



Old Republic Surety Company Old Republic Insurance Company

(CHECK APPLICABLE COMPANY HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE SURETY)

BOND NO. 0578983

LICENSE BOND

2005 018642

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we Grate Signs, Inc. 4044 West McDonough, Joliet, IL 60431

as Principal, and Old Republic Surety Company organized under the laws of the state of Wisconsin, as Surety, are held and firmly bound unto the Board of Commissioners of the County of Lake, State of Indiana and all Cities, Towns, and Municipalities within, 2293 N. Main St., Crown Point, IN 46307

, as Oblige in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, lawful money of the United States, for which payment, well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, firmly, by these presents.

WHEREAS, the said Principal has applied to said Oblige for a license to or permit as a Sign Contractor

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CONDITION OF THIS OBLIGATION IS SUCH, That if the said Principal shall indemnify said Oblige against all loss which the Oblige may be subject by reason of said Principal's non-compliance caused by said Principal's breach of any ordinance, rule or regulation relating thereto, then the above obligation shall be void, otherwise to be and remain in full force and effect.

This obligation may be canceled by said Surety by giving thirty (30) days notice in writing of its intention to do so to said Oblige; and provided further, that nothing herein shall affect any rights or liabilities which shall have accrued under this bond prior to the date of termination; and the said Surety shall be relieved of any further liability under this bond thirty (30) days after receipt of said notice by the said Oblige.

The term of this bond is for a period commencing March 8, 2005 and terminating (or continuous) March 8, 2006 provided, however, this bond may be continued from year to year by continuation certificate executed by said Surety.

Signed, sealed and dated the 8th day of March, 2005.



Grate Signs, Inc. Principal

By [Signature]

By [Signature] Deborah L. Jones Attorney-in-Fact

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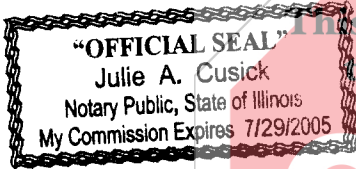
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CORPORATE SURETY

STATE OF Illinois

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COUNTY OF Will

On this 8th day of March, 2005, before me appeared Deborah L. Jones to me personally known, who being by me duly sworn, did say that he is the aforesaid officer or attorney in fact of the Old Republic Surety Company, a corporation; that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument is the corporate seal of said corporation, and that said instrument was signed and sealed in behalf of said corporation by the aforesaid officer, by authority of its Board of Directors; and the aforesaid officer acknowledged said instrument to be the free act and deed of said corporation.



(Notarial Seal)

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Julie A. Cusick

Notary Public Illinois County Cook
My Commission Expires 7-29-05





POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin stock insurance corporation, does make, constitute and appoint:

JOHN T. MANNER, LAURIE A. KWASIGROCH, JOY J. GREINER, BRENT R. WAGNER, JULIE A. CUSICK, DEBORAH L. JONES, OF JOLIET, IL

its true and lawful Attorney(s)-in-Fact, with full power and authority, not exceeding \$5,000,000, for and on behalf of the company as surety, to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company thereto (if a seal is required), bonds, undertakings, recognizances or other written obligations in the nature thereof, (other than bail bonds, bank depository bonds, mortgage deficiency bonds, mortgage guaranty bonds, guarantees of installment paper and note guaranty bonds, self-insurance workers compensation bonds guaranteeing payment of benefits, asbestos abatement contract bonds, waste management bonds, hazardous waste remediation bonds or black lung bonds), as follows:

ALL WRITTEN INSTRUMENTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED AN AGGREGATE OF ONE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,000,000) ----- FOR ANY SINGLE OBLIGATION, REGARDLESS OF THE NUMBER OF INSTRUMENTS ISSUED FOR THE OBLIGATION.

and to bind OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY thereby, and all of the acts of said Attorneys-in-Fact, pursuant to these presents, are ratified and confirmed. This document is not valid unless printed on colored background and is multi-colored. This appointment is made under and by authority of the board of directors at a special meeting held on February 18, 1982. This Power of Attorney is signed and sealed by facsimile under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the board of directors of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY on February 18, 1982.

RESOLVED that, the president, any vice-president, or assistant vice president in conjunction with the secretary or any assistant secretary, may appoint attorneys-in-fact or agents with authority as defined or limited in the instrument evidencing the appointment in each case, for and on behalf of the company to execute and deliver and affix the seal of the company to bonds, undertakings, recognizances, and suretyship obligations of all kinds; and said officers may remove any such attorney-in-fact or agent and revoke any Power of Attorney previously granted to such person.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or suretyship obligation shall be valid and binding upon the Company (i) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, and attested and sealed (if a seal be required) by any secretary or assistant secretary; or (ii) when signed by the president, any vice president or assistant vice president, secretary or assistant secretary, and countersigned and sealed (if a seal be required) by a duly authorized attorney-in-fact or agent; or (iii) when duly executed and sealed (if a seal be required) by one or more attorneys-in-fact or agents pursuant to and within the limits of the authority evidenced by the Power of Attorney issued by the company to such person or persons.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the signature of any authorized officer and the seal of the company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or certification thereof authorizing the execution and delivery of any bond, undertaking, recognizance, or other suretyship obligations of the company; and such signature and seal when so used shall have the same force and effect as though manually affixed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY has caused these presents to be signed by its proper officer, and its corporate seal to be affixed this 15TH day of DECEMBER, 2004.

Signature of David G. Menzel

Assistant Secretary

STATE OF WISCONSIN, COUNTY OF WAUKESHA - SS



OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY

Signature of James E. Lee

President

On this 15TH day of DECEMBER, 2004, personally came before me, JAMES E. LEE and DAVID G. MENZEL to me known to be the individuals and officers of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY who executed the above instrument, and they each acknowledged the execution of the same, and being by me duly sworn, did severally depose and say; that they are said officers of the corporation aforesaid, and that the seal affixed to the above instrument is the seal of the corporation, and that said corporate seal and their signatures as such officers were duly affixed and subscribed to the said instrument by the authority of the board of directors of said corporation.



Signature of Sharon A. Pizun

Notary Public

02/13/2005

My commission expires:

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, assistant secretary of the OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY, a Wisconsin corporation, CERTIFY that the foregoing and attached Power of Attorney remains in full force and has not been revoked; and furthermore, that the Resolutions of the board of directors set forth in the Power of Attorney, are now in force.

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Signed and sealed at the City of Brookfield, WI this 8th day of March 2005

JOHN MANNER INSURANCE, INC.

Signature of Genevieve J. Stetter

Assistant Secretary

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