

811 Project Rental Assistance Program “PRA” Certification

On behalf of the Applicant and all affiliates of the Applicant (“Applicant”), I (We) hereby certify that the Applicant is familiar with the provisions of HUD’s 811 program, enacted by Section 811 of the Cranston Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (Pub L. 111-374) and the Frank Melville Supportive Housing Investment Act of 2010, the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (“TDHCA”) Rules as published in Title 10 of the Texas Administrative Code, HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1 (Occupancy Requirements of Multifamily Housing Programs), and the Section 811 Project Rental Assistance (“PRA”) Program Cooperative Agreement, including the Rental Assistance Contract (“RAC”) and the Use Agreement. I (We) hereby certify that the Applicant will comply with future guidance regarding the Section 811 PRA Program provided by HUD and/or TDHCA, including Rules, FAQs, and program manuals.

I (We) hereby certify that Applicant will execute a Section 811 PRA Participation Agreement, in a form to be provided by TDHCA, for the Development included in this application, or if allowed by TDHCA, a TDHCA approved Existing Property. Once a Participation Agreement has been executed, I (We) hereby certify that I (We) understand that TDHCA will market the Development included in this Application, or if allowed by TDHCA, a TDHCA approved Existing Property to potential Section 811 tenants at any time during the term of the Participation Agreement and I (We) hereby certify that I (We) will furnish to TDHCA, any requested materials, including pictures, to do such marketing. If requested by TDHCA, I (We) hereby certify that I (We) will execute a RAC and record the required Use Agreement in the county deed records.

I (We) understand, even though the owner will be required to execute a Participation Agreement, TDHCA may never require the owner to execute a RAC and therefore the Development may not be required to serve Section 811 tenants.

I (We) hereby certify that I (We) will comply with all HUD regulations, court rulings, related administrative rules, and eligibility guidelines and restrictions during the application process and in the event of award, for the duration of the Section 811 Participation Agreement or the Use Agreement, whichever has a longer term.

I (We) hereby make application to the TDHCA to participate in the Section 811 PRA Program. The undersigned hereby acknowledges that an award of Housing Tax Credits by the TDHCA does not warrant that the Development is deemed qualified to receive 811 funds. I (We) agree that the TDHCA or any of its directors, officers, employees, and agents will not be held responsible or liable for any representations made to the undersigned or its investors relating to the 811 PRA Program; therefore, I (We) assume the risk of all damages, losses, costs, and expenses related thereto and agree to indemnify and save harmless the TDHCA and any of its officers, employees, and agents against any and all claims, suits, losses, damages, costs, and expenses of any kind and of any nature that the TDHCA may hereinafter suffer, incur, or pay arising out of its decision concerning this application for 811 PRA funds or the use of information concerning the 811 PRA program.

I (We) hereby acknowledge that this Application is subject to disclosure under Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, the Texas Public Information Act, unless a valid exception exists.

I (We) acknowledge all representations, undertakings, and commitments made by Applicant in the application process for a Development, whether with respect to eligibility criteria, selection criteria or otherwise, shall be deemed to be a condition to any Commitment or Contract for such Development, the violation of which shall be cause for cancellation of such Commitment or Contract by the TDHCA and if concerning the ongoing features or operation of the Development, shall be enforceable by the TDHCA and the tenants of the Development, including enforcement by administrative penalties for failure to perform, in accordance with the LURA. Regardless of whether the ultimate selection criteria would not have warranted the need to participate in the 811 Program for points, the election of the 811 points is binding and I (We) may not change that selection unless written permission is granted by the TDHCA.

I (We) agree the TDHCA may, at its discretion, request additional information and/or documentation in its evaluation of this Application to garner required information relating to the qualification of the Development for the 811 Program. I (We) hereby assert that the information contained in this Application as required or deemed necessary by the materials governing the 811 PRA program are true and correct and that I (We) have undergone sufficient investigation to affirm the validity of the statements made.

Further, I (We) hereby assert that I (We) have read and understand all the information contained in the application. By signing this document, I (We) affirm that all statements made in this government document are true and correct under penalty of Chapter 37 of the Texas Penal Code titled Perjury and Other Falsification and subject to criminal penalties as defined by the State of Texas. TEX. PENAL CODE ANN. §37.01 et seq. (Vernon 2011).

I (We) understand and agree that if false information is provided in this Application which has the effect of increasing the Applicant's competitive advantage, the TDHCA will disqualify the Applicant and may hold the Applicant ineligible to apply for 811 PRA funds or until any issue of restitution is resolved.

If, at any time, including after the award of 811 PRA funds, it is discovered that I (We) provided false or misleading information to TDHCA, TDHCA may terminate the Applicant's HUD RAC and/or the Section 811 Participation Agreement and recapture all 811 PRA subsidy funds expended.

I (We) hereby certify that I (We) will comply with applicable fair housing and civil rights requirements in 24 CFR §5.105(a), including, but not limited to, the Fair Housing Act; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; and Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act. Further, I (We) certify that I (We) shall not, in the provision of services, or in any other manner, discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, or disability. I (We) certify that I (We) will comply with HUD's Equal Access to Housing in HUD Programs Regardless of Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity requirements. See 24 C.F.R. §§ 5.100, 5.105(a)(2), 5.403. I (We) hereby certify that I (We) understand that the Development must prominently display HUD's Fair Housing Poster (HUD Form 928.1) in all offices in which rental activity takes place. This includes property management leasing offices located at their projects with Section 811 PRA units, and may include a designated place where information or other business regarding the Section 811 PRA program is conducted with potential tenants. I (We) will comply with any requirements of the Section 811 PRA Program that require to tenant selection plans.

I (We) will at all times indemnify and hold the TDHCA harmless against all losses, costs, damages, expenses, and liabilities of any nature directly or indirectly resulting from, arising out of or relating to the TDHCA's acceptance, consideration, approval or disapproval of this request and the issuance or non-issuance of a RAC or 811 PRA funds herewith.

I (We) have written below the name of the individual authorized to execute the TDHCA Participation Agreement, the HUD RAC, the HUD Use Agreement, and any and all future commitments and contracts related to this application. I (We) hereby certify that this individual has the full authority and has been authorized by all of the Parties, Affiliates, or Associates with interest in the Development in this Application. If this individual is replaced by the organization, I (We) must inform the TDHCA within 30 days of the person authorized to execute agreements, commitments and/or contracts on behalf of the Applicant.

I (We) certify that I (We) do not and will not knowingly employ an undocumented worker, where "undocumented worker" means an individual who, at the time of employment, is not lawfully admitted for permanent residence to the United States or authorized under law to be employed in that manner in the United States.

If, after receiving a public subsidy, I (We) are convicted of a violation under 8 U.S.C Section 1324a(f), I (We) shall repay the amount of the public subsidy with interest, at the rate and according to the other terms provided by an agreement under Tex. Government Code §2264.053, not later than the 120th day after the date TDHCA notifies the Applicant of the violation.

I (We) certify that I (We) am eligible to apply for funds or any other assistance from the TDHCA. I (We) certify that all audits are current at the time of application. I (We) certify that any Audit Certification Forms have been submitted to the TDHCA in a satisfactory format on or before the application deadline for funds or other assistance pursuant to 10 TAC §1.3(b).

Property Condition Standards Certification

I (We) certify that I (We) will meet local and state housing code, ordinances, and zoning requirements, Texas Minimum Construction Standards, Uniform Physical Construction Standards and Inspection Requirements under 24 CFR Section 5 Subpart G, including any changes in the regulation and related directives and will comply with HUD's Physical Condition Standards of Multifamily Properties of 24 CFR Part 200, Subpart P, including any changes in the regulation and related directives.

I (We) certify that the Development or if allowed by TDHCA in writing, a TDHCA approved Existing Property, referenced in this Application is in compliance and that during the term of the Section 811 Participation Agreement and/or RAC the Applicant will respond to all requests for deficiency resolution within the timeframes mandated by the Uniform Multifamily Rules at 10 TAC Chapter 10 or other requirements associated with the satisfactory provision of a unit as required by the 811 PRA program.

Federal Cross-Cutting Certifications

Lead Based Paint

I (We) certify that documentation of compliance with 24 CFR Part 35 (Lead Safe Housing Rule), including but not limited to the documentation reflected in the following clauses, will be maintained in project files. I (We) understand that standard forms are available in the Federal Register, as indicated by the sources noted below.

1. Applicability Form 24 CFR §35.115 – A copy of a statement indicating that the property is covered by or exempt from the Lead Safe Housing Rule.
 - a. If the property is exempt, the file should include the reason for the exemption and no further documentation is required.
 - b. If the property is subject to the Rule, the file should include the appropriate documentation to indicate basic compliance, as listed below:
 - i. Summary Paint Testing Report or Presumption Notice 24 CFR §35.930(a) – A copy of any report to indicate the presence of lead-based paint (LBP) for projects receiving up to \$5,000 per unit in rehabilitation assistance. If no testing was performed, then LBP is presumed to be on all disturbed surfaces;
 - ii. Notice of Evaluation 24 CFR §35.125(a) – A copy of a notice demonstrating that an evaluation summary was provided to residents following a lead-based paint inspection, risk assessment or paint testing;
 - iii. Clearance Report 24 CFR §35.930(b)(3) – A report indicating a “clearance examination” was performed of the work-site upon completion; and
 - iv. Notice of Hazard Reduction Completion 24 CFR §35.125(b) – Upon completion, a copy of a notice to show that a LBP remediation summary was provided to residents.

Environmental

I (We) understand that the environmental effects of each activity carried out with funds provided under this application must be assessed in accordance with the provisions of the 811 PRA Cooperative Agreement, § PRA.215 and § PRA.216. Each activity must have an environmental review completed and support documentation prepared complying with HUD regulations. No Section 811 Participation Agreement may be signed and no subsidy can be provided for a unit before the completion of the environmental review process and the provision of written clearance by TDHCA.

I (We) certify that I (We) have read and understand the requirements the HUD Section 811 PRA Cooperative Agreement, § PRA.215 and § PRA.216.

Displacement of Existing Tenants

I (We) certify that the work to be performed in connection with the award of Section 811 PRA funds is subject to Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (“URA”), as

amended, and regulations at 49 CFR Part 24. Hence, I(We) commit to minimize the direct and indirect displacement of persons from their homes and assure full compliance with URA federal relocation assistance mandates including adherence to TDHCA established procedure relocation requirements.

Davis Bacon

I (We) certify that if Davis Bacon is applicable to this award, I (We) will fully comply with contract Federal labor law mandates and TDHCA established labor standards procedural requirements.

Energy and Water Conservation

I (We) certify to comply with Energy and Water Conservation standards and requirements as outlined in § PRA.214.

Procurement of Recovered Materials

I (We) certify to comply with the Procurement of Recovered Materials requirements as outlined in § PRA.219.

Housing Standards for Assisted Units

I (We) certify to comply with Housing Standards for Assisted Units as outlined in § PRA.307 for Section 811 PRA units and as outlined in 10 TAC Chapter 1 Subchapter B “Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act and The Fair Housing Act” and Chapter 10 “Uniform Multifamily Rules.”

Eligibility and Threshold Certification

On behalf of the Applicant and all affiliates of the Applicant, I (We) hereby certify that the Applicant is familiar with the provisions and requirements of the Section 811 PRA Program for which I (We) am applying.

I (We) understand that housing units subsidized (in whole or in part) by Section 811 PRA funds must be affordable to Extremely Low-Income persons. I (We) understand that mixed income rental Developments may only apply PRA to units that meet 811 program affordability standards. I (We) understand that all Applications must adhere to the TDHCA’s Integrated Housing Rule at 10 TAC §1.15 and § PRA.305. Additionally, I (we) certify that the units identified for 811 PRA assistance will be dispersed throughout the property and must not be segregated to one area of a building or Development.

I (We) certify to follow the requirements of § PRA.403 regarding the Selection and Admission of Eligible Tenants. In addition, I (We) understand that prior to receiving referrals for Section 811 tenants, I (We) must submit and receive approval by the TDHCA for the Development’s Tenant Selection Plan. I (We) understand that the Applicant or their designated property management staff will accept referrals of Section 811 Applicants from the TDHCA and determine eligibility based on the TDHCA-approved Tenant Selection Plan. I (We) understand that upon the request of TDHCA or HUD, the Applicant must furnish copies of all applications to HUD and/or TDHCA.

I (We) understand that the Applicant or their designated property management staff will be responsible for:

- (1) obtaining and verifying information related to Social Security Numbers of Eligible Family members in accordance with 24 CFR Part 5, subpart B. Applicant or their designated property management staff shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapters 3-3, B. and C., 3-9, and 3-11, and 3-31 for further guidance;
- (2) obtaining and verifying income through the use of Enterprise Income Verification (EIV), pursuant to 24 C.F.R. 5.233(a)(2). Applicant or their designated property management staff shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapter 3-30 for further guidance;
- (3) obtaining and verifying information related to income eligibility of Eligible Families in Assisted Units in accordance with 24 CFR Part 5, subpart F. Applicant or their designated property management staff shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapter 3-30 for further guidance;
- (4) preventing crime in the Assisted Units, including the denial of admission to persons engaged in criminal activity or has certain criminal histories, in accordance with 24 CFR Part 5, Subpart H. Applicant or its designated property management staff shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapter 4-27, E. for further guidance.
- (5) complying with protections for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking, pursuant to 24 CFR Part 5, Subpart L; and
- (6) complying with all other applicable requirements, including but not limited to the RAC, Project Rental Assistance Program Guidelines, and any other HUD administrative requirements.

I (We) understand that the Section 811 tenants participation in supportive services is voluntary and cannot be required as a condition of admission or occupancy.

I (We) understand that if the Applicant or their designated property management staff determines that an applicant is ineligible on the basis of income or Household composition, or because of failure to meet the disclosure and verification requirements for Social Security Numbers (as provided by 24 CFR Part 5), or because of failure by an Section 811 applicant to sign and submit consent forms for the obtaining of wage and claim information from State Wage Information Collection Agencies, or that the Applicant or their designated property management staff is not selecting the Section 811 applicant for other reasons, the Applicant or their designated property management staff will promptly notify the Section 811 applicant in writing of the determination and its reasons, and that the applicant has the right to meet with the Applicant or their designated property management staff and has the right to request a reasonable accommodation. I (We) understand that the Section 811 applicant may also exercise other rights if the applicant believes that he or she is being discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability or familial status. I (We) understand that records on Section 811 applicants and Section 811 tenants, which provide racial, ethnic, gender and place of previous residency data required by HUD, must be maintained and retained for three (3) years. I (We) shall refer to HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1, Chapter 4-9 for further guidance on rejecting Section 811 applicants and denial of rental assistance.

I (We) certify that no 811 PRA subsidy funds will be attached to units receiving any other form of federal or state housing operating assistance or units that have received any form of long-term operating housing subsidy within a six-month period prior to receiving PRA funds. I (We)

additionally certify that 811 PRA subsidy funds will not be attached to any unit that is currently a 30% AMI rent and income restricted unit or any unit that is currently operating with an existing use restriction or contractual obligation to serve persons with disabilities or persons 62 and older.

I (We) understand that funding through the full, initial 20 year term of a RAC contract to provide 811 PRA assistance will be conditional based upon available appropriations during each 5 year renewal cycle and may be moved or dissolved by TDHCA at anytime. Additionally, I (We) understand that the total number of units and the associated bedroom associated with the units maybe adjusted at anytime by TDHCA for a maximum number of units as associated in the Section 811 PRA Participation Agreement.

Management Practices Certification

I (We) certify that the Applicant or their designated property management staff will immediately notify TDHCA of Section 811 PRA unit vacancies if requested by TDHCA. I (We) certify that, once a RAC is executed, that the available unit will be held vacant for an 811 PRA tenant referred by TDHCA for up to 60 days before the unit will be re-rented to a non-811 PRA applicant.

I (We) certify that the Applicant or their designated property management staff will comply with any current or future requirement for marketing or outreach of the units and I (We) certify that I (we) will follow all HUD Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity requirements.

I (We) certify that I (we) will furnish all required documentation, reports, and forms as necessary to assist TDHCA in entering necessary eligibility and income information in HUD systems as required; information requested for reporting on performance measures to HUD will be furnished within the timelines as specified by TDHCA.

I (We) certify that we understand that all Applicants who are States, Territories, Urban Counties, and Metropolitan cities shall be subject to the requirements of 24 CFR Part 85, and further that all Applicants who are Nonprofits shall be subject to the requirements of 24 CFR Part 84.

I (We) certify that the initial lease between the Development and any 811 PRA assisted tenant will be a minimum of one year; I (we) further certify that the HUD model lease form HUD-92236-PRA will be used as required by the Cooperative Agreement, Section XII. GRANTEE PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION.

In addition, I (We) certify that we understand that all lease addendums must be sent to TDHCA. TDHCA will consider lease addendums on a case by case basis and may decide to send to HUD for approval. Owners may only modify the lease terms with a tenant at the end of the initial term or a successive term by serving an appropriate notice to the tenant, together with the provision of a revised agreement or addendum.

I (We) certify to follow requirements of § PRA.406. I (We) understand that prior to occupancy of a Section 811 unit, that an Eligible Section 811 Household must be given the opportunity to be present for the move-in unit inspection. I (we) understand that the inspection of the Section 811 Unit will be completed by both the Applicant or the designated Property Management staff and the Eligible Section 811 Household and both shall certify, on a form prescribed or approved by TDHCA that they have inspected the Section 811 Unit and have determined it to be Decent, Safe, and

Sanitary condition in accordance with the criteria provided in the form. The Applicant or the designated Property Management staff shall keep a copy of this inspection and make part of the lease as an attachment to the lease. If the Eligible Section 811 Household waives the right to this inspection, a form prescribed or approved by the TDHCA would be signed by the Eligible Household indicating they have waived this right.

In addition, I (We) certify that the Applicant or the designated Property Management staff shall perform unit inspections of the Section 811 Units on at least an annual basis to determine whether the appliances and equipment in the unit are functioning properly and to assess whether a component needs to be repaired or replaced. This will ensure that the Applicant is meeting its obligation to maintain the Assisted Units in Decent, Safe, and Sanitary condition.

In addition, I (We) understand that the TDHCA and/or HUD may ask, and must be permitted, to review the records related to the RAC at least annually to determine compliance. I (We) understand that HUD may independently inspect project operations and Section 811 Units at any time with reasonable notice prior to inspection; and Equal Opportunity reviews may be conducted by HUD at any time.

I (We) certify that the Applicant or the designated Property Management staff shall comply with the Overcrowded and Under Occupied Unit requirements set by TDHCA and will ensure that Section 811 tenants are not over or under housed according to those requirements.

I (We) certify that the Applicant or the designated Property Management staff shall comply and participate with any dispute resolution processes as required by TDHCA.

I (We) certify, as referenced in § PRA.409, that the Applicant shall not impede the reasonable efforts of tenants of the Assisted Units to organize pursuant to 24 CFR Part 245, or any successor regulations of 24 CFR Part 245, or unreasonably withhold the use of any community room or other available space appropriate for meetings which is part of the mortgaged property when requested by: (i) a resident tenant organization in connection with the representational purposes of the organization; or (ii) tenants seeking to organize or to consider collectively any matter pertaining to the operation of the mortgaged property.

I (We) certify that the Development site referenced in this application will take reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to its programs and activities to Limited English Proficiency tenants. Additionally, I (We) certify that all communications provided to Eligible Applicants and Eligible Households at the Development referenced in this application are provided in a manner that is effective for persons with hearing, visual, and other communications-related disabilities consistent with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and, as applicable, the Americans with Disabilities Act.

I (We) certify that Development staff will assist 811 PRA tenants with annual re-certification of income and program requirements as required by HUD; property staff are familiar with HUD income verification requirements and tenant re-certification policies as published in the HUD Handbook 4350.3 REV-1.

I (We) certify that Development staff has the capacity and agrees to participate in the Tenant Rental Assistance Certification System for Section 811 PRA tenants. I (We) certify that if TDHCA procures a third party for one or more duties of the 811 PRA program, the Development will respond and comply with that third party in all ways as required of their obligations to TDHCA.

I (We) certify that the Development will obtain and maintain any information technology systems required of the PRA Program will be utilized at the Development at no expense to the TDHCA.

I (We) certify that any updated screening, eligibility, or fee criteria established for tenants of the identified Development in this application will be provided to TDHCA 30 days prior to property implementation; additionally, upon request TDHCA will receive copies of tenant re-certifications completed by property staff.

I (We) certify that TDHCA will receive upon request any notices advising of property or resident rental increases.

I (We) certify that a copy of the Development's property management plan, tenant selection criteria (or plan) and Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing plan will be provided to and discussed with onsite Development staff.

By: _____
Signature of Authorized Representative

Printed Name

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Date

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I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that name is signed to the foregoing statement, and who is known to be one in the same, has acknowledged before me on this date, that being informed of the contents of this statement, executed the same voluntarily on the date same foregoing statement bears.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE this ____ day of _____, _____

(Seal)

Notary Public Signature