



FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE BOND
CITY OF MENIFEE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA
 (Government Code Section 66499.1)

FOR: Streets / Drainage	\$ <u>1,804,000.00</u>	Tract Map	<u>37576</u>
Flood Control	\$ <u>0.00</u>	Other Proj. Ref.	<u>IP19-047</u>
Water System	\$ <u>380,500.00</u>	Bond No.	<u>LICX1195845</u>
Rec. Water	\$ <u>99,500.00</u>	Premium	<u>\$10,216.00</u>
Sewer System	\$ <u>335,500.00</u>		
Total	\$ <u>2,619,500.00</u>		

Surety Lexon Insurance Company
 Address 12890 Lebanon Road
 City/State Mt. Juliet, TN
 Zip code 37122
 Phone 615-553-5212

Principal Meritage Homes of California, Inc.
 Address 5 Peters Canyon Road, Suite 310
 City/State Irvine, CA
 Zip 92606
 Phone (949) 299-3857

WHEREAS, the City of Meniffee, State of California, and Meritage Homes of California, Inc., (hereinafter designated as "principal") have entered into, or are about to enter into, the attached agreement(s) whereby principal agrees to install and complete the above designated public improvements relating to IP19-047, which agreement(s) is/are hereby referred to and made a part hereof; and,

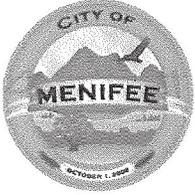
WHEREAS, said principal is required under the terms of said agreement(s) to furnish bond(s) for the faithful performance of said agreement(s);

NOW, THEREFORE, we the principal and Lexon Insurance Company, as surety, are held and firmly bound unto the City of Meniffee in the penal sum of Two Million Six Hundred Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred and no/100, Dollars, \$2,619,500.00 lawful money of the United States, for the payment of which sum will and truly be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, successors, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

The condition of this obligation is such that if the above bonded principal, his or its heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns, shall in all things stand to and abide by, and well and truly keep and perform the covenants, conditions and provisions in the said agreement and any alteration thereof made as therein provided, on his or their part, to be kept and performed at the time and in the manner therein specified, and in all respects according to their true intent and meaning, and shall indemnify and save harmless the City of Meniffee, its officers, agents and employees, as therein stipulated, then this obligation shall become null and void; otherwise, it shall remain in full force and effect.

As a part of the obligation secured hereby and in addition to the face amount specified therefore, there shall be included costs and reasonable expenses and fees, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by the City in successfully enforcing such obligation, all to be taxed as costs and included in any judgment rendered.

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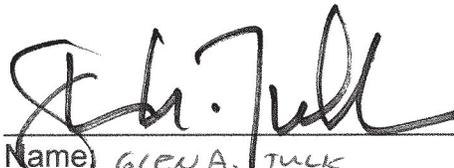
The surety hereby stipulates and agrees that no change, extension of time, alteration or addition to the terms of this agreement or to the work to be performed there under or the specifications accompanying the same shall in anywise affect its obligation on this bond, and it does hereby waive notice of any such change, extension of time, alteration or addition. Surety further stipulates and agrees that the provisions of Section 2845 of the Civil Code and commencement of construction are not conditions precedent to surety's obligations hereunder and are hereby waived by surety.

When the work covered by the agreement is complete, the City of Meniffee will accept the work and thereupon, the amount of the obligation of this bond is reduced by 90% with the remaining 10% held as security for the one-year maintenance period provided for in the agreements(s).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument has been duly executed by the principal and surety above named, on April 21, 2020.

NAME OF PRINCIPAL: Meritage Homes of California, Inc.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE(S):

By: 
Name: GLEN A. TULK
Title: VP - NATIONAL LAND DEVELOPMENT

(IF CORPORATION, AFFIX SEAL)

NAME OF SURETY: Lexon Insurance Company

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE: 
James I. Moore, Its Attorney-in-Fact

(IF CORPORATION, AFFIX SEAL)

ATTACH NOTARIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF SIGNATURES OF PRINCIPAL AND ATTORNEY-IN-FACT.



POWER OF ATTORNEY

1079

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, that **Endurance Assurance Corporation**, a Delaware corporation, **Endurance American Insurance Company**, a Delaware corporation, **Lexon Insurance Company**, a Texas corporation, and/or **Bond Safeguard Insurance Company**, a South Dakota corporation, each, a "Company" and collectively, "**Sompo International**," do hereby constitute and appoint: **James I. Moore, Stephen T. Kazmer, Dawn L. Morgan, Kelly A. Gardner, Jennifer J. McComb, Melissa Schmidt, Tariese M. Pisciotto, Diane Rubright, Amy Wickett, Martin Moss** as true and lawful Attorney(s)-In-Fact to make, execute, seal, and deliver for, and on its behalf as surety or co-surety; bonds and undertakings given for any and all purposes, also to execute and deliver on its behalf as aforesaid renewals, extensions, agreements, waivers, consents or stipulations relating to such bonds or undertakings provided, however, that no single bond or undertaking so made, executed and delivered shall obligate the Company for any portion of the penal sum thereof in excess of the sum of **FIFTEEN MILLION Dollars (\$15,000,000.00)**.

Such bonds and undertakings for said purposes, when duly executed by said attorney(s)-in-fact, shall be binding upon the Company as fully and to the same extent as if signed by the President of the Company under its corporate seal attested by its Corporate Secretary.

This appointment is made under and by authority of certain resolutions adopted by the sole shareholder of each Company by unanimous written consent effective the 15th day of June, 2019, a copy of which appears below under the heading entitled "Certificate".

This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by authority of the following resolution adopted by the sole shareholder of each Company by unanimous written consent effective the 15th day of June, 2019 and said resolution has not since been revoked, amended or repealed:

RESOLVED, that the signature of an individual named above and the seal of the Company may be affixed to any such power of attorney or any certificate relating thereto by facsimile, and any such power of attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company in the future with respect to any bond or undertaking to which it is attached.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each Company has caused this instrument to be signed by the following officers, and its corporate seal to be affixed this 15th day of June, 2019.

Endurance Assurance Corporation
By: *Richard M Appel*
Richard Appel; SVP & Senior Counsel

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

On this 15th day of June, 2019, before me, personally came the above signatories known to me, who being duly sworn, did depose and say that he/she is an officer of each of the Companies; and that he executed said instrument on behalf of each Company by authority of his office under the by-laws of each Company.

By: *Amy Taylor*
Amy Taylor, Notary Public - My Commission Expires 5/9/23

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Officer of each Company, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that:

1. That the original power of attorney of which the foregoing is a copy was duly executed on behalf of each Company and has not since been revoked, amended or modified; that the undersigned has compared the foregoing copy thereof with the original power of attorney, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the original power of attorney and of the whole thereof;
2. The following are resolutions which were adopted by the sole shareholder of each Company by unanimous written consent effective June 15, 2019 and said resolutions have not since been revoked, amended or modified:

"RESOLVED, that each of the individuals named below is authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver for and on behalf of the Company any and all bonds, undertakings or obligations in surety or co-surety with others: **RICHARD M. APPEL, BRIAN J. BEGGS, CHRISTOPHER DONELAN, SHARON L. SIMS, CHRISTOPHER L. SPARRO, MARIANNE L. WILBERT**

; and be it further

RESOLVED, that each of the individuals named above is authorized to appoint attorneys-in-fact for the purpose of making, executing, sealing and delivering bonds, undertakings or obligations in surety or co-surety for and on behalf of the Company."

3. The undersigned further certifies that the above resolutions are true and correct copies of the resolutions as so recorded and of the whole thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal this 21st day of April, 2020.

By: *Daniel S. Lurie*
Daniel S. Lurie, Secretary

NOTICE: U. S. TREASURY DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL (OFAC)

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Surety Claims Submission: LexonClaimAdministration@sompo-intl.com

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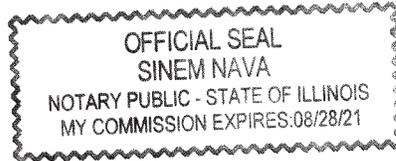
On April 21, 2020, before me, Sinem Nava, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared James I. Moore known to me to be Attorney-in-Fact of Lexon Insurance Company the corporation described in and that executed the within and foregoing instrument, and known to me to be the person who executed the said instrument in behalf of the said corporation, and he duly acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year stated in this certificate above.

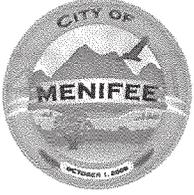
My Commission Expires August 28, 2021



Sinem Nava, Notary Public



Commission No. 859777



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WHEREAS, the City of Meniffee, State of California, and **Meritage Homes of California, Inc.**, (hereinafter designated as "principal") have entered into, or are about to enter into, the attached agreement(s) whereby principal agrees to install and complete the above designated public improvements relating to **IP19-047**, which agreement(s) is/are hereby referred to and made a part hereof; and,

WHEREAS, under the terms of said agreement, principal is required, before entering upon the performance of the work, to file a good and sufficient payment bond with the City of Meniffee to secure the claims to which reference is made in Title 15 (commencing with Section 3082) of Part 4 of Division 3 of the Civil Code of the State of California;

NOW, THEREFORE, said principal and the undersigned, as corporate surety, are held firmly unto the City of Meniffee and all contractors, subcontractors, laborers, material persons and other persons employed in the performance of said Civil Code in the sum of **Two Million Six Hundred Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred and no/100, Dollars, \$2,619,500.00** for materials furnished or labor thereon of any kind, or for amounts due under the Unemployment Insurance Act with respect to such work or labor, that said surety will pay the same in an amount not exceeding the amount hereinabove set forth, and also in case suit is brought upon this bond, will pay, in addition to the face amount thereof, costs and reasonable expenses and fees, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by the City in successfully enforcing such obligation, to be awarded and fixed by the court, and to be taxed as costs and to be included in the judgment therein rendered.

It is hereby expressly stipulated and agreed upon that this bond shall inure to the benefit of any and all persons, companies and corporations entitled to full claims under Title 15 (commencing with Section 3082) of Part 4 of Division 3 of the Civil Code, so as to give a right of action to them or their assigns in any suit brought upon this bond.

Should the condition of this bond be fully performed, then this obligation shall become null and void; otherwise, it shall be and remain in full force and effect.

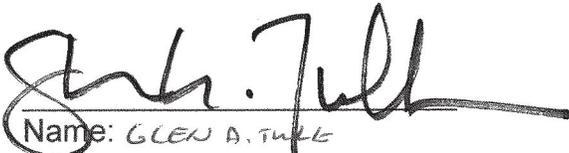
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By: *Amy Taylor*
Amy Taylor, Notary Public - My Commission Expires 5/9/23



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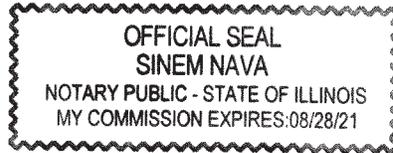
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year stated in this certificate above.

My Commission Expires August 28, 2021



Sinem Nava, Notary Public

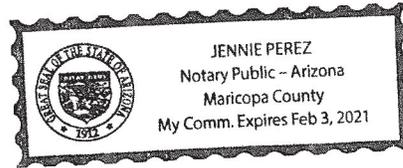


Commission No. 859777

STATE OF ARIZONA §
COUNTY OF MARICOPA §

On this day, April 23, 2020, before me, Jennie Perez, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Glen A. Tulk, Vice President – National Land Development of Meritage Homes of California, Inc. , a California corporation, the company described herein, who executed the foregoing instrument and is known to me to be the person who executed the said instrument on behalf of the said company, and who duly acknowledged to me that such company executed same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.



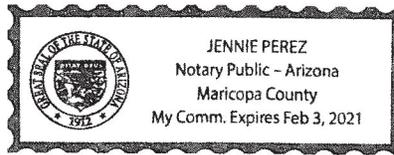


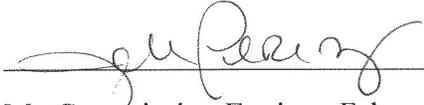
My Commission Expires: February 3, 2021

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