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MORTGAGE

THIS MORTGAGE ("Mortgage") is given on February 21st, 2007. The Borrower is **ADVANTAGE FINANCIAL PARTNERS LLC**, whose address is 2190 Gladstone Court, Suite E, Glendale Heights IL 60139 ("Borrower"). This Mortgage is given to **WEST SUBURBAN BANK**, which is organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and whose address is 711 S. Westmore-Meyers Road, Lombard IL 60148 ("Lender"). Borrower has executed and delivered to Lender a Revolving Credit Promissory Note dated July 6, 2005 evidencing a revolving credit loan in an amount not to exceed, in the aggregate, the sum of **\$10,000,000.00** (the "Note"). This Mortgage secures to Lender: (a) the repayment of a disbursement in the amount of Three Hundred Forty Six Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 DOLLARS (\$346,500.00) (the "Advance") made under the terms of the Note, together with interest thereon, and all renewals, extensions and modifications thereof; (b) the payment of all other sums, with interest, advanced under paragraph 7 to protect the security of this Mortgage; and (c) the performance of Borrower's covenants and agreements under this Mortgage and the Note. For this purpose, Borrower does hereby mortgage, grant and convey to Lender the real property legally described on **Exhibit "A"** attached hereto and incorporated herein, which has the address of 5677 N. Northcott Avenue, Chicago IL 60631 ("Property Address").

TOGETHER WITH all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property, all easements, appurtenances, and fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this Mortgage. All of the foregoing is referred to in this Mortgage as the "Property."

BORROWER COVENANTS AND WARRANTIES that Borrower is lawfully seized of the estate hereby conveyed and has the right to mortgage, grant and convey the Property and that the Property is unencumbered except by mortgages in favor of Lender. Borrower warrants and will defend generally the title to the Property against all claims and demands.

Borrower and Lender covenant and agree as follows:

1. Payment of Principal and Interest; Prepayment and Late Charges. Borrower shall promptly pay when due the principal of and interest on the debt evidence by the Note and any prepayment and late charges due under the Note.

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2. **Funds for Taxes and Insurance.** Subject to applicable law, Borrower shall pay to Lender on the day monthly payments are due under the Note, until the Note is paid in full, a sum (“Funds”) for: (a) yearly taxes and assessments which may attain priority over this Mortgage as a lien on the Property; (b) yearly leasehold payments or ground rents on the Property, if any; (c) yearly hazard or property insurance premiums, and (d) yearly flood insurance premiums, if any. These items are called “Escrow Items.” Lender may, at any time, collect and hold Funds in an amount not to exceed the maximum amount a lender for a federally related mortgage loan may require for Borrower's escrow account under the federal Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 as amended from time to time, 12 U.S.C. section 2601 *et seq.* (“RESPA”), unless another law that applies to the Funds sets a lesser amount. If so, Lender may, at any time, collect and hold Funds in an amount not to exceed the lesser amount. Lender may estimate the amount of Funds due on the basis of current data and reasonable estimates of expenditures of future Escrow Items or otherwise in accordance with applicable law.

The Funds shall be held in an institution whose deposits are insured by a federal agency, instrumentality, or entity (including Lender, if Lender is such an institution) or in any Federal Home Loan Bank. Lender shall apply the Funds to pay the Escrow Items. Lender may not charge Borrower for holding and applying the Funds, annually analyzing the escrow account, or verifying the Escrow Items, unless Lender pays Borrower interest on the Funds and applicable law permits Lender to make such a charge. However, Lender may require Borrower to pay a one-time charge for an independent real estate tax reporting service used by Lender in connection with this loan, unless applicable law provides otherwise. Unless an agreement is made or applicable law requires interest to be paid, Lender shall not be required to pay Borrower any interest or earnings on the Funds. Borrower and Lender may agree in writing, however, that interest shall be paid on the Funds. Lender shall give to Borrower, without charge, an annual accounting of the Funds, showing credits and debits to the Funds and the purpose for which each debit to the Funds was made. The Funds are pledged as additional security for all sums secured by this Mortgage.

If the Funds held by Lender exceed the amounts permitted to be held by applicable law, Lender shall account to Borrower for the excess Funds in accordance with the requirements of applicable law. If the amount of the Funds held by Lender at any time is not sufficient to pay the Escrow Items when due, Lender may so notify Borrower in writing, and, in such case Borrower shall pay to Lender the amount necessary to make up the deficiency. Borrower shall make up the deficiency in no more than twelve monthly payments, at Lender's sole discretion.

Upon payment in full of all sums secured by this Mortgage, Lender shall promptly refund to Borrower any Funds held by Lender. If, under paragraph 17, Lender shall acquire or sell the Property, Lender, prior to the acquisition or sale of the Property, shall apply any Funds held by Lender at the time of acquisition or sale as a credit against the sums secured by this Mortgage.

The foregoing notwithstanding, Lender initially suspends the requirement of the payment of Funds to Lender for the purpose of paying Escrow Items, subject to Lender's right to reinstate and require the payment of Funds to Lender: (a) upon Borrower's breach of any covenant or agreement in this Mortgage or in the Note, or (b) in the event Borrower fails to furnish Lender with satisfactory written evidence of payment of all Escrow Items when due.

3. **Application of Payments.** Unless applicable law provides otherwise, all payments received by Lender under paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be applied: first, to any prepayment charges due under the Note; second, to amounts payable under paragraph 2; third, to interest due; fourth, to principal due; and last, to any late charges due under the Note.

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4. **Charges; Liens.** Borrower shall pay all taxes, assessments, charges, fines and impositions attributable to the Property which may attain priority over this Mortgage, and leasehold payments or ground rents, if any. Borrower shall pay these obligations in the manner provided in paragraph 2, or if not paid in that manner, Borrower shall pay them on time directly to the person owed payment. Borrower shall promptly furnish to Lender all notices of amounts to be paid under this paragraph. If Borrower makes these payments directly, Borrower shall promptly furnish to Lender receipts evidencing the payments.

Borrower shall promptly discharge any lien which has priority over this Mortgage unless Borrower: (a) agrees in writing to the payment of the obligation secured by the lien in a manner acceptable to Lender; (b) contests in good faith the lien by, or defends against enforcement of the lien in, legal proceedings which in the Lender's opinion operate to prevent the enforcement of the lien; or (c) secures from the holder of the lien an agreement satisfactory to Lender subordinating the lien to this Mortgage. If Lender determines that any part of the Property is subject to a lien which may attain priority over this Mortgage, Lender may give Borrower a notice identifying the lien. Borrower shall satisfy the lien or take one or more of the actions set forth above within 10 days of the giving of notice.

5. **Hazard or Property Insurance.** Borrower shall keep the improvements now existing or hereafter erected on the Property insured against loss by fire, hazards included within the term "extended coverage" and any other hazards, including floods or flooding, for which Lender requires insurance. This insurance shall be maintained in the amounts and for the periods that Lender requires. The insurance carrier providing the insurance shall be chosen by Borrower subject to Lender's approval which shall not be unreasonably withheld. If Borrower fails to maintain coverage described above, Lender may, at Lender's option, obtain coverage to protect Lender's rights in the Property in accordance with paragraph 7.

All insurance policies and renewals shall be acceptable to Lender and shall include a standard mortgage clause. Lender shall have the right to hold the policies and renewals. If Lender requires, Borrower shall promptly give to Lender all receipts of paid premiums and renewal notices. In the event of loss, Borrower shall give prompt notice to the insurance carrier and Lender. Lender may make proof of loss if not made promptly by Borrower.

Unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, insurance proceeds shall be applied to restoration or repair of the Property damaged, if the restoration or repair is economically feasible and Lender's security is not lessened. If the restoration or repair is not economically feasible or Lender's security would be lessened, the insurance proceeds shall be applied to the sums secured by this Mortgage, whether or not then due, with any excess paid to Borrower. If Borrower abandons the Property, or does not answer within 30 days a notice from Lender that the insurance carrier has offered to settle a claim, then Lender may collect the insurance proceeds. Lender may use the proceeds to repair or restore the Property or to pay sums secured by this Mortgage, whether or not then due. The 30-day period will begin when the notice is given.

Unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, any application of proceeds to principal shall not extend or postpone the due date of the monthly payments referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 or change the amount of the payments. If under paragraph 17 the Property is acquired by Lender, Borrower's right to any insurance policies and proceeds resulting from damage to the Property prior to the acquisition shall pass to Lender to the extent of the sums secured by this Mortgage immediately prior to the acquisition.

6. **Preservation, Maintenance and Protection of the Property; Borrower's Loan Application.** Borrower shall not destroy, damage or impair the Property, allow the Property to

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deteriorate, or commit waste on the Property. Borrower shall be in default if any forfeiture action or proceeding, whether civil or criminal, is begun that in Lender's good faith judgment could result in forfeiture of the Property or otherwise materially impair the lien created by this Mortgage or Lender's security interest. Borrower shall also be in default if Borrower, during the loan application process, gave materially false or inaccurate information or statements to Lender (or failed to provide Lender with any material information) in connection with the loan evidenced by the Note.

7. **Protection of Lender's Rights in the Property.** If Borrower fails to perform the covenants and agreements contained in this Mortgage, or there is a legal proceeding that may significantly affect Lender's rights in the Property (such as a proceeding in bankruptcy, probate, for condemnation or forfeiture or to enforce laws or regulations), then Lender may do and pay for whatever is necessary to protect the value of the Property and Lender's rights in the Property. Lender's actions may include paying any sums secured by a lien which has priority over this Mortgage, appearing in court, paying reasonable attorneys' fees and entering on the Property to make repairs. Although Lender may take action under this paragraph 7, Lender does not have to do so.

Any amounts disbursed by Lender under this paragraph 7 shall become additional debt of Borrower secured by this Mortgage. Unless Borrower and Lender agree to other terms of payments, these amounts shall bear interest from the date of disbursement at the Note rate and shall be payable, with interest, upon notice from Lender to Borrower requesting payment. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary set forth herein, amounts disbursed by Lender under this paragraph 7 which shall be secured by this Mortgage shall not exceed 150% of the amount of the original indebtedness secured hereby.

8. **Inspection.** Lender or its agent may make reasonable entries upon and inspections of the Property. Lender shall give Borrower notice at the time of or prior to an inspection specifying reasonable cause for the inspection.

9. **Condemnation.** The proceeds of any award or claim for damages, direct or consequential, in connection with any condemnation or other taking of any part of the Property, or for conveyance in lieu of condemnation, are hereby assigned and shall be paid to Lender.

In the event of a total taking of the Property, the proceeds shall be applied to the sums secured by this Mortgage, whether or not then due, with any excess paid to Borrower. In the event of a partial taking of the Property in which the fair market value of the Property immediately before the taking is equal to or greater than the amount of the sums secured by this Mortgage immediately before the taking, unless Borrower and Lender otherwise agree in writing, the sums secured by this Mortgage shall be reduced by the amount of the proceeds multiplied by the following fraction: (a) the total amount of the sums secured immediately before the taking, divided by (b) the fair market value of the Property immediately before the taking. Any balance shall be paid to Borrower. In the event of a partial taking of the Property in which the fair market value of the Property immediately before the taking is less than the amount of the sums secured immediately before the taking, unless Borrower and Lender otherwise agree in writing or unless applicable law otherwise provides, the proceeds shall be applied to the sums secured by this Mortgage whether or not the sums are then due.

If the Property is abandoned by Borrower, or if, after notice by Lender to Borrower that the condemnor offers to make an award or settle a claim for damages, Borrower fails to respond to Lender within 30 days after the date the notice is given, Lender is authorized to collect and apply the proceeds, at its option, either to restoration or repair of the Property or to the sums secured by this Mortgage, whether or not then due.

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Unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, any application of proceeds to principal shall not extend or postpone the due date of the monthly payments referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 or change the amount of such payments.

10. **Borrower Not Released; Forbearance By Lender Not a Waiver.** Extension of the time for payment or modification of amortization of the sums secured by this Mortgage granted by Lender to any successor in interest of Borrower shall not operate to release the liability of the original Borrower or Borrower's successors in interest. Lender shall not be required to commence proceedings against any successor in interest or refuse to extend time for payment or otherwise modify amortization of the sums secured by this Mortgage by reason of any demand made by the original Borrower or Borrower's successors in interest. Any forbearance by Lender in exercising any right or remedy shall not be a waiver of or preclude the exercise of any right or remedy.

11. **Successors and Assigns Bound; Joint and Several Liability.** The covenants and agreements of this Mortgage shall bind and benefit the successors and assigns of Lender and Borrower, subject to the provisions of paragraph 15. Borrower's covenants and agreements shall be joint and several.

12. **Loan Charges.** If the loan secured by this Mortgage is subject to a law which sets maximum loan charges, and that law is finally interpreted so that the interest or other loan charges collected or to be collected in connection with the loan exceed the permitted limits, then: (a) any such loan charge shall be reduced by the amount necessary to reduce the charge to the permitted limit; and (b) any sums already collected from Borrower which exceed permitted limits will be refunded to Borrower. Lender may choose to make this refund by reducing the principal owed under the Note or by making a direct payment to Borrower. If a refund reduces principal, the reduction will be treated as a partial prepayment without any prepayment charge under the Note.

13. **Notices.** Any notice to Borrower provided for in this Mortgage shall be given by delivering it or by mailing it by first class mail unless applicable law requires use of another method. The notice shall be directed to the Property Address or any other address Borrower designates by notice to Lender. Any notice to Lender shall be given by first class mail to Lender's address stated herein or any other address Lender designates by notice to Borrower. Any notice shall be deemed to have been given on the date of delivery or on the second business day following the date of deposit into the U.S. Mail. Any notice provided for in this Mortgage shall be deemed to have been given to Borrower or Lender when given as provided in this paragraph.

14. **Governing Law; Severability.** This Mortgage shall be governed by the law of the jurisdiction in which the Property is located. In the event that any provision or clause of this Mortgage or the Note conflicts with applicable law, such conflict shall not affect other provisions of this Mortgage or the Note which can be given effect without the conflicting provision. To this end the provisions of this Mortgage and the Note are declared to be severable.

15. **Transfer of the Property or a Beneficial Interest in Borrower.** If all or any part of the Property or any interest in it is sold or transferred (or if a beneficial interest in Borrower is sold or transferred and Borrower is not a natural person) without Lender's prior written consent, Lender may, at its option, require immediate payment in full of all sums secured by this Mortgage.

16. **Hazardous Substances.** Borrower shall not cause or permit the presence, use, disposal, storage, or release of any Hazardous Substances on or in the Property. Borrower shall not do, nor allow anyone else to do, anything affecting the Property that is in violation of any Environmental Law. The preceding two sentences shall not apply to the presence, use, or storage on

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the Property of small quantities of Hazardous Substances that are generally recognized to be appropriate to normal residential uses and to maintenance of the Property.

Borrower shall promptly give Lender written notice of any investigation, claim, demand, lawsuit or other action by any governmental or regulatory agency or private party involving the Property and any Hazardous Substance or Environmental Law of which Borrower has actual knowledge. If Borrower learns, or is notified by any governmental or regulatory authority, that any removal or other remediation of any Hazardous Substance affecting the Property is necessary, Borrower shall promptly take all necessary remedial actions in accordance with Environmental Law.

As used in this paragraph 16, "Hazardous Substances" are those substances defined as toxic or hazardous substances by Environmental Law and the following substances: gasoline, kerosene, other flammable or toxic petroleum products, toxic pesticides and herbicides, volatile solvents, materials containing asbestos or formaldehyde, and radioactive materials. As used in this paragraph 16, "Environmental Law" means federal laws and laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located that relate to health, safety or environmental protection.

17. Acceleration; Remedies. In the event of Borrower's breach of any covenant or agreement in this Mortgage or in the Note, Lender at its option may require immediate payment in full of all sums secured by this Mortgage without demand and may foreclose this Mortgage by judicial proceeding. Lender shall be entitled to collect all expenses incurred in pursuing the remedies provided in this paragraph 17, including but not limited to attorneys' fees and costs of suit.

18. Lender in Possession. Upon acceleration under paragraph 17 or abandonment of the Property, Lender (in person, by agent or by judicially appointed receiver) shall be entitled to enter upon, take possession of and manage the Property and to collect the rents of the Property including those past due. Any rents collected by Lender or the receiver shall be applied first to payment of the costs of management of the Property and collection of rents, including, but not limited to, receiver's fees, premiums on receiver's bonds and reasonable attorney's fees, and then to the sums secured by this Mortgage.

19. Release. Upon payment of all sums secured by this Mortgage, Lender shall release this Mortgage without charge to Borrower. Borrower shall pay any recordation costs.

20. Waiver of Homestead and Redemption. Borrower hereby waives all right of Homestead exemption in the Property. Borrower hereby waives all right of reinstatement and redemption or equity of redemption on behalf of Borrower and on behalf of all other persons acquiring any interest or title in the Property subsequent to the date of this Mortgage to the full extent that such rights may be waived under applicable law.

21. Cross-Collateralization. In addition to the Note, this Mortgage secures all obligations, liabilities, plus interest thereon, of Borrower to Lender, as well as all claims by Lender against Borrower, whether now existing or hereafter arising, whether related to or unrelated to the purpose of the Note, whether voluntary, involuntary, or otherwise, whether due or not due, direct or indirect, determined or undetermined, absolute or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, whether Borrower may be liable individually or jointly with others, whether obligated as a primary obligor, guarantor, surety, accommodation party or otherwise, and whether recovery upon such amounts may be or hereafter may become barred by any statute of limitations, and whether the obligation to repay such amounts may be or hereafter may become otherwise unenforceable.

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22. **Revolving Credit Loan.** This Mortgage is given in part to secure a revolving credit loan as authorized by Section 5d of the Illinois Banking Act (205 ILCS 5/5d) and shall secure not only presently existing indebtedness under the Note but also future advances, whether such advances are obligatory or to be made at the option of the Lender, or otherwise, as are made within twenty (20) years from the date hereof, to the same extent as if such future advances were made on the date of the execution of this Mortgage, although there may be no advance made at the time of execution of this Mortgage and although there may be no indebtedness outstanding at the time any advance is made. The lien of this Mortgage shall be valid as to all indebtedness secured hereby, including future advances, from the time of its filing for record in the recorder's or registrar's office of the county in which the Property is located. The total amount of indebtedness secured hereby may increase or decrease from time to time, but the total unpaid balance secured hereby at any one time shall not exceed the principal sum hereinabove set forth, plus interest thereon, and any disbursements made for payment of taxes or special assessments on the Property and interest on such disbursements. This Mortgage shall be valid and have priority over all subsequent liens and encumbrances, including statutory liens, excepting solely taxes and assessments levied on the Property given priority by law. Nothing herein shall be construed as establishing a twenty (20) year term for repayment of the indebtedness secured hereby.

23. **Maximum Lien.** At no time shall the aggregate amount secured by this Mortgage exceed an amount equivalent to three hundred percent (300%) of the amount of the Advance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused these presents to be signed this 21ST day of February, 2007.

BORROWER:

ADVANTAGE FINANCIAL PARTNERS LLC

By its Manager:

SAFE PROPERTIES, LLC

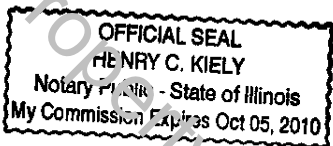
By:


Randy Rantz, Manager

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STATE OF ILLINOIS)
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COUNTY OF Cook) SS.

I, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County in the State aforesaid, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that BRANDY KANTZ, personally known to me to be MANAGER of **SAFE PROPERTIES, LLC**, an Illinois limited liability company, and personally known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, appeared before me this day in person and acknowledged that he signed and delivered the said instrument as his own free and voluntary act and as the free and voluntary act of said limited liability company, for the uses and purposes therein set forth. **GIVEN** under my hand and notarial seal this 21st day of February, 2007.



Henry C. Kiely
Notary Public

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EXHIBIT "A"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Property address 5677 N. Northcott Avenue, Chicago IL 60631

PIN # 13-06-414-020-0000

Lot 2 in Block 7 in Kinsey's Norwood Park Subdivision, A Re-Subdivision of Blocks 34, 35, 36, and 37 and Vacated Alley Therein of Norwood Park in Section 6, Township 40 North, Range 13 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois.

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