RECORD AND RETURN TO:

ADMIRAL FUNDING, LLC 300 OFFICE PARK DRIVE 2ND FLOOR BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

03/10/1998-08331 SHELBY COUNTY JUDGE OF PROBATE 228.45

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## **MORTGAGE**

THIS MORTGAGE ("Security Instrument") is given on

February 27, 1998

. The grantor is

ANDREW L. TIBBS REBECCA H. TIBBS **HUSBAND AND WIFE** 

("Borrower"). This Security Instrument is given to

### ADMIRAL FUNDING, LLC.

ALABAMA which is organized and existing under the laws of 300 OFFICE PARK DR. SUITE 216 address is

, and whose

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223 ("Lender"). Borrower owes Lender the principal sum of One hundred twenty three thousand three hundred and 00/100\*

123,300.00 Dollars (U.S. \$

This debt is evidenced by Borrower's note dated the same date as this Security Instrument ("Note"), which provides for monthly March 01, 2028 . This Security Instrument secures payments, with the full debt, if not paid earlier, due and payable on to Lender: (a) the repayment of the debt evidenced by the Note, with interest, and all renewals, extensions and modifications of the Note; (b) the payment of all other sums, with interest, advanced under paragraph 7 to protect the security of this Security Instrument; and (c) the performance of Borrower's covenants and agreements under this Security Instrument and the Note. For this purpose, Borrower does hereby mortgage, grant and convey to Lender and Lender's successors and assigns, with power SHELBY County, Alabama: of sale, the following described property located in

Lot 6, Block 3, according to the Survey of Dearing Downs, Second Addition, as recorded in Map Book 9, Page 33, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama.

Which has the address of

1202 BOLD RULER LN.

[Street, City],

Alabama

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("Property Address");

**HELENA** 

[Zip Code]

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TO HAVE AND TO HOLD this property unto Lender and Lender's successors and assigns, forever, together with all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property, and all easements, appurtenances, and fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this Security Instrument. All of the foregoing is referred to in this Security Instrument as the "Property."

BORROWER COVENANTS that Borrower is lawfully seised of the estate hereby conveyed and has the right to mortgage, grant and convey the Property and that the Property is unencumbered, except for encumbrances of record. Borrower warrants and will defend generally the title to the Property against all claims and demands, subject to any encumbrances of record.

THIS SECURITY INSTRUMENT combines uniform covenants for national use and non-uniform covenants with limited variations by jurisdiction to constitute a uniform security instrument covering real property.

UNIFORM COVENANTS. Borrower and Lender covenant and agree as follows:

- 1. Payment of Principal and Interest; Prepayment and Late Charges. Borrower shall promptly pay when due the principal of and interest on the debt evidenced by the Note and any prepayment and late charges due under the Note.
- 2. Funds for Taxes and Insurance. Subject to applicable law or to a written waiver by Lender, Borrower shall pay to Lender on the day monthly payments are due under the Note, until the Note is paid in full, a sum ("Funds") for: (a) yearly taxes and assessments which may attain priority over this Security Instrument as a lien on the Property; (b) yearly leasehold payments or ground rents on the Property, if any; (c) yearly hazard or property insurance premiums; (d) yearly flood insurance premiums, if any; (e) yearly mortgage insurance premiums, if any; and (f) any sums payable by Borrower to Lender, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 8, in lieu of the payment of mortgage insurance premiums. These items are called "Escrow Items." Lender may, at any time, collect and hold Funds in an amount not to exceed the maximum amount a lender for a federally related mortgage loan may require for Borrower's escrow account under the federal Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 as amended from time to time, 12 U.S.C. Section 2601 et seq. ("RESPA"), unless another law that applies to the Funds sets a lesser amount. If so, Lender may, at any time, collect and hold Funds in an amount not to exceed the lesser amount. Lender may estimate the amount of Funds due on the basis of current data and reasonable estimates of expenditures of future Escrow Items or otherwise in accordance with applicable law.

The Funds shall be held in an institution whose deposits are insured by a federal agency, instrumentality, or entity (including Lender, if Lender is such an institution) or in any Federal Home Loan Bank. Lender shall apply the Funds to pay the Escrow Items. Lender may not charge Borrower for holding and applying the Funds, annually analyzing the escrow account, or verifying the Escrow Items, unless Lender pays Borrower interest on the Funds and applicable law permits Lender to make such a charge. However, Lender may require Borrower to pay a one-time charge for an independent real estate tax reporting service used by Lender in connection with this loan, unless applicable law provides otherwise. Unless an agreement is made or applicable law requires interest to be paid, Lender shall not be required to pay Borrower any interest or earnings on the Funds. Borrower and Lender may agree in writing, however, that interest shall be paid on the Funds. Lender shall give to Borrower, without charge, an annual accounting of the Funds, showing credits and debits to the Funds and the purpose for which each debit to the Funds was made, the Funds are pledged as additional security for all sums secured by this Security Instrument.

If the Funds held by Lender exceed the amounts permitted to be held by applicable law, Lender shall account to Borrower for the excess Funds in accordance with the requirements of applicable law. If the amount of the Funds held by Lender at any time is not sufficient to pay the Escrow Items when due, Lender may so notify Borrower in writing, and, in such case Borrower shall pay to Lender the amount necessary to make up the deficiency. Borrower shall make up the deficiency in no more than twelve monthly payments, at Lender's sole discretion.

Upon payment in full of all sums secured by this Security Instrument, Lender shall promptly refund to Borrower any Funds held by Lender. If, under paragraph 21, Lender shall acquire or sell the Property, Lender, prior to the acquisition or sale of the Property, shall apply any Funds held by Lender at the time of acquisition or sale as a credit against the sums secured by this Security Instrument.

- 3. Application of Payments. Unless applicable law provides otherwise, all payments received by Lender under paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be applied: first, to any prepayment charges due under the Note; second, to amounts payable under paragraph 2; third, to interest due; fourth, to principal due; and last, to any late charges due under the Note.
- 4. Charges; Liens. Borrower shall pay all taxes, assessments, charges, fines and impositions attributable to the Property which may attain priority over this Security Instrument, and leasehold payments or ground rents, if any. Borrower shall pay these obligations in the manner provided in paragraph 2, or if not paid in that manner, Borrower shall pay them on time directly to the person owed payment. Borrower shall promptly furnish to Lender all notices of amounts to be paid under this paragraph. If Borrower makes these payments directly, Borrower shall promptly furnish to Lender receipts evidencing the payments.

Borrower shall promptly discharge any lien which has priority over this Security Instrument unless Borrower: (a) agrees in writing to the payment of the obligation secured by the lien in a manner acceptable to Lender; (b) contests in good faith the lien by, or defends against enforcement of the lien in, legal proceedings which in the Lender's opinion operate to prevent the enforcement of the lien; or (c) secures from the holder of the lien an agreement satisfactory to Lender subordinating the lien to this Security Instrument. If Lender determines that any part of the Property is subject to a lien which may attain priority over this Security Instrument, Lender may give Borrower a notice identifying the lien. Borrower shall satisfy the lien or take one or more of the actions set forth above within 10 days of the giving of notice.

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5. Hazard or Property Insurance. Borrower shall keep the improvements now existing or hereafter erected on the Property insured against loss by fire, hazards included within the term "extended coverage" and any other hazards, including floods or flooding, for which Lender requires insurance. This insurance shall be maintained in the amounts and for the periods that Lender requires. The insurance carrier providing the insurance shall be chosen by Borrower subject to Lender's approval which shall not be unreasonably withheld. If Borrower fails to maintain coverage described above, Lender may, at Lender's option, obtain coverage to protect Lender's rights in the Property in accordance with paragraph 7.

All insurance policies and renewals shall be acceptable to Lender and shall include a standard mortgage clause. Lender shall have the right to hold the policies and renewals. If Lender requires, Borrower shall promptly give to Lender all receipts of paid premiums and renewal notices. In the event of loss, Borrower shall give prompt notice to the insurance carrier and Lender. Lender may make proof of loss if not made promptly by Borrower.

Unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, insurance proceeds shall be applied to restoration or repair of the Property damaged, if the restoration or repair is economically feasible and Lender's security is not lessened. If the restoration or repair is not economically feasible or Lender's security would be lessened, the insurance proceeds shall be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due, with any excess paid to Borrower. If Borrower abandons the Property, or does not answer within 30 days a notice from Lender that the insurance carrier has offered to settle a claim, then Lender may collect the insurance proceeds. Lender may use the proceeds to repair or restore the Property or to pay sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due. The 30-day period will begin when the notice is given.

Unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, any application of proceeds to principal shall not extend or postpone the due date of the monthly payments referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 or change the amount of the payments. If under paragraph 21 the Property is acquired by Lender, Borrower's right to any insurance policies and proceeds resulting from damage to the Property prior to the acquisition shall pass to Lender to the extent of the sums secured by this Security Instrument immediately prior to the acquisition.

- 6. Occupancy, Preservation, Maintenance and Protection of the Property; Borrower's Loan Application; Leaseholds. Borrower shall occupy, establish, and use the Property as Borrower's principal residence within sixty days after the execution of this Security Instrument and shall continue to occupy the Property as Borrower's principal residence for at least one year after the date of occupancy unless Lender otherwise agrees in writing, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, or unless extenuating circumstances exist which are beyond Borrower's control. Borrower shall not destroy, damage or impair the Property, allow the Property to deteriorate, or commit waste on the Property. Borrower shall be in default if any forfeiture action or proceeding, whether civil or criminal, is begun that in Lender's good faith judgment could result in forfeiture of the Property or otherwise materially impair the lien created by this Security Instrument or Lender's security interest. Borrower may cure such a default and reinstate, as provided in paragraph 18, by causing the action or proceeding to be dismissed with a ruling that, in Lender's good faith determination, precludes forfeiture of the Borrower's interest in the Property or other material impairment of the lien created by this Security Instrument or Lender's security interest. Borrower shall also be in default if Borrower, during the loan application process, gave materially false or inaccurate information or statements to Lender (or failed to provide Lender with any material information) in connection with the loan evidenced by the Note, including, but not limited to, representations concerning Borrower's occupancy of the Property as a principal residence. If this Security Instrument is on a leasehold, Borrower shall comply with all the provisions of the lease. If Borrower acquires fee title to the Property, the leasehold and the fee title shall not merge unless Lender agrees to the merger in writing.
- 7. Protection of Lender's Rights in the Property. If Borrower fails to perform the covenants and agreements contained in this Security Instrument, or there is a legal proceeding that may significantly affect Lender's rights in the Property (such as a proceeding in bankruptcy, probate, for condemnation or forfeiture or to enforce laws or regulations), then Lender may do and pay for whatever is necessary to protect the value of the Property and Lender's rights in the Property. Lender's actions may include paying any sums secured by a lien which has priority over this Security Instrument, appearing in court, paying reasonable attorneys' fees and entering on the Property to make repairs. Although Lender may take action under this paragraph 7, Lender does not have to do so.

Any amounts disbursed by Lender under this paragraph 7 shall become additional debt of Borrower secured by this Security Instrument. Unless Borrower and Lender agree to other terms of payment, these amounts shall bear interest from the date of disbursement at the Note rate and shall be payable, with interest, upon notice from Lender to Borrower requesting payment.

8. Mortgage Insurance. If Lender required mortgage insurance as a condition of making the loan secured by this Security Instrument, Borrower shall pay the premiums required to maintain the mortgage insurance in effect. If, for any reason, the mortgage insurance coverage required by Lender lapses or ceases to be in effect, Borrower shall pay the premiums required to obtain coverage substantially equivalent to the mortgage insurance previously in effect, at a cost substantially equivalent to the cost to Borrower of the mortgage insurance previously in effect, from an alternate mortgage insurer approved by Lender. If substantially equivalent mortgage insurance coverage is not available, Borrower shall pay to Lender each month a sum equal to one-twelfth of the yearly mortgage insurance premium being paid by Borrower when the insurance coverage lapsed or ceased to be in effect. Lender will accept, use and retain these payments as a loss reserve in lieu of mortgage insurance. Loss reserve

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payments may no longer be required, at the option of Lender, if mortgage insurance coverage (in the amount and for the period that Lender requires) provided by an insurer approved by Lender again becomes available and is obtained. Borrower shall pay the premiums required to maintain mortgage insurance in effect, or to provide a loss reserve, until the requirement for mortgage insurance ends in accordance with any written agreement between Borrower and Lender or applicable law.

9. Inspection. Lender or its agent may make reasonable entries upon and inspections of the Property. Lender shall

give Borrower notice at the time of or prior to an inspection specifying reasonable cause for the inspection.

10. Condemnation. The proceeds of any award or claim for damages, direct or consequential, in connection with any condemnation or other taking of any part of the Property, or for conveyance in lieu of condemnation, are hereby assigned

and shall be paid to Lender.

In the event of a total taking of the Property, the proceeds shall be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due, with any excess paid to Borrower. In the event of a partial taking of the Property in which the fair market value of the Property immediately before the taking is equal to or greater than the amount of the sums secured by this Security Instrument immediately before the taking, unless Borrower and Lender otherwise agree in writing, the sums secured by this Security Instrument shall be reduced by the amount of the proceeds multiplied by the following fraction: (a) the total amount of the sums secured immediately before the taking, divided by (b) the fair market value of the Property immediately before the taking is less than the amount of the sums secured immediately before the taking, unless Borrower and Lender otherwise agree in writing or unless applicable law otherwise provides, the proceeds shall be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument whether or not the sums are then due.

If the Property is abandoned by Borrower, or if, after notice by Lender to Borrower that the condemnor offers to make an award or settle a claim for damages, Borrower fails to respond to lender within 30 days after the date the notice is given, Lender is authorized to collect and apply the proceeds, at its option, either to restoration or repair of the Property or to the sums

secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due.

Unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, any application of proceeds to principal shall not extend or postpone the due date of the monthly payments referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 or change the amount of such payments.

11. Borrower Not Released; Forbearance By Lender Not a Waiver. Extension of the time for payment or modification of amortization of the sums secured by this Security Instrument granted by Lender to any successor in interest of Borrower shall not operate to release the liability of the original Borrower or Borrower's successors in interest. Lender shall not be required to commence proceedings against any successor in interest or refuse to extend time for payment or otherwise modify amortization of the sums secured by this Security Instrument by reason of any demand made by the original Borrower or Borrower's successors in interest. Any forbearance by Lender in exercising any right or remedy shall not be a waiver of or preclude the exercise of any right or remedy.

12. Successors and Assigns Bound; Joint and Several Liability; Co-Signers. The covenants and agreements of this Security Instrument shall bind and benefit the successors and assigns of Lender and Borrower, subject to the provisions of paragraph 17. Borrower's covenants and agreements shall be joint and several. Any Borrower who co-signs this Security Instrument but does not execute the Note: (a) is co-signing this Security Instrument only to mortgage, grant and convey that Borrower's interest in the Property under the terms of this Security Instrument; (b) is not personally obligated to pay the sums secured by this Security Instrument; and (c) agrees that Lender and any other Borrower may agree to extend, modify, forbear or make any accommodations with regard to the terms of this Security Instrument or the Note without that Borrower's consent.

13. Loan Charges. If the loan secured by this Security Instrument is subject to a law which sets maximum loan charges, and that law is finally interpreted so that the interest or other loan charges collected or to be collected in connection with the loan exceed the permitted limits, then: (a) any such loan charge shall be reduced by the amount necessary to reduce the charge to the permitted limit; and (b) any sums already collected from Borrower which exceeded permitted limits will be refunded to Borrower. Lender may choose to make this refund by reducing the principal owed under the Note or by making a direct payment to Borrower. If a refund reduces principal, the reduction will be treated as a partial prepayment without any prepayment charge under the Note.

14. Notices. Any notice to Borrower provided for in this Security Instrument shall be given by delivering it or by mailing it by first class mail unless applicable law requires use of another method. The notice shall be directed to the Property Address or any other address Borrower designates by notice to Lender. Any notice to Lender shall be given by first class mail to Lender's address stated herein or any other address Lender designates by notice to Borrower. Any notice provided for in this Security Instrument shall be deemed to have been given to Borrower or Lender when given as provided in this paragraph.

15. Governing Law; Severability. This Security Instrument shall be governed by federal law and the law of the jurisdiction in which the Property is located. In the event that any provision or clause of this Security Instrument or the Note conflicts with applicable law, such conflict shall not affect other provisions of this Security Instrument or the Note which can be given effect without the conflicting provision. To this end the provisions of this Security Instrument and the Note are declared to be severable.

16. Borrower's Copy. Borrower shall be given one conformed copy of the Note and of this Security Instrument.

17. Transfer of the Property or a Beneficial Interest in Borrower. If all or any part of the Property or any interest in it is sold or transferred (or if a beneficial interest in Borrower is sold or transferred and Borrower is not a natural person) without Lender's prior written consent, Lender may, at its option, require immediate payment in full of all sums secured by this Security Instrument. However, this option shall not be exercised by Lender if exercise is prohibited by federal law as of the date of this Security Instrument.

If Lender exercises this option, Lender shall give Borrower notice of acceleration. The notice shall provide a period of

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not less than 30 days from the date the notice is delivered or mailed within which Borrower must pay all sums secured by this Security Instrument. If Borrower fails to pay these sums prior to the expiration of this period, Lender may invoke any remedies permitted by this Security Instrument without further notice or demand on Borrower.

- 18. Borrower's Right to Reinstate. If Borrower meets certain conditions, Borrower shall have the right to have enforcement of this Security Instrument discontinued at any time prior to the earlier of: (a) 5 days (or such other period as applicable law may specify for reinstatement) before sale of Property pursuant to any power of sale contained in this Security Instrument; or (b) entry of a judgment enforcing this Security Instrument. Those conditions are that Borrower: (a) pays Lender all sums which then would be due under this Security Instrument and the Note as if no acceleration had occurred; (b) cures any default of any other covenants or agreements; (c) pays all expenses incurred in enforcing this Security Instrument, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees; and (d) takes such action as Lender may reasonably require to assure that the lien of this Security Instrument, Lender's rights in the Property and Borrower's obligation to pay the sums secured by this Security Instrument shall continue unchanged. Upon reinstatement by Borrower, this Security Instrument and the obligations secured hereby shall remain fully effective as if no acceleration had occurred. However, this right to reinstate shall not apply in the case of acceleration under paragraph 17.
- 19. Sale of Note; Change of Loan Servicer. The Note or a partial interest in the Note (together with this Security Instrument) may be sold one or more times without prior notice to Borrower. A sale may result in a change in the entity (known as the "Loan Servicer") that collects monthly payments due under the Note and this Security Instrument. There also may be one or more changes of the Loan Servicer unrelated to a sale of the Note. If there is a change of the Loan Servicer, Borrower will be given written notice of the change in accordance with paragraph 14 above and applicable law. The notice will state the name and address of the new Loan Servicer and the address to which payments should be made. The notice will also contain any other information required by applicable law.
- 20. Hazardous Substances. Borrower shall not cause or permit the presence, use, disposal, storage, or release of any Hazardous Substances on or in the Property. Borrower shall not do, nor allow anyone else to do, anything affecting the Property that is in violation of any Environmental Law. The preceding two sentences shall not apply to the presence, use, or storage on the Property of small quantities of Hazardous Substances that are generally recognized to be appropriate to normal residential uses and to maintenance of the Property.

Borrower shall promptly give Lender written notice of any investigation, claim, demand, lawsuit or other action by any governmental or regulatory agency or private party involving the Property and any Hazardous Substances or Environmental Law of which Borrower has actual knowledge. If Borrower learns, or is notified by any governmental or regulatory authority, that any removal or other remediation of any Hazardous Substances affecting the Property is necessary, Borrower shall promptly take all necessary remedial actions in accordance with Environmental Law.

As used in this paragraph 20, "Hazardous Substances" are those substances defined as toxic or hazardous substances by Environmental Law and the following substances: gasoline, kerosene, other flammable or toxic petroleum products, toxic pesticides and herbicides, volatile solvents, materials containing asbestos or formaldehyde, and radioactive materials. As used in this paragraph 20, "Environmental Law" means federal laws and laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located that relate to health, safety or environmental protection.

NON-UNIFORM COVENANTS. Borrower and Lender further covenant and agree as follows:

21. Acceleration; Remedies. LENDER SHALL GIVE NOTICE TO BORROWER PRIOR TO ACCELERATION FOLLOWING BORROWER'S BREACH OF ANY COVENANT OR AGREEMENT IN THIS SECURITY INSTRUMENT (BUT NOT PRIOR TO ACCELERATION UNDER PARAGRAPH 17 UNLESS APPLICABLE LAW PROVIDES OTHERWISE). THE NOTICE SHALL SPECIFY: (A) THE DEFAULT; (B) THE ACTION REQUIRED TO CURE THE DEFAULT; (C) A DATE, NOT LESS THAN 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE THE NOTICE IS GIVEN TO BORROWER, BY WHICH THE DEFAULT MUST BE CURED; AND (D) THAT FAILURE TO CURE THE DEFAULT ON OR BEFORE THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE NOTICE MAY RESULT IN ACCELERATION OF THE SUMS SECURED BY THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT AND SALE OF THE PROPERTY. THE NOTICE SHALL FURTHER INFORM BORROWER OF THE RIGHT TO REINSTATE AFTER ACCELERATION, AND THE RIGHT TO BRING A COURT ACTION TO ASSERT THE NON-EXISTENCE OF A DEFAULT OR ANY OTHER DEFENSE OF BORROWER TO ACCELERATION AND SALE. IF THE DEFAULT IS NOT CURED ON OR BEFORE THE DATE SPECIFIED IN THE NOTICE, LENDER, AT ITS OPTION, MAY REQUIRE IMMEDIATE PAYMENT IN FULL OF ALL SUMS SECURED BY THIS SECURITY INSTRUMENT WITHOUT FURTHER DEMAND AND MAY INVOKE THE POWER OF SALE AND ANY OTHER REMEDIES PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW. LENDER SHALL BE ENTITLED TO COLLECT ALL EXPENSES INCURRED IN PURSUING THE REMEDIES PROVIDED IN THIS PARAGRAPH 21, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES AND COSTS OF TITLE EVIDENCE.

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IF LENDER INVOKES THE POWER OF SALE, LENDER SHALL GIVE A COPY OF A NOTICE TO BORROWER IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH 14, LENDER SHALL PUBLISH THE NOTICE OF SALE ONCE A WEEK FOR THREE CONSECUTIVE WEEKS IN A NEWSPAPER COUNTY, ALABAMA, AND THEREUPON SHALL SELL THE PROPERTY TO THE PUBLISHED IN SHELBY HIGHEST BIDDER AT PUBLIC AUCTION AT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE COUNTY COURTHOUSE OF THIS COUNTY. LENDER SHALL DELIVER TO THE PURCHASER LENDER'S DEED CONVEYING THE PROPERTY. LENDER OR ITS DESIGNEE MAY PURCHASE THE PROPERTY AT ANY SALE. BORROWER COVENANTS AND AGREES THAT THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE SHALL BE APPLIED IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER: (A) TO ALL EXPENSES OF THE SALE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES; (B) TO ALL SUMS SECURED BY THIS SECURITY INSTRUMENT; AND (C) ANY EXCESS TO THE PERSON OR PERSONS LEGALLY ENTITLED TO IT. 22. Release. Upon payment of all sums secured by this Security Instrument, Lender shall release this Security Instrument without change to Borrower. Borrower shall pay any recordation costs. 23. Waivers. Borrower waives all rights of homestead exemption in the Property and relinquishes all rights of curtesy and dower in the Property. 24. Riders to this Security Instrument. If one or more riders are executed by Borrower and recorded together with this Security Instrument, the covenants and agreements of each such rider shall be incorporated into and shall amend and supplement the covenants and agreements of this Security Instrument as if the rider(s) were a part of this Security Instrument. [Check applicable box(es)] 1-4 Family Rider Condominium Rider Adjustable Rate Rider Biweekly Payment Rider Planned Unit Development Rider Graduated Payment Rider Second Home Rider Rate Improvement Rider Balloon Rider X Other(s) [specify] V.A. Rider BY SIGNING BELOW, Borrower accepts and agrees to the terms and covenants contained in this Security Instrument and in any rider(s) executed by Borrower and recorded with it. Witnesses: (Seal) -Borrower (Seal) -Borrower (Seal) (Seal) -Borrower -Borrower JEFFERSON County ss: State of Alabama , I, THE UNDERSIGNED 1998 **February** 27th day of On this , a Notary Public in and for said county and in said state, hereby certify that ANDREW L TIBBS signed to the , whose name(s) REBECCA H. TIBBS known to me, acknowledged before me that, being informed of the contents foregoing conveyance, and who act on the day the same bears date. executed the same voluntarily and as of the conveyance, 1998 **February** day of **27th** Given under my hand and seal of office this My Commission Expires: 5/25/99

This instrument was prepared by

Notary Públic

#### **MORTGAGE RIDER**

THIS RIDER IS A PART OF AND FULLY INCORPORATED IN THAT CERTAIN MORTGAGE EXECUTED BY THE UNDERSIGNED DATED 02/27/98.

Arbitration; Dispute Resolution; Preservation of Foreclosure Remedies. (a) For purposes of the Note or this Mortgage, Borrower and Lender, acknowledge and agree they are engaged in, and this Mortgage secures transactions involving substantial interstate commerce. Except as otherwise specifically set forth below, and IN LIEU OF BORROWER'S AND LENDER'S RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL AND THE RIGHT TO ASSERT A CLAIM FOR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, ATTORNEY'S FEES AND OTHER MATTERS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, any action, dispute, claim, counterclaim or controversy (Dispute" or Disputes"), between Borrower and Lender, including any claim based on or arising from an alleged tort, shall be resolved in Birmingham, Alabama by ARBITRATION as set forth below. The term "Disputes" shall include all actions, disputes, claims, counterclaims or controversies arising in connection with the Note or this Mortgage, any collection of any indebtedness owed to Lender, any security or collateral given to Lender, any action taken (or any omission to take any action) in connection with any of the above, any past, present and future agreement between or among Borrower and Lender (including the Mortgage), and any past, present or future transactions between or among Borrower and Lender. Without limiting the generality of the above. Disputes shall include actions commonly referred to as lender liability actions.

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- (b) All Disputes shall be resolved by binding arbitration in accordance with Title 9 of the U.S. Code and the Arbitration Rules for Commercial Financial Disputes (the "Rules") of the American Arbitration Association (the "AAA"). All defenses, including those defenses based on statutes of limitation, estoppel, waiver, laches and similar doctrines, that would otherwise be applicable to an action brought by a party, shall be applicable in any such arbitration proceeding, and the commencement of an arbitration proceeding with respect to the Note or this Mortgage shall be deemed the commencement of an action for such purposes.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, Borrower agrees that Lender shall have the right, but not the obligation, to submit to and pursue in a court of law amy claim against Borrower for a debt due. Borrower agrees that, if Lender pursues such a claim in a court of law, (1) Lenders failure to assert any additional claim in such proceeding shall not be deemend a waiver of, or estoppel to pursue, such claim as a claim or counterclaim in arbitration as set forth above, and (2) the institution or maintenance of a judicial action hereunder shall not constitute a waiver of the right of any party to submit any other action, dispute, claim or controversy as described above, even though arising out of the same transaction or occurrence, to binding arbitration as set forth herein.
- (d) No provision of, nor the exercise of any rights under this section, shall limit Lender's right (1) to foreclose against any real or personal property by exercise of power of sale under this Mortgage, or by exercise of any rights of foreclosure or of sale under applicable law, (2) to exercise self-help remedies such as set-off, or (3) to obtain provisional or ancillary remedies such as injunctive relief, attachment or the appointment of a receiver from a court having jurisdiction before, during or after the pendency of any arbitration or referral. The institution and maintenance of an action for judicial relief or pursuit of provisional or ancillary remedies or exercise of self-help remedies shall not constitute a waiver of the right of any party, including the plaintiff in such an action, to submit the Dispute to arbitration or, in the case of actions on a debt, to judicial resolution.
- (e) Whenever arbitration is required hereunder, the arbitrator shall be selected in accordance with the Rules of the AAA, as modified hereby. for claims of \$50,000.00 or less, the AAA shall designate a panel of Five (5) neutral potential arbitrators knowledgeable in the subject matter of the dispute, from which one (1) mutually acceptable arbitrator will be selected by the parties, who shall determine the resolution of the Dispute. The arbitrator shall be selected applying a process of strikes, as more particularly described in the Rules. In the event the parties cannot agree on the mutulally acceptable arbitrator, then the AAA shall designate the arbitrator as prescribed in the Rules. for claims of more

than \$50,000.00, the AAA shall designate of panel of fifteen (15) neutral potential arbitrators knowledgeable in the subject matter of the dispute, form which three (3) mutually acceptable arbitrators will be selected by the parties, who shall determine the resolution of the Dispute. The arbitrators shall be selected applying a process of strikes, as more particularly described in the Rules. In the event the parties cannot agree on three (3) mutually acceptable arbitrator(s), then, from the list, each of the parties shall designate one (1) of the neutral, potential arbitrators to serve. and the two arbitrators so designated shall select a third neutral arbitrator form the thirteen (13) remaining potential arbitrators. The panel of three (3) arbitrators shall determine the resolution of the Dispute.

- (f) Subject only to the right of Lender to claim attorney's fees and injunctive relief under the terms of the Note or Mortgage, as retained by the Lender as described elsewhere herein, the parties hereto waive any right to assert a claim for, interlocutory relief (including temporary or permanent injunctions), the arbitrator(s) may not award punitive damages, treble damages, penalties, or attorney's fees and may not, without consent of the parties, consolidate the dispute with other claims for arbitration.
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## **MORTGAGE**

THIS MORTGAGE is made 02/27/98, between the Grantor, ANDREW L. TIBBS and REBECCA TIBBS, HUSBAND AND WIFE, (herein "Borrower"), and the Mortgagee, ADMIRAL FUNDING, LLC., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Alabama whose address is 300 OFFICE PARK DR. SUITE 216 BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223 (herein "Lender").

WHEREAS, Borrower is indebted to Lender in the principal sum of U.S. \$5,000.00 which indebtedness is evidenced by Borrower's note dated 02/27/98 and extensions and renewals thereof (herein "Note"), providing for monthly installments of principal and interest, with the balance of the indebtedness, if not sooner paid, due and payable on 03/01/2000;

TO SECURE to Lender the repayment of the indebtedness evidenced by Note, with interest thereon; the payment of all other sums, with interest theron, advanced in accordance herewith to protect the security of this Mortgage; and the performance of the covenants and agreements of Borrower herein contained, Borrower does hereby grant and convey to Lender and Lender's successors and assigns with power of sale, the following described property located in the County of SHELBY, State of Alabama:

Lot 6, Block 3, according to the Survey of Dearing Downs, Second Addition, as recorded in Map Book 9, Page 33, in the Probate Office of shelby County, Alabama.

which has the address of: 1202 BOLD RULER LN, HELENA, AL, 35080 (herin "Property Address"):

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD such property unto Lender and Lender's successors and assigns, forever, together with all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property, and all easements, rights, appurtenances and rents, all of which shall be deemed to be remain a part of the property covered by this Mortgage; and all of the foregoing together with said property (or the leasehold estate if this Mortgage is on a leasehold) are hereinafter referred to as the "Property."

Borrower covenants that Borrower is lawfully seized of the estate hereby conveyed and has the right to mortgage, grant and convey the Property, and that the Property is unencumbered, except for encumbrances of record. Borrower covenants that Borrower warrants and will defend generally the title to the Property against all claims and demands, subject to encumbrances of record.

UNIFORM COVENANTS. Borrower and Lender covenant and agree as follows:

- 1. Payment of Principal and Interest. Borrower shall promptly pay when due the principal and interest indebtedness evidenced by the Note and Late charges and provided in the Note.
- 2. Funds for Taxes and Insurance. Subject to applicable law or a written waiver by Lender, Borrower shall pay to Lender on the day monthly payments of principal and interest are payable under the Note, until the Note is paid in full, a sum (herein "Funds") equal to one-twelfth of the yearly taxes and assessments (including condominium and planned unit development assessments, if any) which may attain priority over this Mortgage and ground rents on the Property, if any, plus one-twelfth of yearly premium installments for hazard insurance, plus one-twelfth of yearly premium installments for mortgage insurance, if any, all as reasonably estimated intially and from time to time by Lender on the basis of assessments and bills and reasonable estimates thereof. Borrower shall not be obligated to make such payments of Funds to Lender to the extent that Borrower makes such payments to the holder of a prior mortgage and deed of trust if such holder is an institutional lender.

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If Borrower pays Funds to Lender, the Funds shall be held in an institution the deposits or accounts of which are insured or guaranteed by a Federal or State agency (including Lender if Lender is such and institution). Lender shall apply the Funds to pay said taxes, assessments, insurance premiums and groud rents. Lender may not charge for so holding and applying the Funds, and applicable law permits Lender to make such a charge. Borrower and Lender may agree in writing at the time of execution of such interest to be paid, Lender shall not be required to pay Borrower any interest or earning on the Funds. Lender shall give to Borrower, without charge, an annual accounting of the Funds showing credits and debits to the Funds and the purpose for which each debit to the Funds was made. The Funds are pledged as additional security for the sums secured by this Mortgage.

If the amount of the Funds held by Lender, together with the future monthly installments of Funds payable prior to the due dates of taxes, assessments, insurance premiums and ground rents, shall exceed the amount required to pay said taxes, assessments, insurance premiums and ground rents as they fall due, such excess shall be, at Borrower's option, either promptly repaid to Borrower or credited to Borrower on monthly installments of Funds. If the amount of the Funds held by Lender shall not be sufficient to pay taxes, assessments, insurance premiums and ground rents as they fall due, Borrower shall pay to lender any amount

necessary to make up the deficiency in one or more payments as Lender may require.

Upon Payment in full of all sums secured by this Mortgage, Lender shall promptly refund to Borrower any Funds held by Lender. If under paragraph 17 hereof the Property is sold or the Property is otherwise acquired by Lender, Lender shall apply, no later than immediately prior to the sale of the Property or its acquisition by Lender, any Funds held by Lender at the time of application as a credit against the sums secured by the Mortgage.

3. Application of Payments. Unless applicable law provides otherwise, all payments received by Lender under the Note and paragraphs 1 and 2 hereof shall be applied by Lender first in payment of amounts payable to Lender by Borrower under paragraph 2 hereof, then to interest payable on the Note, and then to

the principal of the Note.

4. Prior Mortgages and Deeds of Trust; Charges; Liens. Borrower shall perform all of Borrower's obligations under any mortgage, deed of trust or other security agreement with a lien which has priority over this Mortgage, including Borrower's covenants to make payments when due. Borrower shall pay or cause to be paid all taxes, assessments and other charges, fines and impositions attributable to the Ptoperty which may attain a priority over this Mortgage, and lesashold payments or ground rents, If any

5. Hazard Insurance. Borrower shall keep the improvements now existing or herafter erected on the Property insured against loss by fire, hazards included within the term"extended coverage", and such other

hazards as Lender may require and in such amounts and for such periods as Lender may require.

The Insurance carrier providing the insurance shall be chosen by Borrower subject to approval by Lender; provided, that such approval shall not be unreasonable withheld. All insurance policies and renewals thereof shall be in a form acceptable to Lender and shall include a standard mortgage clause in favor of and in a form acceptable to Lender. Lender shall have the right to hold the policies and renewals therof, subject to the terms of any mortgage, deed of trust or other security agreement with a lien which has priority over this Mortgage.

In the event of loss, Borrower shall give prompt notice 6th the insurance carrier and Lender.

Lender may make proof of loss if not made promptly by Borrower.

If the Property is abandoned by Borrower, or if Borrower fails to respond to Lender within 30 days from the date notice is mailed by Lender to Borrower that the insurance carrier offers to settle a claim for insurance benefits, Lender is authorized to collect and apply the insurance procxeeds at Lender's option either to restoration or repair of the Property of to the sums secured by this Mortgage.

6. Preservation and Maintenance of Property: Leaseholds; Condominiums; Planned Units Developments. Borrower shall keep the Property in good repair and shall not commit waste or permit impairment or deterioration of the Property and shall comply with the provisions of any lease if this Mortgage is no a leasehold. If this Mortgage is on a unit in a condominuim or a planned unit development, Borrower shall perform all of borrower's obligations under the declaration or covenants creating or governing the condominium or planned unit development, the by-laws and regulations of the condominium or planned unit development, and constituent documents.

7. Protection of Lender's Security. If Borrower fails to perform the covenants and agreements contained in the Mortgage, or if any action or proceeding is commenced which materially affects Lender's interest in the Property, then Lender, at Lender's option, upon notice to Borrower may make such appearance, disburse such sums, including reasonable attorneys' fees, and take such action as is necessary to protect Lenders interest. If Lender required mortgage insurance as a condition of making the loan secured by this Mortgage, Borrower shall pay the premiums required to maintain such insurance in effect until such time as the requirement for such insurance terminates in accordance with Borrower's and Lender's written agreement or applicable law.

Any amounts disbursed by Lender pursuant to this paragraph 7, with interest theron, at the Note rate, shall become additional indebtedness of Borrower secured by this Mortgage. Unless Borrower and Lender agree to other terms of payment, such amounts shall be payable upon notice from Lender to Borrower requesting payment thereof. Nothing contained in this paragraph 7 shall require Lender to incur any expense

or take any action hereunder.

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- 8. Inspection. Lender may make or cause to be made reasonable entries upon and inspections of the Property, provided that Lender shall give Borrower notice prior to any such inspection specifying reasonable cause therefor related to lender's interest in the Property.
- 9. Condemnation. The proceeds of any award or claim for damages, direct or consequential, in connection with any condemnation or other taking of the Property, or part thereof, or for conveyance in lieu of condemnation, are hereby assigned and shall be paid to Lender, subject to the terms of any Mortgage, deed of trust or other security, agreement with a lien which has priority over this Mortgage.
- 10. Borrower Not Released; Forebearance By Lender Not a Waiver. Extension of the time for payment or modification of amortization of the sums secured by this Mortgage granted by Lender to any successor in interest of Borrower shall not operate to release, in any manner, the liability of the original Borrower and Borrower's successors in interest. Lender shall not be required to commence proceedings against such successor or refuse t extend time for payment or otherwise modify amortization of the sums secured by this Mortgage by reason of any demand made by the original Borrower and Borrower's successors in interest. Any forebearance by Lender in exercising any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise afforded by applicable law, shall not be a waiver of or preclude the exercise of any such right or remedy.
- 11. Successors and Assigns Bound; Joint and Several Liability; Co-Signers. The covenants and agreements herein contained shall bind, and the rights hereunder inure to, the respective successors and assigns of Lender and Borrower, subject to the provisions of paragraph 16 hereof. All covenants and agreements of Borrower shall be joint and several. Any Borrower who co-signs this Mortgage, but does not execute the Note, (a) is co-signing this Mortgage only to mortgage, grant and convey that Borrower's interest in the Property to Lender under the terms of this Mortgage, (b) is not personally liable on the Note or under this Mortgage, and (c) agrees that Lender and any other Borrower hereunder may agree to extend, modify, forbear, or make any other accommodations with regard to the terms of this Mortgage or the Note without the Borrower consent and without releasing that Borrower or modifying this Mortgage as to that Borrower's interest in the Property.
- 12. Notice. Except for any notice required under applicable law to be given in another manner, (a) any notice to Borrower provided for in this Mortgage shall be given by delivering it or by mailing such notice by certified mail addressed to Borrower at the Property Adress or at such other address as Borrower may designate by notice to Lender as provided herein, and (b) any notice to Lender shall be given by certified mail to Lender's Address stated herein or to such other Address as Lender may designate by notice to Borrower as provided herein. Any notice provided for in this Mortgage shall be deemed to have been given to Borrower or Lender when given in the manner designated herein.
- 13. Governing Law; Severability. The state and local laws applicable in the Mortgage shall be the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Property is located. The foregiong sentence shall not limit the applicability of Federal law to this Mortgage. In the event that any provision or clause of this Mortgage or the Note conflicts with applicable law, such conflict shall not affect orther provisions of this Mortgage or the Note which can be given effect without the conflicting provision, and to this end the provisions of this Mortgage and the Note are declared to be severable. As used herein, "costs", "expenses", and "attorney's fees" include all sums to the extent not prohibited by applicable law or limited herin.
- 14. Borrower's Copy. Borrower shall be furnished a conformed copy of the Note and of this Mortgage at the time of execution or after recordation therof.
- 15. Rehabilitation Loan Agreement. Borrower shall fullfill all of Borrower's obligations under any home rehabilitation, improvement, repair, or other loan agreement which Borrower enters into with Lender Lender, at Lenders's option, may require Borrower to execute and deliver to Lender, in a form acceptable to Lender, an assignment of any rights, claims or defenses which Borrower may have against parties who supply labor, materials or services in connection with improvements made to the Property.

NON-UNIFORM COVENANTS. Borrower and Lender further covenant and agree las follows:

16. Transfer of the Property or a Beneficial Interest in Borrower. If all or any part of the Property or any interest in it is sold or transferred (or if a beneficial interest in Borrower is sold or transferred and Borrower is not a natural person) without Lender's prior written consent, Lender may, at its option, require immediate payment in full of all sums secured by this Mortgage. However, this option shall not be exercised by Lender if exercise is prohibited by Federal law as of the date of this Mortgage.

If Lender exercises this option, Lender shall give Borrower notice of acceleration. The notice is delivered or mailed within which Borrower must pay all sums secured by this Mortgage. If Borrower fails to pay these sums prior to the expiration of this period, Lender may invoke any remedies permitted by this Mortgage without further notice or demand on Borrower.

17. Acceleration; Remedies. Except as provided in paragraph 16 hereof, upon Borrower's breach of any covenant or agreement of Borrower in this Mortgage, including the covenants to pay when due any sums secured by this Mortgage, Lender prior to acceleration shall give to borrower as provided in paragraph 12 hereof specifying: (1) the breach; (2) the action required to cure such breach; (3) a date, not less than 10 days from the date the notice is mailed to Borrower, by which such breach must be cured; and (4) that failure to cure such breach on or before the date shall specified in the notice may result in acceleration of the sums secured by this Mortgage and sale or Property. The

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notice shall further inform Borrower of the right to reinstate after accceleration and the right to bring a court action to assert the nonexistence of a default or any other defense of Borrower to acceleration and sale. If the breach is not cured on or before the date specified in the notice, Lender at Lender's option may declare all sums secured by this Mortgage to be immediately due and payable without further demand and may invoke the power of sale and any other remedies permitted by applicable law. Lender shall be entitled to collect all reasonable costs and expenses incurred in pursuing the remedies provided in this paragraph 17, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees.

Borrower in the manner provided in paragraph 12 hereof. Lender shall publish the notice of sale once a week for three consecutive weeks in some newspaper published in SHELBY. County, Alabama, and thereupon shall sell the Property to the highest bidder at public auction at the front door of the County Courthouse of said County. Lender shall deliver to the purchaser Lender's deed conveying the Property so sold. Lender or Lender's designee may purchase the Property at any sale. Borrower covenants and agrees that the proceeds of the sale shall be applied in the following order: (a) to all reasonable costs and expenses of the sale, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees and costs of title evidence; (b) to all sums secured by this Mortgage; and (c) the excess, if any, to the person or persons legally entitled therto.

by this Mortgage due to Borrower's breach, Borrower shall have the right to have any proceedings begun by Lender to enforce this Mortgage discontinued at any time prior to the earlier to occure of (i) the fifth day before sale of the Property pursuant to the power of sale contained in the Mortgage or (ii) entry of a judgement enforcing the Mortgage if; (a) Borrower pays Lender all sums which would be then due under this Mortgage and the Note had no acceleration occurred; (b) Borrower cures all breaches of any other covenants or agreements of Borrower contained in this Mortgage; (c) Borrower pays all reasonable expenses incurred by Lender in enforcing the covenants and agreements of Borrower contained in this Mortgage, and in enforcing Lender's remedies as provided in paragraph 17 hereof, including but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees; and (d) Borrower takes such action as Lender may reasonably require to assure that the lien of this Mortgage, Lender's interest in teh Property and Borrower's obligation to pay the sums secured by this Mortgage shall continue unimpaired. Upon such payment and cure by Borrower, this Mortgage and the obligaitons secured hereby shall remain in full force and effect as if no acceleration had occured.

19. Assignment of Rents; Appointment of Receiver; Lender in Possession. As additional security hereunder, Borrower hereby assigns to Lender the rents of the Property, provided that Borrower shall, prior to acceleration under paragraph 17 hereof or abandonment of the Property, have the right to collect and retain such rents as they become due and payable.

Upon acceleration under paragraph 17 hereof or abandonment of the Property, Lender, in person, by agent or by judicially appointed receiver, shall be entitled to enter upon, take possession of and manage the Property and to collect rents of the Property including those past due. All rents collected by Lender or the receiver shall be applied first to payment of the costs of management of the Property and collection of rents, including, but not limited to, receiver's fees, premuims on receiver's bonds reasonable attorney's fees, and then to the sums secured by this Mortgage. Lender and the receiver shall be liable to account only for those rents actually received.

20. Release. Upon payment of all sums secured by this Mortgage, this Mortgage shall become null and void and Lender shall release this Mortgage without charge to Borrower. Borrower shall pay all costs of recordation, if any.

21. Waiver of Homestead, Dower and Curtesy. Borrower hereby waives all rights of homestead exemption in the Property and relinquishes all right of dower and curtesy in the Property.

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### REQUEST FOR NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE UNDER SUPERIOR

| MORTGAGES OR DEEDS OF TRUST   | Borrower and Lender request the holder of any mortgage,                         |
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| deed or trust or other encumberance with  | a lien which has priority over this Mortgage to give Notice                     |
| to Lender, at Lender's address set forth or superior encumbrance and of any sale or s | n page one of this Mortgage, of any default under the other foreclosure action. |
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Borrower has executed this Mortgage.

| Signed, sealed and delive | ered in the presence of: |
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| ANDREW L. TIBBS |       |

(Seal)

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

On 02/27/98, I, the undersigned Notery Public, hereby certify that ANDREW L. TIBBS and REBECCA TIBBS, whose name(s) is/are signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is/are known to me, acknowledged before me that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he/she/they executed the same voluntarily and as his/her/their act on the day the same bears date. GIVEN under my hand and seal this day 02/27/98.

Notary Public

My Commision Exp:\_\_\_\_

This instrument prepared by:

Stewart and Associates, P.C., 3800 Colonnade Parkway, Suite 650, Birmingham, AL 35243

(Space Below This Line Reserved For Lender and Recorder)\_\_\_\_

#### **MORTGAGE RIDER**

THIS RIDER IS A PART OF AND FULLY INCORPORATED IN THAT CERTAIN MORTGAGE EXECUTED BY THE UNDERSIGNED DATED 02/27/98.

Arbitration; Dispute Resolution; Preservation of Foreclosure Remedies. (a) For purposes of the Note or this Mortgage, Borrower and Lender, acknowledge and agree they are engaged in, and this Mortgage secures transactions involving substantial interstate commerce. Except as otherwise specifically set forth below, and IN LIEU OF BORROWER'S AND LENDER'S RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL AND THE RIGHT TO ASSERT A CLAIM FOR PUNITIVE DAMAGES, ATTORNEY'S FEES AND OTHER MATTERS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED HEREIN, any action, dispute, claim, counterclaim or controversy (Dispute" or Disputes"), between Borrower and Lender, including any claim based on or arising from an alleged tort, shall be resolved in Birmingham. Alabama by ARBITRATION as set forth below. The term "Disputes" shall include all actions, disputes, claims, counterclaims or controversies arising in connection with the Note or this Mortgage, any collection of any indebtedness owed to Lender, any security or collateral given to Lender, any action taken (or any omission to take any action) in connection with any of the above, any past, present and future agreement between or among Borrower and Lender (including the Mortgage), and any past, present or future transactions between or among Borrower and Lender. Without limiting the generality of the above. Disputes shall include actions commonly referred to as lender liability. actions.

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- (b) All Disputes shall be resolved by binding arbitration in accordance with Title 9 of the U.S. Code and the Arbitration Rules for Commercial Financial Disputes (the "Rules") of the American Arbitration Association (the "AAA"). All defenses, including those defenses based on statutes of limitation, estoppel, waiver, laches and similar doctrines, that would otherwise be applicable to an action brought by a party, shall be applicable in any such arbitration proceeding, and the commencement of an arbitration proceeding with respect to the Note or this Mortgage shall be deemed the commencement of an action for such purposes.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, Borrower agrees that Lender shall have the right, but not the obligation, to submit to and pursue in a court of law amy claim against Borrower for a debt due. Borrower agrees that, if Lender pursues such a claim in a court of law, (1) Lenders failure to assert any additional claim in such proceeding shall not be deemend a waiver of, or estoppel to pursue, such claim as a claim or counterclaim in arbitration as set forth above, and (2) the institution or maintenance of a judicial action hereunder shall not constitute a waiver of the right of any party to submit any other action, dispute, claim or controversy as described above, even though arising out of the same transaction or occurrence, to binding arbitration as set forth herein.
- (d) No provision of, nor the exercise of any rights under this section, shall limit Lender's right (1) to foreclose against any real or personal property by exercise of power of sale under this Mortgage, or by exercise of any rights of foreclosure or of sale under applicable law, (2) to exercise self-help remedies such as set-off, or (3) to obtain provisional or ancillary remedies such as injunctive relief, attachment or the appointment of a receiver from a court having jurisdiction before, during or after the pendency of any arbitration or referral. The institution and maintenance of an action for judicial relief or pursuit of provisional or ancillary remedies or exercise of self-help remedies shall not constitute a waiver of the right of any party, including the plaintiff in such an action, to submit the Dispute to arbitration or, in the case of actions on a debt, to judicial resolution.
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