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#### CERTIFICATION OF TRUST

Family Trust created under Item V of the Last Will and Testament of Sandra Benton Wills Scales for the benefit of Lia Rennan Scales Prince, Jerome Curtis Scales, III, and Marc Donovan Scales

The undersigned, LIA RENNAN SCALES PRINCE (being one and the same person as Lia Rennan Scales, Lia Scales, and Lia Prince), hereby certifies that she is the trustee of the Family Trust (the "Family Trust") created under Item V of the Last Will and Testament of Sandra Benton Will Scales (the "Will") for the benefit of Lia Rennan Scales Prince, Jerome Curtis Scales, III (being one and the same person as Jerome Curtis Scales III, Jerome C. Scales, III, and Jay Scales), and Marc Donovan Scales, and that, as such, she is familiar with the facts herein certified and is duly authorized to certify the same, and hereby further certifies as follows:

- 1. The Family Trust exists and was created under the Will, which was executed on or about April 8, 1998, following the death of Sandra Benton Wills Scales (being one and the same person as Sandra Benton Sales and Sandra W. Scales), the testatrix, on February 7, 2018. The Will was admitted to probate by order entered by the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama in the Estate of Sandra Benton Wills Scales, Deceased (Case No. PR-2018-000172) on March 23, 2018.
- 2. The name and address of the currently acting trustee (the "Trustee") of the Family Trust is Lia Rennan Scales Prince, who is located at 613 Pembroake Lane, Franklin, Tennessee 37064. Lia Rennan Scales Prince, who is the daughter of Sandra Benton Wills Scales and her husband, Jerome Curtis Scales, Jr. (being one and the same person as Jerome Curtis Scales and Jerome C. Scales), became the Trustee as Jerome Curtis Scales, Jr. predeceased Sandra Benton Wills Scales on May 26, 2016.
- The powers of the Trustee under the Will to sell, convey, lease, manage, and otherwise deal with interests in real and personal property in the Family Trust's name are as follows:

### ITEM XII.

## TRUST POWERS

The Trustee shall hold and manage the trust or trusts and all shares thereof, with all of the powers and authority the Trustee would have if the Trustee was the absolute owner thereof, including but not limited to the following powers:

. . .

4. To sell, auction, convey, exchange, lease or rent for a period beyond the possible termination of the trust (or for a less period) for improvement or otherwise, or to grant options for or in connection with such purposes, or

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otherwise dispose of, all or any portion of the trust, in such manner and upon such terms and conditions as the Trustee may approve.

. . .

- 22. To divide or distribute the trust property as provided for hereunder in cash or in kind, or partly for each, and for such purposes, to determine the value of the trust property, and to determine the share and identity of persons entitled to take hereunder.
- 23. To deal with the fiduciary or fiduciaries of any other trust or estate, even though the Trustee is also the fiduciary or one of the fiduciaries of the other trust or estate.

. . .

The powers granted in this Item shall be in addition to those granted by law and may be exercised after termination of all trusts or shares hereunder until the actual distribution of all trust principal, but not beyond the period permitted by any applicable rule of law relating to perpetuities. The Trustee's exercise or nonexercise of powers and discretions in good faith shall be conclusive on all persons. No person paying money or delivering property any Trustee hereunder shall be required or privileged to see to its application. The certificate of the Trustee that the Trustee is acting in compliance with this instrument shall fully protect all persons dealing with the Trustee.

### ITEM XIII.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

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H. It is my desire to permit a settlement of my estate and any trust created herein by consent which shall be effective with respect to each beneficiary hereof (notwithstanding the Personal Representative and Trustee may be the same or that a beneficiary who is legally incompetent may be entitled to receive property hereunder), by taking advantage of the provisions allowing settlement by consent without notice pursuant to Section 43-2-506 of the Code of Alabama, as amended.

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S. The Trustee may exercise all of the rights, powers, duties and discretion vested in the Trustee hereunder irrespective of any inherent conflict of interest that may exist if the Trustee is also a beneficiary of any trusts created hereunder. It is my intent that the terms of paragraph (a) of Section 19-3-324 of

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the Code of Alabama, as amended from time to time, shall not apply to any trusts created hereunder.

4. The Family Trust is irrevocable. No person holds a power to revoke the Family Trust.

5. The Trustee has the authority to sign in order to exercise her powers as trustee of the Family Trust.

- 6. The name in which title to trust property may be taken is "Lia Rennan Scales Prince, as trustee of the Family Trust created under Item V of the Last Will and Testament of Sandra Benton Wills Scales for the benefit of Lia Rennan Scales Prince, Jerome Curtis Scales, III, and Marc Donovan Scales".
- 7. The Will was not revoked, modified, or amended in any manner that would cause the representations contained in this Certification of Trust to be incorrect.

[Signatures appear on the following page]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed and delivered this Certification of Trust on the 27 day of January, 2022.

LIA RENNAN SCALES PRINCE

STATE OF Temessee )

:
Williamson COUNTY )

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that LIA RENNAN SCALES PRINCE, whose name is signed to the foregoing Certification of Trust and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of said Certification of Trust, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal of office this 27 day of James 2022.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 1- 20-2025

This instrument prepared by:

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