

12. **Notice.** Except for any notice required under applicable law to be given in another manner, (a) any notice to Borrower provided for in this Mortgage shall be given by mailing such notice by certified mail addressed to Borrower at Borrower's last address shown by Lender's file, and (b) any notice to Lender shall be given by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Lender's address stated herein or to such other address as Lender may designate by notice to Borrower as provided herein. Any notice provided for in this Mortgage shall be deemed to have been given to Borrower or Lender when given in the manner designated herein.

13. **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, and to this end the provisions of the Mortgage and the Note are declared to be severable.

14. **Transfer of the Property; Assumption.** If all or any part of the Property or an interest therein is sold or transferred by Borrower without Lender's prior written consent, excluding (a) the creation of a lien or encumbrance subordinate to this Mortgage, (b) the creation of a purchase money security interest for household appliances, (c) a transfer by devise, descent, or by operation of law upon the death of a joint tenant, or (d) the grant of any leasehold interest of three years or less not containing an option to purchase, Lender may, at Lender's option, declare all the sums secured by this Mortgage to be immediately due and payable. Lender shall have waived such option to accelerate if, prior to the sale or transfer, Lender and the person to whom the Property is to be sold or transferred reach agreement in writing that the credit of such person is satisfactory to Lender and that the interest payable on the sums secured by this Mortgage shall be at such rate as Lender shall request. If Lender has waived the option to accelerate provided in this paragraph 14, and if Borrower's successor in interest has executed a written assumption agreement accepted in writing by Lender, Lender shall release Borrower from all obligations under this Mortgage and the Note.

If Lender exercises such option to accelerate, Lender shall mail Borrower notice of acceleration in accordance with paragraph 12 hereof. Such notice shall provide a period of not less than 30 days from the date the notice is mailed within which Borrower may pay the sums declared due. If Borrower fails to pay such sums prior to the expiration of such period, Lender may, without further notice or demand on Borrower, invoke any remedies permitted by paragraph 15 hereof.

15. **Acceleration; Remedies.** Upon Borrower's breach of any covenant or agreement of Borrower in this Mortgage, including the covenants to pay when due any sums secured by this Mortgage, Lender at Lender's option may declare all of the sums secured by this Mortgage to be immediately due and payable without further demand and may foreclose this Mortgage by judicial proceeding. Lender shall be entitled to collect in such proceeding all expenses of foreclosure, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney's fees, costs of documentary evidence, abstracts, and title reports, all of which shall be additional sums secured by this Mortgage.

16. **Assignment of Rents; Appointment of Receiver.** As additional security hereunder, Borrower hereby assigns to Lender the rents of the Property, provided that Borrower shall, prior to acceleration under paragraph 15 hereof or abandonment of the Property, have the right to collect and retain such rents as they become due and payable.

Upon acceleration under paragraph 15 hereof or abandonment of the Property, Lender shall be entitled to have a receiver appointed by a court to enter upon, take possession of, and manage the Property and to collect the rents of the Property, including those past due. All rents collected by 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. The receiver shall be liable to account only for those rents actually received.

17. **Future Advances.** Upon request of Borrower, Lender, at Lender's option prior to release of this Mortgage, may make Future Advances to Borrower. Such Future Advances, with interest thereon, shall be secured by this Mortgage when evidenced by promissory notes stating that said notes are secured hereby. At no time shall the principal amount of the indebtedness secured by this Mortgage, not including sums advanced in accordance herewith to protect the security of this Mortgage, exceed the original amount of the Note plus US \$ _____.

18. **Release.** Upon payment of all sums secured by this Mortgage, this Mortgage shall become null and void, and Lender shall release this Mortgage without charge to Borrower. Borrower shall pay all costs of recordation, if any.

19. **Waiver of Homestead and Appraisal.** Borrower hereby waives all right of homestead exemption in the Property, and the right to an appraisal of the property in the event of foreclosure of this Mortgage.

20. **Construction Loan Provisions.** The indebtedness evidenced by the Note is intended to finance the construction of improvements to the Property. Borrower agrees to comply with the covenants and conditions of the Loan Agreement, which is hereby incorporated by reference in and made a part of this Mortgage. All advances made by Lender pursuant to the Loan Agreement shall be indebtedness of Borrower secured by this Mortgage.

In case of breach by Borrower of the covenants and conditions of the Loan Agreement, Lender, at Lender's option, with or without entry upon the Property, (i) may invoke any of the rights or remedies provided in the Loan Agreement, (ii) may accelerate the sums secured by this Mortgage and invoke those remedies provided in paragraph 15 hereof, or (iii) may do both. Prior to completion of the improvements, sums disbursed by Lender to protect the security of this Mortgage up to the principal amount of the Note shall be treated as disbursements pursuant to the Loan Agreement, and such sums disbursed by Lender in excess of the principal amount of the Note shall be additional indebtedness of Borrower secured by this Mortgage. All such sums shall bear interest from the date of disbursement at the rate stated in the Note, unless collection from Borrower of interest at such rate would be contrary to applicable law, in which event such amounts shall bear interest at the highest rate which may be collected from Borrower under applicable law, and shall be payable upon notice from Lender to Borrower requesting payment therefor.

If, after the maturity of the Note, the Note and this Mortgage are sold by Lender, from and after such sale the Loan Agreement shall cease to be a part of this Mortgage and Borrower shall not assert any right of set-off, counterclaim, or other claim or defense arising out of the Loan Agreement against the obligations of the Note and this Mortgage.

21. **Exemption from Personal Liability; Extensions, Etc., Not to Release Interest in Property.** If any person executes this Mortgage who did not execute the Note, then nothing contained in this Mortgage or in the Note setting out the obligations secured hereby shall obligate such person further than to bind such person's right, title, and interest in the mortgaged Property, and on default hereunder no deficiency or other personal judgment shall be demanded or entered against such person; but, extension of the time for payment, at any time, and from time to time, modification of amortization of the sums secured by this Mortgage, at any time, and from time to time, or other accommodations granted by Lender to any maker of the Note, at any time, and from time to time, without the consent of such person, shall not operate to release, in any manner, the liability of such person or such person's successors in interest insofar as such person's interest in the Property is concerned. Lender shall not be required, at any time, to commence proceedings against anyone who executed the Note 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 such person or such person's successors in interest. The provisions of paragraph 10 above also apply to any person who executes this Mortgage, whether or not such person executed the Note. The word "person" as used in this paragraph shall mean an individual, partnership, association, corporation and all other legal and commercial entities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Borrower has executed this Mortgage.

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of:

Dyan Osteen
Michele Ware

PALMETTO BUILDERS OF GREENVILLE, INC. (Seal)
— Borrower
By: *Laura S. Branch* (Seal)
LAURA S. BRANCH, PRESIDENT — Borrower

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