CERTIFICATION OF TRUST

This Certification of Trust is in lieu of a copy of the trust instrument pursuant to Section 19-3B-1013 of the Code of Alabama, as amended from time to time.

- 1. The Christopher Brian Thornton Trust dated December 23, 1985 (the "Trust") is currently in existence. The Trust has not been revoked, modified, or amended in any manner that would cause the representations contained herein to be incorrect. Excerpts of the Trust consisting of the first page and the signature page is attached hereto as *Exhibit "A"* and made a part hereof.
- 2. The settlor of the Trust is Dewey H. Thornton (the "Settlor").
- 3. The qualified beneficiary of the Trust is Christopher Brian Thornton ("Chris").
- 4. Neva Jean Barber Thornton ("Jean"), deceased, was named Trustee, and L. Paul Kassouf ("Kassouf") was named successor Trustee to Jean if Jean could not serve. The senior member of L. Paul Kassouf & Co., P.A. ("Kassouf & Co.) was named successor Trustee if Kassouf could not serve. First Alabama Bank was named successor Trustee if no senior member of Kassouf & Co. could serve.
- 5. On August 23, 2006, Kassouf, individually and on behalf of Kassouf & Co., renounced his appointment as successor Trustee. A copy of the renunciation is attached hereto as *Exhibit* "B" and made a part hereof.
- 6. On August 24, 2006, Regions Bank, as successor to First Alabama Bank, renounced its appointment as successor Trustee. A copy of the renunciation is attached hereto as *Exhibit* "C" and made a part hereof.
- 7. Jean died on December 28, 2014.
- 8. On January 11, 2018, Settlor entered into an Agreement to Modify Trust to allow Chris to appoint an individual to serve as successor Trustee. On that same day, Chris appointed Kelly T. Kesler ("Kelly") as successor Trustee, and Kelly accepted her appointment. A copy of the agreement is attached hereto as *Exhibit "D*," and make a part hereof.
- 9. The name and address of the current acting Trustee is: Kelly T. Kesler, 11967 Bristow Village Drive, Bristow, VA 20136.
- 10. The pages of the Trust setting fort the relevant powers of the Trustee are attached hereto as *Exhibit "E"* and made a part hereof.
- 11. The Trust is irrevocable.
- 12. The tax identification number of the Trust is 63-6139460.
- 13. The name in which title to trust property may be taken is "Kelly T. Kesler, and successors, as Trustee of the Christopher Brian Thornton Trust dated December 23, 1985."

Kelly/T. Kesler. Trustee

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the State of _______. hereby certifies that Kelly T. Kesler, whose name as Trustee aforesaid to the foregoing instrument, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the instrument, the said instrument was executed by Kelly T. Kesler voluntarily, and with authority, on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and seal on 20^{+4} Vanuary . 2024.

Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 12/7/12026

DAVID ALEXANDER MOLINA-VALKINS

NOTARY PUBLIC

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Exhibit A Legal Description

SE 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 19, Township 20 South, Range 2 East, Shelby County, Alabama

Also conveyed is an easement for ingress and egress over the following described property:

The North 30 feet of the East 100 feet of the NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 and the North 30 feet of the NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 20, Township 20 South, Range East, lying West of Vick Drive.

Situated in Shelby County, Alabama.



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