

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE AND APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE

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INSTRUMENT BEING FORECLOSED AND MORTGAGE SERVICER INFORMATION

Deed of Trust dated June 05, 2019 and recorded under Clerk's File No. 2019-95523, in the real property records of Hardin County Texas, with Michael Slayton, a single man as Grantor(s) and Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as beneficiary, as nominee for Citizens Bank, N.A., A National Banking Association, its successors and assigns as Original Mortgagee.

Deed of Trust executed by Michael Slayton, a single man securing payment of the indebtedness in the original principal amount of \$168,275.00 and obligation therein described including but not limited to the promissory note and all modifications, renewal and extensions of the promissory note (the "Note") executed by Michael Slayton. Citizens Bank, N.A. is the current mortgagee (the "Mortgagee") of the Note and Deed of Trust or Contract Lien.

The Mortgage Servicer is authorized to represent the Mortgagee by virtue of a servicing agreement with the Mortgagee. Pursuant to the Servicing Agreement and Texas Property Code 51.0025, the Mortgage Servicer is authorized to collect the debt and to administer any resulting foreclosure of the property securing the above referenced loan. Citizens Bank, N.A. is acting as the Mortgage Servicer for the Mortgagee. Citizens Bank, N.A., is representing the Mortgagee, whose address is: PO BOX 2800, Glen Allen, VA 23058.

Legal Description:

BEING THE SOUTH 2/3 OF LOT NO. 8 AND ALL LOTS 9, 10, AND 11, BLOCK 3, GRIFFIN TOWNSITE ADDITION TO THE TOWN OF SILSBEE, HARDIN COUNTY, TEXAS, LOCATED ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT OF SAID GRIFFIN TOWNSITE, RECORDED IN VOLUME 2, PAGE 21 OF THE PLAT RECORDS OF HARDIN COUNTY, TEXAS AND ALL OF TRACT TWO WHICH WAS CONVEYED BY A. D. ASHWORTH AND WIFE, CLARA B. ASHWORTH TO TERRELL BUCHANAN BY DEED RECORDED IN VOLUME 249, PAGE 509 OF THE DEED RECORDS OF HARDIN COUNTY, TEXAS, LESS HOWEVER, THE 0.297 ACRE, MORE OR LESS, A PART THEREOF WHICH WAS CONVEYED BY TERRELL BUCHANAN AND WIFE, MARTHA B. BUCHANAN.

SALE INFORMATION

Date of Sale: 08/05/2025

Earliest Time Sale Will Begin: 10:00 AM

Location of Sale: The place of the sale shall be: Hardin County Courthouse, Texas at the following location: Commissioners' Courtroom area of the Hardin County Courthouse, with east entrance of courthouse as alternate site, or if the preceding area is no longer the designated area, at the area most recently designated by the County Commissioner's Court

TERMS OF SALE

A default has occurred in the payment of said herein referenced indebtedness, and the same is now wholly due, and the Mortgagee and/or Mortgage Servicer has requested the hereinafter appointed Substitute Trustee to sell said property to the highest bidder for cash and to distribute or apply the proceeds of said sale in accordance with the terms of said Deed of Trust.

The Sale will be conducted as a public auction to the highest bidder for cash, except that Mortgagee's bid may be by credit against the indebtedness secured by the lien of the Deed of Trust. Pursuant to the Deed of Trust, the



mortgagee has the right to direct the Trustee to sell the property in one or more parcels and/or to sell all or only part of the property. Pursuant to Section 51.009 of the Texas Property Code, the Property will be sold in "AS IS," "WHERE IS" condition, without any express or implied warranties, except as to the warranties of title, if any, provided for under the Deed of Trust.

The sale will begin at the earliest time stated above, or within three (3) hours after that time. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the funds paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

THIS INSTRUMENT APPOINTS THE SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEE(S) IDENTIFIED TO SELL THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED IN THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT IDENTIFIED IN THIS NOTICE OF SALE. THE PERSON SIGNING THIS NOTICE IS THE ATTORNEY OR AUTHORIZED AGENT OF THE MORTGAGEE OR MORTGAGE SERVICER.

WHEREAS, in my capacity as attorney for the Mortgagee and/or Its Mortgage Servicer, and pursuant to Section 51.0076 of the Texas Property Code, **I HEREBY APPOINT AND DESIGNATE Tommy Jackson, Keata Smith, Stephanie Hernandez, Margie Allen, Angelia Brooks, Thomas Delaney, Danya Gladney, Aaron Demuth, Codilis & Moody, P.C., or ASAP, as Substitute Trustee.**

The address for the Substitute Trustee for purposes of Section 51.0075(e) of the Texas Property Code is:
Codilis & Moody, P.C.
20405 State Highway 249, Suite 170
Houston, TX 77070
(281) 925-5200

Executed on June 30, 2025.

/s/ Will Morphis SBOT No. 24131905, Attorney at Law
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