RIDER

To be attached to and form a part of Bond No. 7901088274

Effective:

April 11, 2022

Bond Amount:

\$615,335.39

Description:

Union Grove, Phase 2;

Roads, Storm System, Sidewalks, Grassing

Executed by:

Meritage Homes of Georgia, Inc.

as Principal

and by:

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company

as Surety

in favor of:

Hall County, Georgia

as Obligee

In consideration of the mutual agreements herein contained, the Principal and the Surety hereby consent to decrease the bond amount to:

Two Hundred Eighty One Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Four and 00/100 Dollars (\$281,434.00)

In consideration of the mutual agreements herein contained, the Principal and the Surety hereby consent to extend the expiration date of the bond to:

April 11, 2027

Nothing herein contained shall vary, alter or extend any provision or condition of this bond except as herein expressly stated.

This rider is effective:

January 28, 2025

Signed and Sealed:

January 29, 2025

Principal:

Meritage Homes of Georgia, Inc.

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Principal

SVP-National Land Development

Surety:

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company

By.

James I Moore, Attorney-in-Fact

Power of Attorney

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT:

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company, an Ohio corporation

hereinafter referred to severally as the "Company" and collectively as "the Companies" does hereby make, constitute and appoint:

JAMES I MOORE, STEPHEN T KAZMER, DAWN L MORGAN, MELISSA SCHMIDT, AMY WICKETT, KELLY A GARDNER, JENNIFER J MCCOMB, TARIESE M PISCIOTTO, DIANE M RUBRIGHT, MARTIN MOSS

each in their individual capacity, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority to sign, seal, and execute on its behalf any and all bonds and undertakings, and other obligatory instruments of similar nature, in penalties not exceeding the sum of

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and to bind the Company thereby, as fully and to the same extent as if such instruments were signed by the duly authorized officers of the Company; and all acts of said Attorney pursuant to the authority given are hereby ratified and confirmed.

This power of attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following resolution duly adopted by the board of directors of the Company:

"RESOLVED, that the president, or any vice president be, and each hereby is, authorized and empowered to appoint attorneys-in-fact of the Company, and to authorize them to execute and deliver on behalf of the Company any and all bonds, forms, applications, memorandums, undertakings, recognizances, transfers, contracts of indemnity, policies, contracts guaranteeing the fidelity of persons holding positions of public or private trust, and other writings obligatory in nature that the business of the Company may require; and to modify or revoke, with or without cause, any such appointment or authority; provided, however, that the authority granted hereby shall in no way limit the authority of other duly authorized agents to sign and countersign any of said documents on behalf of the Company."

"RESOLVED FURTHER, that such attorneys-in-fact shall have full power and authority to execute and deliver any and all such documents and to bind the Company subject to the terms and limitations of the power of attorney issued to them, and to affix the seal of the Company thereto; provided, however, that said seal shall not be necessary for the validity of any such documents."

This power of attorney is signed and sealed under and by the following bylaws duly adopted by the board of directors of the Company.

Execution of Instruments. Any vice president, any assistant secretary or any assistant treasurer shall have the power and authority to sign or attest all approved documents, instruments, contracts, or other papers in connection with the operation of the business of the company in addition to the chairman of the board, the chief executive officer, president, treasurer or secretary; provided, however, the signature of any of them may be printed, engraved, or stamped on any approved document, contract, instrument, or other papers of the Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused this instrument to be sealed and duly attested by the signature of its officer the 20th day of August, 2021.

Antonio C. Albanese, Vice President of Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company



ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK: ss

On this 20th day of August, 2021, before me came the above-named officer for the Company aforesaid, to me personally known to be the officer described in and who executed the preceding instrument, and he acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, deposes and says, that he is the officer of the Company aforesaid, that the seal affixed hereto is the corporate seal of said Company, and the said corporate seal and his signature were duly affixed and subscribed to said instrument by the authority and direction of said Company.

Stephanie Rubino McArthur Notary Public, State of New York No. 02MC6270117 Custfied in New York County Commission Expires October 19, 2024 Scylanie Briun mille

My Commission Expires October 19, 2024

CERTIFICATE

I, Laura B, Guy, Assistant Secretary of the Company, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the original power of attorney issued by the Company; that the resolution included therein is a true and correct transcript from the minutes of the meetings of the boards of directors and the same has not been revoked or amended in any manner; that said Antonio C. Albanese was on the date of the execution of the foregoing power of attorney the duly elected officer of the Company, and the corporate seal and his signature as officer were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority of said board of directors; and the foregoing power of attorney is still in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name as Assistant Secretary, and affixed the corporate seal of said Company this 29th day of January 2025

Haura B. Guy
Assistant Secretary