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S MOTA HomeSide Lending P.O. Box 47524 San Antonio, TX 78265-7524 20021226000641490 Pg 1/1 11.00 Shelby Cnty Judge of Probate, AL 12/26/2002 08:30:00 FILED/CERTIFIED

RECORD AND RETURN TO:

LESLIE E BARNES LINDA BARNES 845 GREYSTONE HIGHLANDS BIRMINGHAM AL 35242-2651

RELEASE OF LIEN

STATE OF ALABAMA

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF SHELBY

THAT THE UNDERSIGNED, of the County of Bexar, State of Texas, the present legal and equitable Owner and Holder of that one certain Promissory Note in the original principal sum of \$145350.00, dated JUNE 30TH, 1998, and executed by LESLIE EUGENE BARNES AND WIFE, LINDA C. BARNES

payable to AMSOUTH BANK

more fully described in a Mortgage, duly recorded in Instrument No. 1998-25307, Mortgage Book, Page, of the Mortgage records of SHELBY County, ALABAMA; said Note being secured by the therein described lien.

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of the full and final payment of said Note, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have released and discharged, and by these presents do hereby release and discharge, the above described property from all liens held by the undersigned securing said Note.

Executed this December 17, 2002

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. (MERS) as nominee for Washington Mutual Bank, FA, successor in interest to HomeSide Lending, Inc. by operation of law.

Attest:

G HARKLESS

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

J. BKERNS VICE PRESIDENT

STATE OF Texas

COUNTY OF Bexar

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared J. B. KERNS, VICE PRESIDENT, and G HARKLESS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY of

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems,

Inc. (MERS) known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed on the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the purpose and consideration therein expressed, in the capacity therein stated and as the act and deed of said Corporation.

Given under my hand and seal of office on December 17, 2002.

C. Guel Notary Public, State of Texas My Commission Expires JUNE 23, 2004 Inv. Pool: L45-00I

Notary Public

Inv. Number: 622035827 PFDT:

MIN No.:

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Loan Number:

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