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February 20, 2026

VIA E-MAIL AND CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Thomas J. Exnicios, Chief Financial Officer
New Orleans Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc.
2900 Elysian Fields Avenue
New Orleans, LA 70122

Re: Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of New Orleans and the
New Orleans Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. - K25-285 (the "Agreement")

NOTICE OF DEFAULT & TERMINATION FOR CAUSE

Dear Mr. Exnicios:

In accordance with Article IV, Section D of the Agreement, the City of New Orleans (the "City") hereby notifies the New Orleans Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. ("Habitat") that it is in default and that the City exercises its right to terminate the Agreement for cause, effective on February 20, 2026.

Habitat has failed to fulfill its obligations under Article I of the Agreement. Habitat's failure has resulted in an unacceptable delay for the City to provide financial assistance for loan forgiveness to citizens of New Orleans with delinquent mortgage and escrow payments.

Habitat is directed to immediately cease and desist from performing any further work, incurring any further costs, and the further use of any equipment provided by the City for the performance of the Agreement.

Further, Habitat is directed to return to the City all unspent funds under the agreement at the address below and provide a complete final accounting of the funds with supporting documentation within 15 calendar days of February 20, 2026. Habitat must additionally furnish any finished and unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, and reports prepared by Habitat under the Agreement.

This notice is given without prejudice to and with full reservation of all rights and remedies available to the City under the Agreement and under the law.

Sincerely,



Joseph I. Giarrusso, III
Chief Administrative Officer
City of New Orleans



Cc: Brandye DeLarge, Assistant Chief
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Infrastructure Project Manager
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