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#### **BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE**

#### **STATE OF IDAHO**

In the Matter of:

# UNITED HERITAGE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

Docket No. 18-4414-24

ORDER ADOPTING REPORT OF EXAMINATION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022

Certificate of Authority No. 151 NAIC No. 63983

The State of Idaho, Department of Insurance ("Department"), having conducted an examination of the affairs, transactions, accounts, records, and assets of UNITED HERITAGE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY ("UHLIC") to ascertain compliance with title 41, Idaho Code, and related rules, pursuant to Idaho Code § 41-219(1) and (5), hereby alleges the following facts that constitute a basis for issuance of an order, pursuant to Idaho Code § 41-227(5)(a), adopting the Report of Examination of UHLIC for the period of January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2022 ("Report"), as filed.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

1. UHLIC is an Idaho-domiciled insurance company licensed by the Department to transact life and disability insurance, excluding managed care, in Idaho under Certificate of Authority No. 151.

2. The Department completed an examination of UHLIC pursuant to Idaho Code § 41-219(1) and (5) on or about March 6, 2024. The Department's findings are set forth in the Report.

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3. Pursuant to Idaho Code § 41-227(4), a copy of the Report was filed with the Department on March 21, 2024, and was transmitted to UHLIC on the same date. A copy of the Report is attached hereto as Exhibit A.

4. On April 2, 2024, the Department received a Waiver signed by Mathew Dahl, the Senior Vice President and CFO of UHLIC. By execution of such Waiver, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit B, United Heritage Life Insurance Company, consented to the immediate entry of a final order by the Director of the Department ("Director") adopting the Report without any modifications; waived its right to make a written submission or rebuttal to the Report; and waived its right to request a hearing and to seek reconsideration or appeal for the Director's final order.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

5. Idaho Code § 41-227(5)(a) provides that, after expiration of "the period allowed for the receipt of written submissions or rebuttals, the Director shall fully consider and review the report, together with any written submissions or rebuttals and relevant portions of the examiner's work papers" and shall enter an order adopting the report of examination as filed or with modifications or corrections.

7. Having fully considered the Report, the Director concludes that, with regard to the matters examined and information provided by UHLIC, the comments and recommendations contained in the Report are appropriate and are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

#### **ORDER**

NOW, THEREFORE, based on the foregoing, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Report of Examination of United Heritage Life Insurance Company for the period of January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2022, is hereby ADOPTED as filed, pursuant to Idaho Code § 41-227(5)(a).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Idaho Code § 41-227(8), that the adopted Report

is a public record and shall not be subject to the exemptions from disclosure provided in chapter 1, title 74, Idaho Code.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to Idaho Code § 41-227(6)(a), that, within thirty (30) days of the issuance of the adopted Report, UHLIC shall file with the Department's Chief Examiner affidavits executed by each of its directors or, if none, its principal officers, stating under oath that they have received a copy of the adopted Report and related orders.

#### IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this <u></u> day of April, 2024.

STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

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DEAN L. CAMERON Director

#### **NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS**

This Order constitutes a final order of the Director. Any party may file a motion for reconsideration of this final order within fourteen (14) days of the service date of this order. The Director will dispose of the petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of its receipt, or the petition will be considered denied by operation of law. *See*, Idaho Code § 67-5246(4).

Pursuant to Idaho Code §§ 67-5270 and 67-5272, any party aggrieved by this final order may appeal it by filing a petition for judicial review in the district court of the county in which: (1) the hearing was held; or (2) the final agency action was taken; or (3) the aggrieved party resides or operates its principal place of business in Idaho; or (4) the real property or personal property that was the subject of the agency decision is located. An appeal must be filed within twenty-eight (28) days of: (a) the service date of this final order; or (b) an order denying a petition for reconsideration; or (c) the failure within twenty-one (21) days to grant or deny a petition for reconsideration, whichever is later. *See*, Idaho Code § 67-5273. The filing of a petition for judicial review does not itself stay the effectiveness or enforcement of the order under appeal.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that, on this <u>17</u> day of April, 2024, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing ORDER ADOPTING REPORT OF EXAMINATION AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2022, to be served upon the following by the designated means:

| Mathew Dahl<br>SVP/CFO<br>United Heritage Life Insurance Company<br>707 E. United Heritage Court<br>Meridian, ID 83642  | <ul> <li>First Class Mail</li> <li>Certified Mail</li> <li>Hand Delivery</li> <li>Facsimile</li> <li>Email: mdahl@unitedheritage.com</li> </ul>     |
|---|---|
| John Keenan<br>Deputy Attorney General<br>Idaho Department of Insurance<br>700 W. State Street, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor<br>P.O. Box 83720<br>Boise, ID 83720-0043                           | <ul> <li>First Class Mail</li> <li>Certified Mail</li> <li>Hand Delivery</li> <li>Facsimile</li> <li>Email: john.keenan@doi.idaho.gov</li> </ul>    |
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Jan Noriyuki Paralegal

#### DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

## STATE OF IDAHO



#### **REPORT OF EXAMINATION**

Of

United Heritage Life Insurance Company (Life) (NAIC Company Code: 63983) (Group Code: 2878)

> As of December 31, 2022



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Meridian, Idaho March 6, 2024

The Honorable Dean Cameron Director of Insurance State of Idaho 700 West State Street P.O. Box 83720 Boise, Idaho 83720-0043

Dear Director:

Pursuant to your instructions, in compliance with Section 41-219(1), Idaho Code, and in accordance with the practices and procedures promulgated by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC), we have conducted an examination as of December 31, 2022, of the financial condition and corporate affairs of:

United Heritage Life Insurance Company 707 E United Heritage Court Meridian, Idaho

Hereinafter referred to as (the "Company"), at its offices in Meridian, Idaho. The following report of examination is respectfully submitted.

## **SCOPE OF EXAMINATION**

#### Period Covered

We have performed our full-scope examination of the Company in conjunction with the full-scope multi-state coordinated examination of the United Heritage Mutual Holding Company group. The last examination was completed as of December 31, 2017. This examination covers the period of January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2022.

#### Examination Procedures Employed

Our examination was conducted in accordance with the NAIC *Financial Condition Examiners Handbook* (the "Handbook") to determine compliance with accounting practices and procedures in conformity with the applicable laws and rules promulgated by the Idaho Department of Insurance (the "Department"). The Handbook requires that we plan and perform the examination to evaluate the financial condition, assess corporate governance, identify current and prospective risks of the Company and evaluate system controls and procedures used to mitigate those risks. An examination also includes identifying and evaluating significant risks that could cause an insurer's surplus to be materially misstated both currently and prospectively.

All accounts and activities of the Company were considered in accordance with the risk-focused examination process. This may include assessing significant estimates made by management and evaluating management's compliance with Statutory Accounting Principles. The examination does not attest to the fair presentation of the financial statements included herein. If, during the course of the examination, an adjustment was identified, the impact of such adjustment will be documented separately following the Company's financial statements.

This examination report includes findings of fact and general information about the insurer and its financial condition. There may be other items identified during the examination that, due to their nature, are not included within the examination report but separately communicated to the Company.

The examination determined the risks associated with identified key functional areas of the Company's operation and considered mitigating factors. Interviews were held with the senior management of the Company to gain an understanding of the entity's operating profile and control environment.

The Company retained the services of a certified public accounting firm, JLK Rosenberger, LLP to audit its financial records for the years under examination. The firm allowed the examiners access to requested work papers prepared in connection with its audits. The external audit work was relied upon where appropriate.

The examination relied on the findings of the actuarial firm contracted by the Department to verify pricing and reserves.

A letter of representation certifying that management disclosed all significant matters and records was obtained from management and included in the examination working papers.

#### Status of Prior Examination Findings

The preceding Report of Examination, adopted June 13, 2019, which covered the period from January 1, 2014, to December 31, 2017, did not disclose any material adverse findings or any adjustments that the Company's reported capital and surplus.

The prior Examination Report as of December 31, 2017, was distributed to the Board on August 15, 2019, in accordance with Idaho Code 41-227(6)(a).

## SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS

Our examination did not disclose any material adverse findings or any adjustments that impacted the Company's reported capital and surplus.

## SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

We noted no significant subsequent events as of the date of this report.

## **COMPANY HISTORY**

#### General

On July 7,1934, the Company was incorporated as a fraternal benefit society pursuant to the provisions of Title 41, Chapter 32, Idaho Code, and commenced business on September 10, 1935.

On December 20, 1946, the Articles of Incorporation were amended converting the fraternal benefit society to a legal reserve mutual life insurance company, changing its name to Grange Mutual Life Company. On May 13, 1991, the Articles of Incorporation were amended to reflect a name change to United Heritage Mutual Life Insurance Company.

On March 15, 1973, Grange Financial Services, Inc. was formed, which on or about September 1993 changed its name to United Heritage Financial Services, Inc. On September 10, 1993, United Heritage Holdings, Inc. was formed, which on or about August 2001 changed its name to United Heritage Financial Group, Inc. The Company was the sole shareholder of both entities.

On November 7, 2000, United Heritage Financial Group, Inc., acquired 100% of United Heritage Property & Casualty Company.

Effective, August 28, 2001, the Company converted to a mutual insurance holding company structure with Director approval pursuant to Section 41-2855, Idaho Code, and the Mutual Holding Company Act of Idaho Code, Title 41. On August 28, 2001, United Heritage Mutual Holding Company, Inc., was incorporated under the ownership of the member policyholders of United

Heritage Life Insurance Company, with United Heritage Mutual Holding Company, Inc. becoming the ultimate controlling person of the holding company system. This reorganization caused United Heritage Financial Group, Inc., and United Heritage Financial Services, Inc. to become 100% wholly owned subsidiaries of United Heritage Mutual Holding Company, Inc. Simultaneously, the Company became a wholly owned subsidiary of the intermediate mutual holding company, United Heritage Financial Group, Inc., through a stock exchange.

On December 13, 2001, the Company's First Articles of Amendment to Articles of Incorporation were filed and approved by the Department of Insurance, authorizing 1,500,000 shares of common stock each with a par value of \$5, issued to United Heritage Financial Group, Inc.

On December 20, 2002, Sublimity Insurance Company, domiciled in Oregon, entered into an agreement to be acquired by United Heritage Mutual Holding Company. On May 23, 2003, all shares of Sublimity Insurance Company's common capital stock, along with its wholly owned subsidiary Sublimity Service Corporation, were transferred to United Heritage Financial Group, Inc. Then on March 3, 2003, the Company formed United Heritage Marketing Services, Inc.

On or about March 31, 2007, United Heritage Financial Group, Inc., divested the business of United Heritage Financial Services, Inc. Effective May 31, 2007, United Heritage Financial Services, Inc., was merged into United Heritage Financial Group, Inc.

April 1, 2013, United Heritage Financial Group, Inc., acquired approximately 95% of Merced Property & Casualty Company, domiciled in California. On December 17, 2014, United Heritage Financial Group, Inc., became Merced's sole shareholder. On December 3, 2018, Merced Property & Casualty Company was deemed insolvent and placed into liquidation.

On August 8, 2022, AlphaEdge Investment Management, Inc. was incorporated in anticipation of providing certain investment services to the Company. Subsequent to the examination period, on December 18, 2023, United Heritage Financial Group, Inc. formally became its sole owner.

## Dividends and Capital Contributions

The following ordinary dividends were issued in accordance with Idaho Code § 41-3812 to the intermediate parent, United Heritage Financial Group (UHFG), during the examination period:

| Year  | Amount       |
|-------|--------------|
| 2018  | \$ 2,000,000 |
| 2019  | 2,000,000    |
| 2020  | 2,000,000    |
| 2021  | 2,000,000    |
| 2022  | 2,000,000    |
| Total | \$10,000,000 |

As of December 31, 2022, the Company had 1,500,000 common stock shares authorized, 1,000,000 shares issued and outstanding, with a par value of \$5. There were no capital contributions during the examination period.

#### Mergers and Acquisitions

There were no mergers and acquisitions during the examination period.

#### Surplus Debentures

On September 15, 2005, the Company issued a surplus note to Wilmington Trust, as trustee, in the amount of \$7,500,000. As of December 31, 2022, the face amount of \$4,000,000 remained outstanding. On September 15, 2035, the principal amount of the note matures.

## **CORPORATE RECORDS**

Regular and special meetings of the Board of Directors (the "Board") were conducted at least four times each year under examination. The meetings were held in person or virtually. At each annual shareholder meeting, directors were nominated and elected to staggered terms in accordance with Idaho Code § 41-2835(2). The Board meeting minutes for the period of January 1, 2018, to December 31, 2022, were reviewed noting matters pertaining to budgeting, trends, reserving, expansion, corporate governance, and other operational issues were reviewed and discussed. Additionally, the Company has established procedures for disclosure of any material affiliation likely to conflict with the individual's official duties. The conflict of interest disclosures were reviewed for each year under examination noting no material conflicts. The sale or exchange of any investment or loan as described in Idaho Code § 41-704 was authorized and approved by the Board of Directors. The Company's corporate records, which included but were not limited to, accounting, claims system, policyholder information and Board meeting minutes were kept at the corporate office in Meridian, Idaho.

## MANAGEMENT AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The bylaws of the Company indicated the number of directors may not be less than five (5) persons no more than fifteen (15) persons.

The following persons served as directors of the Company as of December 31, 2022:

| <u>Name</u><br>Steven Donald Hauschild, Chairman<br>Spokane, Washington | <u>Principal Occupation</u><br>Director of Business Lending, BECU<br>formerly Boeing Employees' Credit Union |
|---|--|
| Michael Martin Brem<br>Turlock, California                              | Retired, SupHerb Farms   |
| Todd Hunter Gill<br>Meridian, Idaho                                     | President, CEO, UHMHC, UHFG, and UHLIC   |
| Diane Luise Polscer<br>Wilsonville, Oregon                              | Managing Partner, Gordon & Polscer   |
| John William Holleran<br>Boise, Idaho                                   | Retired,<br>Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Itron, Inc.                                |
| Michelle Elizabeth Hege<br>Spokane, Washington                          | President and CEO, Desautel Hege Communications  |
| Richard Clinton Waitley<br>Meridián, Idaho                              | President, Association Management Group  |
| Michael Mark Mooney<br>Boise, Idaho                                     | Retired, Bank of Cascades, Idaho Region  |

As of March 31, 2023, subsequent to the examination period, Jeff Chandler Kinneeveauk and Zachary Dirk Tudor were named directors, replacing Richard Waitley and a vacancy.

#### Committees

The Company's bylaws authorize the Board of Directors to establish an Executive Committee of the Board of Directors, composed of the Chairman of the Board, Vice Chairman of the Board and the President. The Chairman of the Board may also appoint such other committees as it may determine from time to time, to serve at the pleasure of the full Board of Directors. As of December 31, 2022, the Company's board of directors had the following committees:

#### Audit Committee

The Audit Committee was responsible for oversight of the external audit function including but not limited to review and approval of the financial audit results, monitoring the preliminary audit results including evaluating uncorrected misstatements, material weaknesses in internal controls and significant deficiencies, if applicable. The Audit Committee also reviewed the Annual Statements, Management Discussion & Analysis, and Actuarial Opinions and Reports. As of December 31, 2022, the following served on the Audit Committee:

- Michael Mooney, Committee Chairman
- Steven Hauschild
- Michael Brem

• John W. Holleran

## Compensation Committee

The Compensation Committee was responsible for the review and approval of the profit sharing resolutions; individual, discretionary and holiday bonuses; salary increases and compensation policies. Other matters discussed included but was not limited to year-to-date financial results; inflation issues; unemployment rates; salary surveys; salary bands; dental, vision, short-term and long-term insurance; IRS contribution limits and Cafeteria Plans. As of December 31, 2022, the following served on the Compensation Committee:

- Diane Polscer, Committee Chairman
- Steven Hauschild
- Richard Waitley
- John Holleran
- Michelle Hege

## Executive Committee

The Executive Committee acts on behalf of the full Board when there is not a regular or special meeting of the Board ensuring all urgent and critical issues are handled in a timely manner. Members as of December 31, 2022, were as follows:

- Steven Hauschild, Chairman of the Board
- Diane Polscer, Vice Chairman of the Board
- Todd Gill, President, CEO

## Marketing and Branding Committee

This Committee was responsible for reviewing and monitoring the year-to-date production levels, yearly projections, persistency results, product expansion including the preneed product, expansion into new states, partnerships, social media goals, branding strategy, AlphaEdge Investment Management branding, and the Company's goals related to branding. As of December 31, 2022, the following served on the Marketing & Branding Committee:

- Richard Waitley, Committee Chairman
- Diane Polscer, Vice Chairman of the Board
- Todd H. Gill
- Michael Brem
- Michael Mooney
- Michelle Hege

UHFG, the immediate parent, established the following committees on behalf of the holding Company:

#### Investment Committee

The Investment Committee was responsible for but not limited to review and approval of investments, the investment policy, review of inflationary pressures and impact, interest rates and corporate spreads, legislative impacts, types/kinds of investments including asset allocations, real estate and mortgage portfolios. As of December 31, 2022, the following served on the Investment Committee:

- Dean D. Sandros, Committee Chairman
- Todd H. Gill
- Michael Brem
- John Holleran
- Mathew D. Dahl
- Marcus S. McDonald
- Brian K. Montgomery

## Retirement Committee

This Committee was responsible for reviewing the fund's performance including individual fund returns; fund changes including the inclusion, elimination or replacement of certain funds; plan administrator activities; audit fees and ERISA account balances. As of December 31, 2022, the following served on the Retirement Committee:

- Dean D. Sandros, Committee Chairman
- Steven Hauschild, Chairman of the Board
- Todd H. Gill
- Mathew D. Dahl
- Kevin W. Lucke
- Stefanie A. Thiel

## Risk Committee

This Committee reviewed and discussed corporate insurance renewals, succession and talent management planning, governance, development methodologies, risks associated with inflation, weather, regulatory and legislative developments and market issues, inflationary pressure on staffing, investments and ESG activities. The discussions held appeared high-level in nature. There was no documentation evidencing detailed discussions regarding risk identification, risk assessment, risk prioritization, risk treatment and risk monitoring. As of December 31, 2022, the following served on the Risk Committee:

- Diane Polscer, Committee Chairman
- Steven Hauschild, Chairman of the Board
- Todd H. Gill
- Mathew D. Dahl
- Jill L. Evoy

- Michael Mooney
- Johanna C.L. Hale
- Kevin W. Lucke
- Richard Shane Nelson
- Jeffrey D. Neumeyer
- Dean D. Sandros
- Stefanie A. Thiel
- Shawn R. Turner

United Heritage Mutual Holding Company, Inc., ultimate parent, established the following committee:

#### Governance & Nominating Committee

The Governance & Nominating Committee was responsible for committee and structural assignments including appointments, review of potential Directors biographical information, board recruitment, board compensation, and interviewing potential Directors. As of December 31, 2022, the following served on the Governance & Nominating Committee:

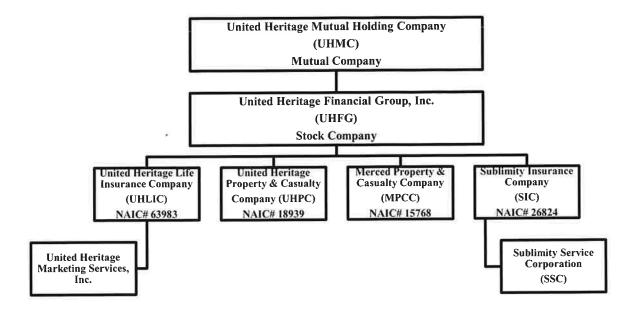
- Steven Hauschild
- John Holleran
- Michael Brem
- Todd H. Gill

The Company's bylaws provide for principal officers to consist of a Chairman of the Board, a Vice Chairman of the Board, and a President who shall be members of the Board of Directors. Additional officers include a Secretary and a Treasurer. The following persons served as officers of the Company as of December 31, 2022:

| Name                | Position  |
|---------------------|---|
| Todd H. Gill        | President   |
| Dean D. Sandros     | Treasurer   |
| Jeffrey D. Neumeyer | Secretary   |
| Mathew D. Dahl      | Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer               |
| Robert M. McCarvel  | Senior Vice President and Chief Marketing Officer               |
| Richard S. Nelson   | Senior Vice President, Group, and Chief Customer Officer        |
| ZoeAnn Greenfield   | Vice President, Customer Experience                             |
| Stefanie A. Thiel   | Senior Vice President and Chief Human Resource Officer          |
| Tracey R. Oneale    | Vice President, Deputy General Counsel, and Assistant Secretary |

Insurance Holding Company System

The Company is a member of an insurance holding company system with the ultimate controlling person being United Heritage Mutual Holding Company as depicted in the following organizational chart as of December 31, 2022:



#### Agreements with Affiliates

As of December 31, 2022, the Company was a party to the following related party agreements:

#### Cost Sharing and Allocation Agreement

Effective October 4, 2013, UHFG and all of its direct and indirect subsidiaries entered into an agreement whereby certain operating expenses benefiting more than one Company were allocated based on each Company's respective use or benefit of that expense. Allocable expenses include but were not limited to employee benefit plans [health insurance, dental insurance, 401(k), long-term disability, etc.], building rent, operating expenses, investment management, human resource management, information technology and services, regulatory and statutory compliance. This agreement was effective continuously until amended or terminated by the parties. Subsequent to the examination period, effective January 1, 2024, the parties amended this agreement to integrate AlphaEdge Investment Management and clarify certain cost allocation methods.

#### Lease Agreements

Effective January 1, 2018, the Company entered into separate lease agreements with UHFG and United Heritage Property & Casualty Company (UHPC). Pursuant to the agreements both UHFG and UHPC rented general office space from the Company, including but not limited to common areas and other shared areas including parking on a month to month basis. These agreements were effective continuously until amended or terminated by the parties.

#### Revolving Lines of Credit

Effective March 1, 2018, the Company entered into two, separate revolving lines of credit agreements with UHFG via promissory notes. Pursuant to the promissory notes, the Company could borrow or loan UHFG up to \$4,000,000, at an adjustable rate based on the Wells Fargo Prime Rate. Both agreements had a maturity date of February 28, 2023.

#### Tax Allocation Agreement

Effective December 31, 2013, this agreement was entered into between United Heritage Mutual Holding Company, its wholly owned subsidiary, UHFG, and all of its direct and indirect subsidiaries. Pursuant to this agreement, all members of this group intends to file a consolidated federal income tax return. The federal income tax liability, including the alternative minimum tax liability or tax benefit would be computed separately or independently for each member of the group. This agreement was effective continuously until amended or terminated by the parties.

## FIDELITY BONDS AND OTHER INSURANCE

The minimum fidelity coverage suggested by the NAIC for an insurer of the Company's size and premium volume is not less than \$1,250,000. As of December 31, 2022, the Company had sufficient fidelity bond coverage subject to a loss limit of \$5,000,000.

The Company also had additional insurance protection against Directors and Officers Liability, Employment Practice Liability, and Fiduciary Liability.

# PENSION, STOCK OWNERSHIP AND INSURANCE PLANS

## 401(k) and Profit Sharing

The Company participates in the United Heritage Financial Group 401(k) Plan, for which all employees 21 or over and employed for one month or more are eligible to participate. Participating employees may elect to contribute up to the Internal Revenue Service limitations to available investment funds. The Company matches employee contributions up to a maximum of 4% of their salaries. In addition, the Company provides discretionary profit sharing contributions. As of December 31, 2022, the Company incurred \$260,021 in expenses.

#### Deferred Compensation Plans

The Company established a supplemental executive retirement plan to provide incentives to certain executives and officers to remain employed with the Company until retirement. This plan included a component for excess 401 (k) and profit sharing for officers who qualify. As of December 31, 2022, the value of the plan was \$673,899, that was reported in other liabilities on the balance sheet.

#### Postretirement Benefits Plans

The Company provided health care benefits for a limited group of retired employees under an unfunded postretirement benefit plan, that provides for the payment of the retired employees' medical insurance premiums. As of December 31, 2022, the postretirement benefit obligation and net periodic postretirement expenses were \$2,998 and \$192, respectively.

## **TERRITORY AND PLAN OF OPERATION**

As of December 31, 2022, the Company was licensed in 49 states, except New York, as well as the District of Columbia. The Company offers a multitude of products including life insurance, preneed, final expense, individual fixed annuities and group life and disability. The individual fixed annuities were distributed via independent personal producing general agents, group products via independent agents, whole life products including final expense via a separate general agency system, and preneed products via individual funeral homes.

The Company utilized a Regional Director Distribution system with three external Regional Directors and a Preneed Marketing organization responsible for agent/funeral home development. As of December 31, 2022, the Company had 492 active producers and 390 active funeral homes with an active producer. The Company was focused on the sale of preneed, annuity, and final expense products.

# **GROWTH OF THE COMPANY**

The following represents the Company's gross written premium activity and its relationship to capital and surplus over the examination:

|   | <u>2018</u>  | 2019         | <u>2020</u>  | <u>2021</u>   | 2022          |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Gross Written Premiums                              | \$90,587,585 | \$95,730,942 | \$86,529,438 | \$109,896,613 | \$103,650,910 |
| Capital and Surplus                                 | \$67,268,222 | \$70,835,844 | \$72,544,115 | \$ 76,147,471 | \$ 78,089,515 |
| Gross Written Premiums to Capital and Surplus Ratio | 135%         | 135%         | 119%         | 144%          | 133%          |

In 2022, the premium growth was lower for annuity products because of rising interest rates. Also, benefits paid increased by 8.9%.

## LOSS EXPERIENCE

The following represents the Company's loss experience and its relationship to net premium income over the period of our examination:

|  | 2018          | <u>2019</u>  | 2020         | 2021          | <u>2022</u>   |
|--|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|
| Net Premiums Earned  | \$84,010,289  | \$87,641,023 | \$77,761,535 | \$100,087,896 | \$ 93,403,867 |
| Total Benefits Incurred  | \$ 84,848,442 | \$90,269,972 | \$83,491,750 | \$107,293,183 | \$100,866,220 |
| Total Loss and LAE Incurred to Net Premium Earned (Loss Ratio) | 101%          | 103%         | 107%         | 107%          | 108%          |

#### REINSURANCE

#### Assumed

The Company did not assume any reinsurance during the examination period.

#### Ceded

During the examination period, the individual health lines of business were coinsured on a 50% basis. The Company's individual life insurance products were reinsured on either a yearly-renewable term (YRT) or coinsurance basis. The Legacy Term products were reinsured on an 80% coinsurance basis with a maximum retention limit of \$150,000. All other life risks had a maximum retention limit of \$100,000.

The Group Term Life business was reinsured on a YRT basis via a 50% quota share arrangement with a maximum retention limit of \$35,000 per life for basic employee life and \$25,000 per life for supplemental life insurance, in excess of 100% reinsured over the maximum for basic and supplemental coverage. The Group basic and supplemental accidental death and dismemberment was reinsured at 100%. The group short-term disability was reinsured at 50%; group long-term disability was reinsured at 80%; and the accidental and critical illness policies were 100% reinsured.

Pursuant to a YRT catastrophe excess of loss reinsurance contract the individual life, group life and supplemental policies were subject to catastrophic coverage as well. The Company's retention limit was \$75,000 of ultimate net loss, arising out of each loss occurrence irrespective of the number and kinds of policies involved. The reinsurance was liable for amounts in excess of the retention limit not to exceed \$20.0M for each loss occurrence and \$40.0M for all loss occurrences.

The reinsurance agreements contained inspection of records, arbitration, termination and insolvency clauses. The reinsurers were authorized pursuant to Idaho Code § 41-511.

## ACCOUNTS AND RECORDS

#### General Accounting

The Company used a combination of commercially available and internally developed software for general ledger and financial reporting, policy administration and investment funds management, producer management and data warehousing.

#### Independent Auditor

For each year under examination, the annual independent audits were performed by JLK Rosenberger, LLP. The audit support work papers for the year-ended December 31, 2022, were made available for review.

## **STATUTORY DEPOSITS**

Pursuant to Idaho Code § 41-316A, the Company was required to maintain a deposit in an amount equal to \$1,000,000. The Company's minimum capital requirement was \$2,000,000 at December 31, 2022. The examination confirmed the Company maintained a statutory deposit with the State of Idaho consisting of corporate and municipal bonds with a par value of \$2,905,000, which was adequate to cover the required deposit.

The special deposits maintained by or through regulatory agencies on the policyholder's behalf as of December 31, 2022, were as follows:

| State          | Description            | Statement Value | Fair Value   |
|----------------|------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Georgia        | Certificate of Deposit | 35,000          | 35,000       |
| Idaho          | Municipal Bonds        | 2,549,125       | 2,351,970    |
| Massachusetts  | US Treasury Bond       | 123,278         | 108,812      |
| New Mexico     | US Treasury Bond       | 276,466         | 216,202      |
| North Carolina | Treasury Bond          | 430,054         | 430,054      |
| Virginia       | US Treasury Bond       | 286,377         | 234,267      |
| Total          |                        | \$ 3,700,300    | \$ 3,376,305 |

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The following financial statements are based on the statutory financial statements filed by the Company with the Department and present the financial condition of the Company for the period ending December 31, 2022. The accompanying comments on financial statements reflect any material examination adjustments to the amounts reported in the annual statements and should be considered an integral part of the financial statements.

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| Stateme   | nt of Assets  |                    |                     |
|---|---------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|   | Assets        | Nonadmitted Assets | Net Admitted Assets |
| Bonds   | \$590,742,594 |                    | \$590,742,594       |
| Stocks  |               |                    |                     |
| Preferred Stocks  | 22,151,575    |                    | 22,151,575          |
| Common Stocks   | 26,272,730    | 15,251             | 26,257,479          |
| Mortgage loans on real estate                           |               |                    |                     |
| First liens   | 3,671,075     |                    | 3,671,075           |
| Real estate   |               |                    |                     |
| Properties occupied by the company                      | ,9,369,468    |                    | 9,369,468           |
| Cash, cash equivalents and short -term investments      | 802,692       |                    | 802,692             |
| Contract loans  | 4,809,595     |                    | 4,809,595           |
| Other invested assets                                   | 31,638,491    |                    | 31,638,491          |
| Receivable for securities                               | 517,697       |                    | 517,697             |
| Investment income due and accrued                       | 7,302,018     |                    | 7,302,018           |
| Uncollected premiums and agents' balances in course of  |               |                    |                     |
| collection  | 883,305       | 470,264            | 413,041             |
| Amounts receivable from reinsurers                      | 732,752       |                    | 732,752             |
| Current federal and foreign income tax recoverable and  |               |                    |                     |
| interest thereon  | 815,652       |                    | 815,652             |
| Net deferred tax asset                                  | 4,400,626     |                    | 4,400,626           |
| Guaranty funds receivable or on deposit                 | 32,243        |                    | 32,243              |
| Electronic data processing equipment and software       | 33,650        |                    | 33,650              |
| Furniture and equipment, including health care delivery | 205 020       |                    | 207 020             |
| assets  | 307,038       |                    | 307,038             |
| Receivables from parent, subsidiaries and affiliates    | 99,274        |                    | 99,274              |
| Health care and other amounts receivable                | 74,554        | 74,554             | <u>12</u> 1         |
| Prepaid Miscellaneous Expense                           | 2,000         | 2,000              | ¥                   |
| Miscellaneous Items in process                          | 65,401        | 65,401             | ¥                   |
| Prepaid Reinsurance                                     | 18,750        | 18,750             |                     |
| Total   | \$704,743,182 | \$646,219          | \$704,096,963       |

# Statement of Liabilities

| Aggregate reserves for life contracts                                      | \$562,330,411 |
|--|---------------|
| Aggregate reserves for accident and health contracts                       | 2,232,701     |
| Liability for deposit-type contracts                                       | 9,859,317     |
| Contract claims  |               |
| Life   | 2,542,577     |
| Accident and Health  | 287,919       |
| Policyholder dividends/refunds to members due and unpaid                   | 20,673        |
|  | 170 824       |
| Policyholders' dividends and refunds to members apportioned for payment    | 170,824       |
| Premiums and annuity considerations for life and accident and health       |               |
| contracts received in advance less discount; including accident and health | 112,992       |
| premiums   | 1,106,175     |
| Other amounts payable on reinsurance, including assumed and ceded          | 29,763,936    |
| Interest Maintenance reserve   | 29,705,950    |
| Commissions to agents due or accrued-life and annuity contracts, accident  | 1,056,996     |
| and health and deposit-type contract funds                                 | 1,691,248     |
| General expenses due or accrued  | 293,624       |
| Taxes, licenses and fees due or accrued, excluding federal income taxes    | 74,959        |
| Unearned investment income   | 537,207       |
| Amounts withheld or retained by reporting entity as agent or trustee       | 1,047,897     |
| Amounts held for agents' account, including agents' credit balances        | 1,565,895     |
| Remittances and items not allocated  | 10,821        |
| Borrowed Money and interest thereon  |               |
| Asset valuation reserve  | 10,728,404    |
| Payable to parent, subsidiaries and affiliates                             | 569,875       |
| FASB 106 post retirement liabilities                                       | 2,998         |
| Total liabilities  | \$626,007,447 |

# Summary of Operations

| Premiums and annuity considerations for life and accident and health contracts<br>Net investment income<br>Amortization of Interest Maintenance Reserves<br>Miscellaneous Income<br>Total  | \$ 93,403,867<br>33,091,987<br>2,477,952<br>460,678<br>\$ 129,434,484  |
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| Death benefits<br>Matured endowments<br>Annuity Benefits<br>Disability benefits and benefits under accident and health contracts<br>Surrender benefits and withdrawals for life contracts<br>Interest and adjustments on contract or deposit-type contract funds<br>Payments on supplementary contracts with life contingencies<br>Increase in aggregate reserves for life and accident and health contracts<br>Totals | <pre>\$ 45,004,441<br/>78,795<br/>10,213,996<br/>1,802,075<br/>20,950,242<br/>442,077<br/>76,917<br/>22,297,677<br/>\$ 100,866,220</pre> |
| Commissions on premiums, annuity considerations, and deposit-type contract fun<br>General insurance expenses and fraternal expenses<br>Insurance taxes, licenses and fees, excluding federal income taxes<br>Increase in loading on deferred and uncollected premiums<br>Inc (dec) in liability for post retirement benefits<br>Totals   |  |
| Net gain from operations before dividends to policyholders, refunds to members<br>and federal income taxes<br>Dividends to policyholders and refunds to members<br>Net gains from operations after dividends to policyholders, refunds to members<br>and before federal income taxes<br>Federal and foreign income taxes incurred (excluding tax on capital gains)   | \$ 2,322,358<br>164,855<br>\$ 2,157,503<br>721,323   |
| Net gain from operations after dividends to policyholders, refunds to members<br>and federal income taxes and before realized capital gains or (losses)<br>Net realized capital gains (losses) less capital gain tax<br>Net income   | \$ 1,436,180<br>723,038<br>\$ 2,159,219  |

## Capital and Surplus

| Capital and Surplus, December 31, prior year                          | \$76,147,469 |
|---|--------------|
| Net income  | 2,159,219    |
| Change in net unrealized capital gains (losses) less capital gain tax | (904,679)    |
| Change in net deferred income tax                                     | 816,178      |
| Change in nonadmitted assets  | 235,376      |
| Change in asset valuation reserve                                     | 2,235,953    |
| Change in surplus notes   | (600,000)    |
| Dividend to stockholders  | (2,000,000)  |
| Net change in capital and surplus for year                            | \$ 1,942,047 |
| Capital and surplus, December 31, current year                        | \$78,089,515 |

# Reconciliation of Capital and Surplus

|   | <u>2018</u>  | 2019         | 2020                | <u>2021</u>  | 2022         |
|---|--------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Capital and surplus, December 31, prior year                          | \$63,322,618 | \$67,268,222 | \$70,835,845        | \$72,544,112 | \$76,147,469 |
| Net income  | 6,279,196    | 5,127,667    | 5,107,349           | 5,199,588    | 2,159,219    |
| Change in net unrealized capital gains (losses) less capital gain tax | (1,086,398)  | 664,440      | 1,828,868           | 3,510,424    | (904,679)    |
| Change in net deferred income tax                                     | 798,372      | 888,279      | (956)               | 287,348      | 816,178      |
| Change in nonadmitted assets  | 1,233,693    | 574,362      | 233,158             | 133,584      | 235,376      |
| Change in asset valuation reserves                                    | (779,260)    | (1,087,126)  | (2,860,149)         | (2,927,587)  | 2,235,953    |
| Change in surplus notes   | (500,000)    | (600,000)    | (600,000)           | (600,000)    | (600,000)    |
| Dividends to stockholders   | (2,000,000)  | (2,000,000)  | (2,000,000)         | (2,000,000)  | (2,000,000)  |
| Net change in capital and surplus                                     | \$ 3,945,603 | \$ 3,567,622 | <u>\$ 1,708,270</u> | \$ 3,603,357 | \$ 1,942,047 |
| Capital and surplus, December 31, current year                        | \$67,268,222 | \$70,835,845 | \$72,544,115        | \$76,147,469 | \$78,089,515 |

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Analysis of Change in Financial Statements Resulting from Examination There were no material adjustments to surplus resulting from the examination.

Comments on Financial Statement Items

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There were no adverse findings or material changes to the financial statements resulting from the examination.

# SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

There were no material findings or recommendations rising to the level deemed necessary for inclusion in this report of examination.

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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Respectfully submitted,

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Toni L. Bean, CFE (Fraud), CIA, CRMA Examiner-in-Charge Representing the Idaho Department of Insurance

Eric Fletcher, CFE, PIR Bureau Chief/Chief Examiner Idaho Department of Insurance

## **AFFIDAVIT OF EXAMINER**

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Toni L. Bean, being duly sworn, deposes and says that they are a duly appointed Examiner for the Department of Insurance of the State of Idaho, that they have made an examination of the affairs and financial condition of United Heritage Life Insurance Company. for the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022, that the information contained in the report consisting of the foregoing pages is true and correct to the best of their knowledge and belief; and that any conclusions and recommendations contained in this report are based on the facts disclosed in the information.

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Toni. L. Bean, CFE (Fraud), CIA, CRMA Examiner-in-Charge INS Regulatory Insurance Services On behalf of Idaho Department of Insurance

Subscribe and sworn to before me the <u>21</u> day of <u>MArch</u>, <u>2024</u>, at <u>Bose</u> (City), <u>D</u> (State).



| My Commission Expires: _ | 12-4-2024 |   |
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Eric Fletcher, ĆFE, PIR Bureau Chief/Chief Examiner Idaho Department of Insurance

Subscribe and sworn to before me the <u>ZIE</u> day of <u>March</u>, <u>2024</u>, at <u>Boise</u> (City), <u>ID</u> (State).



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