#### CERTIFICATE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE OF WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TEXAS

### CLIFTON HIGHER EDUCATION FINANCE CORPORATION HIGHER EDUCATION REVENUE BONDS (SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY PROJECT), SERIES 2017

The undersigned County Judge of Williamson County, Texas, (the "County") hereby certifies with respect to the issuance by the Clifton Higher Education Finance Corporation (the "Corporation"), of its Higher Education Revenue Bonds (Southwestern University Project), Series 2017 (the "Bonds").

- 1. This certificate is based upon the CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC HEARING OFFICER REGARDING PUBLIC HEARING attached hereto as **Exhibit A** relating to the public hearing conducted on the date indicated in the Affidavit of Publication attached to such Minutes of Public Hearing by the duly appointed hearing officer of the Corporation in accordance with the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; and
- 2. Solely for purposes of the approval requirements of the aforesaid Section 147(f) of the Code, and for no other purpose, in my capacity as County Judge, I hereby approve the Bonds and the facilities to be financed with the proceeds of the Bonds, and hereby ratify and approve all actions taken by or on behalf of the County with respect to publication of the Notice of the Public Hearing as reflected in the Affidavit of Publication attached as Exhibit A to the attached Certificate of Public Hearing Officer and the conducting of such Public Hearing.

THIS APPROVAL SHALL NOT BE CONSTRUED AS (1) A REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY BY THE COUNTY, THE COUNTY JUDGE OF THE COUNTY, THE STATE OF TEXAS OR ANY OTHER AGENCY, INSTRUMENTALITY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS THAT THE BONDS WILL BE PAID OR THAT ANY OBLIGATIONS ASSUMED BY ANY OF THE PARTIES UNDER THE INSTRUMENTS DELIVERED IN CONNECTION WITH THE BONDS WILL IN FACT BE PERFORMED; (2) A PLEDGE OF THE FAITH AND CREDIT OF THE COUNTY OR THE STATE OF TEXAS OR ANY AGENCY, INSTRUMENTALITY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF TEXAS OR THE COUNTY; OR (3) A REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY BY THE COUNTY CONCERNING THE VALIDITY OF THE CORPORATE EXISTENCE OF THE CORPORATION OR THE VALIDITY OF THE BONDS.

[Execution page follows]

Date: <u>/2 - //</u>, 2017

County Judge, Williamson County, Texas

### **EXHIBIT A**

# CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC HEARING OFFICER REGARDING PUBLIC HEARING

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# CLIFTON HIGHER EDUCATION FINANCE CORPORATION HIGHER EDUCATION REVENUE BONDS (SOUTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY PROJECT), SERIES 2017

I, the undersigned, do hereby make and execute this certificate for the benefit of all persons interested in the issuance of the above-referenced bonds (collectively, the "Bonds").

### I hereby certify as follows:

- 1. I am the duly appointed hearing officer for the public hearing which was held in connection with the issuance of the Bonds at the time and place indicated in the Notice of Public Hearing included in **Exhibit A** attached hereto.
- 2. Notice of the public hearing was published no less than 14 days before the date of the public hearing in the *Austin American-Statesman* and *The Clifton Record*, as evidenced by the Affidavit of Publication of the Notice of Public Hearing attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
- 3. All persons appearing at the public hearing were given an opportunity to comment on the proposed issuance of the Bonds and the project to be financed with proceeds of the Bonds. No such persons appeared or made comments except as is set forth on **Exhibit B** attached hereto.
- 4. After giving all interested persons an opportunity to appear and comment, the public hearing was declared closed.

### WITNESS MY HAND this 30th day of November, 2017.

Leanne Donner Hearing Officer

Exhibit A - Affidavit of Publication of the Notice of Public Hearing Exhibit B - Names and Comments of Persons Attending Public Hearing

### **EXHIBIT A**

### AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

### **ATTACHED**



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# PROOF OF **PUBLICATION** STATE OF TEXAS

### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared Alejandro Cado, who on oath says that he/she is a Legal Advertising Agent of the Austin American-Statesman, a daily published newspaper that is generally circulated in Bastrop, Bell, Blanco, Brazos, Burleson, Burnet, Caldwell, Colorado, Comal, Coryell, Fayette, Gillespie, Gonzales, Guadalupe, Hays, Kerr, Lampasas, Lee, Llano, Milam, Nueces, San Saba, Travis, Washington and Williamson Counties, and State of Texas, and that the attached advertisement was published in said newspaper, to wit: Andrews Kurth LLP, first date of publication 11/15/2017, last date of publication 11/15/2017, published 1 time(s), and that the attached is a true copy of said advertisement.

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Notice is hereby given of a joint hearing to be held on behalf of the Clifton Higher Education Finance Corporation (the "Issuer") on November 30, 2017, at 9:00 A.M. at FirstSouthwest, a Division of Hilltop Securities, 505 West 5th Street, Suite 280, Clifton, Texas 76634, with respect to the captioned bonds (the "Bonds"). The Bonds will be issued in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$35,000,000 by the Issuer. The proceeds of the Bonds will be issued as part of a plan of finance and loaned to Southwestern University, a Texas nonprofit corporation, (the "Borrower") for the following purposes:

(1) financing, refinancing, and/or refunding the costs of acquiring, constructing, enlarging, extending, repairing, renovating, improving, furnishing, and equipping educational and housing facilities and related infrastructure for the Borrower's campus located on 1001 E University Avenue, Georgetown, Texas 78626 (the "Project); and

(2) paying a portion of the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

The Project will be owned and operated by the Borrower. The Bonds are not payable out of taxes and are secured by and payable solely from funds provided by the Borrower.

The public hearing will be conducted by Leanne Donner, or her designee (the "Hearing Officer"). All interested persons are invited to attend such public hearing to express their views with respect to the above-described Project and the Bonds. Any interested persons unable to attend the hearing may submit their views in writing to the Hearing Officer prior to the date scheduled for the hearing at fax number (713) 220-4285. This notice is published and the hearing is held in satisfaction of the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

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## **PUBLISHER'S AFFIDAVIT**

# THE STATE OF TEXAS}

# **COUNTY OF BOSQUE**}

Before me, the undersigned authority, this day personally appeared <u>Laura Yeakey</u> after being by me duly sworn, says that she is <u>office assistant in charge of tearsheets and affidavits</u> of The Clifton Record, a newspaper published in Bosque County, Texas and that the <u>Southwestern for Andrews Kurth LLP</u> of which is hereto a Copy attach, was published in Said Newspaper on the following

Date(s):

November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017

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prepared to handle large-scale disasters that could impact our community."

And whereas the drill was important as a practice, the evaluation of the procedures – whether they worked well or opportunities for improvement – will be the most important part of the exercise.



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### **EXHIBIT B**

### NAMES AND COMMENTS OF PERSONS ATTENDING PUBLIC HEARING

### **NONE**

Name of Attendee	Comment
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