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Come now David S. Stevens and Fred Halpern and upon being first duly sworn state the following:

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1. ~~Each of us~~ undersigned affiants are residents of Lake County, Indiana.

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2. ~~Each of us were~~ one of the original partners of an entity known as the Indiana Harbor Merchants Development Associates, a Limited Partnership or, Indiana Harbor Merchants Development Associates, LP which is a Limited Partnership still in existence under the laws of the State of Indiana.

3. The Indiana Harbor Merchants Development Associates, LP was formed pursuant to a Limited Partnership Agreement dated August 29, 1977 that we and all other partners signed on August 29, 1977. Pursuant to Indiana Code Section 23-4-2-2 (b) in effect at that time, a Certificate of Limited Partnership evidencing the existence of that Agreement was subsequently recorded in the Lake County Recorders Office on or about January 25, 1978. No Certificate of Existence was required at that time from the State of Indiana.

4. The primary purpose of the Limited Partnership was to construct a large commercial building at 3715 Main Street in East Chicago, Indiana which could be leased or sold to a retail merchant selling necessary dry goods to the neighborhood. That site on Main Street was vacant and previously occupied by a "Woolworths" store, a precursor to the modern day K-Marts and Wal-Marts. A legal description of that site is as follows:

Lots 33, 34, and 35, Block 3, First Addition to Indiana Harbor, in the City of East Chicago, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 14 in the Office of the Recorder of Lake County, Indiana.

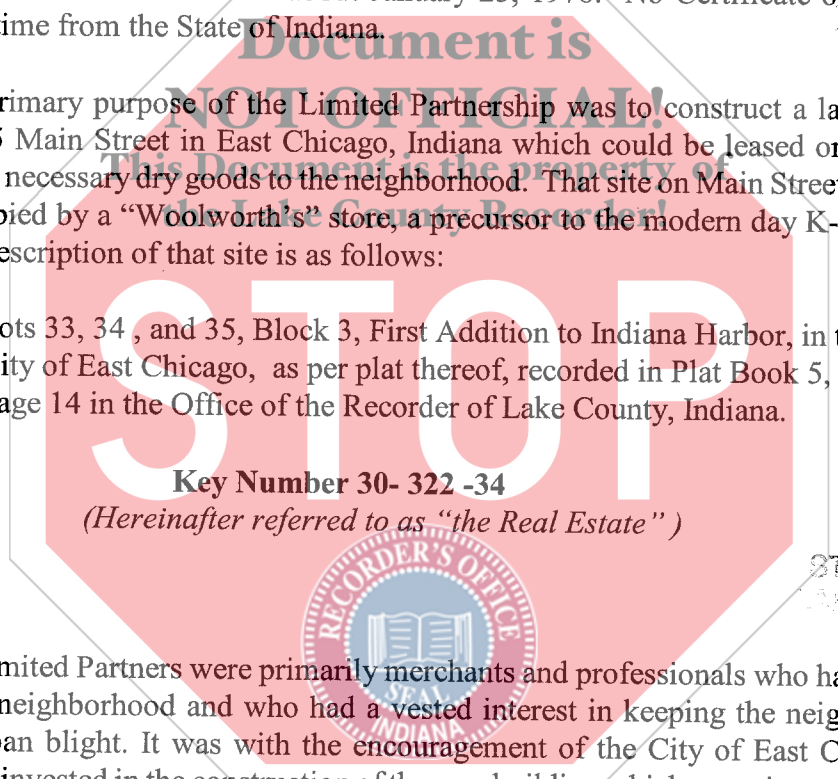
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(Hereinafter referred to as "the Real Estate")

5. The Limited Partners were primarily merchants and professionals who had businesses in the Main Street neighborhood and who had a vested interest in keeping the neighborhood from slipping into urban blight. It was with the encouragement of the City of East Chicago that the Limited Partners invested in the construction of the new building which now sits on the Real Estate.

6. The City of East Chicago deeded that Real Estate to our partnership by a Deed dated

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August 30, 1977, which incorrectly neglected to insert the word "LIMITED" in the grantee's name. The named grantee in that deed is "Indiana Harbor Merchants Development Associates, A Partnership" which suggests that there was a "general" partnership in addition to our Limited Partnership.

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7. We hereby verify that there never was an entity named "Indiana Harbor Merchants Development Associates, A Partnership" and that the only entity that is the grantee of the Real Estate is "Indiana Harbor Merchants Development Associates, a Limited Partnership".

8. Since the conveyance of the Real Estate in 1978 Indiana Harbor Merchants Development Associates, a Limited Partnership has been paying the real estate taxes levied on the Real Estate and for over 25 years the rental income derived from the Real Estate has been reported to the Internal Revenue Service and the Indiana Department of Revenue on annual tax returns under its tax identification number of 35-1422415 *MS*

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9. We, the undersigned, make this affidavit for the purposes of showing of record that the grantee named in the deed recorded on November 29, 1977 in the Lake County Recorder's Office as Document Number 441717, namely "Indiana Harbor Merchants Development Associates, A Partnership" is one in the same entity as "Indiana Harbor Merchants Development Associates, a Limited Partnership".

David S. Stevens

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STATE OF INDIANA)
)SS:
COUNTY OF LAKE)

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State did personally appear David S. Stevens and Fred Halpern who, after being first duly sworn on oath, stated that the facts alleged in the foregoing instrument are true, on this 17th day of February, 2005.

Stacey Eisenhuff

(Notary's Signature)
Stacey Eisenhuff

(Printed Name)
Lake

County of Residence

My Commission Expires:
1-15-08

This instrument was prepared by Donald Stepanovich, Attorney at Law