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EQUITY LINE OF CREDIT DEED OF TRUST

(With Future Advance Clause Governed by Article 9, Chapter 45, NCGS)

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DATE AND PARTIES. The date of this Deed Of Trust (Security Instrument) is September 1, 2023. The parties and their addresses are:

GRANTOR:

LINWOOD SKINNER JR.
Spouse of TAMIKA SKINNER
5005 HAYSTACK HILL RD
WINSTON SALEM, NC 27106

TAMIKA SKINNER
Spouse of LINWOOD SKINNER, JR.
5005 HAYSTACK HILL RD
WINSTON SALEM, NC 27106

TRUSTEE:

W. S. TUCKER
101 Beatties Ford Road
Charlotte, NC 28216

LENDER:

MECHANICS AND FARMERS BANK
Organized and existing under the laws of North Carolina
770 Martin Luther King Jr Dr
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

1. DEFINITIONS. For the purposes of this document, the following term has the following meaning.
 - A. Line of Credit. "Line of Credit" refers to this transaction generally, including obligations and duties arising from the terms of all documents prepared or submitted for this transaction.
2. CONVEYANCE. For good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, and to secure the Secured Debts and Grantor's performance under this Security Instrument, Grantor does hereby

irrevocably grant, convey and sell to Trustee, in trust for the benefit of Lender, with power of sale, the following described property:

See attached Exhibit A

The property is located in Forsyth County at 5005 HAYSTACK HILL RD, WINSTON SALEM, North Carolina 27106.

Together with all rights, easements, appurtenances, royalties, mineral rights, oil and gas rights, all water and riparian rights, wells, 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 (all referred to as Property). This Security Instrument will remain in effect until the Secured Debts and all underlying agreements have been terminated in writing by Lender.

3. MAXIMUM OBLIGATION LIMIT. The total principal amount secured by this Security Instrument at any one time and from time to time will not exceed \$85,000.00. Any limitation of amount does not include interest 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.

4. SECURED DEBTS AND FUTURE ADVANCES. The term "Secured Debts" includes and this Security Instrument will secure each of the following:

A. Specific Debts. The following debts and all extensions, renewals, refinancings, modifications and replacements. A promissory note or other agreement, dated September 1, 2023, from LINWOOD SYLVESTER SKINNER JR and TAMIKA EDWARDS SKINNER (Borrower) to Lender, with an initial advance amount of \$20,000.00, a maximum credit limit of \$85,000.00.

B. Future Advances. All future loan obligations or advances made by Lender under the promissory note, and all other sums from time to time owing to Lender by LINWOOD SYLVESTER SKINNER JR and TAMIKA EDWARDS SKINNER under any documents relating to the Secured Debts, including the promissory note. The time period within which such future obligations or advances are to be made is the period between the date hereof and the date thirty (30) years from the date hereof. This Deed of Trust is intended to comply with the provisions of Article 7, Chapter 45 NCGS.

C. Sums Advanced. All sums advanced and expenses incurred by Lender under the terms of this Security Instrument.

5. LIMITATIONS ON CROSS-COLLATERALIZATION. The cross-collateralization clause on any existing or future loan, but not including this Line of Credit, is void and ineffective as to this Line of Credit, including any extension or refinancing.

The Line of Credit is not secured by a previously executed security instrument if a non-possessory, non-purchase money security interest is created in "household goods" in connection with a "consumer loan," as those terms are defined by federal law governing unfair and deceptive credit practices. The Line of Credit is not secured by a previously executed security instrument if Lender fails to fulfill any necessary requirements or fails to conform to any limitations of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, (Regulation X), that are required for loans secured by the Property or if, as a result, the other debt would become subject to Section 670 of the John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007.

The Line of Credit is not secured by a previously executed security instrument if Lender fails to fulfill any necessary requirements or fails to conform to any limitations of the Truth in Lending Act, (Regulation Z), that are required for loans secured by the Property.

6. PAYMENTS. Grantor agrees that all payments under the Secured Debts will be paid when due and in accordance with the terms of the Secured Debts and this Security Instrument.

7. NON-OBLIGATED GRANTOR. Any Grantor, who is not also identified as a Borrower in the Secured Debts section of this Security Instrument and who signs this Security Instrument, is referred to herein as a Non-Obligated Grantor for purposes of subsection 7(d)(4) of 12 C.F.R. 1002 (Regulation B) which implements the

Equal Credit Opportunity Act (ECOA). By signing this Security Instrument, the Non-Obligated Grantor does convey and assign their rights and interests in the Property to secure payment of the Secured Debts, to create a valid lien, to pass clear title, to waive inchoate rights and to assign earnings or rights to payment under any lease or rent of the Property. However, the Non-Obligated Grantor is not personally liable for the Secured Debts by virtue of signing this Security Instrument. Nothing in this section shall be construed to modify or otherwise affect the Non-Obligated Grantor's obligations, if any, that were separately made with Lender in a separate agreement and duly signed by the Non-Obligated Grantor in the context of that separate agreement.

8. WARRANTY OF TITLE. Grantor warrants that Grantor is or will be lawfully seized of the estate conveyed by this Security Instrument and has the right to irrevocably grant, convey and sell the Property to Trustee, in trust, with power of sale. Grantor also warrants that the Property is unencumbered, except for encumbrances of record.

9. PRIOR SECURITY INTERESTS. With regard to any other mortgage, deed of trust, security agreement or other lien document that created a prior security interest or encumbrance on the Property, Grantor agrees:

- A. To make all payments when due and to perform or comply with all covenants.
- B. To promptly deliver to Lender any notices that Grantor receives from the holder.
- C. Not to allow any modification or extension of, nor to request any future advances under any note or agreement secured by the lien document without Lender's prior written consent.

10. CLAIMS AGAINST TITLE. Grantor will pay all taxes, assessments, liens, encumbrances, lease payments, ground rents, utilities, and other charges relating to the Property when due. Lender may require Grantor to provide to Lender copies of all notices that such amounts are due and the receipts evidencing Grantor's payment. Grantor will defend title to the Property against any claims that would impair the lien of this Security Instrument. Grantor agrees to assign to Lender, as requested by Lender, any rights, claims or defenses Grantor may have against parties who supply labor or materials to maintain or improve the Property.

11. 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 all or any part of the Property. This right is subject to the restrictions imposed by federal law, as applicable.

12. WARRANTIES AND REPRESENTATIONS. Grantor has the right and authority to enter into this Security Instrument. The execution and delivery of this Security Instrument will not violate any agreement governing Grantor or to which Grantor is a party.

13. PROPERTY CONDITION, ALTERATIONS, INSPECTION, VALUATION AND APPRAISAL. Grantor will keep the Property in good condition and make all repairs that are reasonably necessary. Grantor will not commit or allow any waste, impairment, or deterioration of the Property. Grantor will keep the Property free of noxious weeds and grasses. Grantor agrees that the nature of the occupancy and use will not substantially change without Lender's prior written consent. Grantor will not permit any change in any license, restrictive covenant or easement without Lender's prior written consent. Grantor will notify Lender of all demands, proceedings, claims, and actions against Grantor, and of any loss or damage to the Property.

Lender or Lender's agents may, at Lender's option, enter the Property at any reasonable time and frequency for the purpose of inspecting, valuating, or appraising the Property. Lender will give Grantor notice at the time of or before an on-site inspection, valuation, or appraisal for on-going due diligence or otherwise specifying a reasonable purpose. Any inspection, valuation or appraisal of the Property will be entirely for Lender's benefit and Grantor will in no way rely on Lender's inspection, valuation or appraisal for its own purpose, except as otherwise provided by law.

14. AUTHORITY TO PERFORM. If Grantor 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. Grantor appoints Lender as attorney in fact to sign Grantor's name or pay any amount necessary for performance. Lender's right to perform for Grantor will 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.

15. ASSIGNMENT OF LEASES AND RENTS. Grantor irrevocably assigns, grants, conveys to Lender as additional security all the right, title and interest in the following (Property): existing or future leases, subleases, licenses, guaranties and any other written or verbal agreements for the use and occupancy of the Property, including any extensions, renewals, modifications or replacements (Leases); and rents, issues and profits (Rents). In the event any item listed as Leases or Rents is determined to be personal property, this Assignment will also be regarded as a security agreement. Grantor will promptly provide Lender with copies of the Leases and will certify these Leases are true and correct copies. The existing Leases will be provided on execution of the Assignment, and all future Leases and any other information with respect to these Leases will be provided immediately after they are executed. Grantor may collect, receive, enjoy and use the Rents so long as Grantor is not in default. Upon default, Grantor will receive any Rents in trust for Lender and Grantor will not commingle the Rents with any other funds. Grantor agrees that this Security Instrument is immediately effective between Grantor and Lender and effective as to third parties on the recording of this Assignment. As long as this Assignment is in effect, Grantor warrants and represents that no default exists under the Leases, and the parties subject to the Leases have not violated any applicable law on leases, licenses and landlords and tenants.

16. CONDOMINIUMS; PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS. Grantor will perform all of Grantor's duties under the covenants, by-laws, or regulations of the condominium or planned unit development, as amended, including the timely payment of dues and assessments. In addition, except with the written approval of Lender, Grantor will not partition or subdivide the Property; abandon or terminate the condominium or planned unit development project; terminate professional management; or amend any provision of the covenants, by-laws or regulations of the condominium or planned unit development if the provision benefits Lender.

17. DEED OF TRUST COVENANTS. Grantor agrees that the covenants in this Security Instrument are material obligations under the Secured Debts and this Security Instrument. If Grantor breaches any covenant in this Security Instrument, Lender may refuse to make additional extensions of credit or may reduce the credit limit. By not exercising either remedy on Grantor's breach, Lender does not waive Lender's right to later consider the event a breach if it happens again.

18. DEFAULT. Grantor will be in default if any of the following events (known separately and collectively as an Event of Default) occur:

- A. Fraud.** Grantor engages in fraud or material misrepresentation in connection with the Secured Debts.
- B. Payments.** Any party obligated on the Secured Debts fails to make a payment when due.
- C. Property.** Any action or inaction occurs that adversely affects the Property or Lender's rights in the Property.

19. REMEDIES ON DEFAULT. In addition to any other remedy available under the terms of this Security Instrument, Lender may accelerate the Secured Debts and foreclose this Security Instrument in a manner provided by law if Grantor is in default. In some instances, federal and state law will require Lender to provide Grantor with notice of the right to cure, or other notices and may establish time schedules for foreclosure actions.

At the option of Lender, all or any part of the agreed fees and charges, accrued interest and principal will become immediately due and payable, after giving notice if required by law, upon the occurrence of an Event of Default or anytime thereafter. Lender will be entitled to, without limitation, the power to sell the Property.

If there is an occurrence of an Event of Default, Trustee will, at the request of Lender, advertise and sell the Property as a whole or in separate parcels at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, after having first given such notice of hearing as to commencement of foreclosure proceedings and obtained such findings or leave of court as may be then required by law. Trustee will give notice of sale including the time, terms and place of sale and a description of the Property to be sold as required by applicable law in effect at the time of the proposed sale.

Upon sale of the Property and to the extent not prohibited by law and after first paying all fees, charges and costs, including the Trustee's commission, Trustee will pay to Lender all moneys advanced for repairs, taxes, insurance, liens, assessments and prior encumbrances and interest thereon, and the principal and interest on the Secured Debts, paying the surplus, if any, as required by law. The Trustee's commission will be percent of the gross proceeds of the sale for a completed foreclosure. Lender may purchase the Property. Upon any sale of the Property, Trustee will make and deliver a trustee's deed that conveys all right, title and interest to the Property

that was sold to the purchaser(s). The recitals in any deed of conveyance will be prima facie evidence of the facts set forth therein.

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

20. EXPENSES; ADVANCES ON COVENANTS; ATTORNEYS' FEES; COLLECTION COSTS. If Grantor breaches any covenant in this Security Instrument, Grantor agrees to pay all expenses Lender incurs in performing such covenants or protecting its security interest in the Property. Such expenses include, but are not limited to, fees incurred for inspecting, valuating, appraising, preserving, or otherwise protecting the Property and Lender's security interest. Grantor agrees to pay all costs and expenses incurred by Lender in collecting, enforcing, or protecting Lender's rights and remedies under this Security Instrument or any other document relating to the Secured Debts. Expenses include, but are not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees not exceeding 15 percent of the outstanding balance on the Secured Debts. These expenses are payable on demand and will bear interest from the date of payment until paid in full at the highest interest rate in effect as provided for in the terms of Secured Debts. In addition, to the extent permitted by the United States Bankruptcy Code, Grantor agrees to pay the reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by Lender to protect Lender's rights and interests in connection with any bankruptcy proceedings initiated by or against Grantor. This Security Instrument will remain in effect until released. Grantor agrees to pay for any recordation costs of such release.

21. ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES. As used in this section, (1) Environmental Law means, without limitation, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), all other federal, state and local laws, regulations, ordinances, court orders, attorney general opinions or interpretive letters concerning the public health, safety, welfare, environment or a hazardous substance; and (2) Hazardous Substance means any toxic, radioactive or hazardous material, waste, pollutant or contaminant which has characteristics which render the substance dangerous or potentially dangerous to the public health, safety, welfare or environment. The term includes, without limitation, any substances defined as "hazardous material," "toxic substance," "hazardous waste," "hazardous substance," or "regulated substance" under any Environmental Law.

Grantor represents, warrants and agrees that:

- A. Except as previously disclosed and acknowledged in writing to Lender, no Hazardous Substance is or will be located, stored or released on 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.
- B. Except as previously disclosed and acknowledged in writing to Lender, Grantor and every tenant have been, are, and will remain in full compliance with any applicable Environmental Law.
- C. Grantor will immediately notify Lender if a release or threatened release of a Hazardous Substance occurs on, under or about the Property or there is a violation of any Environmental Law concerning the Property. In such an event, Grantor will take all necessary remedial action in accordance with any Environmental Law.
- D. Grantor will immediately notify Lender in writing as soon as Grantor has reason to believe there is any pending or threatened investigation, claim, or proceeding relating to the release or threatened release of any Hazardous Substance or the violation of any Environmental Law.

22. CONDEMNATION. Grantor will give Lender prompt notice of any pending or threatened action by private or public entities to purchase or take any or all of the Property through condemnation, eminent domain, or any other means. Grantor authorizes Lender to intervene in Grantor's name in any of the above described actions or claims. Grantor assigns to Lender the proceeds of any award or claim for damages connected with a condemnation or other taking of all or any part of the Property. Such proceeds will be considered payments and will be applied as provided in this Security Instrument. This assignment of proceeds is subject to the terms of any prior mortgage, deed of trust, security agreement or other lien document.

23. INSURANCE. Grantor agrees to keep the Property insured against the risks reasonably associated with the Property. Grantor will maintain this insurance in the amounts Lender requires. This insurance will last until the Property is released from this Security Instrument. What Lender requires pursuant to the preceding two sentences

can change during the term of the Secured Debts. Grantor may choose the insurance company, subject to Lender's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld. All insurance policies and renewals shall include a standard "mortgage clause" (or "lender loss payable clause") endorsement that names Lender as "mortgagee" and "loss payee". If required by Lender, all insurance policies and renewals will also include an "additional insured" endorsement that names Lender as an "additional insured". If required by Lender, Grantor agrees to maintain comprehensive general liability insurance and rental loss or business interruption insurance in amounts and under policies acceptable to Lender. The comprehensive general liability insurance must name Lender as an additional insured. The rental loss or business interruption insurance must be in an amount equal to at least coverage of one year's debt service, and required escrow account deposits (if agreed to separately in writing).

Grantor will give Lender and the insurance company immediate notice of any loss. All insurance proceeds will be applied to restoration or repair of the Property or to the Secured Debts, at Lender's option. If Lender acquires the Property in damaged condition, Grantor's rights to any insurance policies and proceeds will pass to Lender to the extent of the Secured Debts.

Grantor will immediately notify Lender of cancellation or termination of insurance. If Grantor fails to keep the Property insured, Lender may obtain insurance to protect Lender's interest in the Property and Grantor will pay for the insurance on Lender's demand. Lender may demand that Grantor pay for the insurance all at once, or Lender may add the insurance premiums to the balance of the Secured Debts and charge interest on it at the rate that applies to the Secured Debts. This insurance may include lesser or greater coverages than originally required of Grantor, may be written by a company other than one Grantor would choose, and may be written at a higher rate than Grantor could obtain if Grantor purchased the insurance. Grantor acknowledges and agrees that Lender or one of Lender's affiliates may receive commissions on the purchase of this insurance.

24. ESCROW FOR TAXES AND INSURANCE. Grantor will not be required to pay to Lender funds for taxes and insurance in escrow.

25. SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE. Lender, at Lender's option, may from time to time remove Trustee and appoint a successor without any other formality than the designation in writing. The successor trustee, without conveyance of the Property, will succeed to all the title, power and duties conferred upon Trustee by this Security Instrument and applicable law.

26. OTHER TERMS. The following are applicable to this Security Instrument:

A. Line of Credit. The Secured Debts include a revolving line of credit provision. Although the Secured Debts may be reduced to a zero balance, this Security Instrument will remain in effect until the Secured Debts and all underlying agreements have been terminated in writing by Lender.

B. No Action by Lender. Nothing contained in this Security Instrument shall require Lender to take any action.

27. APPLICABLE LAW. This Security Instrument is governed by the laws of North Carolina, the United States of America, and to the extent required, by the laws of the jurisdiction where the Property is located, except to the extent such state laws are preempted by federal law. This Security Instrument secures an equity line of credit governed by the provisions of Article 9, Chapter 45, North Carolina General Statutes.

28. JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITY AND SUCCESSORS. Each Grantor's obligations under this Security Instrument are independent of the obligations of any other Grantor. Lender may sue each Grantor severally or together with any other Grantor. Lender may release any part of the Property and Grantor will still be obligated under this Security Instrument for the remaining Property. Grantor 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 Grantor's consent. Such a change will not release Grantor from the terms of this Security Instrument. The duties and benefits of this Security Instrument will bind and benefit the successors and assigns of Lender and Grantor.

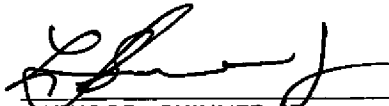
29. AMENDMENT, INTEGRATION AND SEVERABILITY. This Security Instrument may not be amended or modified by oral agreement. No amendment or modification of this Security Instrument is effective unless made in writing. This Security Instrument and any other documents relating to the Secured Debts are the complete and final expression of the agreement. If any provision of this Security Instrument is unenforceable, then the unenforceable provision will be severed and the remaining provisions will still be enforceable.

30. INTERPRETATION. Whenever used, the singular includes the plural and the plural includes the singular. The section headings are for convenience only and are not to be used to interpret or define the terms of this Security Instrument.


31. NOTICE, ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS AND RECORDING FEES. Unless otherwise required by law, any notice will be given by delivering it or mailing it by first class mail to the appropriate party's address listed in the DATE AND PARTIES section, or to any other address designated in writing. Notice to one Grantor will be deemed to be notice to all Grantors. Grantor will inform Lender in writing of any change in Grantor's name, address or other application information. Grantor will provide Lender any other, correct and complete information Lender requests to effectively mortgage or convey the Property. Grantor agrees to pay all expenses, charges and taxes in connection with the preparation and recording of this Security Instrument. Grantor agrees to sign, deliver, and file any additional documents or certifications that Lender may consider necessary to perfect, continue, and preserve Grantor's obligations under this Security Instrument and to confirm Lender's lien status on any Property, and Grantor agrees to pay all expenses, charges and taxes in connection with the preparation and recording thereof. Time is of the essence.

SIGNATURES. By signing under seal, Grantor agrees to the terms and covenants contained in this Security Instrument. Grantor also acknowledges receipt of a copy of this Security Instrument.

GRANTOR:



LINWOOD SKINNER JR. (Seal)



TAMIKA SKINNER (Seal)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF ss.

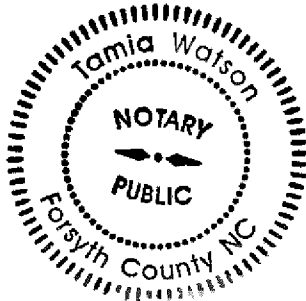
I Tamia Watson, do hereby certify that LINWOOD SKINNER JR., spouse of TAMIKA SKINNER, and TAMIKA SKINNER, spouse of LINWOOD SKINNER, JR., who is/are known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) described, personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due and voluntary execution of the foregoing instrument for the purpose stated therein.

Witness my hand and official seal, this the 1 day of September, 2023.

My commission expires: 5-15-26



(Notary Public)



Schedule A

Report Number: 2900349
Borrower Name: Linwood Skinner Jr. and Tamika Skinner
Address: 5005 Haystack Hill Rd
Winston Salem, North Carolina 27106-4200

BEING KNOWN AND DESIGNATED AS LOT NO. 2 AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF SECTION FOUR, FLEETWOOD FARMS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 33 AT PAGE 20 IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR FORSYTH COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, REFERENCE TO WHICH IS HEREBY MADE FOR A MORE PARTICULAR DESCRIPTION.

Subject to easements, restrictions, and covenants of record, if any.

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