Attachment A - Certifications

As the grantee, the Michigan Strategic Fund hereby certifies that we will adhere to the certifications listed in Appendix A of the Universal Notice and the certifications specified in 24 CFR 91.325(a)(1) and (a)(3); and 24 CFR 91.325(b)(5), (b)(6), and (b)(7).

They are as follows:

1. Appendix A of the Universal Notice

- a. Authority of Grantee: We certify that the Admin Action Plan for disaster recovery is authorized under state and local law (as applicable) and that the grantee, and any entity or entities designated by the grantee, and any contractor, subrecipient, or designated public agency carrying out an activity with CDBG-DR funds, possess(es) the legal authority to carry out the program for which it is seeking funding, in accordance with applicable HUD regulations as modified by waivers and alternative requirements.
- b. **Consistency with the Action Plan:** We certify that activities to be undertaken with CDBG-DR funds are consistent with its Admin Action Plan.
- c. Citizen Participation: We certify that we are following a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 91.115 or 91.105 (except as provided for in waivers and alternative requirements). We also recognize and understand that each local government receiving assistance from a state grantee must follow a detailed citizen participation plan that satisfies the requirements of 24 CFR 570.486 (except as provided for in waivers and alternative requirements).
- d. **Use of Funds:** We certify that we are complying with each of the following criteria:
 - (1) Purpose of the Funds. Funds will be used solely for necessary expenses related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, economic revitalization, and mitigation in the most impacted and distressed areas for which the President declared a major disaster pursuant to the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.).
 - (2) Maximum Feasibility Priority. With respect to activities expected to be assisted with CDBG-DR funds, the Admin Action Plan has been developed so as to give the maximum feasible priority to activities that will benefit low- and moderate-income families.
 - (3) Overall benefit. The aggregate use of CDBG-DR funds shall principally benefit low- and moderate-income families in a manner that ensures that at least 70 percent (or another percentage permitted by HUD in a waiver) of the grant amount is expended for activities that benefit such persons.
 - (4) Special Assessment. The grantee will not attempt to recover any capital costs of public improvements assisted with CDBG-DR grant funds, by

assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of low- and moderate-income, including any fee charged or assessment made as a condition of obtaining access to such public improvements, unless: (a) the grant funds are used to pay the proportion of such fee or assessment that relates to the capital costs of such public improvements that are financed from revenue sources other than under this title; or (b) for purposes of assessing any amount against properties owned and occupied by persons of moderate income, the grantee certifies to the Secretary that it lacks sufficient CDBG funds (in any form) to comply with the requirements of clause (a).

e. **Grant Timeliness:** We certify that we (and any subrecipient or administering entity) currently have or will develop and maintain the capacity to carry out disaster recovery activities in a timely manner and that we have reviewed the requirements applicable to the use of grant funds.

2. 22 CFR 91.325

- (a)(1) *Affirmatively furthering fair housing.* We certify that we will affirmatively further fair housing, consistent with §§ 5.150 and 5.151 of this title.
- (a)(3) *Anti-lobbying.* We certify that we will comply with restrictions on lobbying required by 24 CFR part 87, together with disclosure forms, if required by that part.
- (b)(5) *Compliance with anti-discrimination laws.* We certify that the grant will be conducted and administered in conformity with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d) and the Fair Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 3601-3619) and implementing regulations.
- (b)(6) *Excessive force.* We certify that we will require units of general local government that receive CDBG funds to certify that they have adopted and are enforcing:
 - (i) A policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and
- (ii) A policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to or exit from a facility or location that is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.
- (b)(7) **Compliance with laws.** We certify that we will comply with applicable laws.

Warning: Any person who knowingly makes a false claim or statement to HUD may be subject to civil or criminal penalties under 18 U.S.C. 287, 1001, and 31 U.S.C. 3729.

Matthew Casby	6/10/2025
Signature of Certifying Official	(Date)
Matthew Casby Printed Name of Certifying Official	06/10/2025 (Date)