

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-46

RESOLUTION BY THE FINANCE AND HUMAN
RESOURCES COMMITTEE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
AND ESTABLISHING PARAMETERS FOR THE SALE OF
NOT TO EXCEED \$10,930,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION
CORPORATE PURPOSE BONDS, SERIES 2024A

To the Honorable Members of the Racine County Board of Supervisors:

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors of Racine County, Wisconsin (the "County") hereby finds and determines that it is necessary, desirable and in the best interest of the County to raise funds for the public purposes of financing the cost of highway projects and other capital projects included in the County's 2024 Capital Improvement Plan (collectively, the "Projects");

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors hereby finds and determines that each of the Projects is within the County's power to undertake and therefore serves a "public purpose" as that term is defined in Section 67.04(1)(b), Wisconsin Statutes;

WHEREAS, counties are authorized by the provisions of Section 67.04, Wisconsin Statutes, to borrow money and issue general obligation bonds for such public purposes;

WHEREAS, the County may issue general obligation bonds only if one or more of the conditions specified in Section 67.045, Wisconsin Statutes apply;

WHEREAS, general obligation bonds to finance the Projects may be issued under Section 67.045(1)(f), Wisconsin Statutes, if approved by a vote of at least three-fourths of the members-elect of the County Board of Supervisors;

WHEREAS, the County Board of Supervisors deems it necessary and in the best interest of the County to borrow the monies needed for the Projects through the issuance of a single issue of general obligation bonds (the "Bonds") pursuant to the provisions of Section 67.04, Wisconsin Statutes, upon satisfaction of the terms and conditions hereinafter provided;

WHEREAS, none of the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used to fund the operating expenses of the general fund of the County or to fund the operating expenses of any special revenue fund of the County that is supported by property taxes;

WHEREAS, the County has directed PFM Financial Advisors LLC ("PFM") to take the steps necessary for the County to offer and sell the Bonds at public sale and to obtain bids for the purchase of the Bonds; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate the sale of the Bonds in a timely manner, the County Board of Supervisors hereby finds and determines that it is necessary, desirable and in the best interest of the County to delegate to any one of the County Executive, Corporation Counsel or Finance Director (each, an "Authorized Officer") the authority to accept on behalf of the County

the bid for the Bonds that results in the lowest true interest cost for the Bonds (the "Proposal") so long as the Proposal meets the terms and conditions provided for in this Resolution by executing a certificate in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Approving Certificate").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Supervisors that there shall be issued general obligation bonds of the County in a principal amount not to exceed \$4,995,000 for the public purpose of providing for the construction, improvement and maintenance of highways and bridges; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there shall be issued general obligation bonds of the County in a principal amount not to exceed \$5,935,000 for the public purpose of financing other capital projects included in the County's 2024 Capital Improvement Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that:

Section 1A. Notice to Electors. The County Clerk shall, within fifteen (15) days hereafter, cause public notice of the adoption of the above resolution providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance the construction, improvement and maintenance of highways and bridges to be given to the electors of the County by publishing a notice thereof in the official County newspaper as a class 1 notice under Chapter 985, Wisconsin Statutes, such notice to be in substantially the form set forth on Exhibit B hereto.

Section 1B. Authorization and Sale of the Bonds; Parameters. For the purpose of paying the cost of the Projects, the County is authorized to borrow pursuant to Section 67.04, Wisconsin Statutes, the aggregate principal sum of not to exceed TEN MILLION NINE HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,930,000) upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Resolution. Subject to satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 15 of this Resolution, the Chairperson and County Clerk are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to make, execute, issue and sell to the financial institution that submitted the Proposal (the "Purchaser") for, on behalf of and in the name of the County, the Bonds aggregating the principal amount of not to exceed TEN MILLION NINE HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$10,930,000). The purchase price to be paid to the County for the Bonds shall not be less than 99.00% nor more than 103.50% of the principal amount of the Bonds.

Section 2. Terms of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be designated "General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2024A" (unless otherwise designated in the Approving Certificate); shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$10,930,000; shall be dated as of their date of issuance; shall be in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof; shall be numbered R-1 and upward; shall mature on the dates and in the principal amounts set forth below, provided that the principal amount of each maturity may be increased or decreased by up to \$200,000 per maturity; and that the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed \$10,930,000. The schedule below assumes the Bonds are issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$10,930,000.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Principal Amount</u>
March 1, 2025	\$540,000
March 1, 2026	850,000
March 1, 2027	535,000
March 1, 2028	560,000
March 1, 2029	590,000
March 1, 2030	620,000
March 1, 2031	655,000
March 1, 2032	685,000
March 1, 2033	720,000
March 1, 2034	760,000
March 1, 2035	795,000
March 1, 2036	840,000
March 1, 2037	880,000
March 1, 2038	925,000
March 1, 2039	975,000

Interest shall be payable semi-annually on March 1 and September 1 of each year commencing on March 1, 2025, or on such other date as set forth in the Approving Certificate. The true interest cost on the Bonds (computed taking the Purchaser's compensation into account) shall not exceed 6.00%. Interest shall be computed upon the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months and will be rounded pursuant to the rules of the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board.

Section 3. Redemption Provisions. The Bonds maturing on March 1, 2035 and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the County, on March 1, 2034 or on any date thereafter. Said Bonds are redeemable as a whole or in part, and if in part, from maturities selected by the County, and within each maturity, by lot (as selected by DTC (defined herein)), at the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

Section 4. Form of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be issued in registered form and shall be executed and delivered in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit C and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 5. Tax Provisions.

(A) Direct Annual Irrepealable Tax Levy. For the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same becomes due, the full faith, credit and resources of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged, and there is hereby levied upon all of the taxable property of the County a direct annual irrepealable tax in each year during the term of the Bonds in such amounts as are sufficient to meet the principal and interest payments due on the Bonds in the following year, which amounts are to be set forth in the Approving Certificate.

(B) Tax Collection. So long as any part of the principal of or interest on the Bonds remains unpaid, the County shall be and continue without power to repeal such levy or obstruct the collection of said tax until all such payments have been made or provided for. After the issuance of the Bonds, said tax shall be, from year to year, carried onto the tax roll of the

County and collected in addition to all other taxes and in the same manner and at the same time as other taxes of the County for said years are collected, except that the amount of tax carried onto the tax roll may be reduced in any year by the amount of any surplus money in the Debt Service Fund Account created below.

(C) Additional Funds. If at any time there shall be on hand insufficient funds from the aforesaid tax levy to meet principal and/or interest payments on said Bonds when due, the requisite amounts shall be paid from other funds of the County then available, which sums shall be replaced upon the collection of the taxes herein levied.

(D) Appropriation. To the extent necessary, the County hereby appropriates from proceeds of the Bonds or other funds of the County on hand a sum sufficient to be irrevocably deposited in the segregated Debt Service Fund Account created below and used to pay interest on the Bonds coming due in 2024, if any, as set forth on the schedule to be attached to the Approving Certificate.

Section 6. Segregated Debt Service Fund Account.

(A) Creation and Deposits. There shall be and there hereby is established in the treasury of the County, if one has not already been created, a debt service fund, separate and distinct from every other fund, which shall be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Debt service or sinking funds established for obligations previously issued by the County may be considered as separate and distinct accounts within the debt service fund.

Within the debt service fund, there hereby is established a separate and distinct account designated as the "Debt Service Fund Account for General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2024A" (the "Debt Service Fund Account") and such account shall be maintained until the indebtedness evidenced by the Bonds is fully paid or otherwise extinguished. There shall be deposited into the Debt Service Fund Account (i) all accrued interest received by the County at the time of delivery of and payment for the Bonds; (ii) any premium which may be received by the County above the par value of the Bonds and accrued interest thereon; (iii) all money raised by the taxes herein levied and any amounts appropriated for the specific purpose of meeting principal of and interest on the Bonds when due; (iv) such other sums as may be necessary at any time to pay principal of and interest on the Bonds when due; (v) surplus monies in the Borrowed Money Fund as specified below; and (vi) such further deposits as may be required by Section 67.11, Wisconsin Statutes.

(B) Use and Investment. No money shall be withdrawn from the Debt Service Fund Account and appropriated for any purpose other than the payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds until all such principal and interest has been paid in full and the Bonds canceled; provided (i) the funds to provide for each payment of principal of and interest on the Bonds prior to the scheduled receipt of taxes from the next succeeding tax collection may be invested in direct obligations of the United States of America maturing in time to make such payments when they are due or in other investments permitted by law; and (ii) any funds over and above the amount of such principal and interest payments on the Bonds may be used to reduce the next succeeding tax levy, or may, at the option of the County, be invested by

purchasing the Bonds as permitted by and subject to Section 67.11(2)(a), Wisconsin Statutes, or in permitted municipal investments under the pertinent provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes ("Permitted Investments"), which investments shall continue to be a part of the Debt Service Fund Account. Any investment of the Debt Service Fund Account shall at all times conform with the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") and any applicable Treasury Regulations (the "Regulations").

(C) Remaining Monies. When all of the Bonds have been paid in full and canceled, and all Permitted Investments disposed of, any money remaining in the Debt Service Fund Account shall be transferred and deposited in the general fund of the County, unless the County Board of Supervisors directs otherwise.

Section 7. Proceeds of the Bonds; Segregated Borrowed Money Fund. The proceeds of the Bonds (the "Bond Proceeds") (other than any premium and accrued interest which must be paid at the time of the delivery of the Bonds into the Debt Service Fund Account created above) shall be deposited into a special fund (the "Borrowed Money Fund") separate and distinct from all other funds of the County and disbursed solely for the purpose or purposes for which borrowed or for the payment of the principal of and the interest on the Bonds. In no event shall monies in the Borrowed Money Fund be used to fund operating expenses of the general fund of the County or of any special revenue fund of the County that is supported by property taxes. Monies in the Borrowed Money Fund may be temporarily invested in Permitted Investments. Any monies, including any income from Permitted Investments, remaining in the Borrowed Money Fund after the purpose or purposes for which the Bonds have been issued have been accomplished, and, at any time, any monies as are not needed and which obviously thereafter cannot be needed for such purpose(s) shall be deposited in the Debt Service Fund Account.

Section 8. No Arbitrage. All investments made pursuant to this Resolution shall be Permitted Investments, but no such investment shall be made in such a manner as would cause the Bonds to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Code or the Regulations and an officer of the County, charged with the responsibility for issuing the Bonds, shall certify as to facts, estimates, circumstances and reasonable expectations in existence on the date of delivery of the Bonds to the Purchaser which will permit the conclusion that the Bonds are not "arbitrage bonds," within the meaning of the Code or Regulations.

Section 9. Compliance with Federal Tax Laws. (a) The County represents and covenants that the projects financed by the Bonds and the ownership, management and use of the projects will not cause the Bonds to be "private activity bonds" within the meaning of Section 141 of the Code. The County further covenants that it shall comply with the provisions of the Code to the extent necessary to maintain the tax-exempt status of the interest on the Bonds including, if applicable, the rebate requirements of Section 148(f) of the Code. The County further covenants that it will not take any action, omit to take any action or permit the taking or omission of any action within its control (including, without limitation, making or permitting any use of the proceeds of the Bonds) if taking, permitting or omitting to take such action would cause any of the Bonds to be an arbitrage bond or a private activity bond within the meaning of the Code or would otherwise cause interest on the Bonds to be included in the gross income of the recipients thereof for federal income tax purposes. The County Clerk or other officer of the County charged with the responsibility of issuing the Bonds shall provide an appropriate

certificate of the County certifying that the County can and covenanting that it will comply with the provisions of the Code and Regulations.

(b) The County also covenants to use its best efforts to meet the requirements and restrictions of any different or additional federal legislation which may be made applicable to the Bonds provided that in meeting such requirements the County will do so only to the extent consistent with the proceedings authorizing the Bonds and the laws of the State of Wisconsin and to the extent that there is a reasonable period of time in which to comply.

Section 10. Execution of the Bonds; Closing; Professional Services. The Bonds shall be issued in printed form, executed on behalf of the County by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Chairperson and County Clerk, authenticated, if required, by the Fiscal Agent (defined below), sealed with its official or corporate seal, if any, or a facsimile thereof, and delivered to the Purchaser upon payment to the County of the purchase price thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of delivery (the "Closing"). The facsimile signature of either of the officers executing the Bonds may be imprinted on the Bonds in lieu of the manual signature of the officer but, unless the County has contracted with a fiscal agent to authenticate the Bonds, at least one of the signatures appearing on each Bond shall be a manual signature. In the event that either of the officers whose signatures appear on the Bonds shall cease to be such officers before the Closing, such signatures shall, nevertheless, be valid and sufficient for all purposes to the same extent as if they had remained in office until the Closing. The aforesaid officers are hereby authorized and directed to do all acts and execute and deliver the Bonds and all such documents, certificates and acknowledgements as may be necessary and convenient to effectuate the Closing. The County hereby authorizes the officers and agents of the County to enter into, on its behalf, agreements and contracts in conjunction with the Bonds, including but not limited to agreements and contracts for legal, trust, fiscal agency, disclosure and continuing disclosure, and rebate calculation services. Any such contract heretofore entered into in conjunction with the issuance of the Bonds is hereby ratified and approved in all respects.

Section 11. Payment of the Bonds; Fiscal Agent. The principal of and interest on the Bonds shall be paid by the County's Finance Director (the "Fiscal Agent").

Section 12. Persons Treated as Owners; Transfer of Bonds. The County shall cause books for the registration and for the transfer of the Bonds to be kept by the Fiscal Agent. The person in whose name any Bond shall be registered shall be deemed and regarded as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes and payment of either principal or interest on any Bond shall be made only to the registered owner thereof. All such payments shall be valid and effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability upon such Bond to the extent of the sum or sums so paid.

Any Bond may be transferred by the registered owner thereof by surrender of the Bond at the office of the Fiscal Agent, duly endorsed for the transfer or accompanied by an assignment duly executed by the registered owner or his attorney duly authorized in writing. Upon such transfer, the Chairperson and County Clerk shall execute and deliver in the name of the transferee or transferees a new Bond or Bonds of a like aggregate principal amount, series and maturity and the Fiscal Agent shall record the name of each transferee in the registration book. No registration shall be made to bearer. The Fiscal Agent shall cancel any Bond surrendered for transfer.

The County shall cooperate in any such transfer, and the Chairperson and County Clerk are authorized to execute any new Bond or Bonds necessary to effect any such transfer.

Section 13. Record Date. The 15th day of the calendar month next preceding each interest payment date shall be the record date for the Bonds (the "Record Date"). Payment of interest on the Bonds on any interest payment date shall be made to the registered owners of the Bonds as they appear on the registration book of the County at the close of business on the Record Date.

Section 14. Utilization of The Depository Trust Company Book-Entry-Only System. In order to make the Bonds eligible for the services provided by The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York ("DTC"), the County agrees to the applicable provisions set forth in the Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations, which the County Clerk or other authorized representative of the County is authorized and directed to execute and deliver to DTC on behalf of the County to the extent an effective Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations is not presently on file in the County Clerk's office.

Section 15. Conditions on Issuance and Sale of the Bonds; Report of Results of Sale. The issuance of the Bonds and the sale of the Bonds to the Purchaser are subject to satisfaction of the following conditions:

- (a) expiration of the petition period provided for under Section 67.05(4), Wisconsin Statutes, without the filing of a sufficient petition for a referendum with respect to the resolution authorizing the issuance of the portion of the Bonds financing the construction, improvement and maintenance of highways and bridges; and
- (b) approval by an Authorized Officer of the principal amount, definitive maturities, interest rates and purchase price for the Bonds, which approval shall be evidenced by execution by an Authorized Officer of the Approving Certificate.

The Bonds shall not be issued, sold or delivered until these conditions are satisfied. Upon satisfaction of these conditions, any one of the Authorized Officers is authorized to execute a Proposal with the Purchaser providing for the sale of the Bonds to the Purchaser.

For informational purposes only, the Finance Director shall provide to the Finance and Human Resources Committee and the County Board of Supervisors, at their meetings following the execution of the Proposal, a report regarding the results of the sale of the Bonds.

Section 16. Official Statement. The County Board of Supervisors hereby directs an Authorized Officer to approve the Preliminary Official Statement with respect to the Bonds and deem the Preliminary Official Statement as "final" as of its date for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule"). All actions taken by the Authorized Officer or other officers of the County in connection with the preparation of such Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda to it or final Official Statement are hereby ratified and approved. In connection with the Closing, the appropriate County official shall certify the Preliminary Official Statement and any

addenda or final Official Statement. The County Clerk shall cause copies of the Preliminary Official Statement and any addenda or final Official Statement to be distributed to the Purchaser.

Section 17. Undertaking to Provide Continuing Disclosure. The County hereby covenants and agrees, for the benefit of the owners of the Bonds, to enter into a written undertaking (the "Undertaking") if required by the Rule to provide continuing disclosure of certain financial information and operating data and timely notices of the occurrence of certain events in accordance with the Rule. The Undertaking shall be enforceable by the owners of the Bonds or by the Purchaser on behalf of such owners (provided that the rights of the owners and the Purchaser to enforce the Undertaking shall be limited to a right to obtain specific performance of the obligations thereunder and any failure by the County to comply with the provisions of the Undertaking shall not be an event of default with respect to the Bonds).

To the extent required under the Rule, the Chairperson and County Clerk, or other officer of the County charged with the responsibility for issuing the Bonds, shall provide a Continuing Disclosure Certificate for inclusion in the transcript of proceedings, setting forth the details and terms of the County's Undertaking.

Section 18. Record Book. The County Clerk shall provide and keep the transcript of proceedings as a separate record book (the "Record Book") and shall record a full and correct statement of every step or proceeding had or taken in the course of authorizing and issuing the Bonds in the Record Book.

Section 19. Bond Insurance. If the Purchaser determines to obtain municipal bond insurance with respect to the Bonds, the officers of the County are authorized to take all actions necessary to obtain such municipal bond insurance. The Chairperson and County Clerk are authorized to agree to such additional provisions as the bond insurer may reasonably request and which are acceptable to the Chairperson and County Clerk including provisions regarding restrictions on investment of Bond proceeds, the payment procedure under the municipal bond insurance policy, the rights of the bond insurer in the event of default and payment of the Bonds by the bond insurer and notices to be given to the bond insurer. In addition, any reference required by the bond insurer to the municipal bond insurance policy shall be made in the form of Bond provided herein.

Section 20. Conflicting Resolutions; Severability; Effective Date. All prior resolutions, rules or other actions of the County Board of Supervisors or any parts thereof in conflict with the provisions hereof shall be, and the same are, hereby rescinded insofar as the same may so conflict. In the event that any one or more provisions hereof shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provisions hereof. The foregoing shall take effect immediately upon adoption and approval in the manner provided by law.

1st Reading _____

Respectfully submitted,

FINANCE AND HUMAN RESOURCES
COMMITTEE

2nd Reading _____

BOARD ACTION

Adopted _____

For _____

Against _____

Absent _____

VOTE REQUIRED: 3/4 OF MEMBERS - ELECT

EXHIBIT A

APPROVING CERTIFICATE

I, [_____], the [County Executive][Corporation Counsel][Finance Director] of Racine County, Wisconsin (the "County"), hereby certify that:

1. Resolution. On October 31, 2023, the County Board of Supervisors of the County adopted a resolution (the "Resolution") authorizing the issuance and establishing parameters for the sale of not to exceed \$10,930,000 General Obligation Corporate Purpose Bonds, Series 2024A of the County (the "Bonds") after a public sale and delegating to me the authority to approve the Preliminary Official Statement, to approve the purchase proposal for the Bonds, and to determine the details for the Bonds within the parameters established by the Resolution.

2. Preliminary Official Statement. The Preliminary Official Statement with respect to the Bonds is hereby approved and deemed "final" as of its date for purposes of SEC Rule 15c2-12 promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.

3. Proposal; Terms of the Bonds. On the date hereof, the Bonds were offered for public sale and the bids set forth on the Bid Tabulation attached hereto as Schedule I and incorporated herein by this reference were received. The institution listed first on the Bid Tabulation (the "Purchaser") offered to purchase the Bonds in accordance with the terms set forth in the Proposal attached hereto as Schedule II and incorporated herein by this reference (the "Proposal"). PFM Financial Advisors LLC recommends the County accept the Proposal. The Proposal meets the parameters and conditions established by the Resolution and is hereby approved and accepted.

The Bonds shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of \$_____, which is not more than the \$10,930,000 approved by the Resolution. Bonds in the amount of \$_____ shall be issued for the construction, improvement and maintenance of highways and bridges and Bonds in the amount of \$_____ shall be issued for other capital projects included in the County's 2024 Capital Improvement Plan. The Bonds shall mature on March 1 of each of the years and in the amounts and shall bear interest at the rates per annum as set forth in the Pricing Summary attached hereto as Schedule III and incorporated herein by this reference. The amount of each annual principal payment due on the Bonds is not more than \$200,000 more or less per maturity than the schedule included in the Resolution as set forth below:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Resolution Schedule</u>	<u>Actual Amount</u>
March 1, 2025	\$540,000	\$_____
March 1, 2026	850,000	_____
March 1, 2027	535,000	_____
March 1, 2028	560,000	_____
March 1, 2029	590,000	_____
March 1, 2030	620,000	_____
March 1, 2031	655,000	_____

<u>Date</u>	<u>Resolution Schedule</u>	<u>Actual Amount</u>
March 1, 2032	\$685,000	\$ _____
March 1, 2033	720,000	_____
March 1, 2034	760,000	_____
March 1, 2035	795,000	_____
March 1, 2036	840,000	_____
March 1, 2037	880,000	_____
March 1, 2038	925,000	_____
March 1, 2039	975,000	_____

The true interest cost on the Bonds (computed taking the Purchaser's compensation into account) is _____%, which is not in excess of 6.00%, as required by the Resolution.

4. Purchase Price of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be sold to the Purchaser in accordance with the terms of the Proposal at a price of \$ _____, plus accrued interest, if any, to the date of delivery of the Bonds, which is not less than 99.00% nor more than 103.50% of the principal amount of the Bonds, as required by the Resolution.

5. Direct Annual Irrepealable Tax Levy. For the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds as the same respectively falls due, the full faith, credit and taxing powers of the County have been irrevocably pledged and there has been levied on all of the taxable property in the County, pursuant to the Resolution, a direct, annual irrepealable tax in an amount and at the times sufficient for said purpose. Such tax shall be for the years and in the amounts set forth on the debt service schedule attached hereto as Schedule IV.

6. Expiration of Petition Period. The petition period provided for under Section 67.05(4), Wisconsin Statutes, has expired without the filing of a sufficient petition for a referendum with respect to the resolution authorizing the issuance of the Bonds to finance the construction, improvement and maintenance of highways and bridges.

7. Approval. This Certificate constitutes my approval of the Proposal, and the principal amount, definitive maturities, interest rates and purchase price for the Bonds and the direct annual irrevocable tax levy to repay the Bonds, in satisfaction of the parameters set forth in the Resolution.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have executed this Certificate on _____, 2024 pursuant to the authority delegated to me in the Resolution.

[_____
Jonathan Delagrave
County Executive]

OR

[_____
Michael Lanzdorf
Corporation Counsel]

OR

[_____
Gwen Zimmer
Finance Director]

SCHEDULE I TO APPROVING CERTIFICATE

Bid Tabulation

To be provided by PFM Financial Advisors LLC and incorporated into the Certificate.

(See Attached)

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SCHEDULE II TO APPROVING CERTIFICATE

Proposal

To be provided by PFM Financial Advisors LLC and incorporated into the Certificate.

(See Attached)

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SCHEDULE III TO APPROVING CERTIFICATE

Pricing Summary

To be provided by PFM Financial Advisors LLC and incorporated into the Certificate.

(See Attached)

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SCHEDULE IV TO APPROVING CERTIFICATE

Debt Service Schedule and Irrepealable Tax Levies

To be provided by PFM Financial Advisors LLC and incorporated into the Certificate.

(See Attached)

COPY

EXHIBIT B

NOTICE TO ELECTORS OF RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following initial resolution has been adopted at the meeting of the County Board of Supervisors of Racine County, held October 31, 2023:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Supervisors that there shall be issued general obligation bonds of the County in a principal amount not to exceed \$4,995,000 for the public purpose of providing for the construction, improvement and maintenance of highways and bridges.

Wisconsin Statutes (s. 67.05(4)) provide that the initial resolution need not be submitted to the electors unless within 30 days after adoption of the initial resolution a petition is filed in the County Clerk's office requesting a referendum. This petition must be signed by electors numbering at least 10% of the votes cast in the County for governor at the last general election.

Dated October 31, 2023.

By Order of the County Board of Supervisors
Wendy M. Christensen, County Clerk

EXHIBIT C

(Form of Bond)

REGISTERED UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DOLLARS
NO. R-____ STATE OF WISCONSIN \$_____
RACINE COUNTY
GENERAL OBLIGATION CORPORATE PURPOSE BOND, SERIES 2024A

MATURITY DATE: ORIGINAL DATE OF ISSUE: INTEREST RATE: CUSIP:
March 1, _____, 2024 _____%

DEPOSITORY OR ITS NOMINEE NAME: CEDE & CO.

PRINCIPAL AMOUNT: _____ THOUSAND DOLLARS
(\$_____)

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, Racine County, Wisconsin (the "County"), hereby acknowledges itself to owe and promises to pay to the Depository or its Nominee Name (the "Depository") identified above (or to registered assigns), on the maturity date identified above, the principal amount identified above, and to pay interest thereon at the rate of interest per annum identified above, all subject to the provisions set forth herein regarding redemption prior to maturity. Interest shall be payable semi-annually on March 1 and September 1 of each year commencing on [March 1, 2025] until the aforesaid principal amount is paid in full. Both the principal of and interest on this Bond are payable to the registered owner in lawful money of the United States. Interest payable on any interest payment date shall be paid by wire transfer to the Depository in whose name this Bond is registered on the Bond Register maintained by the County's Finance Director (the "Fiscal Agent") or any successor thereto at the close of business on the 15th day of the calendar month next preceding each interest payment date (the "Record Date"). This Bond is payable as to principal upon presentation and surrender hereof at the office of the Fiscal Agent.

For the prompt payment of this Bond together with interest hereon as aforesaid and for the levy of taxes sufficient for that purpose, the full faith, credit and resources of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged.

This Bond is one of an issue of Bonds aggregating the principal amount of \$_____, all of which are of like tenor, except as to denomination, interest rate, maturity date and redemption provision, issued by the County pursuant to the provisions of Section 67.04, Wisconsin Statutes, for the public purposes of providing for the construction, improvement and maintenance of highways and bridges (\$_____) and financing other capital projects included in the County's 2024 Capital Improvement Plan (\$_____), as authorized by a resolution adopted on October 31, 2023, as supplemented by an Approving Certificate, dated

_____, 2024 (collectively, the "Resolution"). The Resolution is recorded in the official minutes of the County Board of Supervisors for said date.

The Bonds maturing on March 1, 2035 and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to maturity, at the option of the County, on March 1, 2034 or on any date thereafter. Said Bonds are redeemable as a whole or in part, and if in part, from maturities selected by the County, and within each maturity, by lot (as selected by the Depository), at the principal amount thereof, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

In the event the Bonds are redeemed prior to maturity, as long as the Bonds are in book-entry-only form, official notice of the redemption will be given by mailing a notice by registered or certified mail, overnight express delivery, facsimile transmission, electronic transmission or in any other manner required by the Depository, to the Depository not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the redemption date. If less than all of the Bonds of a maturity are to be called for redemption, the Bonds of such maturity to be redeemed will be selected by lot. Such notice will include but not be limited to the following: the designation, date and maturities of the Bonds called for redemption, CUSIP numbers, and the date of redemption. Any notice provided as described herein shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given, whether or not the registered owner receives the notice. The Bonds shall cease to bear interest on the specified redemption date provided that federal or other immediately available funds sufficient for such redemption are on deposit at the office of the Depository at that time. Upon such deposit of funds for redemption the Bonds shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding.

It is hereby certified and recited that all conditions, things and acts required by law to exist or to be done prior to and in connection with the issuance of this Bond have been done, have existed and have been performed in due form and time; that the aggregate indebtedness of the County, including this Bond and others issued simultaneously herewith, does not exceed any limitation imposed by law or the Constitution of the State of Wisconsin; and that a direct annual irrepealable tax has been levied sufficient to pay this Bond, together with the interest thereon, when and as payable.

This Bond is transferable only upon the books of the County kept for that purpose at the office of the Fiscal Agent, only in the event that the Depository does not continue to act as depository for the Bonds, and the County appoints another depository, upon surrender of the Bond to the Fiscal Agent, by the registered owner in person or his duly authorized attorney, together with a written instrument of transfer (which may be endorsed hereon) satisfactory to the Fiscal Agent duly executed by the registered owner or his duly authorized attorney. Thereupon a new fully registered Bond in the same aggregate principal amount shall be issued to the new depository in exchange therefor and upon the payment of a charge sufficient to reimburse the County for any tax, fee or other governmental charge required to be paid with respect to such registration. The Fiscal Agent shall not be obliged to make any transfer of the Bonds (i) after the Record Date, (ii) during the fifteen (15) calendar days preceding the date of any publication of notice of any proposed redemption of the Bonds, or (iii) with respect to any particular Bond, after such Bond has been called for redemption. The Fiscal Agent and County may treat and consider the Depository in whose name this Bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal or redemption price hereof

and interest due hereon and for all other purposes whatsoever. The Bonds are issuable solely as negotiable, fully-registered Bonds without coupons in the denomination of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof.

No delay or omission on the part of the owner hereof to exercise any right hereunder shall impair such right or be considered as a waiver thereof or as a waiver of or acquiescence in any default hereunder.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Racine County, Wisconsin, by its governing body, has caused this Bond to be executed for it and in its name by the manual or facsimile signatures of its duly qualified Chairperson and County Clerk; and to be sealed with its official or corporate seal, if any, all as of the original date of issue specified above.

RACINE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

By: _____
Thomas E. Roanhouse
Chairperson

(SEAL)

By: _____
Wendy M. Christensen
County Clerk

ASSIGNMENT

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, the undersigned sells, assigns and transfers unto

(Name and Address of Assignee)

(Social Security or other Identifying Number of Assignee)

the within Bond and all rights thereunder and hereby irrevocably constitutes and appoints _____, Legal Representative, to transfer said Bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____

Signature Guaranteed:

(e.g. Bank, Trust Company
or Securities Firm)

(Depository or Nominee Name)

NOTICE: This signature must correspond with the name of the Depository or Nominee Name as it appears upon the face of the within Bond in every particular, without alteration or enlargement or any change whatever.

(Authorized Officer)