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STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

Before me, the undersigned authority in and for said County and State, personally appeared Lendal Payne Collum, who, after being by me first duly sworn to speak the truth, deposes and says:

My name is Lendal Payne Collum. I am 53 years of age and have all my life been familiar with the hereinafter described land and the persons in possession of it. Said land being described as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ and run west along $\frac{1}{4}$ Section line 12.75 chains; thence north 10.64 chains to point of beginning; thence south 62 deg. 30 min. east 2.9 chains; thence South 27 deg. 30 min. West 3 chains; thence north 62 deg. 30 min. West 2.9 chains; thence north 27 deg. 30 min. east to point of beginning, there being .87 acres more or less, all being in Section 13, Township 20, Range 3 West, Shelby County, Alabama.

When I first remember the land, it was owned by Rufus L. Payne, who was my Uncle and he lived on the property for a long time and then sold it to my father John Alvy Payne in 1936. We moved on the land and lived there for a short time and I recall that my father wanted to move to a bigger house and sold the land to my Uncle Frank Sillery. The said Frank Sillery and his wife did not move on the property, but rented it out each and every year and when I bought it from them in 1944, my older sister Helen Payne Collum was living in the house. As mentioned above, I purchased the land from Uncle Frank Sillery and his wife in 1944, as shown by deed recorded in Deed Book 120 page 163 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. My husband and I moved upon the property and went into immediate possession of it, assessed and paid the taxes on it each and every year and reared our six children there. We were in the actual, notorious open, adverse, peaceful and exclusive possession of this land claiming to own the same and living on the property each and every year until 1974 when we moved to Calera, but we continued in possession of the land, keeping the grass cut and paying the taxes each and every year until this very day. During all this time, I have never heard or known of anyone disputing my ownership or that of my predecessors in title and have never heard of anyone making any claim to any part of the land. I understand that in the preparation of some of the deeds in the chain of title some errors have occurred in the typing of the deeds;

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but I know of my own knowledge that the same land has been owned and sold without any change in the lines or descriptions so far as the lines of the property are concerned and that the same tract has stayed in tact each and every year until this very day.

Lendal Payne Collum
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Sworn to and subscribed to before me on
this the 10th day of October, 1977.

Martin B. Spiner
Notary Public



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