This instrument prepared by: When Recorded Mail to:

Kathy Buchanan

Vanderbilt Mortgage & Finance, Inc. PO Box 9800 Maryville, TN. 37802

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MORTGAGE RELEASE

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc:3300 SW 34th Street, Suite 101, Ocala FL 34474, as nominee for GTC Mortgage Company, its successors and assigns, and declares that it is the true and lawful owner and holder of that certain note and indebtedness secured by a Mortgage executed by Steven Whitaker and Kimberly S Whitaker, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc, Beneficial Owner, its successors and assigns, dated 02/21/2013, filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds, SHELBY County, ALABAMA, as Instrument Number 20130301000086160, to which Mortgage or specific reference is hereby made; and for valuable consideration in hand paid, the said Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., does hereby RELEASE the lien of said Mortgage.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., has caused this instrument to be executed by its properly authorized officer, acting under the authority of its board of directors on this date: 08/22/2017

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.,

BY

David Barton, ITS: Assistant Secretary

STATE

OF

TENNESSEE

NOTARY

PUBLIC

STATE OF TENNESSEE COUNTY OF BLOUNT

Before me, the undersigned authority, a notary public in and for said state and county, personally appeared **David Barton**, with who I am personally acquainted and who, upon oath, acknowledged himself to be the **Assistant Secretary** of **Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.**, the within named bargainor, a corporation, and that as such officer, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing the name of the corporation by himself as said officer.

Witness my hand and official seal at office this date 08/22/2017.

NOTARY PUBLIC: Brent Cheatwood My Commission Expires: 10/24/2017