

STATE OF ALABAMA )  
:  
SHELBY COUNTY )

**MORTGAGE**

THIS INDENTURE made and entered into this the 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020, by and between **HICKS INSURANCE AGENCY, LLC**, by **SCOTT HICKS**, and **SCOTT HICKS**, individually, hereinafter called the first party, and **THOMAS CROCKER AND EARNESTINE CROCKER**, hereinafter called second party.

WITNESSETH: That, whereas **HICKS INSURANCE AGENCY, LLC** and **SCOTT HICKS** of the first party, are justly and lawfully indebted to the second party in the sum of **Twenty One Thousand and no/100 Dollars (\$21,000.00)**, being money this day loaned by second party to the first party, which said indebtedness is evidenced by the following promissory note signed by the parties of the first part, of even date herewith, and payable to the order of second party at his residence in Woodstock, Alabama, in the amounts and payable on the dates following:

**Payments in the amount of \$600.00 per month for a period of thirty-five (35) months with the first payment being due July 1, 2020.**

And whereas the first party is desirous of securing the prompt and faithful payment of said note(s) when due, as well as securing the prompt and faithful payment of any and all renewals and extensions of said notes and to secure any and all future advances that the second party may advance to the first party, before the payment in full of said mortgage indebtedness and of securing the prompt and faithful performance of all and singular the covenants and agreements herein contained, by the first part to be kept and performed:

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and of the sum of One Dollar, cash, in hand paid to first party by the second party, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, first party does by this indenture grant, bargain, sell and convey unto second party the following property, situated, lying and being in Shelby County, Alabama, bounded and more particularly described as follows:

Lot 1, block 7, according to J.H. Dunstan's Map of the town of Calera, Shelby County, Alabama: A parcel of land in the Town of Calera, Alabama described as: Beginning at SW corner of old Post Office Building on the North side of Main Street and running thence North and parallel with old Post office Building to the Southern Railroad right-of-way, thence in a Southwesterly direction parallel with said right-of-way to Main Street, thence East parallel with said Main Street to Southwest corner of said old Post Office Building, being the point of beginning

SUBJECT TO all reservations, restrictions, easements and rights of way recorded or in evidence through use.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described property, together with all and singular the rights, privileges, tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining, unto Second Party, and to the heirs, assigns, and successors of Second Party, in fee simple forever.

And the said first party represents to and covenants with second party that first party is seized of any indefeasible estate in fee simple, In and to the above described property, and has a good right to sell or mortgage the same; that the said property is free of any and all liens, taxes and encumbrances whatsoever; and that first party will warrant and forever defend second party, and the heirs, assigns and successors of second party, in the quiet and peaceable possession of the same against the lawful claims or demands of any person or persons, whomsoever,

THIS CONVEYANCE IS MADE UPON THE FOLLOWING TERMS, STIPULATIONS AND CONDITIONS, NAMELY:

1. The first party agrees to pay all taxes and improvement assessments against the above described property within thirty days after the same become due, and an attorney's fee for examining the title to the above described property and for the preparation of this mortgage.
2. If an attorney is employed to foreclose this mortgage, or to enforce any of the provisions of this mortgage, either before or after court proceedings are commenced involving this property, or to collect this debt or any party thereof; for the purpose of defending the title to the above described property, or to obtain possession of the same after foreclosure; then, In either or all of such events, first party agrees to pay such reasonable attorney's fees, as may be incurred by second party, or the assigns or successors of second party, for such services, and the amount of such attorney's fees shall become a part of this mortgage debt and be secured hereby, and these provisions shall apply to any proceeding in any state, bankruptcy or other court, as under the power of sale hereinafter set forth.
3. It is expressly understood and agreed between the parties hereto, that second party, or the heirs, assigns, or successors of second party, may bid at any sale held under the provisions of this mortgage, through court proceedings or otherwise, as fully and legally as if strangers to this instrument, and In the event of such purchase, the auctioneer crying the sale is hereby duly authorized and empowered to a deed to such purchaser conveying the legal and equitable title to said property, such deed to be made as agent or attorney In fact for first party.
4. The first party agrees to keep the building on the above described property Insured in some responsible Insurance company, for the amount of the principal debt hereby secured, or in such amount, If less, as the said buildings will bear loss, If any, payable to second party, as the Interest of second party, or assigns, may appear, under a New York Standard or Union loss clause, the Insurance when collected to be credited on the debt hereby secured or to be used in rebuilding the buildings destroyed, at the option of the second party; all policies to be delivered to the second party.
5. It is expressly understood and agreed between the parties hereto, that if first party shall fail to pay the taxes or improvement assessments as above provided, or fail to take out the insurance as above stipulated, then in either event it is optional with second party to pay such taxes and take out such insurance, and the amounts so expended by second party shall become a part of this mortgage debt and bear interest at the legal rate until paid.
6. This mortgage, in addition to the above described note(s), shall also secure the payment of any and all renewals and/or extensions of said note(s) and of any future advances hereafter made by second party to first party or other debts which may be due, owing or payable by first party, or either of them, to second party before the cancellation or foreclosure of this mortgage.
7. The first party agrees to properly care for said property and all improvements thereon and not commit waste, cut, remove, or damage timber or improvements or allow waste to be committed or timber or improvements to be cut, removed, or damaged. In the event this covenant is breached, first party agrees to pay all costs and expenses. Including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred by second party in investigating such violation and in protecting and preserving this security.
8. It is agreed and understood that in the event the said party should sell said property during the life of this mortgage, without first obtaining a written consent of the second party, the entire indebtedness then secured by this mortgage shall become immediately due and payable and in default, and the said second party is thereupon authorized and empowered to foreclose this mortgage under the powers contained herein and in the manner herein provided for.
9. Unless otherwise stipulated herein, the use of the singular shall include the plural and the use of the plural shall include the singular, when referring to any of the parties set out in this mortgage.

If first party shall well and truly keep and perform all of the covenants, stipulations and agreements herein contained, by first party to be kept and performed, and shall pay the above described notes, any and all renewals and/or extensions of said notes and all future advances and other debts owing by first party to second party when they respectfully mature, then this conveyance shall be null and void; but if first party shall fail to keep and perform any one of such covenants, stipulations and conditions or fail to pay anyone of the above described notes, or of any renewal and/or extensions of said notes or any part thereof or any future advances or other debt due and payable by first party to second party, when the same respectively mature, then in either one or all of such events, second party has the right to declare the entire mortgage debt due and payable at once, and this mortgage shall be subject to foreclosure; and second party, or the assigns, agents or attorneys of second party are authorized and empowered to take possession of the above described property,

and, either with or without possession, to sell the above described property at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, within the legal hours of sale, after first giving notice of the time, place and terms of sale, such sale to be held in front of the Courthouse Shelby County, Alabama; which notice shall be given by weekly insertion, once a week for three weeks before the day of sale, in any newspaper published in the county last named, and the proceeds of such sale shall be applied as follows:

- a. To the expense of advertising and conducting said sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee for any of the services rendered as herein above provided:
- b. To the payment of any debt other than the notes above described which may then be due or owing to second party by first party, with interest to the day of sale.
- c. To the payment of the above described notes or any renewals and/or extensions of said notes and any future advances with the interest thereon to the day of sale.
- d. The surplus, if any, shall be paid to first party.

It is expressly understood and agreed between the parties hereto that any irregularity in giving the notice, or in conducting the sale as above provided, shall not affect the title of the purchaser at such sale, but any such irregularity is hereby expressly waived by the first party.

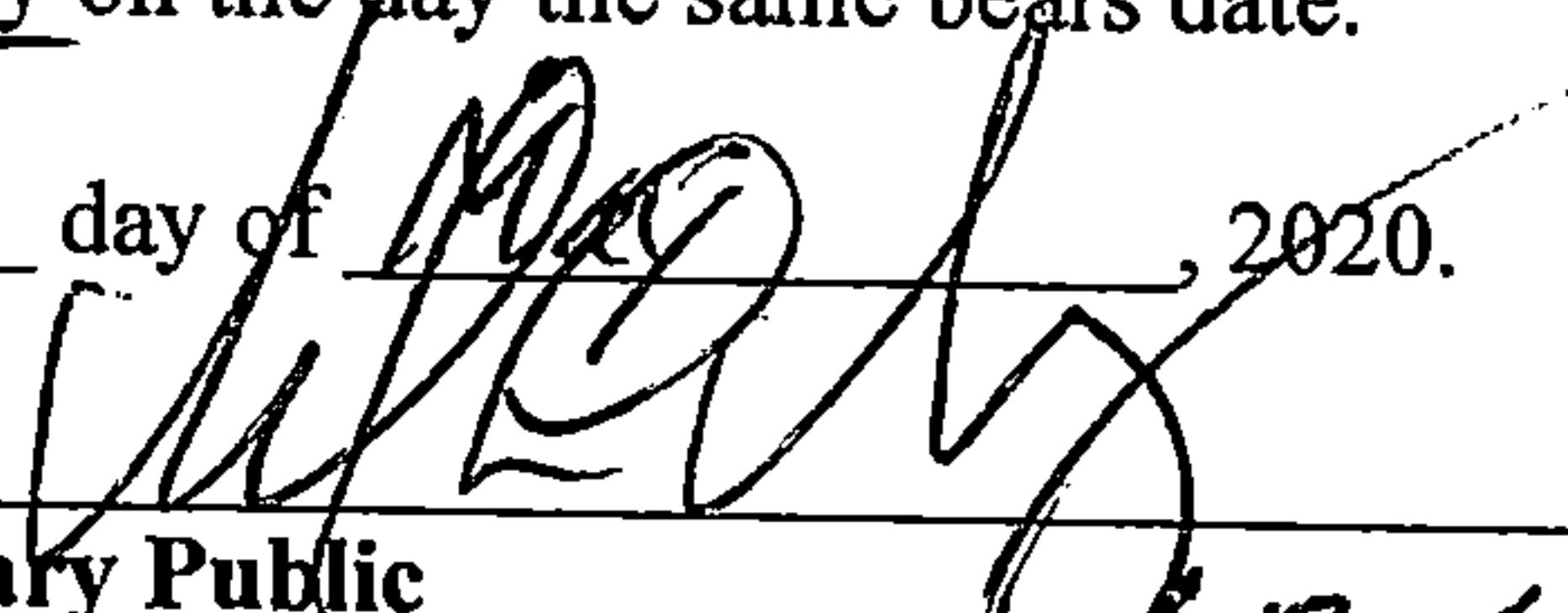
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the first part signs and seals this instrument on the day and in the year first herein above written.

  
HICKS INSURANCE AGENCY, LLC BY:  
SCOTT HICKS, OWNER  
  
SCOTT HICKS, Individually

STATE OF ALABAMA     )  
SHELBY COUNTY        )

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, do hereby certify that HICKS INSURANCE AGENCY, LLC, BY: SCOTT HICKS, owner, whose name is signed to the foregoing mortgage, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the mortgage she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

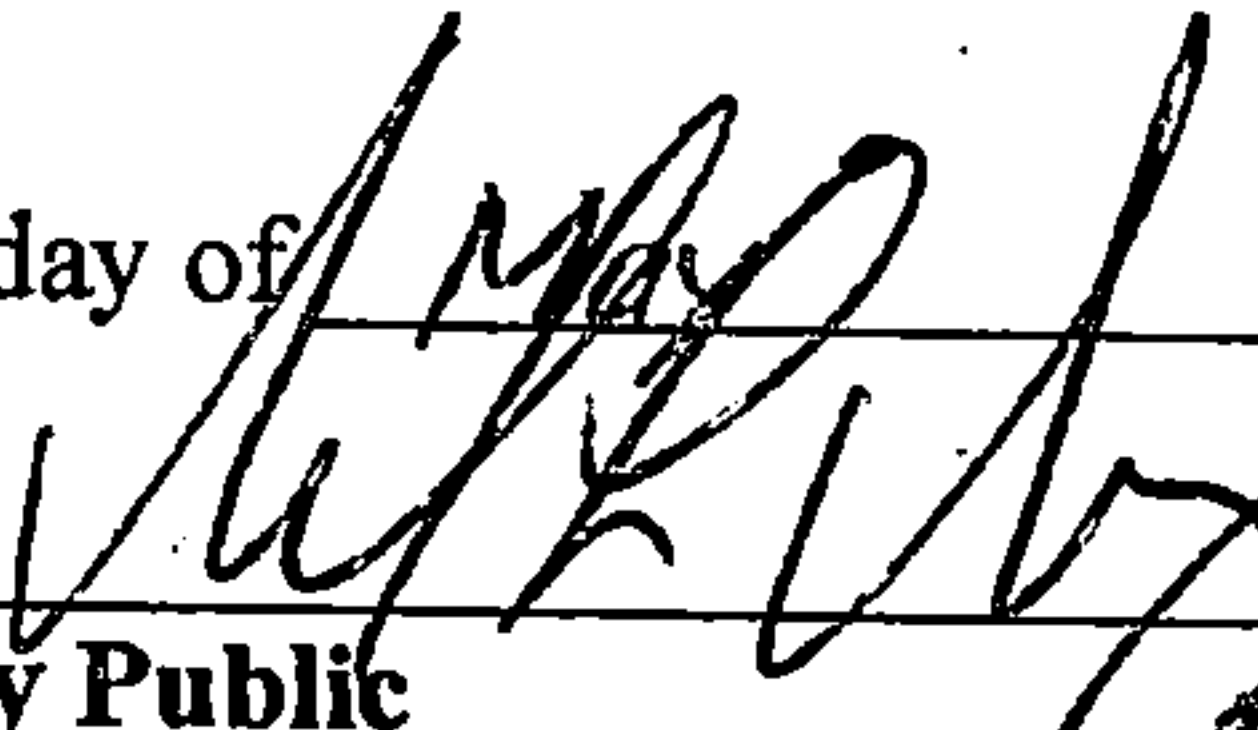
Given under my hand and official seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020.

  
Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: 8-13-2022

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