

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that on October 10, 2025, at 9:00 A.M. Central time, a public hearing will be held before the Executive Director of the Illinois Finance Authority (the “Authority”), or his designee, in Suite 501 of the law office of Hart, Southworth & Witsman, One North Old State Capitol Plaza, Springfield, Illinois 62701, as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), regarding a plan of finance by the Indiana Finance Authority (the “Issuer”) to issue its qualified 501(c)(3) bonds (the “Bonds”), in one or more series for hospitals or other healthcare facilities as further described below, in a maximum aggregate principal amount of not to exceed One Billion Four Hundred Seven Million Dollars (\$1,407,000,000). In addition, the public hearing will be simultaneously accessible by residents, taxpayers and other interested persons telephonically on October 10, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., by dialing into the toll-free telephone conference line number: (844) 875-7777, and entering access code: 5002925.

The proceeds of the Bonds will be loaned to Ascension Health Alliance d/b/a Ascension (“Ascension”), a Missouri not-for-profit corporation and an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code (the “Borrower”), and the property and facilities to be financed or refinanced with the proceeds of the Bonds related to projects in the State of Illinois (the “Illinois Projects”) are or will be owned and/or principally used by one or more of the following affiliates of Ascension (the “Illinois Project Affiliates”), each a nonprofit corporation and each an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, (1) Alexian Brothers Medical Center, (2) Presence Chicago Hospitals Network and (3) St. Alexius Medical Center. Proceeds of the Bonds relating to the Illinois Projects may be used to finance (including reimburse) or refinance the acquisition, construction, equipping, repair, restoration, reconditioning, remodeling and/or installation of certain capital improvements to certain hospital, health facilities and related facilities, including land, owned and/or principally used by one or more of the Illinois Project Affiliates and generally located at the following locations in the State of Illinois: (1) the campus of Ascension Alexian Brothers, generally located at 800 Biesterfield Road, Elk Grove Village and generally bounded by Beisner Road, Gloucester Drive, Leicester Road, and Bristol Lane (\$140,000,000 maximum principal amount), (2) the campus of Ascension St. Joseph – Chicago, generally located at 2900 North Lake Shore Drive, Chicago and generally bounded by North Lake Shore Drive, West Diversey Parkway, North Sheridan Road, and West Oakdale Avenue (\$30,000,000 maximum principal amount) and (3) the campus of Ascension St. Alexius generally located at 1555 Barrington Road, Hoffman Estates and generally bounded by Barrington Road, West Higgins Road, Moon Lake Boulevard, and Saint Alexius Medical Center (\$30,000,000 maximum principal amount).

The remainder of the proceeds of the Bonds will be used by other affiliates of Ascension for projects located in other states in the United States of America.

The Bonds will be issued as qualified 501(c)(3) bonds within the meaning of Section 145 of the Code.

The Bonds are special, limited obligations of the Issuer, payable solely out of funds to be paid by the Borrower pursuant to an agreement to be entered into between the Borrower and the Issuer and any other revenues and/or other funds pledged and assigned for the payment of the

Bonds. This public hearing does not impose any liability, financial or otherwise, on the Authority or the State of Illinois or any political subdivision thereof or in any way involve the Authority or the State of Illinois or any political subdivision thereof in the issuance of the Bonds, but is an accommodation by the Authority to satisfy the requirements of Section 147(f) of the Code for the issuance of the Bonds by the Issuer.

The above notice of public hearing is required by Section 147(f) of the Code. At the time and place set for the public hearing, residents, taxpayers and other interested persons will be given the opportunity to express their views for or against the proposed plan of finance and the issuance of the Bonds. In addition, residents, taxpayers and other interested persons that attend the public hearing telephonically by dialing into the toll-free telephone conference line number noted above will be given the opportunity to express their views for or against the proposed plan of finance and the issuance of the Bonds at a designated point in the public hearing. Written comments may also be submitted to the Executive Director of the Authority via (i) email at publiccomments@il-fa.com or (ii) mail at the Authority's office located at 160 North LaSalle Street, Suite S-1000, Chicago, Illinois 60601 until October 8, 2025.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), if any person with a disability as defined by the ADA needs special accommodations to participate in the public hearing, then no later than 9:00 A.M. Central time on October 9, 2025, such person should contact the Authority at (312) 651-1300.

NOTICE DATED: October 1, 2025.

ILLINOIS FINANCE AUTHORITY

By: /s/ Christopher B. Meister
Executive Director
Illinois Finance Authority