Recording requested by EMPIRE FUNDING CORPORATION 2000 045929 When recorded mail to: 20 COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS 1800 TAPO CANYON ROAD, 8V-79C SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Attn: Joe Tharpe

Property of the

CORPORATION ASSIGNMENT OF MORTGAGE

Branch/Source Code 601 6021

Account#

8641753

Commitment# 251536

For value received, the undersigned, EMPIRE FUNDING CORPORATION, 9737 GREAT HILLS TRAIL, AUSTIN, TX 78759, hereby grants, assigns and transfers to:
FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION

3900 WISCONSIN AVE. N.W., WASHINGTON, D.C. 20016

All its interest under that certain Mortgage dated 5/21/97, Executed by: JAMES A SORIA & GERTRUDE SORIA Mortgagor as per MORTGAGE recorded as Instrument No. 97045981 on 7/15/97 in Book Page of official records in the County Recorder's Office of LAKE County, INDIANA. 1104344060190000 Tax Parcel -WILL COUNTY TREASURER Original Mortgage \$6,820.00 4849 CATALPA AVE, HAMMOND, IN 46327

Together with the Note or Notes therein described or referred to, the money due and to become due thereon with interest, and all rights accrued or to accrue under said Mortgage.

EMPIRE FUNDING CORPORATION

Dated: 5/26/00 State of California County of Ventura

RONN A. PISAPIA VICE PRESIDENT

On 5/26/00 before me, ANGELES MEDINA, personally appeared RONN A. PISAPIA VICE PRESIDENT, EMPIRE FUNDING CORPORATION, Personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their duly authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the persons acted, executed the instrument.

Witness my hand and official seal.

Signature

ANGELES MEDINA

Prepared by: Joe Tharpe 1800 TAPO CANYON ROAD, SV-79C, SIMI VALLEY, CA 93063 Phone # (805) 520-5100 Extn: 4748

ANGELES MEDINA Commission # 1243094 Notary Public California **Ventura County** My Comm. Expires Nov 23, 2003

\$10.00 T.L. CK# 0000360825