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1. Joseph John Burns

2. RLI Insurance Company

Grantee(s):

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1. Skagit County Commissioners

2.

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Signed

Sharon Curtin

Dated

1/7/24



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## Official Bond And Oath

Bond No. LSM5031044

### KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, Joseph John Burns, as Principal,  
and RLI Insurance Company, a corporation duly licensed to do business in the State of Washington,  
as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the Skagit County Commissioners  
in the penal sum of Twenty Five Thousand and 00/100 DOLLARS  
(\$ 25,000.00), to the payment of which sum, well and truly to be made, we jointly and severally bind ourselves and our  
legal representatives firmly by these presents.

DATED this 6th day of January, 2026.

THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That whereas, the said Principal was duly ☐ elected ☒ appointed  
to the office of Commissioner - District 3 in the State  
of Washington for the term commencing on the 6th day of January, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE, if the said Principal shall faithfully perform the duties of his said office, then this obligation shall be void and  
of no effect.

This bond is executed by the Surety upon the following express conditions:

FIRST, the Surety shall not be liable hereunder for the loss of any public moneys or funds occurring through or resulting from the  
failure of, or default in payment by, any banks or depositories in which any public moneys or funds have been deposited, or may  
be deposited, or placed to the credit, or under the control of the Principal, whether or not such banks or depositories were or may  
be selected or designated by the Principal or by other persons; or by reason of the allowance to, or acceptance by the Principal or  
any interest on said public moneys or funds, any law, decision, ordinances, or statute to the contrary notwithstanding.

SECOND, that the Surety shall not be liable for any loss or losses, resulting from the failure of the Principal to collect any taxes,  
licenses, levies, assessments, etc., with the collections or which he may be chargeable by reason of his election or appointment as  
aforesaid.

THIRD, that the Surety may, if it shall so elect, cancel this bond by giving thirty (30) days notice in writing to the Obligee and this  
bond shall be deemed canceled at the expiration of said thirty (30) days; the Surety remaining liable, however, subject to all the  
terms, conditions and provisions of this bond for any act or acts covered by this bond which may have been committed by the  
Principal up to the date of such cancellation.



Joseph John Burns

*[Signature]*  
Principal

RLI Insurance Company

*[Signature]*  
Lisa Pohl Attorney In Fact

### APPROVAL:

I have inspected the above Bond and do hereby certify  
that the same is sufficient.

*[Signature]*  
Approving Officer

*[Signature]*  
Title

## OATH OF OFFICE

THE STATE OF Washington }  
 County of Skagit } SS

Joseph John Burns, being duly sworn, says that he will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Washington, and that he will faithfully discharge the duties of his said office as Commissioner - District 3.

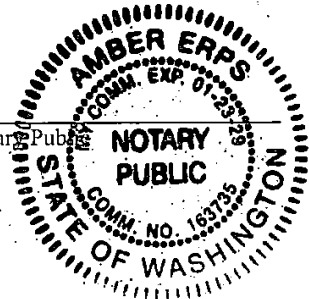
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2026.

My Commission Expires

January 23, 2029.

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Notary Public



## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SURETY

STATE OF Washington }  
 COUNTY OF Snohomish } SS

On this 6th day of January, 2026, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared Lisa Pohl, personally known to me, who being by me duly sworn, did say that he/she is the aforesaid Attorney In Fact of the RLL Insurance Company of Peoria, Illinois, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, that the said instrument was signed, sealed and executed in behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors, and further acknowledge that the said instrument and the execution thereof to be a voluntary act and deed of said corporation.

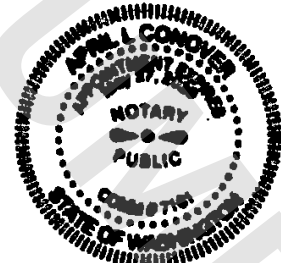
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed by official seal the day and year last above written.

Notary Public

April L. Conover

My Commission Expires

5/27/29



**POWER OF ATTORNEY****RLI Insurance Company**9025 N. Lindbergh Dr. Peoria, IL 61615  
Phone: 800-645-2402**Know All Men by These Presents:**Bond No. LSM5031044

That this Power of Attorney is not valid or in effect unless attached to the bond which it authorizes executed, but may be detached by the approving officer if desired.

That the RLI Insurance Company, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and authorized and licensed to do business in all states and the District of Columbia does hereby make, constitute and appoint: Lisa Pohl in the City of Lynnwood, State of Washington, as its true and lawful Agent and Attorney In Fact, with full power and authority hereby conferred upon him/her to sign, execute, acknowledge and deliver for and on its behalf as Surety, for the following described bond.

Principal: Joseph John Burns  
 Obligee: Skagit County Commissioners  
 Type Bond: Commissioner - District 3  
 Bond Amount: \$ 25,000.00  
 Effective Date: January 6, 2026

The acknowledgement and execution of such bond by the said Attorney in Fact shall be as binding upon the Company as if such bond had been executed and acknowledged by the regularly elected officers of the Company.

The RLI Insurance Company further certifies that the following is a true and exact copy of a Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of RLI Insurance Company, and now in force to-wit:

"All bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation shall be executed in the corporate name of the Company by the President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, or any Vice President, or by such other officers as the Board of Directors may authorize. The President, any Vice President, Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, or the Treasurer may appoint Attorneys in Fact or Agents who shall have authority to issue bonds, policies or undertakings in the name of the Company. The corporate seal is not necessary for the validity of any bonds, policies, undertakings, Powers of Attorney or other obligations of the corporation. The signature of any such officer and the corporate seal may be printed by facsimile."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the RLI Insurance Company has caused these presents to be executed by its Sr. Vice President with its corporate seal affixed this 6th day of January, 2026.



RLI Insurance Company

By: Eric Raudins Sr. Vice President

State of Ohio

County of Cuyahoga

} SS

On this 6th day of January, 2026, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared Eric Raudins, who being by me duly sworn, acknowledged that he signed the above Power of Attorney as the aforesaid officer of the RLI Insurance Company, and acknowledged said instrument to be the voluntary act and deed of said corporation.

By: Jill A. Scott Notary Public



JILL A. SCOTT  
Notary Public, State of Ohio  
My Commission Expires:  
September 22, 2030

**CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned officer of RLI Insurance Company do hereby certify that the attached Power of Attorney is in full force and effect and is irrevocable; and furthermore, that the Resolution of the Company as set forth in the Power of Attorney, is now in force. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the RLI Insurance Company this 6th day of January, 2026.

RLI Insurance Company

By: Christina Dean Corporate Secretary

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