I have before me the certificate of the Director of Finance, in the sum above noted as contract price, that there is an unencumbered balance legally appropriated sufficient to cover the obligations of said contract.

Finding said contract and said bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same to you herewith, together with all other data submitted to me in this connection.

> Respectfully, John G. Price, Attorney-General.

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APPROVAL, CONTRACT OF STATE OF OHIO WITH THE JOSEPH E. LOWES COMPANY, DAYTON, FOR GENERAL CONTRACT AND ALTERNATES A, B AND E FOR WOMEN'S DORMITORY, MIAMI UNIVERSITY, OXFORD, AT A COST OF \$187,770—SURETY BOND EXECUTED BY ROYAL INDEMNITY COMPANY.

CQLUMBUS, OHIO, September 21, 1922.

HON. LEON C. HERRICK, Director, Department of Highways and Public Works, Columbus, Ohio.

DEAR SIR:—You have submitted to me for approval a contract (5 copies) between the State of Ohio, acting by the Department of Highways and Public Works, of the one part, and The Joseph E. Lowes Co., an Ohio corporation, of Dayton, Ohio, of the other part. The contract in question covers the work included under "General Contract and Alternates A, B and E" for women's dormitory at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio; and the contract price is \$187,770.00. The documents submitted are as noted in your letter of September 7, 1922.

The bid of said The Joseph E. Lowes Co. was the lowest bid submitted. It was accompanied by a bond in the sum of \$187,770 to insure faithful performance, executed by Royal Indemnity Company, as surety.

I have before me the certificate of the Director of Finance in the sum above noted as contract price, that there is an unencumbered balance legally appropriated sufficient to cover the obligation of said contract.

Finding said contract and said bond in proper legal form, I have this day noted my approval thereon and return the same to you herewith, together with all other data submitted to me in this connection.

> Respectfully, JOHN G. PRICE, Attorney-General.