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MICHELLE UTSLER
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MADISON COUNTY, IOWA

MORTGAGE

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THIS MORTGAGE ("Security Instrument") is given on December 16, 1998. The mortgagor is JOAN M. LOFTUS, A SINGLE PERSON

("Borrower").

This Security Instrument is given to MERCANTILE BANK MIDWEST which is organized and existing under the laws of THE STATE OF IOWA, and whose address is 431 EAST LOCUST DES MOINES, IA 50309 ("Lender").

Borrower owes Lender the principal sum of Ninety Five Thousand and 00/100

Dollars (U.S. \$ 95,000.00). This debt is evidenced by Borrower's note dated the same date as this Security Instrument ("Note"), which provides for monthly payments, with the full debt, if not paid earlier, due and payable on January 1, 2029. This Security Instrument secures to the Lender: (a) the repayment of the debt evidenced by the Note, with interest, and all renewals, extensions and modifications of the Note; (b) the payment of all other sums, with interest, advanced under paragraph 7 to protect the security of this Security Instrument; and (c) the performance of Borrower's covenants and agreements under this Security Instrument and the Note. For this purpose, Borrower does hereby mortgage, grant and convey to Lender the following described property located in MADISON County, Iowa:

PARCEL 9B OF FIELDSTONE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WINTERSET, MADISON COUNTY, IOWA AND AN UNDIVIDED 1/22ND INTEREST IN THE COMMON AREAS AND FACILITIES OF FIELDSTONE TOWNHOUSES AS SHOWN IN THE DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS OF FIELDSTONE TOWNHOUSES RECORDED IN TOWN LOT DEED RECORD 59, PAGE 634 OF THE RECORDER'S OFFICE OF MADISON COUNTY, IOWA

which has the address of 718 N 6TH AVE CIRCLE

WINTERSET

[Street]

Iowa 50273 ("Property Address");
(Zip Code)

[City]

TOGETHER WITH all the improvements now or hereafter erected on the property, and all easements, appurtenances, and fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this Security Instrument. All of the foregoing is referred to in this Security Instrument as the "Property."

BORROWER COVENANTS that Borrower is lawfully seized of the estate hereby conveyed and has the right to mortgage, grant and convey the Property and that the Property is unencumbered, except for encumbrances of record. Borrower warrants and will defend generally the title to the Property against all claims and demands, subject to any encumbrances of record.

THIS SECURITY INSTRUMENT combines uniform covenants for national use and non-uniform covenants with limited variations by jurisdiction to constitute a uniform security instrument covering real property.

UNIFORM COVENANTS. Borrower and Lender covenant and agree as follows:

1. Payment of Principal and Interest; Prepayment and Late Charges. Borrower shall promptly pay when due the principal of and interest on the debt evidenced by the Note and any prepayment and late charges due under the Note.

2. Funds for Taxes and Insurance. Subject to applicable law or to a written waiver by Lender, Borrower shall pay to Lender on the day monthly payments are due under the Note, until the Note is paid in full, a sum ("Funds") for: (a) yearly taxes and assessments which may attain priority over this Security Instrument as a lien on the Property; (b) yearly leasehold payments or ground rents on the Property, if any; (c) yearly hazard or property insurance premiums; (d) yearly flood insurance premiums, if any; (e) yearly mortgage insurance premiums, if any; and (f) any sums payable by Borrower to Lender, in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 8, in lieu of the payment of mortgage insurance premiums. These items are called "Escrow Items." Lender may, at any time, collect and hold Funds in an amount not to exceed the maximum amount a lender for a federally related mortgage loan may require for Borrower's escrow account under the federal Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 as amended from time to time, 12 U.S.C. 2601 et seq. ("RESPA"), unless another law that applies to the Funds sets a lesser amount. If so, Lender may, at any time, collect and hold funds in an amount not to exceed the lesser amount. Lender may estimate the amount of Funds due on the basis of correct data and reasonable estimates of expenditures of future Escrow Items or otherwise in accordance with applicable law.

The Funds shall be held in an institution whose deposits are insured by a federal agency, instrumentality, or entity (including Lender, if Lender is such an institution) or in any Federal Home Loan Bank. Lender shall apply the Funds to pay the Escrow Items. Lender may not charge Borrower for holding and applying the Funds, annually analyzing the escrow account, or verifying the Escrow Items, unless Lender pays Borrower interest on the Funds and applicable law permits Lender to make such a charge. However, Lender may require Borrower to pay a one-time charge for an independent real estate tax reporting service used by Lender in connection with this loan, unless applicable law provides otherwise. Unless an agreement is made or applicable law requires interest to be paid, Lender shall not be required to pay Borrower any interest or earnings on the Funds. Borrower and Lender may agree in writing, however, that interest shall be paid on the Funds. Lender shall give to Borrower, without charge, an annual accounting of the Funds, showing credits and debits to the Funds and the purpose for which each debit to the Funds was made. The Funds are pledged as additional security for all sums secured by this Security Instrument.

If the Funds held by Lender exceed the amounts permitted to be held by applicable law, Lender shall account to Borrower for the excess Funds in accordance with the requirements of applicable law. If the amount held by Lender at any time is not sufficient to pay the Escrow items when due, Lender may so notify Borrower in writing. And, in such case Borrower shall pay to Lender the amount necessary to make up the deficiency. Borrower shall make up the deficiency in no more than twelve monthly payments, at Lender's sole discretion.

Upon payment in full of all sums secured by this Security instrument, Lender shall promptly refund to Borrower any Funds held by Lender. If under paragraph 21, Lender shall agree or sell the Property, prior to the acquisition of sale of the Property, shall apply any Funds held by Lender at the time of acquisition of sale as a credit against the sums secured by this Security instrument.

3. Application of Payments. Unless applicable law provides otherwise, all payments received by Lender under paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be applied first, to any prepayment charges due under the Note; second, to amounts payable under paragraph 2; third, to interest due; fourth, to principal due; and last, to any late charges due under the Note.

4. Charges; Liens. Borrower shall pay all taxes, assessments, charges, fines and impositions attributable to the Property which may attach prioriy over this Security instrument, and leasehold payments of ground rents, if any. Borrower shall pay these obligations in the manner provided in paragraph 2, or if not paid in that manner, Borrower shall pay them on time directly to the person owed payment. Borrower shall promptly furnish to Lender all notices of amounts to be paid under this paragraph. If Borrower makes these payments directly, Borrower shall promptly furnish to Lender receipts evidencing the payments.

5. Hazard or Property Insurance. Borrower shall keep the improvements now existing or hereafter erected on the Property insured against loss by fire, hazards included within the term "extended coverage" and any other hazards, including floods or flooding, for which Lender requires insurance. This insurance shall be maintained in the amounts and for the periods that Lender may require for the property, if the property damage, if the restoration or repair is economically feasible and Lender's security is not lessened. If the restoration or repair is not economic, unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, insurance proceeds shall be applied to restoration or repair of the property, unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, any application of proceeds to principal residence within sixty days after the execution of this Security instrument and shall continue to occupy the property until Lender has given notice of cancellation or termination of the leasehold or other arrangement or until the property is sold.

6. Occupancy, Preservation and Protection of Property; Borrowers Loan Application; Leaseholders. Borrower shall occupy, establish, and use the Property as Borrowers principal residence within sixty days after the execution of this Security instrument unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, any application of proceeds to principal residence within sixty days after the execution of this Security instrument and shall continue to occupy the property until Lender has given notice of cancellation or termination of the leasehold or other arrangement or until the property is sold.

7. Protection of Lenders Rights in the Property. If Borrower fails to perform the covenants and agreements contained in this Security instrument, or there is a legal proceeding that may significantly affect Lender's rights in the Property (such as a proceeding in bankruptcy, probable, for condemnation or to enforce laws or regulations), then Lender may do and pay for whatever is necessary to protect the value of the Property and Lenders rights in the Note, including paying any sums necessary to provide Lender with a lien which has priority over this Security instrument, or to remove any material information from the Property, Lenders actions may include paying any sums necessary to make repairs. Although Lender may take action under this paragraph 7, Lender does not have to do so.

8. Mortgage Insurance. If Lender receives from Borrower, with interest, upon notice from Lender to Borrower requesting payment, unless Borrower and Lender agree to other terms of payment, these amounts shall bear interest from the date of disbursement at the Note rate and amounts disbursed by Lender under this paragraph 7 shall become additional debt of Borrower secured by this Security instrument. Any amounts disbursed by Lender under this paragraph 7 shall bear interest at the Note rate and amounts disbursed by Lender under this paragraph 7 shall bear interest of the amount disbursed by Lender to the Note date of disbursal.

9. Inspection. Lender or his agent may make reasonable examination of the Property at any time for the purpose of inspection. Borrower shall pay the premiums required to maintain mortgage insurance between Borrower and Lender or applicable law. Lender may make reasonable examination of the Property at any time for the purpose of inspection. Borrower shall pay the premiums required to maintain mortgage insurance between Borrower and Lender or applicable law.

10. Condemnation. The proceeds of any award or claim for damages, direct or consequential, in connection with any condemnation or other taking of any part of the Property, or for conveyance in lieu of condemnation, are hereby assigned and shall be paid to Lender.

In the event of a total taking of the Property, the proceeds shall be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due, with any excess paid to Borrower. In the event of a partial taking of the Property in which the fair market value of the Property immediately before the taking is equal to or greater than the amount of the sums secured by this Security Instrument immediately before the taking unless Borrower and Lender otherwise agree in writing, the sums secured by this Security Instrument shall be reduced by the amount of the proceeds multiplied by the following fraction: (a) the total amount of the sums secured immediately before the taking, divided by (b) the fair market value of the Property immediately before the taking. Any balance shall be paid to Borrower. In the event of partial taking of the Property in which the fair market value of the Property immediately before the taking is less than the amount of the sums secured immediately before the taking, unless Borrower and Lender otherwise agree in writing or unless applicable law otherwise provides, the proceeds shall be applied to the sums secured by this Security Instrument whether or not the sums are then due.

If the Property is abandoned by Borrower, or if, after notice by Lender to Borrower that the condemnor offers to make an award or settle a claim for damages, Borrower fails to respond to Lender within 30 days after the date the notice is given, Lender is authorized to collect and apply the proceeds, at its option, either to restoration or repair of the Property or to the sums secured by this Security Instrument, whether or not then due.

Unless Lender and Borrower otherwise agree in writing, any application of proceeds to principal shall not extend or postpone the due date of the monthly payments referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 or change the amount of such payments.

11. Borrower Not Released; Forbearance By Lender Not A Waiver. Extension of the time for payment or modification of amortization of the sums secured by this Security Instrument granted by Lender to any successor in interest of Borrower shall not operate to release the liability of the original Borrower or Borrower's successors in interest. Lender shall not be required to commence proceedings against any successor in interest or refuse to extend time for payment or otherwise modify amortization of the sums secured by this Security Instrument by reason of any demand made by the original Borrowers or Borrower's successors in interest. Any forbearance by Lender in exercising any right or remedy shall not be a waiver of or preclude the exercise of any right or remedy.

12. Successors and Assigns Bound; Joint and Several Liability; Co-signers. The covenants and agreements of this Security Instrument shall bind and benefit the successors and assigns of Lender and Borrower, subject to the provisions of paragraph 17. Borrower's covenants and agreements shall be joint and several. Any Borrower who co-signs this Security Instrument but does not execute the Note: (a) is co-signing this Security Instrument only to mortgage, grant and convey that Borrower's interest in the Property under the terms of this Security Instrument; (b) is not personally obligated to pay the sums secured by this Security Instrument; and (c) agrees that Lender and any other Borrower may agree to extend, modify, forbear or make any accommodations with regard to the terms of this Security Instrument or the Note without that Borrower's consent.

13. Loan Charges. If the loan secured by this Security Instrument is subject to a law which sets maximum loan charges, and that law is finally interpreted so that the interest or other loan charges collected or to be collected in connection with the loan exceed the permitted limits, then: (a) any such loan charge shall be reduced by the amount necessary to reduce the charge to the permitted limit; and (b) any sums already collected from Borrower which exceeded permitted limits will be refunded to Borrower. Lender may choose to make this refund by reducing the principal owed under the Note or by making a direct payment to Borrower. If a refund reduces principal, the reduction will be treated as a partial prepayment without any prepayment charge under the Note.

14. Notices. Any notice to Borrower provided for in this Security Instrument shall be given by delivering it or by mailing it by first class mail unless applicable law requires use of another method. The notice shall be directed to the Property Address or any other address Borrower designates by notice to Lender. Any notice to Lender shall be given by first class mail to Lender's address stated herein or any other address Lender designates by notice to Borrower. Any notice provided for in this Security Instrument shall be deemed to have been given to Borrower or Lender when given as provided in this paragraph.

15. Governing Law; Severability. This Security Instrument shall be governed by federal law and the law of the jurisdiction in which the Property is located. In the event that any provision or clause of this Security Instrument or the Note conflicts with applicable law, such conflict shall not affect other provisions of this Security Instrument or the Note which can be given effect without the conflicting provision. To this end the provisions of this Security Instrument and the Note are declared to be severable.

16. Borrower's Copy. Borrower shall be given one conformed copy of the Note and of this Security Instrument.

17. Transfer of the Property or a Beneficial Interest in Borrower. If all or any part of the Property or any interest in it is sold or transferred (or if a beneficial interest in Borrower is sold or transferred and Borrower is not a natural person) without Lender's prior written consent, Lender may, at its option, require immediate payment in full of all sums secured by this Security Instrument. However, this option shall not be exercised by Lender if exercise is prohibited by federal law as of the date of this Security Instrument.

If Lender exercises this option, Lender shall give Borrower notice of acceleration. The notice shall provide a period of not less than 30 days from the date the notice is delivered or mailed within which Borrower must pay all sums secured by this Security Instrument. If Borrower fails to pay these sums prior to the expiration of this period, Lender may invoke any remedies permitted by this Security Instrument without further notice or demand on Borrower.

18. Borrower's Right to Reinstate. If Borrower meets certain conditions, Borrower shall have the right to have enforcement of this Security Instrument discontinued at any time prior to the earlier of: (a) 5 days (or such other period as applicable law may specify for reinstatement) before sale of the Property pursuant to any power of sale contained in this Security Instrument; or (b) entry of a judgment enforcing this Security Instrument. Those conditions are that Borrower: (a) pays Lender all sums which then would be due under this Security Instrument and the Note as if no acceleration had occurred; (b) cures any default of any other covenants or agreements; (c) pays all expenses incurred in enforcing this Security Instrument, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorneys' fees; and (d) takes such action as Lender may reasonably require to assure that the lien of this Security Instrument, Lender's rights in the Property and Borrower's obligation to pay the sums secured by this Security Instrument shall continue unchanged. Upon reinstatement by Borrower, this Security Instrument and the obligations secured hereby shall remain fully effective as if no acceleration had occurred. However, this right to reinstate shall not apply in the case of acceleration under paragraph 17.

19. Sale of Note; Change of Loan Servicer. The Note or a partial interest in the Note (together with this Security Instrument) may be sold one or more times without prior notice to Borrower. A sale may result in a change in the entity (known as the "Loan Servicer") that collects monthly payments due under the Note and this Security Instrument. There also may be one or more changes of the Loan Servicer unrelated to a sale of the Note. If there is a change of the Loan Servicer, Borrower will be given written notice of the change in accordance with paragraph 14 above and applicable law. The notice will state the name and address of the new Loan Servicer and the address to which payments should be made. The notice will also contain any other information required by applicable law.

20. Hazardous Substances. Borrower shall not cause or permit the presence, use, disposal, storage, or release of any Hazardous Substances on or in the Property. Borrower shall not do, nor allow anyone else to do, anything affecting the Property that is in violation of any Environmental Law. The preceding two sentences shall not apply to the presence, use, or storage on the Property of small quantities of Hazardous Substances that are generally recognized to be appropriate to normal residential uses and to maintenance of the Property.

Borrower shall promptly give Lender written notice of any investigation, claim, demand, lawsuit or other action by any governmental or regulatory agency or private party involving the Property and any Hazardous Substance or Environmental Law of which Borrower has actual knowledge. If Borrower learns, or is notified by any governmental or regulatory authority, that any removal or other remediation of any Hazardous substance affecting the Property is necessary, Borrower shall promptly take all necessary remedial actions in accordance with Environmental Law.

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VICKI F SIMPSON

Notary Public in and for said County and State

Vickie Simpson

My commission expires: AUGUST 8, 1999

executed the same as her voluntary act and deed.to me personally known to be the person(s) named in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that sheOn this 16th day of December, 1998, before me, a Notary Public in the State of Iowa, personally appeared: **JOAN M. LOFTUS, A SINGLE PERSON**

{ ss:

STATE OF IOWA COUNTY OF POLK

[Space Below This Line For Acknowledgment]

(Seal)

Borrower

(Seal)

Witnesses:

The undersigned borrower(s) acknowledge(s) receipt of a copy of this instrument.

BY SIGNING BELOW, Borrower accepts to the terms and covenants contained in this Security instrument and in any rider(s) executed by Borrower and recorded with it.

24. Redemption Period. If the Property is less than 10 acres in size and Lender values in any foreclosure proceeding any right to a deficiency judgment against Borrower, the period of redemption from judicial sale shall be reduced to 6 months. If the court finds that the Property has been abandoned by Borrower and Lender values any right to a deficiency judgment against Borrower, the period of redemption from judicial sale shall be reduced to 60 days. The provisions of this Paragraph 24 shall be construed to conform to the Code of Iowa.

25. Riders to this Security Instrument. If one or more riders are executed by Borrower and recorded together with this instrument, the coverings and agreements of each such rider shall be incorporated into and shall amend and supplement the provisions of Sections 628.26 and 628.27 of the Code of Iowa.

26. Riders. Riders to this Security instrument, if one or more riders are executed by Borrower and recorded together with this instrument, the coverings and agreements of this Security instrument as if the rider(s) were a part of this Security instrument. [Check applicable box(es)]

27. Waivers. Borrower relinquishes all right of power and waives all right of homestead and distributive share in and to the Property, charge to Borrower. Upon payment of all sums secured by this Security instrument, Lender shall release this Security instrument without including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney fees and costs of title evidence.

28. Release. Borrower shall pay any recordation costs.

29. Remedies. Lender shall give notice to Borrower and Lender under covenant and agree as follows:

(a) the notice given to Borrower, by which the date specified in the notice may result in acceleration of the sums secured by this instrument, together with notice to Borrower by initial proceeding and sale of the property. The notice shall be given to Borrower at the non-default date specified after acceleration and the right to assert in the event of foreclosure proceeding the right to cure the default or any other defense of Borrower to accelerate the date specified in the notice.

(b) the action required to cure the default; (c) a date, not less than 30 days from the date specified in the notice, or before the date specified to Borrower, by which the date specified in the notice must be cured; and (d) the date specified in the notice given to Borrower, by which the date specified in the notice may result in acceleration of the sums secured by this instrument, together with notice to Borrower by initial proceeding and sale of the property. The notice shall be given to Borrower at the non-default date specified after acceleration and the right to assert in the event of foreclosure proceeding the right to cure the default or any other defense of Borrower to accelerate the date specified in the notice.

(e) unless applicable law provides otherwise, notice shall be given to Borrower and Lender under covenant and agree as follows:

(f) the action required to cure the default; (g) a date, not less than 30 days from the date specified in the notice, or before the date specified to Borrower, by which the date specified in the notice must be cured; and (h) the date specified in the notice given to Borrower, by which the date specified in the notice may result in acceleration of the sums secured by this instrument, together with notice to Borrower by initial proceeding and sale of the property. The notice shall be given to Borrower at the non-default date specified after acceleration and the right to assert in the event of foreclosure proceeding the right to cure the default or any other defense of Borrower to accelerate the date specified in the notice.

NON-UNIFORM COVENANTS. Borrower and Lender further covenant and agree as follows:

As used in this Paragraph 29, "hazardous substances" are those substances used as toxic or hazardous substances by themselves, volatile solvents, materials containing asbestos or formaldehyde, and radioactive materials. As used in this Paragraph 20, "Environmental Law" means federal laws and laws of the jurisdiction where the property is located that relate to health, safety or environmental protection.

Environmental Law and the following substances: gasoline, kerosene, other flammable or toxic petroleum products, toxic pesticides and herbicides, volatile solvents, materials containing asbestos or formaldehyde, and radioactive materials. As used in this Paragraph 20, "Environmental Law" means federal laws and laws of the jurisdiction where the property is located that relate to health,