SPECIAL AND LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY

OF

STEVEN R. HURST (Grantor)

NORTHWEST INDIANA TITLE SERVICES, INC. 162 Washington Street Lowell, Indiana 46356

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LAURA L. HURST
(Attorney-In-Fact)

The undersigned hereby nominates, constitutes and appoints LAURA L. HURST as my true and lawful special and limited attorney-in-fact to do and perform for and in my name only the following:

(1) All matters relating to the closing of the purchase of certain real estate from ROBERT E. POPLANSKI AND MARIA A. POPLANSKI, husband and vife in accordance with that certain real estate which is described as follows:

Lot 397, Lakes of the Four Seasons, Unit No. 2, as shown on plat in Plat Book 37 page 76 in the Recorder's Office of Lake County, Indiana.

Commonly known as: 3709 Cherry Hill Drive, Crown Point, IN 46307

- (2) The powers granted hereby shall include, but not be limited to, (a) the execution on my behalf of a promissory note in the principal amount of One Hundred two thousand six hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$102,600.00) at an interest rate of 9.375% for a term of 360 months and a conventional mortgage on the above-described real estate to secure the payment of same, all in favor of and to CONTOUR MORTGAGE GROUP; (b) the execution on my behalf of closing statements, tax agreements, title affidavits and any and all documents and papers relating to any said closing; (c) to otherwise deal with the title to said real estate, as long as said Attorney-In-Fact shall provide to me an accounting of same; and (d) to otherwise act on my behalf as a party to said Agreement to Purchase Real Estate.
- (3) IN FURTHERANCE OF THESE POWERS, I give my Attorney-In-Fact power and authority to do for me and in my name those things which such attorney deems expedient to and necessary to effectuate the intent of this instrument, as fully as I could do personally for myself, reserving unto myself, however, the power to act on my own behalf and also to revoke the powers given in this instrument.

Any act or thing lawfully done by my Attorney-In-Fact under this instrument

shall be binding on me and on my heirs, assigns and legal representatives.

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Persons to whom this instrument may be delivered may rely on its being in effect and unrevoked unless I shall have executed a proper instrument of revocation and recorded it, or caused it to be recorded, in the Office of the Recorder of Lake County, State of Indiana. This Power of Attorney shall not be affected by subsequent disability or incapacity of the principal or lapse of time.

Signed this 3 day of September, 1999, before the Notary Public named below, who has duly witnessed my signing of this instrument.

GRANTOR:

STEVEN R. HURST

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STATE OF INDIANA

COUNTY OF Lake

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, this 3 day of September, 1999, personally appeared Steven R. Hurst and acknowledged the execution of the above instrument to be his voluntary act and deed, for the uses and purposes therein stated.

My Commission Expires:

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County of Residence: Lake

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This instrument was prepared by: RICHARD A. ZUNICA, Attorney at Law 162 Washington Street, Lovell, IN 46356

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