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MORTGAGE

(With Future Advance Clause)

1. DATE AND PARTIES. The date of this Mortgage (Security Instrument) is 12-7-97 and the parties, their addresses and tax identification numbers, if required, are as follows:

MORTGAGOR: JEROME NICKERSON

6539 S. GREENWOOD, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60637
LENDER: GALAXIE LUMBER & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.
4767 W. TOUHY AVENUE
LINCOLNWOOD IL, 60646

2. CONVEYANCE. For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, and to secure the Secured Debt (defined below) and Mortgagor's performance under this Security Instrument, Mortgagor grants, bargains, sells, conveys, mortgages and warrants to Lender the following described property:

THE SOUTH HALF OF LOT 17 IN BLOCK 3 IN WOODLAWN RIDGE, A SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 38 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

20-23-117-015

The property is located in COOK at
(County)

6539 S. GREENWOOD, CHICAGO, Illinois 60637
(Address) (City) (ZIP Code)

Together with all rights, easements, appurtenances, royalties, mineral rights, oil and gas rights, all water and riparian rights, ditches, and water stock and all existing and future improvements, structures, fixtures, and replacements that may now, or at any time in the future, be part of the real estate described above (all referred to as "Property").

3. SECURED DEBT AND FUTURE ADVANCES. The term "Secured Debt" is defined as follows:

A. Debt incurred under the terms of all promissory note(s), contract(s), guaranty(s) or other evidence of debt described below and all their extensions, renewals, modifications or substitutions. (When referencing the debts below it is suggested that you include items such as borrowers' names, note amounts, interest rates, maturity dates, etc.)

RETAIL INSTALLMENT CONTRACT HOME IMPROVEMENTS DATED: 12-9-97
INTEREST RATE OF: 10.4900%

ILLINOIS - MORTGAGE (NOT FOR FNMA, FHLMC, FHA OR VA USE)

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the Property). Lender shall give Mortgagor notice at the time of or before an inspection specifying a reasonable purpose for Lender or Lender's agents may, at Lender's option, enter the Property at any reasonable time for the purpose of inspecting

Property. Seller of all demands, proceedings, claims and actions against Mortgagor, and of any loss or damage to the will notify Lender in writing in case of any license, restrictive covenant or easement within Lender's prior written consent. Mortgagor not permit entry into the property. Mortgagor will keep the property free of noxious weeds and garbage. Mortgagor agrees that the nature of the occupancy, and use will not substantially change without Lender's prior written consent. Mortgagor will deteriorate of the property. Mortgagor shall not commit or allow any waste, impairment, or make all repairs that are reasonably necessary. Mortgagor shall not commit or allow any waste, impairment, or

8. PROPERTY CONDITION, ALTERATIONS AND INSPECTION. Mortgagor will keep the Property in good condition

instrument is released.

7. DUE ON SALE OR ENCUMBRANCE. Lender may, at its option, declare the entire balance of the Secured Debt to be immediately due and payable upon the creation of, or contract for the creation of, any lien, encumbrance, transfer or sale of the property. This right is subject to the restrictions imposed by federal law (12 CFR, §91), as applicable. This covenant shall run with the property and shall remain in effect until the Secured Debt is paid in full and this Security instrument is released.

to Lender, at request by Lender, any rights, any claims or defenses Mortgagor may have against parties who supply labor or materials to maintenance of improve the property. To the property against any claim that would impair the lien of this security instrument. Mortgagor agrees to assign title to the property against any claim that would impair the lien of this security instrument. Mortgagor will defend copies of all notices that such amounts are due and the recipient of the notice, Mortgagor's payment. Mortgagor to provide to Lender rents, utilities, and other charges relating to the property which due, Lender may require Mortgagor to provide to Lender

6. CLAIMS AGAINST TITLE. Mortgagor will pay all taxes, assessments, liens, encumbrances, lease payments, ground secured by the lien document without Lender's prior written consent.

C. Not to allow any modification or extension of, nor to request any future advances under any note or agreement

B. To promptly deliver to Lender, any notice, that Mortgagor receives from the holder.

A. To make all payments when due and to perform or comply with all covenants.

5. PRIOR SECURITY INTERESTS. With regard to any other mortgage, deed of trust, security agreement or other lien document that creates a prior security interest or encumbrance on the property, Mortgagor agrees:

the terms of the Secured Debt and this Security instrument.

4. PAYMENTS. Mortgagor agrees that all payments under the Secured Debt will be paid when due and in accordance with this Security instrument will not secure any other debt if Lender fails to give any required notice of the right of recission.

D. All additional sums advanced and expenses incurred by Lender for insuring, preserving or otherwise protecting the property and its value and any other sums advanced and expenses incurred by Lender under the terms of this Security instrument is liable to, liabilities for over drafts relating to any deposit account between Mortgagor and Lender, but

C. All obligations Mortgagor owes to Lender, which may later arise, to the extent not prohibited by law, including, but additional or future loans or advances in any amount. Any such commitment must be agreed to in a separate writing.

on the date of this Security instrument. Nothing in this Security instrument shall constitute a commitment to make though full or part may not yet be advanced. All future advances and other future obligations are secured as if made Mortgagor and others. All future advances and other future obligations are secured by this Security instrument even advances and future obligations that are given to or incurred by any one or more Mortgagor, or any one or more person signs this Security instrument, each Mortgagor agrees that this Security instrument will secure all future after this Security instrument whether or not this Security instrument is specifically referred to in more than one promissory note, contract, guarantee, or other evidence of debt executed by Mortgagor in favor of Lender executed B. All future advances from Lender to Mortgagor or other future obligations of Mortgagor to Lender under any

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the inspection. Any inspection of the Property shall be entirely for Lender's benefit and Mortgagor will in no way rely on Lender's inspection.

9. AUTHORITY TO PERFORM. If Mortgagor fails to perform any duty or any of the covenants contained in this Security Instrument, Lender may, without notice, perform or cause them to be performed. Mortgagor appoints Lender as attorney in fact to sign Mortgagor's name or pay any amount necessary for performance. Lender's right to perform for Mortgagor shall not create an obligation to perform, and Lender's failure to perform will not preclude Lender from exercising any of Lender's other rights under the law or this Security Instrument. If any construction on the Property is discontinued or not carried on in a reasonable manner, Lender may take all steps necessary to protect Lender's security interest in the Property, including completion of the construction.

10. ASSIGNMENT OF LEASES AND RENTS. Mortgagor irrevocably grants, bargains, sells, conveys and warrants to Lender as additional security all the right, title and interest in and to any and all existing or future leases, subleases, and any other written or verbal agreements for the use and occupancy of any portion of the Property, including any extensions, renewals, modifications or substitutions of such agreements (all referred to as "Leases") and rents, issues and profits (all referred to as "Rents"). Mortgagor will promptly provide Lender with true and correct copies of all existing and future Leases. Mortgagor may collect, receive, enjoy and use the Rents so long as Mortgagor is not in default under the terms of this Security Instrument.

Mortgagor agrees that this assignment is immediately effective after default between the parties to this Security Instrument and effective as to third parties on the recording of the Security Instrument, and this assignment will remain effective during any period of redemption by the Mortgagor until the Secured Debt is satisfied. Mortgagor agrees that Lender may take actual possession of the property without the necessity of commencing legal action and that actual possession is deemed to occur when Lender, or its agent, notifies Mortgagor of default and demands that any tenant pay all future Rents directly to Lender. On receiving notice of default, Mortgagor will endorse and deliver to Lender any payment of Rents in Mortgagor's possession and will receive any Rents in trust for Lender and will not commingle the Rents with any other funds. Any amounts collected will be applied as provided in this Security Instrument. Mortgagor warrants that no default exists under the Leases or any applicable landlord/tenant law. Mortgagor also agrees to maintain and require any tenant to comply with the terms of the Leases and applicable law.

11. LEASEHOLDS; CONDOMINIUMS; PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS. Mortgagor agrees to comply with the provisions of any lease if this Security Instrument is on a leasehold. If the Property includes a unit in a condominium or a planned unit development, Mortgagor will perform all of Mortgagor's duties under the covenants, by-laws, or regulations of the condominium or planned unit development.

12. DEFAULT. Mortgagor will be in default if any party obligated on the Secured Debt fails to make payment when due. Mortgagor will be in default if a breach occurs under the terms of this Security instrument or any other document executed for the purpose of creating, securing or guarantying the Secured Debt. A good faith belief by Lender that Lender at any time is insecure with respect to any person or entity obligated on the Secured Debt or that the prospect of any payment or the value of the Property is impaired shall also constitute an event of default.

13. REMEDIES ON DEFAULT. In some instances, federal and state law will require Lender to provide Mortgagor with notice of the right to cure or other notices and may establish time schedules for foreclosure actions. Subject to these limitations, if any, Lender may accelerate the Secured Debt and foreclose this Security Instrument in a manner provided by law if Mortgagor is in default. Upon default, Lender shall have the right, without declaring the whole indebtedness due and payable, to foreclose against all or part of the Property. This Mortgage shall continue as a lien on any part of the Property not sold on foreclosure.

At the option of Lender, all or any part of the agreed fees and charges, accrued interest and principal shall become immediately due and payable, after giving notice if required by law, upon the occurrence of a default or anytime thereafter. In addition, Lender shall be entitled to all the remedies provided by law, the terms of the Secured Debt, this Security Instrument and any related documents. All remedies are distinct, cumulative and not exclusive, and the Lender is entitled to all remedies provided at law or equity, whether or not expressly set forth. The acceptance by Lender of any sum

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17. INSURANCE. Mortgagor shall keep Property insured against loss by fire, flood, theft and other hazards and reasonably associated with the Property due to its type and location. This insurance shall be maintained in the amounts and for the periods that Lender requires. The insurance carrier shall be chosen by Mortgagor subject to Lender's approval, which shall no be unreasonable without Lender's right to waive Lender's right to the terms of this Security instrument.

18. CONDEMNATION. Mortgagor will give Lender notice of any pending or threatened action by private or public authorities or take any or all of the Property through condemnation, eminent domain or any other means, including to Lender in Mortgagor's name in any of the above described action, by private or public instruments. This assignment of proceeds is subject to the terms of any prior mortgage, deed of trust, security agreement or other instrument. Such proceeds shall be considered payments and will be applied in this Security instrument. Any part of the Property, such proceeds shall be considered payment and will be applied in this Security instrument to Lender the proceeds of any award or claim for damages connected with a condemnation of all or a portion of the property to Lender or otherwise in Mortgagor's name in any of the above described action, by private or public authorities, including to Lender in Mortgagor's name in any of the above described action, by private or public means.

D. Mortgagor shall immediately notify Lender in writing as soon as Mortgagor has reason to believe there is any pending or threatened litigation, claim, or proceeding relating to the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Substance or any violation of any Environmental Law.

C. Mortgagor shall immediately notify Lender if a release or threatened release of a Hazardous Substance occurs on, under or about the Property or here is a violation of any Environmental Law. In such an event, Mortgagor shall take all necessary remedial action to accommodate with any Environmental Law.

B. Except as previously disclosed and acknowledged in writing to Lender, Mortgagor and every tenant have been, are, and shall remain in full compliance with any applicable Environmental Law.

A. Except as previously disclosed and acknowledged in writing to Lender, no Hazardous Substance is or will be located, stored or released or in the Property. This restriction does not apply to small quantities of Hazardous Substances that are generally recognized to be appropriate for the normal use and maintenance of the Property.

Mortgagor represents, warrants and agrees that:

"hazardous waste," "hazardous substance," or "regulated substance" under any Environmental Law, includes, without limitation, any substances defined as "hazardous material," "toxic substance," "environmental hazards" which include substances dangerous to the public health, safety, welfare or characteristics which render the substance or hazardous material, waste, pollution or contamination which has opinions or interpretations, either concerning the public health, safety, welfare, environment or a hazardous substance; and (2) U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), and all other federal, state and local laws, regulations, ordinances, court orders, attorney general measures, within their jurisdiction, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 USC, 9601 et seq., and any amount incurred by Lender for insurance, inspection, preservation of the date of the otherwise providing the Property and Lender's security interests. These expenses will bear interest from the date of the instrument. Mortgagor will pay on demand any amount incurred by Lender for insurance, inspection, preserving or prohibiting by law, Mortgagor agrees to pay all of Lender's expenses if Mortgagor breaches any covenant in this Security instrument.

14. EXPENSES: ADVANCES ON COVENANTS, ATTORNEYS' FEES; COLLECTION COSTS. Except when proceedings are filed shall not constitute a waiver of Lender's right to require complete cure of any existing default. By not exercising any remedy on Mortgagor's default, Lender does not waive Lender's right to later consider the event a default if it continues or happens again.

in payment or partial payment on the Secured Debt after the balance is due or is accelerated or after foreclosure proceedings are filed shall not constitute a waiver of Lender's right to require complete cure of any existing default. By not exercising any remedy on Mortgagor's default, Lender does not waive Lender's right to later consider the event a default if it continues or happens again.

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All insurance policies and renewals shall be acceptable to Lender and shall include a standard "mortgage clause" and, where applicable, "loss payee clause." Mortgagor shall immediately notify Lender of cancellation or termination of the insurance. Lender shall have the right to hold the policies and renewals. If Lender requires, Mortgagor shall immediately give to Lender all receipts of paid premiums and renewal notices. Upon loss, Mortgagor shall give immediate notice to the insurance carrier and Lender. Lender may make proof of loss if not made immediately by Mortgagor.

Unless otherwise agreed in writing, all insurance proceeds shall be applied to the restoration or repair of the Property or to the Secured Debt, whether or not then due, at Lender's option. Any application of proceeds to principal shall not extend or postpone the due date of the scheduled payment nor change the amount of any payment. Any excess will be paid to the Mortgagor. If the Property is acquired by Lender, Mortgagor's right to any insurance policies and proceeds resulting from damage to the Property before the acquisition shall pass to Lender to the extent of the Secured Debt immediately before the acquisition.

18. ESCROW FOR TAXES AND INSURANCE. If otherwise provided in a separate agreement, Mortgagor may be required to pay to Lender funds for taxes and insurance in escrow.

19. FINANCIAL REPORTS AND ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS. Mortgagor will provide to Lender upon request, any financial statement or information Lender may deem reasonably necessary. Mortgagor agrees to sign, deliver, and file any additional documents or certifications that Lender may consider necessary to perfect, continue, and preserve Mortgagor's obligations under this Security Instrument and Lender's lien status on the Property.

20. JOINT AND INDIVIDUAL LIABILITY; CO-SIGNERS; SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS BOUND. All duties under this Security Instrument are joint and individual. If Mortgagor signs this Security Instrument but does not sign an evidence of debt, Mortgagor does so only to mortgage Mortgagor's interest in the Property to secure payment of the Secured Debt and Mortgagor does not agree to be personally liable on the Secured Debt. If this Security Instrument secures a guaranty between Lender and Mortgagor, Mortgagor agrees to waive any rights that may prevent Lender from bringing any action or claim against Mortgagor or any party indebted under the obligation. These rights may include, but are not limited to, any anti-deficiency or one-action laws. Mortgagor agrees that Lender and any party to this Security Instrument may extend, modify or make any change in the terms of this Security Instrument or any evidence of debt without Mortgagor's consent. Such a change will not release Mortgagor from the terms of his Security Instrument. The duties and benefits of this Security Instrument shall bind and benefit the successors and assigns of Mortgagor and Lender.

21. APPLICABLE LAW; SEVERABILITY; INTERPRETATION. This Security Instrument is governed by the laws of the jurisdiction in which Lender is located, except to the extent otherwise required by the laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located. This Security Instrument is complete and fully integrated. This Security Instrument may not be amended or modified by oral agreement. Any section in this Security instrument, attachments, or any agreement related to the Secured Debt that conflicts with applicable law will not be effective, unless that law expressly or impliedly permits the variations by written agreement. If any section of this Security Instrument cannot be enforced according to its terms, that section will be severed and will not affect the enforceability of the remainder of this Security Instrument. Whenever used, the singular shall include the plural and the plural the singular. The captions and headings of the sections of this Security Instrument are for convenience only and are not to be used to interpret or define the terms of this Security Instrument. Time is of the essence in this Security Instrument.

22. NOTICE. Unless otherwise required by law, any notice shall be given by delivering it or by mailing it by first class mail to the appropriate party's address on page 1 of this Security Instrument or to any other address designated in writing. Notice to one mortgagor will be deemed to be notice to all mortgagors.

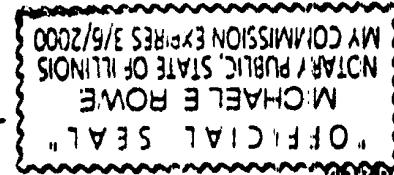
23. WAIVERS. Except to the extent prohibited by law, Mortgagor waives all appraisalment and homestead exemption rights relating to the Property.

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STATE OF 161/AQ's COUNTY OF Cook
This instrument was acknowledged before me this day of 1997
by JEROME MORAGOR
My commission expires 11/19/97
ACNOWLEDGMENT:

JEROME NICKERSON
(Signature) (Date) (Signature)
12/19/97

- If checked, refer to the attached Addendum incorporated herein, for additional Mortgagee signatures and acknowledgments.
- SIGNATURES:** By signing below, Mortgagor also acknowledges receipt of a copy of this Security Instrument on the date stated on page 1.
- Condonation Rider Planned Unit Development Rider Other _____
- Redem. The covenants and agreements of each of the riders checked below are incorporated into and supplement and amend the terms of this Security Instrument. [Check all applicable boxes]
- Picture Filing. Mortgagor grants to Lender a security interest in all goods that Mortgagor owns now or in the future and that are or will become fixtures related to the Property. This Security Instrument suffices as a financing statement and may be filed of record for purposes of Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code.
- Construction Loan. This Security Instrument secures an obligation incurred for the construction of an improvement reduced to a zero balance, this Security Instrument will remain in effect until released.
- Line of Credit. The Secured Debt includes a revolving line of credit provision. Although the Secured Debt may be terminated in the Property.
- Additional Terms. If checked, the following are applicable to this Security Instrument:
- 24. MAXIMUM ORIGINATOR LIMIT.** The total principal amount secured by this Security Instrument at any one time shall not exceed \$ 30,263.50 This limitation of amount does not include interest, attorney fees, and other fees and charges validly made pursuant to this Security Instrument. Also, this limitation does not apply to advances made under the terms of this Security Instrument to protect Lender's security and to perform any of the covenants contained in this Security Instrument.

25. OTHER TERMS. If checked, the following are applicable to this Security Instrument: