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TAX DEED

WHEREAS CHRISTOPHER FRENCH did the 4th day of APRIL, 1997 produce to the undersigned, Sam Orlich Auditor of the County of Lake in the State of Indiana, a certificate of sale dated the 5th day of OCTOBER, 1995, signed by Sam Orlich who, at the date of sale, was Auditor of the County, from which it appears that CHRISTOPHER FRENCH on the 5th day of OCTOBER 1995, purchased at public auction, held pursuant to law, the real property described in this indenture for the sum of 1200 dollars and 12 cents, being the amount due on the following tracts of land returned definition in the name WATKINS ROBERT H for 1994 and prior years, namely:

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Such real property has been recorded in the Office of the Lake County Auditor as delinquent for the nonpayment of taxes and proper notice of the sale has been given. It appearing that CHRISTOPHER FRENCH is the owner of the certificate of sale, that the time for redeeming such real property has expired, that the property has not been redeemed, that CHRISTOPHER FRENCH has demanded a deed for the real property described in the certificate of sale, that the records of the Lake County Auditor's Office State that the real property was legally liable for taxation, and the real property has been duly assessed and properly charged on the duplicate with the taxes and special assessments for 1994 and prior years:

THEREFORE, this indenture, made this 4th day of APRIL, 1997, between the State of Indiana by Sam Orlich, Auditor of Lake County, of the first part, and CHRISTOPHER FRENCH of the second part, witnesseth; That the party of the first part, for and in consideration of the premises, has granted and bargained and sold to the party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, the real property described in the certificate of sale, situated in the County of Lake, and State of Indiana, namely and more particularly described as follows:

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to have and to hold such real property, with the appurtenances belonging thereto, in as full and ample a manner as the Auditor of said County is empowered by law to convey the same.

In testimony whereof, Sam Orlich, Auditor of Lake County, has hereunto set his/her hand, and affixed the seal of the Board of County Commissioners, the day and year last above mentioned.

Witness:

Sam Orlich, Auditor of Lake County

Attest: Irene Holinga

Treasurer: Lake County

State OF INDIANA

SS.

County OF Lake

Before me, the undersigned, Anna N Anton, in and for said County, this day personally came the above named Sam Orlich, Auditor of said County, and acknowledged that he/she signed and sealed the foregoing deed for the users and purposes therein mentioned.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this day of classes, 1997

WIERED FOR TRANSPORTSBERG Clerk of Lake County

This instrument prepared by Sam Orlich, County Auditor ACCEPTANCE FOR TRANSFER.

Post Office address of grantee:

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East Chicago, IN 46312 OCT 28 1997

SAM ORLICH