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DEED OF TRUST

(Residential — Three-Party Security Instrument with Power of Sale)

THIS DEED OF TRUST (this "Deed of Trust") is made and entered into as of (the "Effective Date"), by and among:

- **[TRUSTOR NAME]**, a Individual, whose mailing address is [TRUSTOR MAILING ADDRESS] (the "Trustor" or "Borrower");
- **[TRUSTEE FULL LEGAL NAME]**, whose address is [TRUSTEE ADDRESS] (the "Trustee"); and
- **[BENEFICIARY LENDER FULL LEGAL NAME]**, a Institutional lender, whose address is [BENEFICIARY ADDRESS] (the "Beneficiary" or "Lender").

Trustor, Trustee, and Beneficiary are each a "Party" and together the "Parties."

Recitals

A. Beneficiary has made, or is contemporaneously making, a loan to Trustor in the principal sum of **** () (the "Loan"), evidenced by a promissory note dated made by Trustor payable to Beneficiary (the "Note").

B. Trustor is the owner of the real property described in Section 2 below (the "Property") and desires to secure the Loan with a lien on the Property in favor of Beneficiary.

C. Beneficiary is unwilling to make the Loan unless Trustor grants this Deed of Trust conveying the Property to Trustee, in trust, with power of sale.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the Loan and the mutual covenants herein, the Parties agree as follows.

1. Grant in Trust

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of the Principal Amount of **** () lent by Beneficiary to Trustor, and for the purpose of securing: (a) payment of the Note and all renewals, extensions, modifications, and

replacements thereof; (b) payment of all sums advanced by Beneficiary to protect the Property or enforce this Deed of Trust; and (c) performance of every covenant and agreement of Trustor under this Deed of Trust and the Note (collectively, the "Secured Obligations"):

Trustor **IRREVOCABLY GRANTS, TRANSFERS, CONVEYS, AND ASSIGNS** to Trustee, **IN TRUST, WITH POWER OF SALE**, the real property described in Section 2, together with all improvements now or hereafter erected thereon, and all easements, appurtenances, rents, royalties, mineral rights, water rights, and fixtures now or hereafter a part of the Property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this Deed of Trust. All of the foregoing is collectively referred to as the "Property."

2. Property Description

The Property is located in the County of [COUNTY WHERE PROPERTY IS LOCATED], State of [STATE], commonly known as:

| *[PROPERTY STREET ADDRESS]*

and more particularly described as:

| *[LEGAL DESCRIPTION]*

Occupancy: Primary Residence.

3. Borrower's Covenants and Warranty of Title

Trustor covenants, represents, and warrants to Beneficiary that:

1. Trustor is the lawful owner of the estate hereby conveyed and has the right to grant and convey the Property;
2. The Property is free and clear of all liens and encumbrances except those expressly disclosed to Beneficiary in writing before the Effective Date and any encumbrances of record;
3. Trustor will forever warrant and defend the title to the Property against all lawful claims and demands;
4. Trustor has not performed and will not perform any act to encumber the Property except as permitted by this Deed of Trust; and
5. Trustor will execute such further assurances of title as Beneficiary may reasonably require.

4. Promise to Pay

Trustor, for value received, promises to pay to Beneficiary the Principal Amount, together with interest, fees, and all other sums due under the Note and this Deed of Trust, on the terms set forth herein. Trustor shall pay all sums payable hereunder without abatement, set-off, or counterclaim.

RESPA compliance. The escrow account is administered in accordance with the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), 12 U.S.C. §2601 et seq., and Regulation X, 12 CFR Part 1024. Any escrow surplus exceeding \$50 shall be refunded to Trustor within 30 days of the annual escrow analysis.

8. Property Insurance

Trustor shall keep all improvements on the Property insured against loss by fire, hazards included within the term "extended coverage," and such other hazards as Beneficiary may require — including, at Beneficiary's option, earthquake and flood — in amounts and with insurers reasonably acceptable to Beneficiary, and in any event at not less than full replacement cost. Each policy shall (a) name Beneficiary as mortgagee and loss payee under a standard mortgage clause; (b) provide that it may not be canceled without at least thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Beneficiary; and (c) upon request, be delivered to Beneficiary together with paid premium receipts.

Force-placed insurance. If Trustor fails to maintain the required coverage, Beneficiary may obtain coverage at Trustor's expense, and any amount so advanced shall be added to the Principal Amount.

Application of proceeds. Insurance proceeds shall be applied first to restoration if economically feasible, and otherwise to the Secured Obligations.

9. Repair, Maintenance, and Vacancy

Trustor shall maintain the Property in good order, condition, and repair; shall not commit or permit waste; shall promptly make all necessary repairs; and shall not abandon or permit the Property to become vacant for more than thirty (30) consecutive days without Beneficiary's prior written consent.

10. Due-on-Sale (Transfer of Property)

Trustor shall not sell, convey, transfer, assign, lease for more than three (3) years, or otherwise encumber all or any part of the Property or any interest therein without Beneficiary's prior written consent. Any such transfer without consent shall constitute an event of default, and Beneficiary may, at its option, declare all Secured Obligations immediately due and payable.

Garn-St. Germain exemptions. Pursuant to the Garn-St. Germain Depository Institutions Act (12 U.S.C. §1701j-3(d)), Beneficiary shall not exercise its due-on-sale rights upon: (a) transfer by devise, descent, or operation of law upon the death of a joint tenant; (b) the granting of a leasehold of three (3) years or less without an option to purchase; (c) a transfer to a relative resulting from the death of the Borrower; (d) a transfer where the spouse or children of the Borrower become owners; (e) a transfer resulting from a decree of dissolution of marriage; or (f) a transfer into an inter vivos trust in which the Borrower remains a beneficiary.

15. Condemnation

Any award or compensation for any taking of all or any part of the Property by condemnation, eminent domain, or similar proceeding is hereby assigned to Beneficiary and shall be applied to the Secured Obligations, with any excess paid to Trustor.

16. Reconveyance

Upon payment in full of all Secured Obligations, Beneficiary shall surrender this Deed of Trust and the Note to Trustee, request reconveyance, and Trustee shall reconvey the Property without warranty to the person or persons legally entitled thereto. Trustor shall pay all recordation costs.

17. Notices

All notices under this Deed of Trust shall be in writing and delivered (a) by hand; (b) by nationally recognized overnight courier; or (c) by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the applicable address stated in the preamble or such other address as a Party may designate by written notice.

18. State-Specific Compliance Notices

Servicemembers Civil Relief Act notice. The SCRA, 50 U.S.C. §3901 et seq., caps interest at 6% on pre-service obligations and bars non-judicial foreclosure against an active servicemember without a court order.

19. General Provisions

Governing Law. This Deed of Trust shall be governed by the laws of the State of [STATE] and applicable federal law.

Successors and assigns. This Deed of Trust shall bind and benefit the Parties' respective heirs, successors, and assigns.

Severability. If any provision is held unenforceable, the remainder shall continue in full force and effect.

No waiver. No delay or omission by Beneficiary in exercising any right shall impair such right.

Cumulative remedies. All remedies are cumulative and not exclusive.

Entire agreement. This Deed of Trust, together with the Note, constitutes the entire agreement of the Parties with respect to the security for the Secured Obligations.

Amendments. This Deed of Trust may be amended only by a written instrument executed by all Parties and recorded.

20. Signatures and Acknowledgment

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Trustor has executed this Deed of Trust as of the Effective Date.

Trustor / Borrower

_____ PRINTED NAME

_____ SIGNATURE

_____ DATE

Notary Acknowledgment

State of [STATE] County of [COUNTY WHERE PROPERTY IS LOCATED]

On this _____ day of _____, 20, before me, the undersigned notary public, personally appeared [TRUSTOR NAME], proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of [STATE] that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Notary Public: _____ Printed name:
_____ My commission expires: _____

[Notary Seal]

This Deed of Trust is intended for recordation in the real property records of [COUNTY WHERE PROPERTY IS LOCATED] County, [STATE].