default and any Notice of Sale under this Security Instrument be mailed to Borrower's Notice Address.

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(Seal) Dennis R Cole (Seal)  
-Borrower Dennis R Cole -Borrower

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(Seal) Merle B Cole (Seal)  
-Borrower Merle B Cole -Borrower

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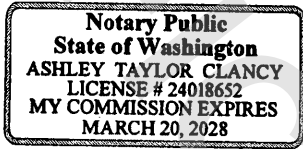
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STATE OF WASHINGTON )  
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COUNTY OF Skagit )

On this day personally appeared before me Dennis R. Cole and Merie B. Cole  
Name of Signer(s)

to me known or identified on the basis of identification documents to be the individual(s) described in and who executed the within and foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he / she / they signed the same as his / her / their free and voluntary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Given under my official hand and seal this 18 day of December, 2025  
Day Month Year



(seal)

Ashley Taylor Clancy  
Notary Public in and for the State of Washington

My commission expires: March 20, 2028

Residing at: Mount Vernon