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STATE OF ALABAMA )

SHELBY COUNTY )

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County and State personally appeared TOM LEWIS, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says as follows:

My name is Tom Lewis and I am 85 years of age. I presently reside at Route 1, Box 256 A, Sterrett, Alabama. I have been familiar with the occupation, use, and possession of the hereinafter described property for a period in excess of 26 years, to-wit:

Commence at the SE corner of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township 19 South, Range 1 West, Shelby County, Alabama, thence proceed North along the East boundary of said  $\frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{1}{4}$  Section for a distance of 343.3 feet to the point of beginning. From this beginning point continue North along the East boundary of said  $\frac{1}{4}$   $\frac{1}{4}$  Section for a distance of 363.0 feet to a point on the South right of way line of U. S. 280 Highway as now so numbered and located; thence proceed Westerly along the South right of way line of said highway for a distance of 240 feet; thence turn an angle of 82 deg. 25' to the left and proceed South 3 deg. 03' West for a distance of 224.1 feet; thence turn an angle of 15 deg. 00' to the left and proceed South 11 deg. 57' East for a distance of 138.9 feet; thence proceed North 86 deg. 04' East for a distance of 224.95 feet to the point of beginning, being located in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 26, Township 19 South, Range 1 West, Shelby County, Alabama.

I first remember the above described property when it was purchased as a part of a larger tract by B. T. Hulsey on January 22, 1940, by deed recorded in Deed Book 107, page 588, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. Although there were no buildings or other improvements on the above described property there was a house located on the balance of the larger tract as purchased by B. T. Hulsey in the last mentioned deed. Immediately after the property was purchased by B. T. Hulsey, as aforesaid, he improved the house located on said property and made several additions and alterations to said residence. He used the house on weekends as a residence and at various times during the week. I understand that Mr. Hulsey later sold a one-half interest in the property to Levice B. Ellis but that this one-half interest was conveyed back to Mr. Hulsey prior to December 8, 1942. From January 22, 1940, up to and including December 8, 1942, said B. T. Hulsey remained in the actual, adverse, hostile, notorious, exclusive, continuous and open possession of the above described property and no other person, firm, or corporation was in possession of said land or any part thereof during said period. On December 8, 1942, by deed recorded in Deed Book 114, page 260, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama, said B. T. Hulsey conveyed the above described property to W. H. Nabors and wife, Hazel B. Nabors. It has been called to my attention that the last mentioned deed recited that the property therein conveyed was located in Jefferson County, Alabama. This was a typographical error and the property actually

there conveyed was located in Shelby County, Alabama. Approximately one year after the above described property was purchased by W. H. Nabors and wife, as aforesaid, I moved into the residence located on said property and have lived in said residence on said property continuously and exclusively up to and including the date of this affidavit. W. H. Nabors and wife retained the ownership of said property until May, 1944, at which time said property was conveyed to J. E. Wright and wife, Katie Sumarll Wright by deed recorded in Deed Book 119, page 295, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. I never left the residence located on said property when it was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Wright and remained in possession of said property as a tenant of Mr. and Mrs. Wright, possessing the above described property and the remaining tract adversely for them up until the same was sold to H. P. Watson, Sr. and H. P. Watson, Jr., on February 8, 1956, by deed recorded in Deed Book 178, page 393, in the Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama. After the property was purchased by H. P. Watson, Sr., and H. P. Watson, Jr., as aforesaid, I continued to reside in the residence located on the above described property and the larger tract as purchased by Mr. Watson for each and every year continuously up to and including the date of this affidavit.

Actually, since approximately 1943, I have resided continuously and exclusively on the above described property and the remaining part of the larger tract for each and every year up to and including the date of this affidavit as the tenant, respectively, of W. H. Nabors and wife, J. E. Wright and wife, and H. P. Watson, Sr. and H. P. Watson, Jr. No other person, firm, or corporation other than the aforesaid persons have been in possession of said land or any part thereof during the more than 26 years I have known the same and I have never heard the title of H. P. Watson, Sr., and H. P. Watson, Jr. questioned or disputed in any way.

Neither John M. Kendrick, Sara Kendrick, W. A. Blackerby, or wife, E. J. Blackerby have made any claim to the above described property during the more than 26 years I have known the same, and neither of the aforementioned parties, their heirs or successors in interest, have been in possession of said above described property or any part thereof for more than 26 years prior to the date of this affidavit.

W. H. Nabors  
Affiant

STATE OF ALA., SHELBY CO.  
I CERTIFY THIS INSTRUMENT  
WAS FILED ON 11.21 1966

RECORDED & \$ 1.00 NOT. TAX

\$ 1.00 DEED TAX  
PD. ON THIS INSTRUMENT

Conrad M. Fowler

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Sworn to and subscribed before me  
this 21 day of November, 1966.

Stanley L. Chesson  
Notary Public