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AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF ANY AND ALL CLAIMS

THIS AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF CLAIMS (“Agreement and Release”) IS MADE AND ENTERED INTO THIS DAY OF , 20\_\_\_ by and between the BAKERSFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT (“District”) and (“Contractor”), whose place of business is .

RECITALS

**WHEREAS**, District and Contractor entered into PROJECT/CONTRACT NO.: (“Contract” or “Project”) in the County of Kern, California; and

**WHEREAS**, the Work under the Contract was completed on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and a Notice of Completion was recorded with the County Recorder on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed between District and Contractor as follows:

AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

1. Contractor will only be assessed liquidated damages as detailed below:

 Original Contract Sum $

 Modified Contract Sum $

 Payment to Date $

 Liquidated Damages $

 Payment Due Contractor $

1. Subject to the provisions hereof, District shall forthwith pay to Contractor the undisputed sum of Dollars ($ ) under the Contract, less any amounts represented by any notice to withhold funds on file with District as of the date of such payment.
2. Contractor acknowledges and hereby agrees that there are no unresolved or outstanding claims in dispute against District arising from the performance of work under the Contract, except for the claims described in Paragraph 4 and continuing obligations described in Paragraph 6. It is the intention of the parties in executing this Agreement and Release that this Agreement and Release shall be effective as a full, final and general release of all claims, demands, actions, causes of action, obligations, costs, expenses, damages, losses and liabilities of Contractor against District and all of its respective agents, employees, trustees, inspectors, assignees, consultants and transferees, except for any Disputed Claim that may be set forth in Paragraph 4 and the continuing obligations described in Paragraph 6 hereof.
3. The following claims are disputed (hereinafter, the "Disputed Claims") and are specifically excluded from the operation of this Agreement and Release:

Claim No. Description of ClaimAmount of Claim Date Claim Submitted

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[If further space is required, attach additional sheets showing the required information.]

1. Consistent with California Public Contract Code section 7100, Contractor hereby agrees that, in consideration of the payment set forth in Paragraph 2 hereof, Contractor hereby releases and forever discharges District, all its agents, employees, inspectors, assignees, and transferees from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, or causes of action of whatever kind or nature arising out of or in any way concerned with the Work under the Contract.
2. Guarantees and warranties for the Work, and any other continuing obligation of Contractor, including without limitation, the duty to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the District, shall remain in full force and effect as specified in the Contract Documents.
3. Contractor hereby waives the provisions of California Civil Code section 1542 which provides as follows:

A GENERAL RELEASE DOES NOT EXTEND TO CLAIMS THAT THE CREDITOR OR RELEASING PARTY DOES NOT KNOW OR SUSPECT TO EXIST IN HIS OR HER FAVOR AT THE TIME OF EXECUTING THE RELEASE AND THAT, IF KNOWN BY HIM OR HER, WOULD HAVE MATERIALLY AFFECTED HIS OR HER SETTLEMENT WITH THE DEBTOR OR RELEASED PARTY.

1. The provisions of this Agreement and Release are contractual in nature and not mere recitals and shall be considered independent and severable. If any such provision or any part thereof shall be at any time held invalid in whole or in part under any federal, state, county, municipal, or other law, ruling, or regulations, then such provision, or part thereof, shall remain in force and effect to the extent permitted by law, and the remaining provisions of this Agreement and Release shall also remain in full force and effect, and shall be enforceable.
2. All rights of District shall survive completion of the Work or termination of Contract, and execution of this Release.

\* \* \* CAUTION: THIS IS A RELEASE - READ BEFORE EXECUTING \* \* \*

BAKERSFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Signature:

Print Name:

Title:

CONTRACTOR:

Signature:

Print Name:

Title:

END OF DOCUMENT