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CERTIFICATION

I, DANIEL K. WILBERC, A SENIOR ADVISORY TITLE OFFICER FOR TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPAN HEREBY CERTIFY AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT A 13 A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE MOTION DATED MARCH 5, 1998 ENTERED IN THE NOTED BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING FOR MONTGOMERY WARD HOLDING CORP., ET AL.
- 2. ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT B IS A CEPTIFIED COPY OF THE ORDER DATED MARCH 31, 1998 ENTERED IN SAID PROCEEDING REJECTING SAID DEPTOR'S LEASES WHICH WERE SPECIFIED IN EXHIBIT A HEREOF.

ONE OF THE LEASES SO REJECTED RELATED TO PROPERTY IN LANSING, ILLLINOIS. THE FOLLOWING EXHIBITS ARE NOT PART OF THE AFORESAID MOTION OR ORDER, BUT ARE SET FORTH HERE SO AS TO BETTER DESCRIBE THE SUBJECT LEASED PREMISE; IN LANSING, ILLINOIS AND, AS A RESULT, EVIDENCE THE REJECTION OF SAID LEASE OF RECORD IN COOL COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

- 3. ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT C IS A RECITATION OF THE RECORD ORIGIN OF THE SUBJECT LEASE AND OF PERTINENT SUBEQUENTLY RECORDED INSTRUMENTS ASSIGNING AMENDING, ETC. SAID LEASE.
- 4. THE RECORDED LEASE AND SUBSEQUENT RECORDED INSTRUMENTS AS TO IT BORE A LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR WHAT CAME TO BE COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE LANSING LANDINGS SHOPPING CENTER. DUE TO VERY POOR QUALITY SUCH LEGAL DESCRIPTION IS NOT SUSCEPTIBLE TO CLEAR REPRODUCTION. HOWEVER, ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT D IS A CURRENT LEGAL DESCRIPTION FOR THE WHOLE OF SAID SHOPPING CENTER, TO INCLUDE THE AFFECTED PERMANENT INDEX NUMBERS.

DATED: FEBRUARY 21, 2000

DANIEL K. WILBERG

PREPARED BY DANIEL K. WILBERG, TICOR TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, 203 N. LASALLE STREET,

CHICAGO, IL 60601.



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Hearing Date: 3/31/98 @ 2:00 p.m.

(Negative Notice)

Objection Deadline: 3/16/98 @ 4:00 p.m.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

IN RE:

Chapter 11

Montgomery Ward Holding Corp.,

Case No. 97-1409 (PJW)

a Delaware corporation, et al.,

Jointly Administered

Debtors.

MOTION OF DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING REJECTION OF NONRESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY LEASES (KLAFF) PURSUANT TO SECTION 365 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") hereby request the entry of an order authorizing the rejection of nonresidential real property leases (the "Leases") by and between Montgomery Ward & Co. Accorporated ("Montgomery Ward") and the Lessors listed on Exhibit A hereto (the "Lessors") pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1330 (the "Bankruptcy Code"). These Leases relate to property used by Montgomery Ward as retail stores (the "Stores"). In support of this Motion, the Debtors respectfully represent as follows:

Background

1. On July 7, 1997 (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors commenced their respective reorganization cases by filing voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors' chapter 11 cases have been consolidated for procedural purposes only and are being

administered jointly.

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- 2. The Debtors are continuing in possession of their respective properties and are operating and managing their businesses, as debtors in possession, pursuant to sections 1107 and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 3. On July 18, 1997, the United States trustee for the District of Delaware (the "United States Trustee") appointed a statutory committee of unsecured creditors in these chapter 11 cases (tne "Creditors' Committee") pursuant to section 1102 of the Bankruptcy Code.
- The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).
- 5. Montgomery Ward Holding Corp. ("MW Corp.") and Montgomery Ward, the wholly owned subsidiary of MW Corp., are engaged in retail merchandising and direct response marketing in the United States.
- organizations in the United States. Montgomery Ward is among the nation's largest retailers of prominent name brand electronics, appliances, furniture and fine jewelry. Other major product offerings include apparel and automotive parts and services. Montgomery Ward operates 301 retail stores in 37 states (with approximately 23 million total square feet of selling space). In addition, Montgomery Ward operates six liquidation centers that sell overstock merchanoise 15 distribution facilities and 82 product service centers.
- 7. On February 11, 1998, Montgomery Ward entered into a certain Asset Purchase Agreement and Agreement with Respect to Leases, as amended (the "Agreement") with Klaff Realty, L.P. ("Klaff"). Klaff later assigned its rights under the Agreement to HK-MW, L.L.C. (the "Purchaser").

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8. The Agreement provides the Purchaser with the right to direct Montgomery Ward to reject its nonresidential real property leases. Pursuant to that authority, the Purchaser directed Montgomery Ward to reject the Leases on the list attached hereto as Exhibit B and incorporated herein by reference. The Stores have all been closed and, therefore, Montgomery Ward no longer needs the property subject to the Leases to operate its business.

Relief Requested

- The Debtors, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, hereby seek the entry of an Order curnorizing the rejection of the Leases.
- Section 365(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that a debtor, "subject to the court's approval, may assume or reject an executory contract or an unexpired lease." See University Medical Center v. Sullivan (In re University Medical Center), 973 F.2d 1065, 1075 (3d Cir. 1992). The assumption or rejection of an unexpired lease by a debtor is subject to review under the business judgment standard. If the debtor's business judgment has been reasonably exercised, a court should approve the assumption or rejection. See, e.g., NLRB v. Bild'sco and Bildisco, 465 U.S. 513, 523 (1984); Group of Institutional Investors v. Chicago, M. St. P., & P.R. K. Co., 318 U.S. 523 (1943); Sharon Steel Corp. v. National Fuel Gas Distribution, 872 F.2d 36, 39 40 (3d Cir. 1989); In re Minges, 602 F.2d 38, 42 (2d Cir. 1979); In re RLR Celestial Homes Inc., 108 B K 36, 46 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1989); In re Fashion Two Twenty, Inc., 16 B.R. 784, 787 (Bankr. N.D. Ohio 1982).
- 11. In the Debtors' business judgment, it is in the best interests of Montgomery Ward's estate and creditors to reject the Leases. As set forth above, because the Stores have been closed and Montgomery Ward no longer plans to operate stores at the locations that are the subject of the Leases, Montgomery Ward no longer has any use for the Leases. Further, as set forth above, the Debtors sold the right to make the decision regarding the assumption and assignment or rejection

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of the Leases to Klaff who assigned this right to the Purchaser. The Purchaser has directed the Debtors to reject the Leases. Accordingly, the Debtors should be allowed to reject the Leases.

Notice

of this Motion has been given to (a) the United States Trustee, (b) counsel for the Creditors' Committee, (c) counsel for General Electric Capital Corporation, (d) the members of the official service list established in these chapter 11 cases, (e) the Lessors and (f) parties affiliated with the Lessors. In light of the nature of the relief requested herein, the Debtors submit that no other or further notice need be given.

No Prior Request

No previous request for the relief sought in this Motion has been made to this or any other court.

UNOFFICIAL CORRESPONDED

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request the Court enter an order. substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C: (i) authorizing the rejection of the Leases and (ii) granting such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: March 5, 1998 Wilmington, Delaware Respectfully submitted

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ATTORNEYS FOR DEBTORS AND DEBTORS IN POSSESSION

EXHIBIT A

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Narvid, Glickmari, Harrison & Scott Trust Account c/o Michael Narvid 15060 Ventura Blvd., Suite 490 Sherman Oaks, CA 91403 Ph.: (818) 907-9896 Fax: (818) 907-9896	24	Hawthorne, CA
The Lincoln National Life Insurance c/o Lincoln Investment Management Corp. 200 East Berry Street Ft. Wayne, IN 4680 ATTN: Christine Konrath Fax: (219) 455-9729	Nea Gerber & Eisenberg 2 N. La Salle Street Suite 2100 Chicago, IL 60602 ATTN: Jill Ann Coleman Ph.: (312) 269-8094 Fax: (312) 269-1747	Victorville, CA
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Watch Holdings, LLC Casselberry Plaza c/o RMC Realty Companies Ltd. 1733 W. Fletcher Ave. Tampa, FL 33612 ATTN: Marcia Labrie Ph.: (813) 960-8154 Fax: (813) 960-2596	Michelle Larson Andrews & Kurth 1717 Main St., Suite 1700 Dallas, TX 75201 Ph.: (214)659-4583 Fax: (214) 659-4401 With Notice To: Watch Holdings, LLC Casselberry Plaza c/o GE Capital Realty Group, Inc. Two Bent Tree Tower 16479 Dallas Parkway, Suite 400 Dallas, TX 75248-2661 ATTN: Charles Cameal & Legal Dept. a id General Electric Capital Corp 292 Loug Ridge Road Stamford, CT 06927 ATTN: Legal Operation Comm. RE	Altamonte Springs, FL		
Columbia National Bank of Chicago Trust #3987 321 N. Clark Street Suite 900 Chicago, IL 60610 Fax: (312) 245-5033	Hollis and Johnson 11 E. Adams Street Suite 501 Chicago, IL 60603 Ph.: (312) 427-0700 Fax: (312) 427-8407	Aurora, IL		
Amalgamated Trust & Savings Bank U/T #4951 c/o 1st National Realty Management Co. 415 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 200 Chicago, IL 60610 ATTN: Maria Goldstein Ph.: (312) 527-9818 Fax: (312) 527-4664	Braun & Rivkin Ltd. 33 N. Dearborn Street Suite 500 Chicago, IL 60602 ATTN: Ira Helfcot Ph.: (312) 580-0001 Fax: (312) 580-0828	Lansing, TC		



LESSOR	ATTORNEY	LEASE
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Cadillic Fairview S/C, (US) LTD c/o Saratoga Mall Mgmt. Office 3035 Route 50 Saratoga Springs, NY 12866 Fax: (518) 587-1142	Bartlett, Pontiff, Stewart & Rhodes P.C. 1 Washington Street Glen Falls, NY 12801-2168 ATTN: Mark Lebowitz Ph.: (518) 792-2117 Fax: (518) 792-3309	Saratoga Springs, NY

LESSOR	ATTORNEY	LEASE
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Juster Mar agement Co. 303 South Broadway, Ste. 450 Tarrytown, N.Y. 10591-5410 ATTN: Gary Juster Ph.: (914) 524-7700 Fax: (914) 524-0322		Rutland, VT
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EXHIBIT B

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Hawthorne, CA (Retail and Corresponding TBA)

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Victorville, CA (Retail and Corresponding TBA)

Altamone Springs, FL (TBA Only)

Aurora, IL (TPA)

* Lansing, IL (Retail Orly)

Waukegan, IL (Retail Only)

Sterling Heights, MI (Retail and Corresponding TBA)

Minneapolis, MN (Retail Only)

Kansas City, MO (Retail and Corresponding TBA)

Saratoga Springs, NY (Retail and Corresponding TBA)

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EXHIBIT C

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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THE COURT HEREBY FURTHER FINDS THAT:

A. The relief requested in this Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates and is appropriate under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1330 (the "Bankruptcy Code"); and

¹ Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Motion.

The rejection of the Leases (as such term is defined in the Motion) is a B. reasonable and valid exercise of the Debtors' business judgment. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
- 2. The Leases are hereby deemed rejected, pursuant to section 365 of the Bankrupicy Code, as of March 16, 1998. Destroy Cook County Clerk's Office

Dated: March

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

IN RE:

Chapter 11

Montgomery Ward Holding Corp., a Delaware corporation, et al.,

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B. The rejection of the Leases (as such term is defined in the Motion) is a reasonable and valid exercise of the Debtors' business judgment. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is GRANTED.
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LEASE MADE BY AMALGAMATED TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK TRUST NO. 4951 TO ZAYRE CORP. DATED OCTOBER 21, 1985, A MEMORANDUM OF WHICH WAS RECORDED DECEMBER 18, 1985 AS DOCUMENT NO. 85-329,730, DEMISING THE LAND FOR A TERM OF 20 YEARS AND A FRACTION OF A MONTH BEGINNING ON THE "COMMENCEMENT DATE" AS THEREIN DEFINED AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF THE MONTH IN WHICH THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE "COMMENCEMENT DATE" OCCURS, AND ALL RIGHTS THEREUNDER OF, AND ALL ACTS DONE OR SUFFERED THEREUNDER BY, SAID LESSEE OR BY ANY PARTY CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, OR UNDER SAID LESSEE.

SAID LEASE CONTAINS VARIOUS OPTIONS TO EXTEND AS SET FORTH THEREIN.

NOTICE OF LIDSE ASSIGNMENT FROM ZAYRE, INC. TO ZAYRE ILLINOIS CORP. RECORDED MARCH 30, 1985 AS DOCUMENT NO. 89-138,346.

ASSIGNMENT AND ACCUMPTION OF SAID LEASEHOLD INTEREST BETWEEN ZAYRE ILLINOIS CORPORATION AND, AS ASSIGNEE, MONTGOMERY WARD & CO., INCORPORATED RECORDED NOVEMBER 5, 1990 AS DOCUMENT NO. 90-540,136.

FIRST AMENDMENT THEREOF BETWEEN AMALGAMATED TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK TRUST NO. 4951 AND MONTGOMERY WARD & CO. INCORPORATED DATED FEBRUARY 8, 1991 AND AS DISCLOSED BY THE MEMORANDUM THEREOF RECORDED FEBRUARY 25, 1991 AS DOCUMENT NO. MEMIL COMPASS OFFICE 91-085,167. AMONG OTHER THINGS, SAID MEMORANDUM DISCLOSES AN EXPANSION OF THE LEASED PREMISES.

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