

BOND NO.: 024280699  
PREMIUM: \$5,175.00

SUBDIVISION PERFORMANCE BOND

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That Meritage Homes of California, Inc., as  
Principal and Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, a  
corporation licensed to transact surety business in the State of California, as Surety,  
are held and firmly bound unto the City of Palm Desert, as  
obligee, in the penal sum of One Million Six Hundred Seventeen Thousand Three Hundred Nineteen & 00/100  
( \$1,617,319.00 ), for the payment of which sum well and truly to made, we  
bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, successors and assigns, jointly and severally by these presents.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that whereas said Principal, the owner of a  
tract of land representing a subdivision entitled University Park, Tract 37506-3,  
and

WHEREAS, the map of said tract on which Principal desires to construct

Park Improvements

hereinafter referred to as improvements, and petition the obligee to accept the improvements, and

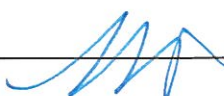
WHEREAS, said obligee requires a bond conditioned for the improvements of said tract, and

WHEREAS, the Principal proposes at its own cost and expense to improve said tract within the limits of  
said subdivision.

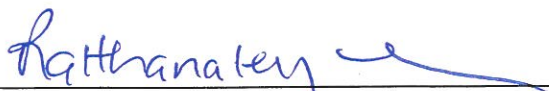
NOW, THEREFORE, if the said Principal shall well and truly cause said improvements, as herein before  
specified, within the limits of said subdivision to be improved, then this obligation shall cease and be void,  
otherwise it shall remain in full force and effect, and the Surety on this bond binds itself to said Obligee, to  
the amount on the herein above stated penal sum, that said improvements shall be completed in accordance  
with the agreement between Principal and Obligee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said Principal has hereunto set its hands and seals, and said Surety has caused  
these presents to be executed by its officers thereunto authorized this 22nd day of October,  
2024.

Meritage Homes of California, Inc.

By:  Hilla Sferruzza  
EVP - CFO  
(Name & Title)

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company

By:  Ratthanatevy Lor  
Ratthanatevy Lor, Attorney-in-Fact

**ALL-PURPOSE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

STATE OF ARIZONA )SS  
COUNTY OF MARICOPA )

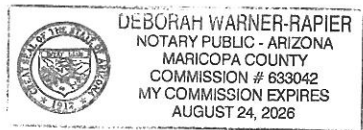
On Oct. 28 2024 before me, Deborah Warner-Rapier, Notary Public, personally appeared Hilla Sferruzza - EVP, CFO

who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of Arizona that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature *Deborah Warner-Rapier*



This area for official notarial seal.

**OPTIONAL SECTION - NOT PART OF NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT  
CAPACITY CLAIMED BY SIGNER**

Though statute does not require the Notary to fill in the data below, doing so may prove invaluable to persons relying on the documents.

- INDIVIDUAL
- CORPORATE OFFICER(S) TITLE(S)
- PARTNER(S)       LIMITED       GENERAL
- ATTORNEY-IN-FACT
- TRUSTEE(S)
- GUARDIAN/CONSERVATOR
- OTHER

SIGNER IS REPRESENTING:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person or Entity

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person or Entity

**OPTIONAL SECTION - NOT PART OF NOTARY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Though the data requested here is not required by law, it could prevent fraudulent reattachment of this form.

**THIS CERTIFICATE MUST BE ATTACHED TO THE DOCUMENT DESCRIBED BELOW**

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SIGNER(S) OTHER THAN NAMED ABOVE \_\_\_\_\_



# POWER OF ATTORNEY

Certificate No: 8204866

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company  
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
West American Insurance Company

KNOWN ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: That The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of New Hampshire, that Liberty Mutual Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Massachusetts, and West American Insurance Company is a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Indiana (herein collectively called the "Companies"), pursuant to and by authority herein set forth, does hereby name, constitute and appoint, Rathanatevy Lor all of the city of Seattle, state of Washington each individually if there be more than one named, its true and lawful attorney-in-fact to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver, for and on its behalf as surety and as its act and deed, any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations, in pursuance of these presents and shall be as binding upon the Companies as if they have been duly signed by the president and attested by the secretary of the Companies in their own proper persons.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Power of Attorney has been subscribed by an authorized officer or official of the Companies and the corporate seals of the Companies have been affixed thereto this 1st day of July, 2024.



Liberty Mutual Insurance Company  
The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company  
West American Insurance Company

By: Nathan J. Zangerle  
Nathan J. Zangerle, Assistant Secretary

Not valid for mortgage, note, loan, letter of credit, currency rate, interest rate or residual value guarantees.

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA ss  
COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

On this 1st day of July, 2024, before me personally appeared Nathan J. Zangerle, who acknowledged himself to be the Assistant Secretary of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Company, and West American Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, execute the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my notarial seal at Plymouth Meeting, Pennsylvania, on the day and year first above written.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania - Notary Seal  
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public  
Montgomery County  
My commission expires March 28, 2025  
Commission number 1126044  
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries

By: Teresa Pastella  
Teresa Pastella, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is made and executed pursuant to and by authority of the following By-laws and Authorizations of The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company which resolutions are now in full force and effect reading as follows:

**ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS: Section 12. Power of Attorney.**

Any officer or other official of the Corporation authorized for that purpose in writing by the Chairman or the President, and subject to such limitation as the Chairman or the President may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Corporation to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Corporation by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Corporation. When so executed, such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the President and attested to by the Secretary. Any power or authority granted to any representative or attorney-in-fact under the provisions of this article may be revoked at any time by the Board, the Chairman, the President or by the officer or officers granting such power or authority.

**ARTICLE XIII - Execution of Contracts: Section 5. Surety Bonds and Undertakings.**

Any officer of the Company authorized for that purpose in writing by the chairman or the president, and subject to such limitations as the chairman or the president may prescribe, shall appoint such attorneys-in-fact, as may be necessary to act in behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations. Such attorneys-in-fact, subject to the limitations set forth in their respective powers of attorney, shall have full power to bind the Company by their signature and execution of any such instruments and to attach thereto the seal of the Company. When so executed such instruments shall be as binding as if signed by the president and attested by the secretary.

**Certificate of Designation** – The President of the Company, acting pursuant to the Bylaws of the Company, authorizes Nathan J. Zangerle, Assistant Secretary to appoint such attorneys-in-fact as may be necessary to act on behalf of the Company to make, execute, seal, acknowledge and deliver as surety any and all undertakings, bonds, recognizances and other surety obligations.

**Authorization** – By unanimous consent of the Company's Board of Directors, the Company consents that facsimile or mechanically reproduced signature of any assistant secretary of the Company, wherever appearing upon a certified copy of any power of attorney issued by the Company in connection with surety bonds, shall be valid and binding upon the Company with the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

I, Renee C. Llewellyn, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary, of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company, and West American Insurance Company do hereby certify that this power of attorney executed by said Companies is in full force and effect and has not been revoked.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seals of said Companies this 22nd day of October, 2024.



By: Renee C. Llewellyn  
Renee C. Llewellyn, Assistant Secretary

For bond and/or Power of Attorney (POA) verification inquiries, please call 610-832-8240 or email HOSUR@libertymutual.com.