

MORTGAGE,  
ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS,  
SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING

(INDIANA)

I. THIS MORTGAGE, ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS, SECURITY AGREEMENT AND FIXTURE FILING (this "Instrument") is dated as of February 16, 2024, and is given by GULA LLC, an Indiana limited liability company, whose address is 10609 Drummond, Melrose Park, IL 60164, as mortgagor ("Borrower"), in favor of LIMA ONE CAPITAL, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company, whose address is 201 East McBee Ave., Suite 300, Greenville, SC 29601, as mortgagee ("Lender").

II. Borrower is indebted to Lender in the principal amount of ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (US \$180,000.00), as evidenced by Borrower's Promissory Note payable to Lender, dated as of the date of this Instrument, and maturing on the earlier of (i) April 1, 2025, and (ii) the date on which the unpaid principal balance of the Note becomes due and payable by acceleration or otherwise pursuant to the Loan Documents or the exercise by Lender of any right or remedy under any Loan Document (the "Maturity Date"). The Maturity Date of the Note is subject to extension up to October 1, 2025, upon the terms and conditions set forth in the Note.

III. TO SECURE TO LENDER the repayment of the Indebtedness, and all renewals, extensions and modifications of the Indebtedness, and the performance of the covenants and agreements of Borrower contained in the Loan Documents, Borrower mortgages, warrants, grants, conveys and assigns to Lender, the Mortgaged Property, including the Land located in LAKE County, State of Indiana and described in Exhibit "A" attached to this Instrument.

IV. Borrower states that Borrower is lawfully seized of the Mortgaged Property and has the right, power and authority to mortgage, grant, convey and assign the Mortgaged Property, and that the Mortgaged Property is unencumbered, except as shown on the Schedule of Title Exceptions. Borrower covenants that Borrower will warrant and defend generally the title to the Mortgaged Property against all claims and demands, subject to any easements and restrictions listed in the Schedule of Title Exceptions.

**Covenants.** In consideration of the mutual promises set forth in this Instrument, Borrower and Lender, covenant and agree as follows:

**A. DEFINITIONS.** The following terms, when used in this Instrument (including when used in the above recitals), shall have the following meanings, and any capitalized term not specifically defined in this Instrument shall have the meaning ascribed to that term in the Loan Agreement:

"**Assignment**" means, collectively, the provisions of sections C and D of this Instrument relating to the assignment of rents and leases affecting the Mortgaged Property.

"**Attorneys' Fees and Costs**" means (a) fees and out-of-pocket costs of Lender's and Loan Servicer's attorneys, as applicable (whether or not any lawsuit or other proceeding is instituted), including costs of Lender's and Loan Servicer's allocable costs of in-house counsel, support staff costs, costs of preparing for litigation, computerized research, telephone and facsimile transmission expenses, mileage, deposition costs, postage, duplicating, process service, videotaping and similar costs and expenses; (b) costs and fees of expert witnesses, including appraisers; and (c) investigatory fees. As used in this Instrument and in the Note, "Attorneys' Fees and Costs" shall include those awarded by an appellate court.

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**"Borrower"** means all Persons identified as "Borrower" in Recital I of this Instrument, together with their successors and permitted assigns.

**"Collateral Agreement"** has the definition given such term in the Loan Agreement.

**"Environmental Indemnity"** means that certain Environmental Indemnity Agreement dated the same date as this Instrument, executed by Borrower, as Indemnitor, in favor of Lender, as Indemnitee.

**"Fixtures"** means all property owned by Borrower which is so attached to the Land or the Improvements as to constitute a fixture under applicable law, including: machinery, equipment, engines, boilers, incinerators, installed building materials; systems and equipment for the purpose of supplying or distributing heating, cooling, electricity, gas, water, air, or light; antennas, cable, wiring and conduits used in connection with radio, television, security, fire prevention, or fire detection or otherwise used to carry electronic signals; telephone systems and equipment; elevators and related machinery and equipment; fire detection, prevention and extinguishing systems and apparatus; security and access control systems and apparatus; plumbing systems; water heaters, ranges, stoves, microwave ovens, refrigerators, dishwashers, garbage disposers, washers, dryers and other appliances; light fixtures, awnings, storm windows and storm doors; pictures, screens, blinds, shades, curtains and curtain rods; mirrors; cabinets, paneling, rugs and floor and wall coverings; fences, trees and plants; swimming pools; and exercise equipment.

**"Governmental Authority"** means the government of the United States, any state or other political subdivision thereof, and any Person exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory, or administrative functions of or pertaining to such government, in each case that has or acquires jurisdiction over the Mortgaged Property or the use, operation or improvement of the Mortgaged Property or over Borrower.

**"Hazardous Materials"** means petroleum and petroleum products and compounds containing them, including gasoline, diesel fuel and oil; explosives; flammable materials; radioactive materials; polychlorinated biphenyls and compounds containing them; lead and lead-based paint; asbestos or asbestos-containing materials in any form that is or could become friable; underground or above-ground storage tanks, whether empty or containing any substance; any substance the presence of which on the Mortgaged Property is prohibited by any Governmental Authority; any substance that requires special handling; and any other material or substance now or in the future defined as a "hazardous substance," "hazardous material," "hazardous waste," "toxic substance," "toxic pollutant," "contaminant," or "pollutant" within the meaning of any Hazardous Materials Law.

**"Hazardous Materials Laws"** means all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances and regulations and standards, rules, policies and other governmental requirements, administrative rulings and court judgments and decrees in effect now or in the future and including all amendments, that relate to Hazardous Materials or the protection of human health or the environment and apply to Borrower or to the Mortgaged Property. Hazardous Materials Laws include, but are not limited to, the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 1251 *et seq.*, the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 9601, *et seq.*, as amended by the Superfund Amendments Reauthorization Act of 1986, the Materials Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. Section 1801 *et seq.*, the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. Section 6901, *et seq.*, the Toxic Substance Control Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 2601, *et seq.*, the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. Section 1251, *et seq.*, the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986, as amended, the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended, the Clean Air Act, as amended, the Safe Drinking Water Act, as amended, the Occupational Safety and Health Act, as amended, and the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. Section 5101, and their state analogs.

**"Improvements"** means the buildings, structures, improvements, and alterations now constructed or at any time in the future constructed or placed upon the Land, including any future replacements and additions.

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**"Indebtedness"** means the principal of, interest on, and all other amounts due at any time under, the Note, the Loan Agreement, this Instrument or any other Loan Document, including late charges, default interest, and advances to protect the security of this Instrument under section G of this Instrument or any other applicable provision of the Loan Agreement, this Instrument or any other Loan Document or as permitted by law.

**"Land"** means the land described in Exhibit "A".

**"Leases"** means all present and future leases, subleases, licenses, concessions or grants or other possessory interests now or hereafter in force, whether oral or written, covering or affecting the Mortgaged Property, or any portion of the Mortgaged Property, and all modifications, extensions or renewals.

**"Lender"** means the Person or Persons identified as "Lender" in Recital I of this Instrument, or any subsequent holder of the Note.

**"Loan"** means the loan evidenced by the Note and secured by this Instrument.

**"Loan Agreement"** means the Loan Agreement executed by Borrower and Lender and dated as of the date of this Instrument, as such agreement may be amended from time to time.

**"Loan Documents"** means the Note, this Instrument, the Assignment, the Loan Agreement, the Environmental Indemnity, all guaranties, all indemnity agreements, all Collateral Agreements, O&M Plans, and any other documents now or in the future executed by Borrower, any Guarantor or any other Person in connection with the Loan, as such documents may be amended from time to time.

**"Loan Servicer"** means the Person or Persons that from time to time is designated by Lender to collect payments and deposits and receive notices under the Note, this Instrument and any other Loan Document, and otherwise to service the Loan for the benefit of Lender. Unless otherwise specified in section B of the Note, or unless Borrower receives notice to the contrary, the Loan Servicer means the Person or Persons identified as "Lender" in Recital I of this Instrument.

**"Mortgaged Property"** means all of Borrower's present and future right, title and interest in and to all of the following: (1) the Land; (2) the Improvements; (3) the Fixtures; (4) the Personality; (5) all current and future rights, including air rights, development rights, zoning rights and other similar rights or interests, easements, tenements, rights-of-way, strips and gores of land, streets, alleys, roads, sewer rights, waters, watercourses, and appurtenances related to or benefiting the Land or the Improvements, or both, and all rights-of-way, streets, alleys and roads which may have been or may in the future be vacated; (6) all proceeds paid or to be paid by any insurer of the Land, the Improvements, the Fixtures, the Personality or any other part of the Mortgaged Property, whether or not Borrower obtained the insurance pursuant to Lender's requirement; (7) all awards, payments and other compensation made or to be made by any Governmental Authority with respect to the Land, the Improvements, the Fixtures, the Personality or any other part of the Mortgaged Property, including any awards or settlements resulting from condemnation proceedings or the total or partial taking of the Land, the Improvements, the Fixtures, the Personality or any other part of the Mortgaged Property under the power of eminent domain or otherwise and including any conveyance in lieu thereof; (8) all contracts, options and other agreements for the sale of the Land, the Improvements, the Fixtures, the Personality or any other part of the Mortgaged Property entered into by Borrower now or in the future, including cash or securities deposited to secure performance by parties of their obligations; (9) all proceeds from the conversion, voluntary or involuntary, of any of the above into cash or liquidated claims, and the right to collect such proceeds; (10) all Rents and Leases; (11) all earnings, royalties, accounts receivable, issues and profits from the Land, the Improvements or any other part of the Mortgaged Property, and all undisbursed proceeds of the Loan; (12) all funds on deposit pursuant to any separate agreement between Borrower and Lender (including, without limitation, all Imposition Deposits) for the purpose of establishing replacement reserves for the Mortgaged Property, to fund any water and sewer charges, premiums for fire or other hazard insurance, rent loss insurance

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or other insurance required by Lender, taxes, assessments, vault rentals, or other charges or expenses required by Lender to protect the Mortgaged Property, establishing a fund to assure the completion of repairs or improvements specified in that agreement, or assuring reduction of the outstanding principal balance of the Indebtedness if the occupancy of or income from the Mortgaged Property does not increase to a level specified in that agreement, or any other agreement or agreements between Borrower and Lender which provide for the establishment of any other fund, reserve or account; (13) all refunds or rebates of Impositions by any Governmental Authority or insurance company (other than refunds applicable to periods before the real property tax year in which this Instrument is dated); (14) all tenant security deposits which have not been forfeited by any tenant under any Lease and any bond or other security in lieu of such deposits; and (15) all names under or by which any of the above Mortgaged Property may be operated or known, and all trademarks, trade names, and goodwill relating to any of the Mortgaged Property.

"**Mortgaged Property UCC Collateral**" means any of the Mortgaged Property which, under applicable law, may be subjected to a security interest under the Uniform Commercial Code, whether such Mortgaged Property is owned now or acquired in the future, and all products and cash and non-cash proceeds thereof.

"**Note**" means the Promissory Note described in Recital II of this Instrument, including all schedules, riders, allonges and addenda, as such Promissory Note may be amended from time to time.

"**Person**" means any natural person, sole proprietorship, corporation, general partnership, limited partnership, limited liability company, limited liability partnership, limited liability limited partnership, joint venture, association, joint stock company, bank, trust, estate, unincorporated organization, any Governmental Authority, endowment fund or any other form of entity.

"**Personalty**" means all: (1) accounts (including deposit accounts); (2) equipment and inventory owned by Borrower which are used now or in the future in connection with the ownership, management or operation of the Land or the Improvements or are located on the Land or in the Improvements, including furniture, furnishings, machinery, building materials, appliances, goods, supplies, tools, books, records (whether in written or electronic form), computer equipment (hardware and software); (3) other tangible personal property (other than Fixtures) which are used now or in the future in connection with the ownership, management or operation of the Land or the Improvements or are located on the Land or in the Improvements; (4) any operating agreements relating to the Land or the Improvements; (5) any surveys, plans and specifications and contracts for architectural, engineering and construction services relating to the Land or the Improvements; (6) all other intangible property and rights relating to the operation of, or used in connection with, the Land or the Improvements, including all governmental permits relating to any activities on the Land or the Improvements and including subsidy or similar payments received from any sources, including a Governmental Authority; and (7) any rights of Borrower in or under letters of credit.

"**Property Jurisdiction**" means the jurisdiction in which the Land is located.

"**Rents**" means all rents, revenues and other income of the Land or the Improvements, whether now due, past due, or to become due, and deposits forfeited by tenants.

"**Schedule of Title Exceptions**" means title exceptions approved by Lender and shown in the schedule of exceptions to coverage in the title policy issued to Lender contemporaneously with the recording of this Instrument and insuring Lender's interest in the Mortgaged Property.

"**Taxes**" means all taxes, assessments, vault rentals and other charges, if any, general, special or otherwise, including all assessments for schools, public betterments and general or local improvements, which are levied, assessed or imposed by any public authority or quasi-public authority, and which, if not paid, will become a lien, on the Land or the Improvements.



"Uniform Commercial Code" or "UCC" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the Property Jurisdiction; *provided that*, to the extent perfection or the effect of perfection or non-perfection or the priority of any security interest in any collateral is governed by the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in a jurisdiction other than the Property Jurisdiction, "Uniform Commercial Code" or "UCC" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in such other jurisdiction for purposes of the provisions hereof relating to such perfection, effect of perfection or non-perfection or priority.

**B. UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE SECURITY AGREEMENT.** This Instrument is also a security agreement under the Uniform Commercial Code for the Mortgaged Property UCC Collateral, and Borrower, as debtor, hereby grants to Lender, as secured party, a security interest in the Mortgaged Property UCC Collateral. Borrower hereby authorizes Lender to prepare and file financing statements, continuation statements and financing statement amendments in such form as Lender may require to perfect or continue the perfection of this security interest and Borrower agrees, if Lender so requests, to execute and deliver to Lender such financing statements, continuation statements and amendments. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Borrower authorizes Lender to file any financing statement that describes the collateral as "all assets" of Borrower, or words to similar effect. Borrower shall pay all filing costs and all costs and expenses of any record searches for financing statements and/or amendments that Lender may require. Without the prior written consent of Lender, Borrower shall not create or permit to exist any other lien or security interest in any of the Mortgaged Property UCC Collateral. Unless Borrower gives notice to Lender within 30 days after the occurrence of any of the following, and executes and delivers to Lender modifications or supplements of this Instrument (and any financing statement which may be filed in connection with this Instrument) as Lender may require, Borrower shall not (a) change its name, identity, structure or jurisdiction of organization; (b) change the location of its place of business (or chief executive office if more than one place of business); or (c) add to or change any location at which any of the Mortgaged Property UCC Collateral is stored, held or located. If an Event of Default has occurred which, if it is amenable to cure, has not been timely cured, Lender shall have the remedies of a secured party under the Uniform Commercial Code, in addition to all remedies provided by this Instrument or existing under applicable law. In exercising any remedies, Lender may exercise its remedies against the Mortgaged Property UCC Collateral separately or together, and in any order, without in any way affecting the availability of Lender's other remedies. This Instrument constitutes a financing statement with respect to any part of the Mortgaged Property that is or may become a Fixture, if permitted by applicable law.

**C. ASSIGNMENT OF RENTS; APPOINTMENT OF RECEIVER; LENDER IN POSSESSION.**

**C.1.** As part of the consideration for the Indebtedness, Borrower absolutely and unconditionally assigns and transfers to Lender all Rents. It is the intention of Borrower to establish a present, absolute and irrevocable transfer and assignment to Lender of all Rents and to authorize and empower Lender to collect and receive all Rents without the necessity of further action on the part of Borrower. Promptly upon request by Lender, Borrower agrees to execute and deliver such further assignments as Lender may from time to time require. Borrower and Lender intend this assignment of Rents to be immediately effective and to constitute an absolute present assignment and not an assignment for additional security only. For purposes of giving effect to this absolute assignment of Rents, and for no other purpose, Rents shall not be deemed to be a part of the "Mortgaged Property" as that term is defined in section A above. However, if this present, absolute and unconditional assignment of Rents is not enforceable by its terms under the laws of the Property Jurisdiction, then the Rents shall be included as a part of the Mortgaged Property and it is the intention of Borrower that in this circumstance this Instrument create and perfect a lien on Rents in favor of Lender, which lien shall be effective as of the date of this Instrument.

**C.2.** After the occurrence of an Event of Default, Borrower authorizes Lender to collect, sue for and compromise Rents and directs each tenant of the Mortgaged Property to pay all Rents to, or as directed by, Lender. However, until the occurrence of an Event of Default, Lender hereby grants to Borrower a revocable license to collect

and receive all Rents, to hold all Rents in trust for the benefit of Lender and to apply all Rents to pay the installments of interest and principal then due and payable under the Note and the other amounts then due and payable under the other Loan Documents, including Imposition Deposits, and to pay the current costs and expenses of managing, operating and maintaining the Mortgaged Property, including utilities, Taxes and insurance premiums (to the extent not included in Imposition Deposits), tenant improvements and other capital expenditures. So long as no Event of Default has occurred which, if it is amenable to cure, has not been timely cured, the Rents remaining after application pursuant to the preceding sentence may be retained by Borrower free and clear of, and released from, Lender's rights with respect to Rents under this Instrument. From and after the occurrence of an Event of Default, and without the necessity of Lender entering upon and taking and maintaining control of the Mortgaged Property directly, or by a receiver, Borrower's license to collect Rents shall automatically terminate and Lender shall without notice be entitled to all Rents as they become due and payable, including Rents then due and unpaid. Borrower shall pay to Lender upon demand all Rents to which Lender is entitled. At any time on or after the date of Lender's demand for Rents, Lender may give, and Borrower hereby irrevocably authorizes Lender to give, notice to all tenants of the Mortgaged Property instructing them to pay all Rents to Lender, no tenant shall be obligated to inquire further as to the occurrence or continuance of an Event of Default, and no tenant shall be obligated to pay to Borrower any amounts which are actually paid to Lender in response to such a notice. Any such notice by Lender shall be delivered to each tenant personally, by mail or by delivering such demand to each rental unit. Borrower shall not interfere with and shall cooperate with Lender's collection of such Rents. Lender shall be permitted to apply all Rents received in any manner Lender deems appropriate.

**C.3.** Borrower states that Borrower has not executed any prior assignment of Rents (other than an assignment of Rents securing indebtedness that will be paid off and discharged with the proceeds of the Loan), that Borrower has not performed, and Borrower covenants and agrees that it will not perform, any acts and has not executed, and shall not execute, any instrument which would prevent Lender from exercising its rights under this section C, and that at the time of execution of this Instrument there has been no anticipation or prepayment of any Rents for more than two (2) months prior to the due dates of such Rents. Borrower shall not collect or accept payment of any Rents more than two (2) months prior to the due dates of such Rents.

#### **D. ASSIGNMENT OF LEASES; LEASES AFFECTING THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY.**

**D.1.** As part of the consideration for the Indebtedness, Borrower absolutely and unconditionally assigns and transfers to Lender all of Borrower's right, title and interest in, to and under the Leases, including Borrower's right, power and authority to modify the terms of any such Lease, or extend or terminate any such Lease. It is the intention of Borrower to establish a present, absolute and irrevocable transfer and assignment to Lender of all of Borrower's right, title and interest in, to and under the Leases. Borrower and Lender intend this assignment of the Leases to be immediately effective and to constitute an absolute present assignment and not an assignment for additional security only. For purposes of giving effect to this absolute assignment of the Leases, and for no other purpose, the Leases shall not be deemed to be a part of the "Mortgaged Property" as that term is defined in section A above. However, if this present, absolute and unconditional assignment of the Leases is not enforceable by its terms under the laws of the Property Jurisdiction, then the Leases shall be included as a part of the Mortgaged Property and it is the intention of Borrower that in this circumstance this Instrument create and perfect a lien on the Leases in favor of Lender, which lien shall be effective as of the date of this Instrument.

**D.2.** Until Lender gives notice to Borrower of Lender's exercise of its rights under this section D, Borrower shall have all rights, power and authority granted to Borrower under any Lease (except as otherwise limited by this section D or any other provision of this Instrument), including the right, power and authority to modify the terms of any Lease or extend or terminate any Lease. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the permission given to Borrower pursuant to the preceding sentence to exercise all rights, power and authority under Leases shall

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automatically terminate. Borrower shall comply with and observe Borrower's obligations under all Leases, including Borrower's obligations pertaining to the maintenance and disposition of tenant security deposits.

**D.3.** Borrower acknowledges and agrees that the exercise by Lender, either directly or by a receiver, of any of the rights conferred under this section D shall not be construed to make Lender a mortgagee-in-possession of the Mortgaged Property so long as Lender has not itself entered into actual possession of the Land and the Improvements. The acceptance by Lender of the assignment of the Leases pursuant to section D.1 above shall not at any time or in any event obligate Lender to take any action under this Instrument or to expend any money or to incur any expenses. Except to the extent of Lender's willful misconduct, Lender shall not be liable in any way for any injury or damage to person or property sustained by any Person in or about the Mortgaged Property. Prior to Lender's actual entry into and taking possession of the Mortgaged Property, Lender shall not be obligated for any of the following: (i) Lender shall not be obligated to perform any of the terms, covenants and conditions contained in any Lease (or otherwise have any obligation with respect to any Lease); (ii) Lender shall not be obligated to appear in or defend any action or proceeding relating to the Lease or the Mortgaged Property; or (iii) Lender shall not be responsible for the operation, control, care, management or repair of the Mortgaged Property or any portion of the Mortgaged Property. The execution of this Instrument by Borrower shall constitute conclusive evidence that all responsibility for the operation, control, care, management and repair of the Mortgaged Property is and shall be that of Borrower, prior to such actual entry and taking of possession.

**D.4.** Upon delivery of notice by Lender to Borrower of Lender's exercise of Lender's rights under this section D at any time after the occurrence of an Event of Default, and without the necessity of Lender entering upon and taking and maintaining control of the Mortgaged Property directly, by a receiver, or by any other manner or proceeding permitted by the laws of the Property Jurisdiction, Lender immediately shall have all rights, powers and authority granted to Borrower under any Lease, including the right, power and authority to modify the terms of any such Lease, or extend or terminate any such Lease.

**D.5.** Borrower shall, promptly upon Lender's request, deliver to Lender an executed copy of each Lease then in effect. All Leases shall be on forms approved by Lender, shall be for initial terms of at least six (6) months and not more than two (2) years, and shall not include options to purchase.

**D.6.** Borrower shall not receive or accept Rent under any Lease for more than two (2) months in advance.

**E. PAYMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS; PERFORMANCE UNDER LOAN DOCUMENTS.** Borrower shall pay the Indebtedness when due in accordance with the terms of the Note and the other Loan Documents and shall perform, observe and comply with all other provisions of the Note and the other Loan Documents.

**F. APPLICATION OF PAYMENTS.** If at any time Lender receives, from Borrower or otherwise, any amount applicable to the indebtedness which is less than all amounts due and payable at such time, then Lender may apply that payment to amounts then due and payable in any manner and in any order determined by Lender, in Lender's discretion. Neither Lender's acceptance of an amount which is less than all amounts then due and payable nor Lender's application of such payment in the manner authorized shall constitute or be deemed to constitute either a waiver of the unpaid amounts or an accord and satisfaction. Notwithstanding the application of any such amount to the Indebtedness, Borrower's obligations under this Instrument and the Note shall remain unchanged.

## **G. PROTECTION OF LENDER'S SECURITY.**

**G.1.** If Borrower fails to perform any of its obligations under this Instrument or any other Loan Document, or if any action or proceeding is commenced which purports to affect the Mortgaged Property, Lender's security or Lender's rights under this Instrument, including eminent domain, insolvency, code enforcement, civil or criminal forfeiture, enforcement of Hazardous Materials Laws, fraudulent conveyance or reorganizations or proceedings involving a bankrupt or decedent, then Lender at Lender's option may make such appearances, disburse such sums

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and take such actions as Lender reasonably deems necessary to perform such obligations of Borrower and to protect Lender's interest, including (a) payment of fees and out-of-pocket expenses of attorneys, accountants, inspectors and consultants, (b) entry upon the Mortgaged Property to make repairs or secure the Mortgaged Property, (c) procurement of the insurance required by section D.2 of the Loan Agreement, (d) payment of amounts which Borrower has failed to pay under sections D.1 and D.7 of the Loan Agreement, and (e) advances made by Lender to pay, satisfy or discharge any obligation of Borrower for the payment of money that is secured by a pre-existing mortgage, deed of trust or other lien encumbering the Mortgaged Property (a "Prior Lien").

**G.2.** Any amounts disbursed by Lender under this section G, or under any other provision of this Instrument that treats such disbursement as being made under this section G, shall be added to, and become part of, the principal component of the Indebtedness, shall be immediately due and payable and shall bear interest from the date of disbursement until paid at the "**Default Rate**", as defined in the Note.

**G.3.** Nothing in this section G shall require Lender to incur any expense or take any action.

**H. EVENTS OF DEFAULT.** An Event of Default under the Loan Agreement shall constitute an Event of Default under this Instrument.

**I. REMEDIES CUMULATIVE.** Each right and remedy provided in this Instrument is distinct from all other rights or remedies under this Instrument or any other Loan Document or afforded by applicable law, and each shall be cumulative and may be exercised concurrently, independently, or successively, in any order. Lender's exercise of any particular right or remedy will not in any way prevent Lender from exercising any other right or remedy available to Lender. Lender may exercise any such remedies from time to time and as often as Lender chooses.

**J. WAIVER OF STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS, OFFSETS, AND COUNTERCLAIMS.** Borrower hereby waives the right to assert any statute of limitations as a bar to the enforcement of the lien of this Instrument or to any action brought to enforce any Loan Document. Borrower hereby waives the right to assert a counterclaim, other than a compulsory counterclaim, in any action or proceeding brought against it by Lender or otherwise to offset any obligations to make the payments required by the Loan Documents. No failure by Lender to perform any of its obligations under this Instrument will be a valid defense to, or result in any offset against, any payments that Borrower is obligated to make under any of the Loan Documents.

**K. WAIVER OF MARSHALING.** Notwithstanding the existence of any other security interests in the Mortgaged Property held by Lender or by any other party, Lender shall have the right to determine the order in which any or all of the Mortgaged Property shall be subjected to the remedies provided in this Instrument, the Note, any other Loan Document or applicable law. Lender shall have the right to determine the order in which any or all portions of the Indebtedness are satisfied from the proceeds realized upon the exercise of such remedies. Borrower and any party who now or in the future acquires a security interest in the Mortgaged Property and who has actual or constructive notice of this Instrument waives any and all right to require the marshaling of assets or to require that any of the Mortgaged Property be sold in the inverse order of alienation or that any of the Mortgaged Property be sold in parcels or as an entirety in connection with the exercise of any of the remedies permitted by applicable law or provided in this Instrument.

**L. FURTHER ASSURANCES.** Borrower shall execute, acknowledge, and deliver, at its sole cost and expense, all further acts, deeds, conveyances, assignments, estoppel certificates, financing statements, transfers and assurances as Lender may require from time to time in order to better assure, grant, and convey to Lender the rights intended to be granted, now or in the future, to Lender under this Instrument and the Loan Documents.

**M. GOVERNING LAW; CONSENT TO JURISDICTION AND VENUE.**

**M.1.** This Instrument, and any Loan Document which does not itself expressly identify the law that is to apply to it, shall be governed by the laws of the Property Jurisdiction.

**M.2.** Borrower agrees that any controversy arising under or in relation to the Note, this Instrument, or any other Loan Document may be litigated in the Property Jurisdiction. The state and federal courts and authorities with jurisdiction in the Property Jurisdiction shall have non-exclusive jurisdiction over all controversies which shall arise under or in relation to the Note, any security for the Indebtedness, or any other Loan Document. Borrower irrevocably consents to service, jurisdiction, and venue of such courts for any such litigation and waives any other venue or defense to venue to which it might be entitled by virtue of domicile, habitual residence, inconvenient forum or otherwise.

**N. NOTICE.** Except as otherwise specified by the laws of the Property Jurisdiction, all notices, demands and other communications required or permitted to be given pursuant to this Instrument shall be given in accordance with section H.3 of the Loan Agreement.

**O. SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS BOUND.** This Instrument shall bind, and the rights granted by this Instrument shall inure to, the respective successors and permitted assigns of Lender and Borrower. However, a Transfer not permitted by section E.1 of the Loan Agreement shall constitute an Event of Default.

**P. JOINT AND SEVERAL LIABILITY.** If more than one Person signs this Instrument as Borrower, the obligations of such Persons under this Instrument, the Note and other Loan Documents shall be joint and several.

**Q. RELATIONSHIP OF PARTIES; NO THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY.**

**Q.1.** The relationship between Lender and Borrower shall be solely that of creditor and debtor, respectively, and nothing contained in this Instrument shall create any other relationship between Lender and Borrower.

**Q.2.** No creditor of any party to this Instrument and no other Person shall be a third party beneficiary of this Instrument or any other Loan Document. Without limiting the generality of the preceding sentence, (a) any arrangement (a "Servicing Arrangement") between Lender and any Loan Servicer for loss sharing or interim advancement of funds shall constitute a contractual obligation of such Loan Servicer that is independent of the obligation of Borrower for the payment of the Indebtedness, (b) Borrower shall not be a third party beneficiary of any Servicing Arrangement, and (c) no payment by the Loan Servicer under any Servicing Arrangement will reduce the amount of the Indebtedness.

**R. SEVERABILITY; ENTIRE AGREEMENT; AMENDMENTS.** The parties intend that the provisions of this Instrument and all other Loan Documents shall be legally severable. If any term or provision of this Instrument, or any other Loan Document, to any extent, be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Instrument or of such other Loan Document shall not be affected thereby, and each term and provision shall be valid and be enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law. This Instrument contains the entire agreement among the parties as to the rights granted and the obligations assumed in this Instrument. This Instrument may not be amended or modified except by a writing signed by the party against whom enforcement is sought.

**S. CONSTRUCTION.** The captions and headings of the Sections of this Instrument are for convenience only and shall be disregarded in construing this Instrument. Any reference in this Instrument to an "Exhibit" or a "Section" shall, unless otherwise explicitly provided, be construed as referring, respectively, to an Exhibit attached to this Instrument or to a Section of this Instrument. All Exhibits attached to or referred to in this Instrument are incorporated by reference into this Instrument. Any reference in this Instrument to a statute or regulation shall be construed as referring to that statute or regulation as amended from time to time. Use of the singular in this

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Instrument includes the plural and use of the plural includes the singular. As used in this Instrument, the term "including" means "including, but not limited to" and the term "includes" means "includes without limitation." The use of one gender includes the other gender, as the context may require. Unless the context requires otherwise, (1) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document in this Instrument shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, supplements or modifications set forth in this Instrument or any other Loan Document), and (2) any reference in this Instrument to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and permitted assigns.

**T. SUBROGATION.** If, and to the extent that, the proceeds of the Loan, or subsequent advances under section G above, are used to pay, satisfy or discharge a Prior Lien, such Loan proceeds or advances shall be deemed to have been advanced by Lender at Borrower's request, and Lender shall automatically, and without further action on its part, be subrogated to the rights, including lien priority, of the owner or holder of the obligation secured by the Prior Lien, whether or not the Prior Lien is released.

**U. BUSINESS PURPOSE.** Borrower acknowledges and agrees that the Loan is for business purposes and not for personal, family or household purposes.

**V. ACCELERATION; REMEDIES.** At any time during the existence of an Event of Default, Lender, at Lender's option, may declare the Indebtedness to be immediately due and payable without further demand, and may institute an action of mortgage foreclosure pursuant to applicable law and proceed to final judgment and execution thereon for the amount of the Indebtedness (as of the date of such judgment) and may invoke any other remedies permitted by applicable law or provided in this Instrument, the Loan Agreement or any other Loan Document. Lender shall be entitled to collect all costs and expenses incurred in pursuing such remedies, including Attorneys' Fees and Costs, costs of documentary evidence, abstracts and title reports and all other expenses described in section K of the Note. If Lender is the purchaser at the foreclosure sale of the Mortgaged Property, the foreclosure sale price (Lender's final bid) shall be applied against the Indebtedness.

**W. PREPARATION AND FILING OF FINANCING STATEMENTS.** Borrower irrevocably authorizes Lender at any time and from time to time to prepare and file, on Borrower's behalf, all financing statements, amendments thereto and continuation statements under the Uniform Commercial Code necessary or appropriate to establish or maintain the validity, perfection and priority of Lender's security interest in UCC Collateral. Such financing statements, amendments and continuation statements may be unsigned or, if required to be signed by the applicable office with which Lender intends to file such financing statement, signed only by a representative of Lender.

**X. RELEASE.** Upon payment of the Indebtedness, Lender shall release this Instrument. Borrower shall pay Lender's reasonable costs incurred in releasing this Instrument.

**Y. WAIVER OF HOMESTEAD.** If applicable, Borrower hereby releases, relinquishes and waives, to the fullest extent allowed by law, all rights and benefits, if any, under and by virtue of homestead exemption laws.

**Z. WAIVER OF VALUATION AND APPRAISEMENT.** Borrower waives all right of valuation and appraisal.

**AA. INTERPRETATION.** It is the intention of Borrower and Lender that if any provision of this Instrument or any other Loan Document is capable of two (2) constructions, one of which would render the provision void, and the other of which would render the provision valid, then the provision shall have the meaning which renders it valid. Borrower acknowledges that Lender has attempted in good faith to assure that this Instrument, the Note and all other Loan Documents are in compliance with applicable laws of the Property Jurisdiction and federal laws. Nevertheless, in the event that any provision of this Instrument, the Note or any other Loan Document is not in compliance with any such laws, then the non-complying provision shall be deemed to be deleted or modified to the extent necessary to assure

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legal compliance. Similarly, in the event any language or disclosure required by applicable laws of the Property Jurisdiction is not contained in the Loan Documents, then the Loan Documents shall be deemed to have been supplemented to add such language or disclosure, or, at Lender's option, Lender may provide such additional language or disclosure. In either event, such legal requirement shall thereby be satisfied and such noncompliance shall be deemed to have been cured for all purposes. Within ten (10) days after written request by Lender, Borrower agrees to execute such documentation as Lender may require to cure any legal compliance issues or deficiencies in the Loan Documents.

**BB. FUTURE ADVANCES.** In addition to the Indebtedness, this Instrument shall (to the extent allowed by applicable law and subject to section KK below) also secure payment of the principal, interest and other charges due on all other future loans or advances made by Lender to Borrower (or any successor in interest to Borrower as the owner of all or any part of the Mortgaged Property) when the promissory note evidencing such loan or advance specifically states that it is secured by this Instrument ("**Future Advances**"), including all extensions, renewals and modifications of any such Future Advances.

**CC. EXECUTION IN COUNTERPARTS.** This Instrument may be executed in multiple counterparts, and the separate signature pages and notary acknowledgments may then be combined into a single original document for recordation.

**DD. PAYMENT OF CLOSING COSTS.** If for any reason the escrow or closing agent fails to reserve and pay for all of Lender's fees, legal, documentation, Appraisal, title, recording and other closing costs incurred in connection with the closing and funding of the Loan, then Borrower shall pay or reimburse Lender for any such unpaid fees or costs within ten (10) days after written demand by Lender itemizing the unpaid fees and costs. Failure of Borrower to so pay or reimburse Lender for any such unpaid fees and costs within ten (10) days after written demand by Lender shall constitute an Event of Default and, without limiting any other remedies of Lender, Lender may immediately institute the Default Rate under the Note until such amounts are received by Lender.

**EE. FINAL PAYMENT DATE.** The remaining unpaid principal balance of the Note will become due and payable on the final payment date, which is defined in this Instrument as the Maturity Date.

**FF. FIXTURE FILING.** This Instrument is also a fixture filing under the Uniform Commercial Code of Indiana.

**GG. BALLOON PAYMENT NOTICE.** The Note secured hereby provides for a balloon payment of the entire Indebtedness upon the Maturity Date of the Note.

**HH. NON-OWNER OCCUPIED PROPERTY.** Throughout the term of the Loan, Borrower shall not occupy any portion of the Mortgaged Property in any manner. If Borrower is an entity other than a natural person, any persons with a direct or indirect ownership interest in Borrower shall not occupy any portion of the Mortgaged Property in any manner throughout the term of the Loan.

**II. DOCUMENT IMAGING.** Lender shall be entitled, in its sole discretion, to image or make copies of all or any selection of the agreements, instruments, documents, items and records governing, arising from or relating to any of Borrower's loans, including, without limitation, this Instrument and the other Loan Documents, and Lender may destroy or archive the paper originals. Borrower waives (1) any right to insist or require that Lender produce paper originals, (2) agrees that such images shall be accorded the same force and effect as the paper originals, (3) agrees that Lender is entitled to use such images in lieu of destroyed or archived originals for any purpose, including as admissible evidence in any demand, presentment or other proceedings, and (4) further agrees that any executed facsimile (faxed), scanned, or other imaged copy of this Instrument or any other Loan Document shall be deemed to be of the same force and effect as the original manually executed document.

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**JJ. DEFICIENCY JUDGMENTS.** Anything contained in IC 32-29-7-5 to the contrary notwithstanding, no waiver made by Borrower in this Instrument or in any of the other terms and provisions of the Note or the Loan Documents shall constitute the consideration for or be deemed to be a waiver or release by Lender or any judgment holder of the Indebtedness by the Lender of the right to seek a deficiency judgment against Borrower or any other Person who may be personally liable for the Indebtedness, which right to seek a deficiency judgment is hereby reserved, preserved and retained by Lender for its own behalf and its successors and assigns.

**KK. MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF INDEBTEDNESS.** Notwithstanding anything contained in this Instrument to the contrary, this Instrument shall secure: (1) a maximum principal amount not to exceed two hundred percent (200%) of the original principal amount of the Note, set forth on the first page of this Instrument, exclusive of any items described in clause (2) below, including any additional advances made from time to time after the date hereof pursuant to the Note and other Loan Documents whether made as part of the Indebtedness or made at the option of Lender; (2) all other amounts payable by Borrower, or advanced by Lender for the account, or on behalf, of Borrower, pursuant to the Note and Loan Documents, including amounts advanced with respect to the Mortgaged Property for the payment of Taxes, assessments, insurance premiums and other costs and impositions incurred for the protection of the Mortgaged Property to the same extent as if the future obligations and advances were made on the date of execution of this Instrument; and (3) future modifications, extensions, and renewals of any Note or the Indebtedness. Pursuant to IC 32-29-1-10, the lien of this Instrument with respect to any future advances, modifications, extensions, and renewals referred to herein and made from time to time shall have the same priority to which this Instrument otherwise would be entitled as of the date this Instrument is executed and recorded without regard to the fact that any such future advance, modification, extension, or renewal may occur after this Instrument is executed. The maximum principal amount is stated herein for the purpose of any applicable laws pertaining to future advances and is not deemed a commitment by Lender to make any future advances.

**LL. WAIVER OF TRIAL BY JURY. BORROWER AND LENDER EACH (A) COVENANTS AND AGREES NOT TO ELECT A TRIAL BY JURY WITH RESPECT TO ANY ISSUE ARISING OUT OF THIS INSTRUMENT OR THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PARTIES AS BORROWER AND LENDER THAT IS TRIABLE OF RIGHT BY A JURY AND (B) WAIVES ANY RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY WITH RESPECT TO SUCH ISSUE TO THE EXTENT THAT ANY SUCH RIGHT EXISTS NOW OR IN THE FUTURE. THIS WAIVER OF RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IS SEPARATELY GIVEN BY EACH PARTY, KNOWINGLY AND VOLUNTARILY WITH THE BENEFIT OF COMPETENT LEGAL COUNSEL.**

**ATTACHED EXHIBIT.** The following Exhibit is attached to this Instrument:

Exhibit "A"	Description of the Land
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THIS MORTGAGE SECURES A FIXED RATE PROMISSORY NOTE. THIS MORTGAGE IS A FIRST MORTGAGE. NO FURTHER ENCUMBRANCES MAY BE RECORDED AGAINST THE MORTGAGED PROPERTY WITHOUT THE PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT OF LENDER. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS PROVISION SHALL CONSTITUTE AN EVENT OF DEFAULT AND AT LENDER'S OPTION THE LOAN SHALL IMMEDIATELY BECOME DUE AND PAYABLE. CONSENT TO ONE FURTHER ENCUMBRANCE SHALL NOT BE DEEMED TO BE A WAIVER OF THE RIGHT TO REQUIRE SUCH CONSENT TO FUTURE OR SUCCESSIVE ENCUMBRANCES.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** Borrower has signed and delivered this Instrument under seal (where applicable) or has caused this Instrument to be signed and delivered by its duly authorized representative under seal (where applicable). Where applicable law so provides or allows, Borrower intends that this Instrument shall be deemed to be signed and delivered as a sealed instrument.

**SIGNATURE(S) ON FOLLOWING PAGE(S)**



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**BORROWER:**

**GULA LLC,**  
an Indiana limited liability company

By: 

**ZBIGNIEW GULA,**  
Authorized Signer

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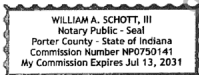
State of Indiana )  
County of LAKE ) ss.

On 16TH FEBRUARY, 2024, before me, WILLIAM A SCHOTT III, (judge or justice, as the case may be), personally appeared **ZBIGNIEW GULA**,

personally known to me - OR -

proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence

to be the person(s) who executed the within instrument as **Authorized Signer** on behalf of **GULA LLC, an Indiana limited liability company**, the limited liability company therein named, and acknowledged to me that the limited liability company executed the same for the purposes therein stated.



Place Notary Seal and/or Any Stamp Above

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

Signature of Officer

William A Schott III, Notary

Other Required Information (Printed Name of Notary, Residence, etc.)

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*PREPARED BY, AND AFTER RECORDING  
RETURN TO:*

FIRST AMERICAN MORTGAGE SOLUTIONS  
1795 International Way  
Idaho Falls, ID 83402  
Attn: C/O Lima One: MS: 148-C

This instrument was prepared by Colby Hughes.

I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security number in this document, unless required by law.

Name: Colby Hughes

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## LEGAL DESCRIPTION

**Order No.:** NW124004735

**Property Address:** 5415 Delaware St, Merrillville, IN 46410

**For APN/Parcel ID(s):** 45-12-03-128-002.000-031

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Lot Numbered 8 in Block G in Meadowland Manor Unit 2, in the Town of Merrillville, as per plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 31, Page 97 in the Office of the Recorder of Lake County, Indiana.

Property of Lake County Recorder