

STATE OF ALABAMA)

COUNTY OF SHELBY)

THIS FORECLOSURE DEED made this 22nd day of April, 2008, between STEVEN S. MORRIS, a single man, Party of the First Part, and FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, Party of the Second Part;

W I T N E S S E T H:

WHEREAS, the said STEVEN S. MORRIS, a single man, heretofore executed to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS") Solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns, herein called the Mortgagee, a certain mortgage dated May 26, 2006, and recorded in Instrument #20060606000265610, Probate Records of Shelby County, Alabama, which conveyed the hereinafter described property to secure the indebtedness evidenced by a note, payable in installments, therein described; and

WHEREAS, the Party of the Second Part is the assignee of SYNOVUS MORTGAGE CORP., the original Lender whose indebtedness was secured by said mortgage and the Party of the Second Part was the holder of the Promissory Note secured by said mortgage at the time of the sale hereinafter mentioned; and

WHEREAS, the said mortgage provides that if said indebtedness or any part thereof should remain unpaid at maturity, then the whole of indebtedness shall at once become due and payable and said mortgage be subject to foreclosure, and further provides that in the event of any such default the Mortgagee shall have the authority to sell said property before the Courthouse Door in the City of Columbia, County of Shelby, State of Alabama, at public outcry for cash after first giving notice by publication once a week for three successive weeks of the time, place and terms of said sale in some newspaper of general circulation published in Shelby County, Alabama, and further provides that in the event of any such sale the person conducting such sale shall have power and authority to execute a deed to the purchaser of said property at such sale, and further provides that the Mortgagee or its assigns may bid and become the purchaser at such sale of the property therein; and

WHEREAS, parts of said indebtedness remained unpaid at the respective maturities thereof, and the whole of said indebtedness thereupon became due and payable, and default was made in payment thereof, and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS") Solely as Nominee for Party of the Second Part, thereafter gave notice by publication in The Shelby County Reporter, a newspaper of general circulation and published in Shelby County, Alabama, on the 30th day of January, 2008, and the 6th day of February, 2008, and the 13th day of February, 2008, that it would sell the hereinafter described property before the front door of the Shelby County Courthouse at Columbia, Alabama, at public outcry to the

highest bidder for cash, within the legal hours of sale on the 4th day of March, 2008; and

WHEREAS, at the time and place stated in said notice the undersigned attorney-in-fact and auctioneer announced that such sale was postponed until the 22nd day of April, 2008, and thereafter notice was published in The Shelby County Reporter, on the 9th day of April, 2008.

WHEREAS, the said sale was held at the time and place stated in said notice which was published in the said issues of The Shelby County Reporter, and Party of the Second Part became the purchaser of the hereinafter described property at and for the sum of \$185,839.54 cash, which was the highest, best, and last bid therefor; and

WHEREAS, the undersigned, JAMES J. ODOM, JR., conducted said sale and acted as auctioneer thereat, under and pursuant to an appointment as such by the Party of the Second Part;

NOW THEREFORE, IN consideration of the premises the Parties of the First Part and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS") Solely as Nominee for Party of the Second Part, both acting by and through the undersigned as their duly constituted and appointed attorney-in-fact and auctioneer at said sale, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION the following described real property situated in Shelby County, Alabama, to-wit:

Lot 476, according to the Survey of Forest Lakes as recorded in Map Book 34, Page 122A in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD unto the said FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION, its successors and assigns forever, as fully and completely in all respects as the same could or ought to be conveyed to the said FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in the aforesaid mortgage. Subject, however, to the statutory rights of redemption on the part of those entitled to redeem as provided by the laws of the State of Alabama, also subject to prior liens, ad valorem taxes, easements and restrictions of record.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said STEVEN S. MORRIS, a single man, and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS") Solely as Nominee for Party of the Second Part, have hereunto set their hands and seals by their said attorney-in-fact and auctioneer at said sale on the day and year first above written.

BY: 

As Attorney-in-Fact and Auctioneer

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I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, hereby certify that JAMES J. ODOM, JR., whose name as attorney-in-fact and auctioneer for STEVEN S. MORRIS, a single man, and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS") Solely as Nominee for Party of the Second Part, is signed to the foregoing conveyance, and who is known to me acknowledged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance, he, as such attorney-in-fact and auctioneer, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal this 22nd day of April, 2008.

Anne P. Marshall

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 3/17/2011

THIS INSTRUMENT PREPARED BY:

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