



MUTUAL RELEASE AND DIRECTION

THIS MUTUAL RELEASE AND DIRECTION (this "Release") is hereby executed as of March 12, 1999 by and between CONCEPCION MATOS, SR. and CARMEN L. MATOS, both residing at 1019 N. Wood, Chicago, Illinois 60622 (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Matos") and HOOD DEVELOPMENT LLC, 921 N. Damen Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60622 ("Hood").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Matos and Hood entered into a Real Estate Sale Contract dated as of September 25, 1998 (the "Contract") for the sale and purchase of a property located at 1017 N. Wood, Chicago, Illinois (the "Property");

WHEREAS, because of Hood's inability to satisfy itself regarding certain matters pertaining to the zoning and legally permissible development of the Property, the parties have agreed to terminate the Contract;

WHEREAS, Matos and Hood both wish to release and discharge each other from any obligation under the Contract and Matos wishes to direct the real estate brokerage firm of Coldwell Banker Stanmeyer, 2855 N. Lincoln Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60657 ("Stanmeyer") to release from escrow any and all earnest money held by Stanmeyer on behalf of the parties under the Contract (the "Earnest Money") and deliver the Earnest Money to Hood;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the payments, promises, agreements and representations set forth herein, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

1. Matos and Hood hereby release and discharge each other from any and all duties, obligations, liabilities or claims arising out of the Contract.
2. Matos hereby authorizes and directs Stanmeyer to release the Earnest Money and deliver it forthwith to Hood.
3. Matos and Hood both agree and acknowledge that this Release may be executed in

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counterpart, and further that Matos may record such Release at any time, without restriction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Release as of the date hereinabove inscribed.

MATOS

*Concepcion Matos Sr.*  
Concepcion Matos, Sr.

*Carmen L. Matos*  
Carmen L. Matos

HOOD

HOOD DEVELOPMENT LLC

*[Signature]*  
By: *MGR*  
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TO: Owner of Record SELLER DATE: 9/24/98

We offer to purchase the property known as 1017 N. Wood Chicago IL 60622

If a townhome, including parking space number \_\_\_\_\_ (check applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ deeded \_\_\_\_\_ assigned.  
Lot approximately 25x102 feet, together with improvements thereon.

**FIXTURES AND PERSONAL PROPERTY.** Seller agrees to transfer to Purchaser by a Bill of Sale, all heating, electrical, and plumbing systems together with the following: (check or enumerate applicable items)

- TV, Antenna
- Refrigerator
- Oven/Range
- Microwave
- Dishwasher
- Garbage disposal
- Trash compactor
- Window shades, attached shutters, draperies & curtains, hardware & other window treatments
- Security system (if not leased)
- Washer
- Dryer
- Sump pump
- Water softener (if not rental)
- Wall to wall carpeting, if any
- Built-in or attached shelving
- Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- Central air conditioner
- Window air conditioner
- Electronic air filter
- Central humidifier
- Ceiling fan
- Outdoor Shed
- All planted vegetation
- Electronic garage door(s) with remote unit(s)
- Fireplace screen and equipment
- Fireplace gas log
- Firewood
- Existing storms & screens
- Attached book cases and cabinets
- Radiator covers

Other items included: \_\_\_\_\_  
Items excluded: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Purchase Price \$ 175,000 180,000 OCML 5%  
2. Initial earnest money \$ 1,000.00 in the form of check shall be held by National First Choice (Escrowee), to be increased to 10% of purchase price within 2 business days after acceptance hereof.

Said initial earnest money shall be returned and this contract shall be void if not accepted by Seller on or before 19 of the month of September 1998. If the earnest money is in excess of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), the earnest money shall be deposited by OCML as escrowee, for the benefit of the parties hereto in an interest bearing escrow account in compliance with the laws of the State of Illinois with interest payable to Purchaser at closing. Purchaser and Seller shall execute all documents necessary to establish any such escrow account and Purchaser shall assume all account service fees, if any. An original of this contract shall be held by Listing Broker.

3. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid at the closing, plus or minus prorations, as follows (STRIKE THROUGH INAPPLICABLE):  
(a) Cash, Cashier's Check or Certified Check or any combination thereof.

(b) Assumption of Existing Mortgage (See Rider 7, if applicable).

(c) ~~Mortgage Contingency. This contract is contingent upon Purchaser securing by \_\_\_\_\_ (date) a written commitment for a fixed rate mortgage, or an adjustable rate mortgage permitted to be made by a U.S. or Illinois savings and loan association or bank, for \_\_\_\_\_ the interest rate for initial interest rate if an adjustable rate mortgage) not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum, amortized over \_\_\_\_\_ years, payable monthly, loan fee not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ % plus appraisal and credit report fee, if any. If said mortgage has a balloon payment, it shall be due no sooner than \_\_\_\_\_ years. Purchaser shall pay for private mortgage insurance if required by lending institution. If Purchaser does not obtain such commitment, Purchaser shall notify Seller in writing by the aforesaid date. If Seller is not so notified, it shall be conclusively presumed that Purchaser has secured such commitment or will purchase said property without mortgage financing. If Seller is so notified, Seller may, within an equal number of additional days, secure a mortgage commitment for Purchaser upon the same terms, and shall have the option of extending the closing date up to the same number of days. Said commitment may be given by Seller or a third party. Purchaser shall furnish all requested credit information, sign customary documents relating to the application and securing of such commitment, and pay one application fee as directed by Seller. If Purchaser notifies Seller as above provided, and neither Purchaser nor Seller secures such commitment as above provided, this Contract shall be null and void and all earnest money shall be returned to Purchaser.~~

(d) ~~1st LHA or 2nd LHA mortgage as to be defined, Rider 8 or 9 is hereby attached as applicable.~~

(e) ~~Purchase Money Note and Trust Deed or Article of Agreement for Deed. See Rider 10.~~  
4. At closing, Seller shall execute and deliver to Purchaser, or cause to be executed and delivered to Purchaser, a recordable Warranty Deed with release of homehead rights (or other appropriate deed if title is in trust or in an estate), or Articles of Agreement, for such a deed if that portion of subparagraph 3(d) is applicable, subject only to the following, if any: covenants, conditions, and restrictions of record; public and utility easements; existing leases and tenancies; special governmental taxes or assessments for improvements not yet completed; unconfessed special governmental taxes or assessments; general real estate taxes for the year 1998, and subsequent years; the mortgage or trust deed referred to in paragraph 3 on the reverse side hereof and/or Rider 7, if applicable. Seller represents that the 1997 general real estate taxes are \$ TBD. General real estate taxes shall be prorated at 1/10 % of the most recent ascertainable tax bill at closing.

~~(f) The following is for the Use of Single Townhomes. Strike if not applicable. Seller represents that as of the date of acceptance hereof the regular monthly assessment pertaining to this unit is \$ \_\_\_\_\_; a special assessment has/has not (strike one) been levied. The original amount of the special assessment pertaining to this unit was \$ \_\_\_\_\_; and the remaining amount due at closing will be \$ \_\_\_\_\_. Seller shall furnish Purchaser a statement from the property representative certifying that Seller is current in payment of assessments, and, if applicable, proof of waiver or termination of any part of assessments or similar options contained in the bylaws therefor for the transfer of ownership. Additionally, the Seller shall deliver to Purchaser, by laws, rules and regulations, and the prior and current years' operating budgets within \_\_\_\_\_ days of acceptance hereof. Seller agrees to pay any applicable processing/moveout/transferring fees as required by the Association and Purchaser shall pay the credit report and move-in fee if required by the Association. If the right of first refusal or similar option is exercised, this contract shall be null and void and the earnest money returned to Purchaser, but the Seller shall pay the commission pursuant to paragraph 3 herein.~~

5. Closing or escrow payout shall be on or before November 20, 1998 (acceptance provided in paragraph 3(c) above), provided title has been shown to be good or is accepted by Purchaser, at the office of Purchaser's mortgagee or at 2017 N. Wood Chicago IL 60622 to be agreed upon.

6. Seller agrees to surrender possession of said Premises on or before closing provided this sale has been closed. If possession is not delivered at closing, then, at closing, Seller shall pay to Purchaser \$ 50.00 per day for use and occupancy commencing the first day after closing up to and including the date possession is to be surrendered or on a monthly basis whichever period is shorter and the provisions of paragraph 25 on the reverse shall apply. Purchaser shall refund any payment made for use and occupancy beyond the date possession is surrendered.

7. Premises ~~is/are~~ (strike one) subject to the Residential Real Property Disclosure Act. Purchaser ~~has/have~~ not (strike one) received the Residential Real Property Disclosure Report.

8. DUAL AGENCY CONFIRMATION OF CONSENT: The undersigned confirm that they have previously consented in WIA (Licensee) acting as a Dual Agent in providing brokerage services on their behalf and specifically consent to Licensee acting as a Dual Agent in regard to the transaction referred to in this document.

Seller's initials \_\_\_\_\_ Purchaser's initials \_\_\_\_\_

9. The Real Estate Brokers named below shall be compensated in accordance with their agreements with their clients and/or any offer of compensation made by the Listing Broker in a multiple listing service in which the Listing and Cooperating Broker both participate.

10. It is agreed by and between the parties hereto that their respective attorneys may make modifications to the Contract other than sale price, broker's compensation and dates, mutually acceptable to the parties. If within 7 business days after acceptance of the Contract it becomes evident agreement cannot be reached by the parties hereto regarding the proposed modifications of their attorneys and written notice thereon is given to either party within the period specified herein, then this Contract shall become null and void and all monies paid by the Purchaser shall be refunded upon joint written direction of both parties to escrowee. IN THE ABSENCE OF WRITTEN NOTICE WITHIN THE TIME SPECIFIED HEREIN, THIS PROVISION SHALL BE DEEMED WAIVED BY ALL PARTIES HERETO, AND THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

11. Purchaser's obligation to purchase under the Contract is subject to the inspection (including any inspection for wood boring insects) and approval of the condition of the property by the Purchaser or Purchaser's agent, at Purchaser's expense, within 7 business days from the date of acceptance of this Contract. Purchaser shall indemnify Seller from and against any loss or damage to the property caused by the acts or omissions of Purchaser's agent performing such inspection. In the event the condition of the property is not approved, written notice shall be given to the Seller or Seller's agent by the Purchaser within the time specified for approval, and thereupon, Seller's obligation to sell and Purchaser's obligation to purchase under this contract shall become null and void and all monies paid by the Purchaser shall be refunded upon joint written direction of both parties to Escrowee, IN THE ABSENCE OF WRITTEN NOTICE WITHIN THE TIME SPECIFIED HEREIN THIS PROVISION SHALL BE DEEMED WAIVED BY ALL PARTIES HERETO, AND THIS CONTRACT SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

12. THIS CONTRACT IS SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS APPEARING ON THE REVERSE SIDE AND THE FOLLOWING RIDERS ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF.

PURCHASER Wood Development LLC ADDRESS 921 N. Damen Chicago IL 60622  
(Social Security #) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

PURCHASER \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
(Social Security #) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT BY SELLER  
This 25 day of Sept, 1998, I/We accept this contract and agree to perform and convey title or cause title to be conveyed according to the terms of this contract.

SELLER Garnett M. Matos ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
(Social Security #) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

SELLER Constance Pollock Matos ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
(Social Security #) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES:  
Listing Office: National First Choice Realty Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Seller's Designated Agent Name: Elizabeth Gonzalez Phone: 773-631-6626

Cooperating Office: Coldwell Banker Steameyer Address: 2845 N. Lincoln Ave. Chicago 60657  
Purchaser's Designated Agent Name: Joseph M. Siciliano Phone: 773-529-3210



1. Rent, interest on existing mortgages, any water, taxes and other items shall be prorated to date of closing. If property herein is improved, but no available tax bill is on record and the Seller agrees to reimburse taxes on improved property is available. Security deposits, if any, shall be paid to Purchaser at closing.

2. The provisions of the Uniform Vendor and Purchaser Risk Act of the State of Illinois shall be applicable to this contract.

3. At least five days prior to closing date, Seller shall deliver to Purchaser or his agent evidence of merchantable title in the intended grantor: (a) by exhibiting owners duplicate Certificate of Title or a certified copy thereof, if the Premises is in Torrens, subject to no other exceptions than those listed on the reverse side hereof, and a currently dated Annual Tax Report issued by the Registrar of Titles; and (b) by delivering a Commitment For Title Insurance of a title insurance company bearing date on or subsequent to the date of the acceptance of this Contract, in the amount of the purchase price subject to no other exceptions than those listed on the reverse side hereof and to general exceptions contained in said commitment. Delay in delivery by Seller of Commitment For Title Insurance due to delay by Purchaser's mortgagee in recording mortgage and bringing down title shall not be a default of this Contract. Every Commitment For Title Insurance furnished by Seller hereunder shall be conclusive evidence of title as therein shown. If evidence of title discloses other exceptions, Seller shall have thirty days from Seller's receipt of evidence of title to cure such exceptions and notify Purchaser accordingly, and as to those exceptions which may be removed at closing, payment of money. Seller may have same removed at closing by using the proceeds of sale in payment thereof.

4. All notices herein required shall be in writing and shall be served on the parties at the addresses following their signatures. The mailing of a notice by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, shall be sufficient service when the notice is mailed. Notices may also be served by personal delivery, by commercial delivery service, by mail-order, telegram, or by the use of a facsimile machine with proof of transmission and a copy of the notice with proof of transmission being sent by regular mail on the date of transmission.

5. In the event of default by Purchaser, the earnest money, less the expenses and commission of the listing broker, shall be paid to the Seller. If Seller defaults, the earnest money, at the option of Purchaser, shall be refunded to Purchaser, but such refunding shall not release Seller from the obligation of this Contract. In the event of any default, Escrowee shall give written notice to Seller and Purchaser indicating Escrowee's intended disposition of the earnest money and request the Seller's and Purchaser's written consent to the Escrowee's intended disposition of the earnest money within thirty (30) days after the date of mailing of the Notice. However, Seller and Purchaser hereby acknowledge that if Escrowee is a licensed real estate broker, Escrowee may not distribute the earnest money without the joint written direction of the Seller and Purchaser or their authorized agent. If Escrowee is not a licensed real estate broker, Seller and Purchaser hereby agree that if neither party object, in writing, to the proposed disposition of the earnest money within thirty (30) days after the date of mailing of said notice, then Escrowee shall proceed to dispose of the earnest money as previously indicated by the Escrowee. If either Seller or Purchaser objects to the intended disposition within the aforementioned thirty (30) day period, or in the event Escrowee is a licensed real estate broker and does not receive the joint written direction of Seller and Purchaser authorizing the distribution of the earnest money, then the parties hereto agree that the Escrowee may deposit the earnest money with the Clerk of the Circuit Court by the filing of an action in the nature of an Interpleader. The parties agree that Escrowee may be reimbursed from the earnest money for all costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, related to the filing of the Interpleader and do hereby agree to indemnify and hold Escrowee harmless from any and all claims and demands, including the payment of reasonable attorney's fees, costs and expenses arising out of such default claims and demands.

6. Seller represents that the heating, plumbing, electrical, central cooling, ventilating systems, appliances and fixtures on the Premises are in working order and will be so at the time of closing and that the roof is free of leaks and will be so at the time of closing. Purchaser shall have the right to inspect the Premises during the 48 hour period immediately prior to closing to verify that such are in working order and that the property is in substantially the same condition, normal wear and tear excepted, as of the date of this Contract.

7. If the Premises is new construction, then Purchaser and Seller agree to comply with all insulation disclosure requirements as provided by the Federal Trade Commission, and Rider 13 is hereby attached.

8. Seller warrants that no notice from any city, village, or other governmental authority of a dwelling code violation which currently exists in the address and Premises has been issued and received by Seller or his agent. If a notice is received between date of acceptance of the Contract and the date of closing, Seller shall promptly notify Purchaser of such notice.

9. If the subject property is located in the City of Chicago, Seller and Purchaser agree that Seller and Purchaser shall comply with provisions of Chapter 193.2 of the Chicago Municipal Code concerning Heating Gas Disclosure for the subject property.

10. At the request of Seller or Purchaser evidenced by notice in writing to the other party at any time prior to the date of delivery of deed hereunder, if a sale shall be closed through an escrow with a title insurance company, in accordance with the general provisions of the usual form of deed, and Money Escrow Agreement then furnished and in use by said company, with such special provisions inserted in the escrow agreement as may be required to conform with this contract. Upon the creation of such an escrow, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding, payment of purchase price and delivery of deed shall be made through the escrow and this contract and the earnest money shall be deposited in the escrow and the Broker shall be made a party to the escrow with regard to commission due. The cost of the escrow shall be divided equally between Purchaser and Seller.

11. Prior to closing, Seller shall furnish a survey by a licensed land surveyor, not more than six (6) months prior to date of closing hereof shown, of the present location of all improvements. If Purchaser or Purchaser's mortgagee desires a more recent or extensive survey, same shall be obtained at Purchaser's expense.

12. Seller agrees to furnish to Purchaser an affidavit of title subject only to those items set forth herein, and an ALTA form if required by Purchaser's mortgagee, or the Title Insurance Company for extended coverage.

13. Right is reserved by either party to insert correct legal description at any time, without notice, when same is available.

14. Seller shall have the right to pay off any existing mortgage(s) out of the proceeds of this sale.

15. Purchaser may place a mortgage on this property and apply proceeds of such mortgage to the purchase price. In the event this transaction does not close Purchaser agrees to promptly cause release of same.

16. Purchaser and Seller hereby agree to make all disclosures and do all things necessary to comply with the applicable provisions of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974, as amended, and the Illinois Responsible Property Transfer Act of 1988 as amended.

17. Seller shall pay the amount of any stamp tax imposed by the state and county on the transfer of title, and shall furnish a completed declaration signed by the Seller or Seller's agent in the form required by the state and county, and shall furnish any declaration signed by Seller or Seller's agent or meet other requirements as established by any local ordinance with regard to a transfer or transaction tax. Such tax required by local ordinance shall be paid by designated party in said ordinance.

18. Seller shall remove from Premises by date of possession all debris and Seller's personal property not conveyed by Bill of Sale to Purchaser.

19. Seller agrees to surrender possession of the real estate in the same condition as it is at the date of this contract, ordinary wear and tear excepted.

20. Time is of the essence of this contract.

21. Wherever appropriate, the singular includes the plural and masculine includes the feminine or neuter.

22. In the event the property is in a flood plain and flood insurance is required by Purchaser's lender, Purchaser shall pay for same.

23. If possession of the Premises is not delivered at closing, Seller shall deposit with Escrowee designated in paragraph 2 above a sum equal to 2% of the purchase price to guarantee possession on or before the date set forth above, which sum shall be held from the net proceeds of the sale on Escrowee form of receipt. If Seller does not surrender possession as above, Seller shall pay to Purchaser in addition to the use and occupancy in paragraph 6 on the front of this Contract the sum of 10% of said possession escrow per day up to and including day possession is surrendered to Purchaser plus any unpaid use and occupancy to the date possession is surrendered, said amount(s) to be paid out of escrow and the balance, if any, to be turned over to Seller. Acceptance of payments by Purchaser shall not limit Purchaser's other legal remedies. Seller and Purchaser hereby acknowledge that Escrowee will not distribute the possession escrow without the joint written direction of the Seller and Purchaser. If either Seller or Purchaser objects to the disposition of the possession escrow, then the parties hereto agree that the Escrowee may deposit the possession escrow with the Clerk of the Circuit Court by the filing of an action in the nature of an Interpleader. The parties agree that Escrowee may be reimbursed from the possession escrow for all costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, related to the filing of the Interpleader and do hereby agree to indemnify and hold Escrowee harmless from any and all claims and demands, including the payment of reasonable attorney's fees, costs and expenses.