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STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF SHELBY

DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That I, the undersigned, RICKY W. THOMAS, do hereby appoint NANCY O. THOMAS my lawful attorney in all matters relating to the sale of my real estate located at 1202 WILLOW OAK COURT, HOOVER, AL 35244, SHELBY County, Alabama, and described as follows:

LOT 839, ACCORDING TO THE SURVEY OF RIVERCHASE COUNTRY CLUB, FIFTEENTH ADDITION, PHASE II, RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION, AS RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 9, PAGE 14, IN THE PROBATE OFFICE OF SHELBY COUNTY, ALABAMA.

I hereby specifically authorize NANCY O. THOMAS to execute on my behalf all papers necessary to complete the sale of the above property, including, but not limited to all waivers, contracts, deeds, disclosures, settlement statements and any other documents required to be executed by any Bank, Savings and Loan, Mortgage Company, or Realty Company in connection with any mortgage or contract to do all acts and things as fully and effectually in all respects as I would do if present.

It is my intent that this Power of Attorney shall be a Durable Power of Attorney pursuant to Section 26-1-2 Code of Alabama 1975, as amended. This Power of Attorney shall not be affected by disability, incompetency or incapacity of the principal.

And I hereby declare that any act or thing lawfully done hereunder by my said attorney shall be binding on myself, and my heirs, legal personal representatives, and assigns; whether the same shall have been done before or after my death, or other revocation of this instrument, unless and until reliable intelligence or notice thereof shall have been received by any person acting in reliance hereon. This Power of Attorney may be filed for record in any public office and shall expire 60 days from the date of execution.

Inst # 1998-03838

02/05/1998-03838 09:26 AM CERTIFIED SELLY DUNY JUDGE OF PROMITE WITNESS my hand and seal this 21ST day of JANUARY, 1998.

RICKY W. THOMAS

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF SHELBY

I, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that RICKY W. THOMAS, whose name is signed to the foregoing Durable Power of Attorney, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the Durable Power of Attorney, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this 21ST of JANUARY, 1998.

Notary Public

My commission expires: 01/16/00

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