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by and between

AUTO MALL DEVELOPMENT, INC.

and

LLH Vision ENTERPRISES

d/b/a ASAP SIGNS

AUTO HALL DEVELOPMENT, INC.  
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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

LEASE AGREEMENT

COUNTY OF DURHAM

THIS LEASE AGREEMENT, made and entered into this 20 day of December, 1991, by and between Auto Mall Development, Inc., whose address is 701 Morreene Road, Durham, North Carolina 27705 (hereinafter referred to as "Landlord") and LLH VISION ENTERPRISES, INC d/b/a ASAP Signs (hereinafter referred to as "Tenant");

W I T N E S S E T H :

Landlord hereby lets to Tenant and Tenant hereby rents from Landlord the Premises (as defined in Paragraph 1) intending to be legally bound under this Lease and in consideration of \$1.00 and other good and valuable consideration, Landlord and Tenant hereby agree with each other as follows:

1. BASIC LEASE SCHEDULE.

The following terms and definitions shall be applicable to the various provisions of this Lease which refers to them and should the provisions of this paragraph conflict with any other provision hereof, then such later provision shall control.

A. TENANT'S TRADE NAME: ASAP Signs

B. TENANT'S ADDRESS:

C. SHOPPING CENTER: The Triangle Village Auto Mall located on that certain parcel of land more particularly described in Exhibit A.

D. PREMISES: Premises leased (as defined in Paragraph 2), hereinafter called "Premises", consists of the space highlighted on Exhibit B, containing approximately 1240 square feet of gross leasable area, and also shown as space letter "H" 1000', including any alterations, additions, or repairs made thereof. The frontage of the Premises measures approximately 20' and the depth measures approximately 62'.

E. LEASE TERM: The Lease Term shall commence upon the earlier of occupancy of the Premises by Tenant, or on the Commencement Date, as defined in Paragraph 4, and shall expire at Midnight on the last day of the same month, 8 ~~years~~ months from the commencement date. EH

F. PERMITTED USES: The sole and exclusive use of the Premises is for a Sign Shop

G. RENT

Tenant shall pay to Landlord in the manner prescribed in Paragraph 5(A), the Minimum Annual Rent for each year of the Lease as listed below, said rent to be payable in equal monthly installments:

Year 1: \$ _____; \$ <u>620</u> /mo.	Year 6: \$ <u>N/A</u> ; \$ <u>N/A</u> /mo.
Year 2: \$ <u>N/A</u> ; \$ <u>N/A</u> /mo.	Year 7: \$ _____; \$ _____ /mo.
Year 3: \$ _____; \$ _____ /mo.	Year 8: \$ _____; \$ _____ /mo.
Year 4: \$ _____; \$ _____ /mo.	Year 9: \$ _____; \$ _____ /mo.
Year 5: \$ _____; \$ _____ /mo.	Year 10: \$ _____; \$ _____ /mo.

(For years beyond the lease term indicate "N/A".)

~~plus Percentage Rent (if applicable) for each year in the manner prescribed in Paragraph 5(B) based upon the following Percentage of Gross Sales:~~

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~~Percentage of Gross Sales: \_\_\_\_\_ Percent ( \_\_\_ %)~~

~~Percentage Rent Sales Threshold: \_\_\_\_\_~~

H. OPERATING EXPENSES CHARGES:

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~~Common Area Maintenance, including taxes, and insurance shall be estimated at: \_\_\_\_\_ /S.F.; payable in equal monthly installments of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$ \_\_\_\_\_), and shall be subject to adjustment as specified in Paragraph 11.~~

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I. SECURITY DEPOSIT: \$ 620

J. ADVANCE RENTAL: \$ 620

K. MINIMUM HOURS OF OPERATION: 8:30 A.M. - 5:30 P.M. MONDAY - FRIDAY

~~L. MARKETING FUND:~~

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~~N. GRAND OPENING CHARGE:~~

O. GUARANTOR:

P. ADDRESSES FOR NOTICES:

TO LANDLORD:  
Louis Goetz  
AUTO MALL DEVELOPMENT, INC.  
701 MORRENE RD.  
DURHAM, NC 27705

TO TENANT:  
ASAC SIGN  
2105 E. Hwy 51  
Durham NC 27713

TO GUARANTOR: Tenant  
2000 Hubert

TO MORTGAGEE:  
LARRY C. ARK

2. DEFINITIONS.

A. "Building" and "Shopping Center". Building and/or Shopping Center shall mean and refer to that Shopping Center development in which Premises are situated, described in Exhibit A.

B. "Premises" shall mean the property let to Tenant as described in Paragraph 1. The Premises shall be measured from the exterior faces of all exterior walls and from the center line of demising walls. The Landlord reserves to itself the use of the exterior walls and roof, and the right to install, maintain, use and repair pipes, ducts, conduits, vents and wires leading in, through, over, or under the Premises.

C. "Lease Year" as used herein is defined to mean a period of twelve (12) consecutive full calendar months. If the Lease Term shall commence on a day other than the first day of a calendar month, it shall be considered a partial month. AT Landlord's election, the "Lease Year" shall mean any twelve (12) month period selected by Landlord. If by such election the period prior to the first "Lease Year" is longer than a month, then this period shall be deemed a "Partial Lease Year". Minimum Rent, Percentage Rent and Additional rent shall be prorated for the partial months or partial lease years.

D. "Common Areas" means the entire Shopping Center except the portions of the Shopping Center upon which buildings, structures or other improvements have been erected for lease and except areas designated for other uses by Landlord.

E. "Gross Sales" shall mean and refer to the dollar amount of all sales of merchandise and services, all revenues of every kind, less sales tax, derived from the business conducted at or from Premises by Tenant. The dollar value of bona fide refunds or credit, granted for return of merchandise, shall be charged as a credit in reduction of the Gross Sales, for the period within which such refunds shall have been made. For the purpose of the foregoing, all credit sales shall be included in Gross Sales for the month of sale.

F. "Pro Rata Share" means the portion that the floor area of the Premises bears to the floor area of all the rentable space of the buildings (excluding common areas) situated in the Shopping Center.

G. "Gross Leasable Area" shall mean all building areas normally rented to Tenants and shall exclude the common areas.

3. REVISION OF EXHIBIT B: It is understood and agreed that the Site Plan attached hereto as Exhibit B is preliminary and that prior to the Commencement Date Landlord may revise said Site Plan and change the site of Tenant's Premises so long as such change does not unreasonably affect the Tenant's Premises. It is further understood that after the Commencement Date, Landlord may modify that Site Plan without Tenant's consent, so long as such modification does not unreasonably affect the use of Tenant's Premises. Tenant does not rely on the fact, nor does Landlord represent, that any specific Tenant, user occupant or number of Tenants shall, during the term of this Lease, occupy any space in

4. TERM

MARCH 1, 1992

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A. The term of this Lease shall commence on the earlier to occur of (a) the thirtieth day next following Delivery of Possession, or (b) the date Tenant opens its store in the Premises for business. The term shall expire on the date designated in paragraph 1. The date upon which the term herein commences is referred to as the "Commencement Date".

5. RENT AND OTHER CHARGES.

A. Minimum Annual Rent. Throughout the term of this Lease, Tenant shall pay Minimum Annual Rent in monthly installments to Landlord in the rate and amount specified in Paragraph 1. Each installment shall be due the first day of each month in advance without notice or demand. The first installment of rent shall be due on the Commencement Date. If Commencement Date is not the first day of any month, Minimum Rent for that month shall be one-thirtieth of a normal monthly rent payment for each day from Commencement Date to the end of the month.

B. Percentage Rent. ~~Tenant shall pay Percentage Rent to the Landlord. Percentage Rent shall be payable without notice of demand in addition to Minimum Annual Rent and all other charges payable under this Lease. Percentage Rent shall be equal to the extent to which the dollar amount of Percentage of Gross Sales (designated in paragraph 1) for any Lease Year exceeds Minimum Annual Rent payable with respect to that Lease Year. Percentage Rent shall be paid within thirty days after the end of each Lease Year.~~

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~~However, if the Percentage of Gross Sales for the first six months of any Lease Year exceeds the Minimum Annual Rent paid during the six month period, Tenant shall pay Landlord an interim payment equal to the excess. The interim payment shall be paid within thirty days after the expiration of each such six month period. The interim payment shall be credited against Tenant's obligation under this Section. If the amount of the annual Percentage Rent is less than an interim payment, Landlord shall refund the difference to Tenant within ten days after receipt of Tenant's annual statement of Gross Sales.~~

~~Percentage Rent shall be computed separately with respect to each Lease Year. There shall be no carry-backs or carry forwards with respect to any Lease Year.~~

D. Other Charges. Tenant shall also pay monthly in advance such other charges as specified in Paragraph 1 for Common Area Maintenance, and any other matter. These charges are all additional rent and shall be paid without notice or demand.

E. Additional Rent. As provided in this Lease, when Tenant is required to make any payment to Landlord, such payment shall be deemed to be additional rent and all remedies applicable to the nonpayment of rent shall be applicable thereto. Such additional rent shall not be deemed to be Minimum Annual Rent nor deducted from Percentage Rent nor considered in connection with the computation of Percentage Rent. All rent and/or additional rent shall be paid without counterclaim, set-off, deduction or defense.

restore to the Security Deposit all amounts so applied upon invoice. If Tenant shall fully perform each provision of this Lease, any portion of the Security Deposit which has not been appropriated by Landlord in accordance with the provisions hereof shall be returned to Tenant without interest within thirty (30) days after the expiration of the full stated term of this Lease.

G. Advance Rental. Before delivery of Premises to the Tenant, Tenant shall deliver to the Landlord the "Advance Rental" in the amount specified in Paragraph 1, the same to be held as security for the performance by Tenant of all obligations imposed under this Lease which Tenant is required to perform prior to the commencement of this term. If Tenant shall fail to perform such obligations, Landlord shall be entitled to apply this Advance Rental without interest, pro tanto, against any damages which it may sustain by reason of Tenant's failure to perform such obligations, but such application shall not preclude Landlord from recovering greater damages if the same can be established. Otherwise, if Tenant shall faithfully perform all such obligations, then the Advance Rental shall be applied without interest, pro tanto, by Landlord against the Minimum Rental first becoming due hereunder. No right or remedy available to Landlord as provided in this paragraph shall preclude or extinguish any other right of remedy which Landlord may be entitled to pursue.

H. Payment of Rent. Tenant shall pay all rent when due and payable, without any setoff, deduction or prior demand therefor whatsoever. If Tenant shall fail to pay any rent within seven (7) days after the same is due, Tenant shall be obligated to pay a late payment charge equal to the greater of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or ten percent (10%) of any rent payment not paid when due to reimburse Landlord for its additional administrative costs. In addition, any rent which is not paid within seven (7) days after the same is due shall bear interest at the default rate of 12% from the first day due until paid. Any payment by Tenant or acceptance by Landlord of a lesser amount than shall be due from Tenant to Landlord shall be treated as a payment on account. The acceptance by Landlord of a check for a lesser amount with an endorsement or statement thereon, or upon any letter accompanying such check, that such lesser amount is payment in full shall be given no effect, and Landlord may accept such check without prejudice to any other rights or remedies which Landlord may have against Tenant.

## 6. CONSTRUCTION AND DELIVERY OF POSSESSION.

A. Landlord's Work. Landlord shall, at its own expense, construct or cause to be constructed the building of which the Premises is a part and shall perform the work to the Premises described as Landlord's Work (sometimes referred to as "Landlord's Construction") in Exhibit C attached hereto and made a part hereof. It is expressly understood and agreed that Landlord's obligation with respect to construction of the Premises shall be limited solely to the scope of work described as Landlord's Work in Exhibit C and shall in no event include the performance, procurement and/or installation of those items of work, fixtures or equipment which are to be performed, procured or installed by Tenant.

B. Delivery of Possession. Landlord shall notify Tenant at least ten (10) days prior to completion of Landlord's Work,

independently of any construction or installation required to be performed by Tenant. The certification of Landlord's architect that Landlord's Work has been substantially completed in accordance with Exhibit C shall be deemed conclusive and binding upon the parties hereto. Under no circumstances shall Landlord be liable to Tenant for any damages which may be caused by any delay in commencing or completing its construction of the Premises or for a total failure to complete same. Following delivery of possession of the Premises to Tenant and Tenant's completion of any construction or installation necessary to permit Landlord to complete Landlord's Construction of the Premises, Landlord will carry forward its construction to completion. The failure by Tenant to give notice within thirty (30) days of the delivery of possession of the Premises specifying in detail those items of Landlord's Work which are not then substantially completed shall be deemed conclusive that Tenant has accepted the Premises with all items of Landlord's Work substantially completed. Before a key is turned over to the Tenant, the Tenant shall have converted the utilities services into Tenants name. If such conversion is not possible at this time, due to the utility company's inability, then the Tenant shall reimburse the Landlord for these costs following Delivery of Possession.

C. Tenant's Work. Upon delivery of possession of the Premises by Landlord, Tenant will proceed with due diligence, at its own expense, to perform all work and supply all installations described as Tenant's work (the "Tenant's Work") in Exhibit D attached hereto and made a part hereof, and to fully equip the Premises with all trade fixtures, lighting fixtures, furniture, furnishings, floor and wall coverings, exterior signs, any special equipment and other items of construction and personal property necessary for the completion of the Premises and the proper operation of Tenant's business therein. Tenant's Work shall be performed with materials of good quality and in a proper workmanlike manner, and all items installed by Tenant in the Premises shall be new unless with the prior written consent of Landlord. Tenant shall not do any construction work or alterations, nor shall Tenant install any equipment other than trade fixtures and personal property without first obtaining Landlord's written approval of the plans and specifications therefore in accordance with Exhibits C and D. The approval by Landlord of such plans and specifications shall not constitute the assumption of any liability on the part of the Landlord for their accuracy or their conformity with requirements of any building code, or other municipal or governmental regulation or ordinance, and Tenant shall be solely responsible for such plans and specifications. Prior to commencement of any work upon the Premises by Tenant, Tenant shall deliver to Landlord a certificate of Public liability and property damage insurance of a type and with the limits as shall be reasonably acceptable to Landlord, naming Landlord as additional insured, and evidence of Workman's Compensation and Builder's Risk coverage in such amounts as are required by law and are acceptable to Landlord.

D. Rights of Entry. Tenant may enter the Premises before Landlord's Work is completed for the purpose of inspecting the Premises and making measurements. When Landlord's Work has progressed sufficiently to permit Tenant to perform Tenant's Work without interfering with Landlord's Work (but prior to Delivery of Possession), Tenant may install its store fixtures and perform

Upon Delivery of Possession, Tenant shall begin to perform Tenant's Work and any other work necessary to prepare the Premises for the opening of Tenant's store to the public; and Tenant's Work shall be prosecuted diligently. During the period between Delivery of Possession and the Commencement Date, Tenant shall also install its fixtures and equipment, and stock the Premises with suitable merchandise. All entry on the Premises by Tenant, and all work done by Tenant, shall be done at Tenant's sole risk. All work performed by Tenant shall be performed in accordance with good construction practices, applicable legal requirements and insurance requirements. Tenant agrees to comply with all of Landlord's construction and labor regulations.

From and after Delivery of Possession Landlord may re-enter the Premises to complete any portion of Landlord's work which has not yet been completed. During the period of such re-entry, Landlord shall not unreasonably interfere with any work being performed or to be performed by Tenant.

#### 7. RECORDS AND REPORTS.

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~~A. Tenant, during the term of this Lease, shall maintain and keep at Tenant's home office a full, complete and accurate permanent record and account of all sales of merchandise and services and all sums of money paid or payable for or on account of or arising out of the business and all business transactions conducted at or from Premises by or for the account of Tenant, for each day of the Term hereof. Records are to be maintained in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Landlord shall have the right, at any reasonable time to examine such books and records (including all tax returns) or have them audited, at the Landlord's expense, except that if any such examination or audit discloses a deficiency of more than two percent (2%), in any annual statement of gross sales theretofore furnished by Tenant to Landlord, then Tenant shall pay the actual cost of such examination or audit. Tenant shall immediately pay any deficiency in Percentage Rent disclosed by such audit. Landlord shall also have the right, at its option, to terminate this lease in the event that Tenant's Gross Sales show a 2% or more deficient for more than one lease year.~~

B. Within ten (10) days after the end of each calendar month, during the term of this Lease, the Tenant shall submit to the Landlord an accurate written statement, signed by Tenant, showing the full amount of Gross Sales of the Tenant during the immediately preceding month. Within thirty (30) days after the end of each Lease Year or Partial Lease Year, Tenant shall furnish to the Landlord a statement duly certified by Tenant showing the gross sales made during the immediately preceding Lease Year or Partial Lease Year. Tenant shall at the same time pay the full balance of the Percentage Rental due, for said Lease Year. Any excess of Percentage Rental, that tenant may have paid monthly during such Lease Year shall be refunded. Each Lease Year shall be construed as an independent accounting period for the purpose of computing the amount of Percentage Rental.

#### 8. USES AND OPERATION; BUSINESS HOURS.

Tenant shall use the Premises for the uses designated as permitted uses and under the trade name specified in Paragraph 1 and for no other purpose without Landlord's written consent.

market. The Landlord does not warrant or make any representation that the Tenant will have the exclusive right to sell any items or services in this Shopping Center.

Tenant shall cause its business to be conducted and operated in good faith and in such manner as shall assure the transaction of a maximum volume of business in and at the Premises. Tenant covenants and agrees to remain open for business at least during the store hours and such additional hours as shall be determined by Landlord. If Tenant shall fail to operate during all hours determined by Landlord, in addition to constituting an Event of Default hereunder, Tenant shall be required to pay for each hour that Tenant shall fail to be open liquidated damages of \$50.00. If Tenant shall request Landlord's approval of the opening of the Premises for business for periods exceeding those specified in Paragraph 1, and Landlord shall approve such request, Tenant shall pay for any additional costs incurred by Landlord in connection with Tenant's opening the Premises for business during such additional hours, including but not limited to, any additional amounts of Landlord's Operating Costs, additional costs of heating and ventilating and air conditioning the Common Areas and the Premises, and additional utilities furnished to the Premises by Landlord.

Tenant acknowledges that it is Landlord's intent that the Shopping Center be operated in a manner which is consistent with the highest standards of decency and morals prevailing in the community which it serves. Toward that end, Tenant agrees that it will not sell, distribute, display or offer for sale any items which, in Landlord's good faith judgment, is inconsistent with the quality of operation of the Shopping Center or may tend to injure or detract from the moral character or image of the Shopping Center within such community. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Tenant will not sell, distribute, display or offer for sale (i) any roach clip, water pipe, bong, toke, coke spoon, cigarette papers, hypodermic syringe or other paraphernalia commonly used in the use or ingestion of illicit drugs, or (ii) any pornographic, lewd, suggestive, or "adult" newspaper, book, magazine, film, picture, representation or merchandise of any kind.

#### 9. USE OF COMMON AREAS.

A. Subject to Landlord's regulations, Tenant in common with other tenants of Landlord and any designee of Landlord, shall have the nonexclusive right of use of the Common Areas of the Shopping Center. Tenant, its subtenants, successors and assigns shall not solicit business or display merchandise in any of the common areas or distribute hand bills or any other advertising matter therein. Landlord shall have at all time right to control and manage the Common Areas and without limitation of Landlord's rights, Landlord may close all or any portion of the Common Areas, including the parking areas to such an extent as may be necessary in the opinion of the Landlord. Landlord may prohibit parking, passage of motor vehicles in areas previously designated for parking or passage and may erect additional buildings or common areas or change the location of the buildings, structures and other areas.

B. Tenant's employees shall park only in the areas designated, from time to time, by Landlord as employee parking

parking areas. Nothing herein shall be construed to require that Landlord furnish parking for Tenant or Tenant's employees.

C. Landlord may, at its sole discretion and without the consent of Tenant, amend the Plot Plan attached hereto as Exhibit B and construct additional buildings and change, alter, remodel or remove any of the improvements in Shopping Center, or alter, change or add to building, close off, modify the size or change the location of the windows or doors in or about the Premises, Shopping Center or building, alter, remodel or change the storefront of Premises. In addition, Landlord may at any time, temporarily close any common area to make repairs or changes therein, or to effect construction, repairs or changes within the Shopping Center, and may do such other acts in and to the common areas, as in its judgment may be desirable to improve the convenience or safety thereof. Landlord agrees that any changes allowed by this paragraph will not severely impede access to or visibility of Tenant's business. Landlord also may convey portions of the Shopping Center to others for the purpose of constructing thereon other buildings or improvements, including additions thereto and alterations thereof.

#### 10. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR.

A. Landlord, at its sole cost and expense, shall maintain and keep in reasonable repair the roof, exterior and supporting walls, the electrical wiring, the water line and the sanitary sewer to the Premises. Provided, however, that the cost of any such repairs, as a result of negligence of willful act of Tenant, its customers, licensees, agents or employees, shall be borne by Tenant. Tenant, at its sole cost and expense, shall promptly repair, and at all times maintain in good condition, the storefront, signage, and interior of said Premises, including store fixtures, store equipment, electrical fixtures and equipment, electrical installation, plumbing equipment and fixtures, machinery, hardware, interior painting or decorations, doors, door hardware, window or plate glass, and heating, ventilating, and air conditioning equipment. Tenant, at its sole cost and expense, agrees to employ during the term of this Lease a suitable contractor ~~approved by Landlord~~ to perform Tenant's obligations for maintenance of the heating, cooling and ventilating units of the Premises, including at least semiannual inspections and cleaning of the system together with such servicing as each such inspection discloses or as shall be reasonable required by Landlord.

B. Landlord shall not be liable for any damages resulting from its failure to make repairs, unless such failure continues beyond a reasonable time after receipt of written notice of the necessity of such repairs. Tenant exonerates Landlord from any liability for damage Tenant may suffer as a result of bursting or leaking pipes or leaking roofs.

C. If any repairs, required to be made by Tenant hereunder, are not made immediately and completed within ten (10) days, or in case of emergency, if said repairs are not made immediately, Landlord, without limiting any other right or remedy, may at its option make such repairs, without liability to Tenant for any loss or damage which may result to its stock or business by reason of such repairs; and Tenant shall pay to Landlord, upon demand, the cost of such repairs.

modifications shall become the property of the Landlord at the end of the Lease Term, subject to the other provisions of this Lease. Landlord shall have the right to require Tenant, or charge Tenant, to restore the Premises to its original condition, including repairing structural changes.

E. Tenant shall keep the Premises clean, orderly, sanitary, and free from objectional odors and from termites, insects, vermin, and other pests. Live animals of any kind may not be kept upon or about the Premises except for the business purposes of Tenant, for which Landlord shall have given express written permission. Any program of extermination, and the company or person performing the same, shall be subject to Landlord's approval.

F. Tenant shall perform all loading and unloading of goods only at such times, in the areas, and through such entrances as may be designated for such purposes by Landlord. Trailers and/or trucks servicing the Premises shall follow such routes in the Shopping Center, as are designated by Landlord, and shall remain parked in designated areas of the Shopping Center, as required by Landlord.

G. Tenant shall comply with the Rules and Regulations of Landlord as set forth in Exhibit E and as amended by Landlord from time to time.

H. All trade fixtures in Premises supplied by Tenant shall remain the property of Tenant and Tenant shall have the right to remove same from Premises during the Term or within five (5) days next following the date of termination of this Lease (except those permanently attached, including lighting, carpet), provided Tenant is not in default of any of the terms of this Lease, further that Tenant, at its sole cost and expense, shall repair or reimburse Landlord for the cost of repairing any and all damage to the Premises, resulting from the removal of such trade fixtures. Anything left after five (5) days shall become property of Landlord, at Landlord's option.

#### 11. OPERATING EXPENSE CHARGE.

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~~In addition to and separate from the Minimum Rent, Percentage Rent and any other charges, the Tenant shall pay to the Landlord as additional rent, Tenant's pro rata share (as herein set forth) of the Operating Expense Charge. Further, that amount in Paragraph 1 consisting in the aggregate of all Common Area Maintenance costs and Taxes shall be adjusted annually at the end of the Landlord's fiscal year as provided for below. For purposes of this Lease, the following will describe and define the Operating Expense Charge.~~

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~~A. COMMON AREA MAINTENANCE — The Landlord will operate and maintain or will cause to be operated and maintained, the Common Area. Landlord's operating costs shall mean all costs and expenses of operating and maintaining the common facilities in a manner deemed by Landlord to be reasonable and appropriate for the best interest of the Shopping Center. Also, Landlord's operating costs shall include costs for any services, furnished by Landlord for the non-exclusive use of all Tenants, all salaries, all insurance costs, structural repairs and replacements for common areas, and any other charges deemed appropriate by the Landlord.~~

~~B. Taxes- The word Taxes, as used herein, shall mean all taxes, assessments, impositions, levys, charges, excises, fees, licenses, and other sums levied, assessed, charged, or imposed by any governmental authority or other taxing authority, or which accrue on the Shopping Center for each of the Landlord's fiscal years (or portion thereof) during the term of this Lease, including, without limitation, all costs and expenses incurred by the Landlord in contesting or seeking to reduce the amount of the taxes, all penalties, interest and other charges.~~

~~C. Pro Rata Share- The Tenant will initially pay the amounts as shown in Paragraph 1. At the end of each of Landlord's fiscal years, the Landlord will give Tenant notice of the total amount (s) paid by Tenant for the relevant fiscal year together with the actual amount of Tenant's pro rata share of the Operating Expenses Charge for each fiscal year. If Tenant's share exceeds the aggregate amount previously paid by Tenant for such period, then Tenant shall pay to the Landlord the deficiency within ten (10) days following notice from the Landlord; any overpayment will be refunded to the Tenant within ten (10) days. The Landlord may adjust the amounts shown in Paragraph 1 at the beginning of Landlord's fiscal year based on budgeted expenses and the Tenant's estimated pro rata share for such fiscal year.~~

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~~D. Marketing Fund- Landlord will establish a Marketing Fund for the Shopping Center to conduct sales promotions, center-wide advertising and related activities intended to promote the Shopping Center. Tenant agrees to pay that amount in Paragraph 1 to the Marketing Fund and this charge will be increased as shown in Paragraph 1 lease year. Tenant also agrees to pay Landlord a non-recurring initial contribution, within ten (10) days of demand thereof, that amount as specified in Paragraph 1, regardless of whether Tenant opens on the grand opening date of the Shopping Center or on a subsequent date. All monies received by Landlord under Paragraph 1 shall be used solely for the purpose of advertising, promotions, and related expenses. The Landlord hereby agrees to pay 25% of that amount paid by Tenant to the Marketing Fund in any lease year and Landlord agrees to provide management personnel to direct all advertising and promotions, sufficient secretarial services, utilities, supplies, telephone and all equipment necessary for the efficient operation of the Marketing Fund, however, said costs are considered administrative expenses and therefore will be deducted from Landlord's contribution. All personnel and all advertising and promotion expenditures and decisions shall be under the exclusive control of the Landlord.~~

## 12. Insurance

A. At all times after the execution of this Lease, Tenant will carry and maintain, at its expense a non-deductible:

(i) public liability insurance policy, including, but not limited to, insurance against assumed or contractual liability under this Lease, with respect to the Premises, to afford protection with limits on a combined single limit basis of not less than \$1,000,000 with respect to personal injury, death, and/or property damage;

(ii) all-risks property and casualty

and

(iii) if and to the extent required by law, workmen's compensation or similar insurance in form and amounts required by law.

B. Tenant shall require any contractor performing work on the Premises to carry and maintain, at no expense to Landlord, a non-deductible comprehensive general liability insurance, including, but not limited to, contractor's liability coverage, contractual liability coverage, completed operations coverage, broad form property damage endorsement and contractor's protective liability coverage, of not less than Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000) with respect to personal injury or death, and One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) with respect to property damage; and workmen's compensation or similar insurance in form and amounts as required by law.

C. Tenant agrees to give Landlord prompt notice of any accidents or occurrences subject to coverage by its insurance, or the Landlord's insurance. Tenant agrees to be responsible for property damage or liability arising out of its operation, whether covered by its insurance or not.

D. Tenant agrees not to do anything which will void the Landlord's insurance or cause the premiums to increase. In the event that the Landlord's insurance premiums are increased, as a result of the Tenant's occupancy, then the Tenant agrees to pay, if full, that increase in premium caused by its occupancy.

E. Tenant agrees to carry such other forms and types of insurance, as may be required by the Landlord. Tenant further agrees to provide evidence of all insurance required under this paragraph, in such form or forms as may be required by the Landlord. Tenant agrees to have its insurance policies endorsed to provide thirty (30) days advance notice of cancellation or material change be provided to the Landlord prior to termination of its coverage.

F. The company or companies writing any insurance which Tenant is required to carry and maintain or cause to be carried or maintained pursuant to this Paragraph as well as the form of such insurance shall at all times be subject to Landlord's approval and any such company or companies shall be licensed to do business in the State in which the Premises are located. Public liability and all-risks property and casualty insurance policies evidencing such insurance shall name Landlord or its designee as additional insured and shall also contain a provision by which the insurer agrees that such policy shall not be canceled except after thirty (30) days' written notice to Landlord or its designee. Each such policy, or a certificate thereof, shall be deposited with Landlord by Tenant promptly upon commencement of Tenant's obligation to procure the same. If Tenant shall fail to perform any of its obligations under this paragraph, Landlord may perform the same and the cost of same shall be deemed Additional Rental and shall be payable upon Landlord's demand.

### 13. LANDLORD'S RELEASE FROM DAMAGE.

A. Tenant covenants and agrees not to hold

tornado, gas, steam, electric wiring, sprinkler system, plumbing, or heating apparatus. Tenant agrees not to hold Landlord liable for any acts or omissions of co-tenants or other occupants of the building, or for losses by theft.

B. Tenant agrees not to overload the floor slab, electric wiring, or utilities serving the Premises and to install at its own expense, but only after obtaining Landlord's written approval, any electric wiring which may be required in connection with Tenant's apparatus.

C. Tenant agrees that in any event, Landlord's maximum possible liability to Tenant shall be limited to Landlord's interest in the Shopping Center.

14. SIGNS, ADVERTISING, EXTERNAL APPEARANCE.

As provided for in Exhibit D, Tenant shall, at its own cost and expense, provide a suitable identification sign to be installed not later than 30 days after the Commencement Date; such sign shall be constructed in accordance with approved sign criteria as shown on Exhibit F. Other than such permitted signs, Tenant shall not place, install, or maintain any sign, banner, flag, aerial, antenna, or other display outside the Premises unless consented to by Landlord; ~~nor shall Tenant place or maintain on the glass of any window or door of the Premises, or within one (1) foot of any such glass, any sign, decoration, lettering, advertising matter, shade, blind, or other thing.~~ All signs used by Tenant shall be printed, no handwritten signs are allowed.

15. FIRE DAMAGE.

If the Premises shall be damaged by fire, the elements, unavoidable accident, or other casualty and the cost of repairing such damage shall not equal sixty percent (60%) of the fair replacement value of the Premises, Landlord shall cause such damage to be repaired with due diligence and this Lease shall continue. If, however, in the event of damage from any such cause the cost of restoring the Premises to its condition immediately proper to such damage shall equal or exceed sixty percent (60%) of its fair replacement value or if the Premises are damaged by any casualty not insured against by Landlord, Landlord shall have the right to terminate this Lease by giving Tenant written notice of its election to do so within sixty (60) days after the date on which the damage occurs. Except in the event of termination of this Lease, as aforesaid, the minimum rent shall be abated to the extent of the fair rental value of such portion, if any, of the Premises as shall be rendered unfit for occupancy for the usual conduct of Tenant's business in consequence of the damage aforesaid for the period of such unfitness for occupancy, and for each lease year during which a reduction in Minimum Rent thereby results, the amount at which payment of Percentage Rent shall begin shall be reduced in the same proportion that the Minimum Rent for that year is reduced. In no event shall Landlord be liable for replacement or repair of trade fixtures, floor coverings, furniture, equipment, or anything owned by Tenant.

16. BANKRUPTCY. If Landlord shall not be permitted to terminate this Lease as hereinabove provided because of the

on behalf of itself, and any trustee agrees not to seek or request any extension or adjournment of any application to assume or reject this Lease by Landlord with such Bankruptcy Court. In such event, Tenant or any trustee for Tenant may only assume this Lease if it (a) cures or provides adequate assurance that the Trustees will promptly cure any default hereunder; (b) compensates or provides adequate assurance that Tenant will promptly compensate Landlord for any actual pecuniary loss to Landlord resulting from Tenant's defaults; and (c) provides adequate assurance of performance during the fully stated term hereof of all of the terms, covenants, and provisions of this Lease to be performed by Tenant. In no event after the assumption of this Lease shall any then-existing default remain uncured for a period in excess of the earlier of ten (10) days or the time period set forth herein. Adequate assurance of performance of this Lease as set forth hereinabove shall include, without limitation, adequate assurance (i) of the source of rent reserved hereunder; (ii) that any Percentage Rent due hereunder will not decline from the levels anticipated; and (iii) that the assumption of this Lease will not breach any provision hereunder. In the event of a filing of a petition under the Bankruptcy Code, Landlord shall have no obligation to provide Tenant with any services or utilities as herein required unless Tenant shall have paid and be current in all payments of Operating Costs, utilities or other charges therefor.

17. INDEMNIFICATION. Tenant hereby agrees to indemnify and hold Landlord harmless from any and all claims, damages, liabilities or expenses arising out of (a) Tenant's use of the Premises or the Shopping Center; (b) any and all claims arising from any breach or default in the performance of any obligation of Tenant; and (c) any act, omission or negligence of Tenant, its agents, contractors, licensees, invitees or employees. Tenant further released Landlord from liability for any damages sustained by Tenant or any other person claiming by, through or under Tenant due to the Premises, the Shopping Center, or any part thereof or any appurtenances thereto becoming out of repair, or due to the happening of any accident, including but not limited to any damage caused by water, snow, windstorm, tornado, gas, steam, electrical wiring, sprinkler system, plumbing, heating and air conditioning apparatus and from any acts or omissions of co-tenants or other occupants of the Shopping Center. To the maximum extent permitted by law, Tenant agrees to use and occupy the Premises and to use such other portions of the Shopping Center as Tenant is herein given the right to use, at Tenant's own risk.

18. ABANDONMENT PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT DATE. Tenant shall not abandon the Premises at any time after the execution of this Lease and throughout the term of this Lease. Prior to the Commencement Date, the Premises shall be deemed abandoned by Tenant and the Lease shall terminate if: (1) Landlord gives written notice of its belief of abandonment; and (2) Tenant fails within 10 days of receipt of Landlord's notice above to give Landlord written notice of his intent not to abandon the Premises and to cure any default of Tenant existing

19. DEFAULT

A. Default by Tenant. In the event of (a) any failure of Tenant to pay any rent reserved hereunder within ten (10) days after the same shall be due, without notice or demand therefore, or (b) if Tenant fails to perform any other of the terms, conditions, or covenants contained in this Lease, to be observed or performed by Tenant and such default shall continue for more than ten (10) days, after written notice thereof shall have been mailed to Tenant, or (c) if Tenant shall become bankrupt or insolvent, or file any debtor proceedings, or take or have taken against Tenant, in any court pursuant to any statute either of the United States or of any State, a petition in bankruptcy or insolvency or for reorganization or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee of all or a portion of Tenant's property, or (d) if Tenant makes an assignment for the benefit of creditors, or petitions for or enters into an arrangement, or (e) if, after the Commencement Date, Tenant shall abandon the Premises or suffer the Lease to be taken under any writ of execution, the Landlord, without excluding any other right or remedies that it may have, shall have the immediate right of re-entry and may remove all persons and property from the Premises and such property may be removed and stored in a public warehouse or elsewhere at the cost of and for the account of Tenant, all without resort to legal process and without being deemed guilty of trespass, or becoming liable for any loss or damage which may be occasioned thereby. If Landlord should elect to re-enter as herein provided, or should it take possession pursuant to legal proceedings, it may either terminate this Lease or it may from time to time without terminating this Lease, make such alterations and repairs as may be necessary in order to relet the Premises, and relet said Premises for such term, at such rentals, and upon such other terms and conditions, as Landlord may deem advisable. In the event of such reletting, all rentals received by Landlord shall be applied first to the payment of any indebtedness other than Rent due hereunder from Tenant to Landlord; second, to the payment of any cost and expenses of such reletting, including the expense of alterations and repairs; third, to the payment of rent due and unpaid hereunder, and the residue, if any, shall be held by Landlord and applied in payment of future rent due and unpaid hereunder. If such reletting shall yield rentals insufficient for any month to pay the rent due by Tenant hereunder, for that month, Tenant shall be liable to Landlord for the deficiency and same shall be paid monthly, or Landlord at its sole discretion, may elect to discount to present value the entire amount of the total projected deficiency, and upon such election by Landlord and notice to Tenant, Tenant shall become liable for such projected deficiency discounted to present value and immediately pay the same to Landlord. No such re-entry or taking possession of Premises by Landlord shall be construed as an election to terminate this Lease, unless a written notice of such intention be given by Landlord to Tenant at the time of such re-entry. Tenant shall be liable for all costs, including attorney fees, incurred by Landlord as a result of Tenant's default.

B. Default by Landlord. If Landlord shall breach any warranty or fail to perform any covenant required to be performed by Landlord under the terms of this Lease and such breach or failure shall continue for a period of thirty (30) days after receipt by Landlord of written notice thereof from Tenant

event Landlord shall not be in default hereunder if it shall have commenced to cure said default within said thirty (30) day period and diligently prosecute said cure to completion], then Tenant may, as its sole remedy under this Lease, (a) cure any default or breach of warranty of Landlord hereunder, and perform any covenants which Landlord has failed to perform, and any sums expended by Tenant in curing such default or breach of warranty and performing such covenants shall be paid by Landlord to Tenant immediately upon demand, and shall bear interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from the date of demand; (b) bring suit to recover from Landlord all sums due Tenant from Landlord together with interest at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum thereon; or (c) declare this Lease to be terminated, in which event Tenant shall have no further liability. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Tenant shall give notice of Landlord's breach of any warranty or Landlord's failure to perform any covenant required to be performed by Landlord under the terms of this Lease to any mortgagee or beneficiary under a mortgage or deed of trust or other security agreement encumbering the Shopping Center ("Mortgagee") at the same time such notice is given to Landlord. Any such Mortgagee shall have the opportunity to cure any default not cured by Landlord on the same terms and conditions allowed to Landlord. Such Mortgagee's right to cure shall commence upon expiration of the period allowed to Landlord to cure such default.

## 20. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLETTING.

A. Tenant shall not assign, or in any manner transfer, this Lease or any estate, interest or benefit therein, sublet said Premises or any part thereof, by anyone other than Tenant, without prior written consent of Landlord. Consent by Landlord to any one assignment, transfer of interest, or subletting, shall be limited to the instance stated, in such written consent, and shall not constitute a release, waiver, or consent to any other assignment, transfer of interest, or subletting. In the event of any assignment or transfer approved by Landlord, Tenant shall remain liable for performance of all the terms and conditions of the Lease, and Tenant shall pay to Landlord, as Additional Rent, the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) to cover Landlord's administrative costs, overhead and counsel fees plus all out-of-pocket expenses, in connection with such assignment or subletting consented to by Landlord and any and all additional costs and expenses incurred hereunder.

B. In the event Tenant is a corporation and subsidiary of another corporation, it may assign this Lease to or merge with, its parent corporation. Any other merger, or any dissolution, consolidation or other reorganization, or the sale of other transfer (except as the result of death) of more than fifty percent (50%) of its voting stock, shall constitute an assignment of this Lease, for all purposes of this Paragraph, and is prohibited without the written consent of Landlord.

Landlord agrees not to unreasonably withhold its consent to any assignment, resulting from a merger or consolidation or sale or other transfer of assets having like effect, which is otherwise prohibited; provided that Landlord promptly received all information reasonably requested by Landlord relating thereto; and provided further that neither the

21. TRANSFER OF LANDLORD'S INTEREST.

In the event of the sale, assignment or transfer by Landlord of its interest in the Shopping Center or in this Lease (other than a collateral assignment to secure a debt of Landlord) to a successor in interest who expressly assumes the obligation of Landlord hereunder, Landlord shall thereupon be released or discharged from all of its covenants and obligations hereunder, except such obligations as shall have accrued prior to any such sale, assignment or transfer; and Tenant agrees to look solely to such successor in interest of Landlord for performance of such obligations. Tenant shall release Landlord of any obligations relating to any securities given to Landlord by Tenant, upon acknowledgment by such successors, or receipt of such securities. Landlord shall thereby be discharged of any further obligations relating thereto. Landlord's assignment of the Lease, or of any or all of its rights herein, shall in no matter affect Tenant's obligations hereunder. Tenant shall thereafter attorn and look to such assignee, as Landlord, provided Tenant has first received written notice of such assignment of Landlord's interest.

22. ESTOPPEL CERTIFICATE AND SUBORDINATION.

A. Within the ten (10) days after written request therefor by Landlord or any other mortgagee or trustee under a mortgage or deed of trust covering the Premises, or if, upon any sale, assignment, or other transfer of the Premises by Landlord, an estoppel certificate shall be required from Tenant, Tenant shall deliver, in recordable form, a statement to any proposed mortgagee or other transferee, or to Landlord, certifying any facts that are then true with respect to this Lease Agreement, including without limitation (if such be the case), that this Lease Agreement is in full force and effect, the term of the lease that Tenant is in possession, that Tenant has commenced the payment of rent, and that there are no defenses or offsets to the Lease Agreement claimed by Tenant. In the event that Tenant fails to provide such certificate within the ten (10) days after request therefor by Landlord, Tenant shall be deemed to have approved the contents of any such certificate submitted to Tenant by Landlord and Landlord is hereby authorized to so certify.

B. Tenant agrees that this Lease shall, at all times, be subject and subordinate to the lien of any mortgagee (which terms shall include all security instruments) that may be placed on Premises by Landlord, and Tenant agrees, upon demand, without cost, to execute any instrument that may be required to effectuate such subordination.

23. MECHANIC'S LIEN. Tenant shall not allow any Mechanic's Lien to be filed against the Premises or the Shopping Center by reason of any work, labor, services, or materials performed at or furnished to the Premises through or under Tenant. If any such Mechanic's Lien, at any time, is filed, Tenant shall forthwith cause this lien to be discharged. If Tenant shall fail to cause such lien to be discharged within thirty (30) days after being notified of the filing thereof, Tenant shall be in default and Landlord, in addition to all rights provided herein, shall have the right to immediately terminate this lease. Any amounts paid by Landlord, including attorney fees, to discharge the lien shall be additional rent.

paid up to that date and TENANT shall have no claim against LANDLORD nor the condemning authority for the value of any unexpired term of this Lease. In the event of a partial taking or condemnation which is not extensive enough to render the Premises unsuitable for the business of the TENANT, then LANDLORD shall promptly restore the Premises to a condition comparable to its condition at the time of such condemnation less the portion lost in the taking, and this Lease shall continue in full force and effect without any reduction or abatement of rent.

If the whole, or a substantial part as determined by LANDLORD in its sole discretion, of the common parking areas in the Shopping Center shall be acquired or condemned as aforesaid, then the term of this Lease shall cease and terminate as of the date of title vesting in such proceeding unless LANDLORD shall take immediate steps to provide other parking facilities substantially equivalent to existing parking. In the event that LANDLORD shall provide such other parking facilities, then this Lease shall continue in full force and effect without any reduction or abatement of rent.

In the event of any condemnation or taking as aforesaid, whether whole or partial, the TENANT shall not be entitled to any part of the award paid for such condemnation and LANDLORD is to receive the full amount of such award, the TENANT hereby expressly waiving any right to claim to any part thereof. Although all damages in the event of any condemnation are to belong to the LANDLORD whether such damages are awarded as compensation for diminution in value of the leasehold or to the fee of the Premises, TENANT shall have the right to claim and recover from the condemning authority, but not from LANDLORD, such compensation as may be separately awarded or recoverable by TENANT in TENANT'S own right on account of any and all damage to TENANT'S business by reason of the condemnation and for or on account of any cost or loss to which TENANT might be put in removing TENANT'S merchandise, furniture, fixtures, leasehold improvements and equipment.

25. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS: Tenant, at its sole cost and expense, shall comply with all laws relating to the storage, use and disposal of hazardous, toxic or radioactive matter or materials identified in North Carolina State Codes and Regulations as amended from time to time (collectively "Hazardous Materials"). In the event Tenant does store, use or dispose of any Hazardous Materials, Tenant shall notify Landlord in writing at least ten (10) days prior to their first appearance on the demised premises, and shall deliver to Landlord all copies of permits for such use. Such permits shall be kept current and delivered each time to Landlord when updated. Tenant's failure to do so shall constitute a default under this Lease. Landlord may, at any time or from time to time, require Tenant to conduct monitoring activities with respect to Hazardous Materials on the demised premises, at Tenant's sole cost and expense. Any program related to the monitoring of Hazardous Materials on the demised premises shall be satisfactory to Landlord in Landlord's sole discretion. Tenant shall be solely responsible for and shall defend, indemnify and hold Landlord and Landlord's agents and employees harmless from and against all claims, damages, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, that may be asserted against or incurred by Landlord or its agents or employees in connection with the use, storage or disposal of Hazardous Materials on the demised premises.

any other property of whatever nature to their condition existing prior to the appearance of the Hazardous Materials on the demised premises. Tenant's obligations hereunder shall survive the termination of this Lease. All necessary insurance associated with the use and storage of such Hazardous Materials shall be obtained by the Tenant and shall be at his sole expense. Any violations in this paragraph, or Tenant's violation of any governing authority regulations can result in immediate termination of this Lease by Landlord. Tenant agrees that the terms, conditions, and indemnities contained in this Paragraph 25 shall extend to any Mortgagee, and any Mortgagee is entitled to the benefits of the indemnity contained in this Paragraph 25.

26. RELOCATION OF PREMISES. Landlord shall have the right at any time after 60 (sixty) days written notice (the "Notice of Relocation") to relocate Tenant to other premises in the Building (the "Relocated Premises" which term shall mean the Premises after the relocation\_ and the following terms and conditions shall be applicable:

A. The Relocated Premises shall contain approximately the same as, or greater rentable area than, the Premises.

B. Landlord shall provide at its expense leasehold improvements in the Relocated Premises equal or greater to the standards of the leasehold improvements in the Premises which have been completed for which Landlord is obliged in this Lease to provide in the Premises.

C. Landlord shall pay for the reasonable moving costs (if any) of moving Tenant's trade fixtures and furnishings from the Premises to the Relocated Premises.

D. Minimum Annual Rent for the Relocated Premises shall be no greater than the Rent prior to this relocation.

E. All other items and conditions of the Lease shall apply to the Relocated Premises except those which are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of this subsection.

27. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS

A. Utilities and Services- Tenant shall procure for its own account, upon Delivery of Possession, (Paragraph 6B), and shall pay the cost of all utilities consumed or used in or at said Premises. Landlord shall not be liable to Tenant in damages or otherwise for any interruptions, curtailment, or suspensions of utility service.

B. Quiet Enjoyment- Landlord covenants that Tenant, upon paying rent and performing all of its other obligations under this Lease, shall peacefully and quietly have and enjoy the Premises, throughout the Lease Term, or until this Lease is terminated, as herein provided.

C. Remedies Cumulative - Nonwaiver- No remedy herein or otherwise conferred upon or reserved to Landlord or Tenant, shall be considered exclusive of any other remedy, but the same shall be distinct, separate and cumulative and shall be in addition to every other remedy given hereunder, or now or hereafter existing at law, or in equity, or by statute: and every

acquiescence thereto.

D. Right of Entry- Landlord, its agents and representatives, shall have the right to enter the Premises, at all reasonable time, for the purpose of (a) inspection of Premises, (b) inspection and examination of Tenant's records pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 6 hereof, (c) making repairs, replacements, alterations or additions to Premises or building, (d) exhibiting Premises to prospective tenants during the last ninety (90) days of the Term, and any such entry, herein authorized, shall not be or constituted an eviction or deprivation of any right, conferred hereunder upon Tenant.

E. Short Form Lease - The parties agree that this Lease Agreement shall not be recorded, however, if either party so desires, the parties agree that they shall execute a memorandum, or short form Lease Agreement, in recordable form, specifying the commencement and termination dates of the term hereof and including any such other provisions hereof as either party may desire to incorporate therein. Any cost associated with such recording will be at the Tenant's expense.

F. Nature and Effect of Agreement- This instrument contains the completed agreement of the parties and there are no oral or written conditions, terms, understandings or other agreements pertaining thereto, as to the Premises; and nothing herein shall in any way be construed to impose upon either party hereto, any obligations or restrictions not herein expressly set forth. The laws of the State where the shopping center is located shall govern the validity, interpretation, performance, and enforcement of this Lease Agreement.

G. Delays - Whenever a period of time is provided in this Lease for Landlord or Tenant to do or perform any act or thing, Landlord or Tenant shall not be liable or responsible for any delays due to strikes, lockouts, casualties, acts of God, war, governmental regulation or control or other causes beyond the reasonable control of the Landlord, and the time for performance specified herein shall be executed for the amount of time Landlord is so delayed.

H. Amendment - This Lease Agreement may be amended or changed only by written instrument duly executed by an authorized representative of each party, and any alleged amendment or change which is not so documented shall not be effective as to either party. No act or omission of any employee or agent of Landlord or of Landlord's broker, if any, shall alter, change or modify any of the provisions hereof.

I. Binding Effect of Lease - The covenants, agreements, and obligations herein contained, except as herein otherwise specifically provided, shall extend to, bind and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective personal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns. Landlord, at any time and from time to time, may make an assignment of its interest in this Lease and, in the event of such assignment and the assumption by the assignee of the covenants and agreements, to be performed by Landlord herein, Landlord and its successors and assigns (other than the assignee of this Lease) shall be released from any and all liability hereunder.

Lease or the negotiation thereof.

K. Waiver of Right of Recovery - Neither Landlord nor Tenant shall be liable to the other party or to any insurance company (by way of subrogation or otherwise) insuring the other party for any loss or damage to any building, structure or other tangible property or liability for personal injury, or losses under workmen's compensation laws and benefits, even though such loss or damage might have been occasioned by the negligence of such party, its agents or employees.

L. Attorney's Fees - The nonprevailing party shall pay reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the prevailing party in the enforcement of any of the terms, covenants or provisions hereof.

M. Holding Over - Should Tenant, with Landlord's written consent, hold over at the end of the term, Tenant shall become a tenant at will and any such holding over shall not constitute an extension of this Lease. During such holding over, Tenant shall pay rent and other charges at the highest monthly rate provided for herein. Should Tenant hold over at the end of the term without Landlord's written consent (a) Tenant shall become a tenant at will; (b) such holding over shall not constitute an extension of this Lease; and (c) during such holding over Tenant shall pay rent and other charges at twice the highest monthly rate provided for herein. In either case, all of the other conditions of this lease are in effect.

N. Severability- In the event any provision of this Lease to any extent be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Lease shall not be affected thereby, and the Lease and its provisions shall be valid and enforceable to the full extent permitted by law.

O. Landlord and Tenant Relationship- Nothing herein contained shall be deemed or construed by the parties hereto, nor by any other party, as creating the relationship of principal and agent or of partnership or of joint venture between the parties hereto. The provisions of this Lease in regard to the payment by Tenant and the acceptance by Landlord of a percentage of Gross Sales of Tenant and others is a reservation for rent for the use of the premises.

P. Notices

(a) Any notice required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be in writing and may be given by personal delivery, by U.S. certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, addressed to the parties and at the addresses specified in Paragraph 1. Notices and demands shall be deemed to have been given (i) upon the date of the executed return receipt if sent by certified or registered mail, provided that if delivery cannot be made or if any party shall refuse delivery, notices shall be deemed given when mailed; (ii) upon delivery if personally delivered; and (iii) upon posting if posted to the Premises.

(b) Planters Bank is the holder of a Mortgage affecting the Premises, no notice, request or demand thereafter sent by Tenant to Landlord shall be effective until a copy of

Q. Rules and Regulations - Tenant shall observe faithfully and comply strictly with the Rules and Regulations attached hereto as Exhibit E and made a part hereof by this reference, and with all other Rules and Regulations (and amendments and modifications to same) that Landlord may from time to time reasonably adopt for the safety, operation, care and cleanliness of the Shopping Center or the preservation of good order therein. Landlord shall not be liable to Tenant for any violation of the Rules and Regulations, or for the breach of any covenant or condition in any lease, by any other tenant in the Shopping Center.

R. Retail Restriction Limit - Tenant acknowledges that Landlord would not have leased the Premises to Tenant absent Tenant's agreement to pay Percentage Rent and in furtherance thereof to continuously operate in a manner that will maximize Tenant's Gross Sales. Accordingly, during the term of this Lease, Tenant shall not, either directly or indirectly, own, operate or be financially interested in, either by itself or with others, a business like or similar to the business permitted to be conducted hereunder within a radius of three (3) miles of the perimeter of the Shopping Center except for those which Tenant has in operation as of the date hereof, which Tenant has previously informed Landlord and Landlord has approved of in writing. Without limiting Landlord's remedies, in the event Tenant should violate this covenant, Landlord may, at its option, include the gross sales of such other business (as such gross sales are defined herein) in the Gross Sales made from the Premises for the purpose of computing the Percentage Rent due hereunder.

S. Roof and Walls - Landlord shall have the exclusive right to use all or any part of the roof of the Premises for any purpose; to erect other structures over all or any part of the Premises; and to erect in connection with the construction thereof temporary scaffolds and other aids to construction on the exterior of the premises, provided that access to the Premises shall not be denied. Tenant further agrees that Landlord may make any use it desires of the side or rear walls of the Premises, provided that there shall be no encroachment upon the interior of the Premises.

T. Alterations by Tenant - Tenant shall not make any alterations to the Premises (including but not limited to alterations to the exterior, the storefront, signs and/or utility lines or systems within or serving the Premises) nor secure any fixture or apparatus to the Premises without Landlord's prior written approval and Tenant shall promptly remove upon order from Landlord any decoration or alteration made or installed upon the Premises without Landlord's Prior written consent. All alterations, fixtures, betterments and improvements made to or installed upon the Premises shall remain upon the Premises, and shall become Landlord's property upon the expiration or earlier termination of this Lease unless Landlord shall require Tenant to restore the Premises to its original condition.

U. Sidewalks - Tenant agrees that it shall keep the sidewalks and areas immediately abutting the Premises free from obstructions of all nature, properly swept, and snow and ice removed therefrom.

modification (s) within twenty (20) days after Landlord's request therefor, provided said request is made at least twenty (20) days prior to delivery of possession. Upon such cancellation by Landlord, this Lease shall be null and void and neither party shall have any liability either for damages or otherwise to the other by reason of such cancellation. In no event, however, shall Tenant be required to agree, and Landlord shall not have any right of cancellation for Tenant's refusal to agree, and to any modification of the provisions of this Lease relating to: (a) the amount of rent or other charges reserved herein; (b) the size of the Premises; (c) the duration and/or Commencement Date of the term; or (d) the reduction of the improvements to be made by Landlord to the Premises prior to delivery of possession.

W. Representations - Tenant acknowledges that neither Landlord nor Landlord's agents, employees or contractors have made any representations or promises with respect to the Premises, the Shopping Center or this Lease except as expressly set forth herein.

X. Joint and Several Liability - If two or more individuals, corporations, partnerships or other business associations (or any combination of two or more thereof) shall sign this Lease as Tenant, the liability of each such individual, corporation, partnership or other business association to pay rent and perform all other obligations hereunder shall be deemed to be joint and several, and all notices, payments and agreements given or made by, with or to any one of such individuals, corporations, partnerships or other business associations shall be deemed to have been given or made by, with or to all of them. In like manner, if Tenant shall be a partnership or other business association, the members of which are, by virtue of statute or federal law, subject to personal liability, the liability of each such member shall be joint and several.

Y. No Discrimination- It is intended that the Shopping Center shall be developed so that all prospective tenants thereof, and all customers, employees, licensees and invitees of all tenants, shall have the opportunity to obtain all the goods, services, accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of the Shopping Center without discrimination because of race, creed, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry. To that end, Tenant shall not discriminate in the conduct and operation of its business in the Premises against any person or group of persons because of the race, creed, color, sex, age, national origin or ancestry of such person or group of persons.

Z. Corporate Tenants - In the event Tenant is a corporation, the persons executing this Lease on behalf of Tenant hereby covenant and warrant that: (a) Tenant is a duly constituted corporation qualified to do business in the state in which the Shopping Center is located; (b) all Tenant's franchise and corporate taxes have been paid to date; (c) all future forms, reports, fees and other documents necessary for Tenant to comply with applicable laws will be filed by Tenant when due; and (d) such persons are duly authorized by the board of directors of such corporation to execute and deliver this Lease on behalf of the corporation.

AA. Other Leases- Tenant acknowledges that Landlord has informed Tenant that Landlord has leased or intends to lease

further liability to the other.

BB. Force Majeure- In the event either Landlord or Tenant shall be delayed, hindered or prevented from the performance of any act required hereunder, by reason of war, governmental restrictions, civil commotion, shortage of labor or materials, strikes, fire, or any other reason beyond their control, the performance of such act shall be excused for the period of delay, and the period for performance of any such act shall be extended as necessary to complete performance after the delayed period. However, Tenant's obligation to pay Minimum Rent as set forth and in this paragraph shall not begin until commencement of Tenant's business in the Premises.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Lease this day and year first above written.

LANDLORD, AUTO MALL DEVELOPMENT, INC.

[SEAL]

BY: Louis Sobel

\_\_\_\_\_, President

ATTEST: Harvey P. Dinkoff Secretary

TENANT: \_\_\_\_\_

[SEAL]

BY: Z.H. Vision Enterprises OBA AAP Signs

Elain H. Hulela President

ATTEST: Helen Hull Secretary

or if: Individual or Partnership

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Handwritten note: Landlord gives permission to Tenant to utilize the area directly behind the premises and within (10') ten feet of back wall for painting of their signs. It shall be Tenant's responsibility to keep the building clean and paint while using the area mentioned.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF DURHAM

I, Margaret Purser, a Notary Public for said County and State, do hereby certify that Louis Hertz, President, of Auto Mall Development, Inc., personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership.

Witness my hand and notarial seal, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1991.

Margaret Purser  
Notary Public

(Notarial Seal)

My Commission Expires:  
8-5-92

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF DURHAM

This 20 day of December, 1991, personally came before me Elaine H. Hubbard who, being by me duly sworn, says that she is President, that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument in writing is the corporate seal of the Corporation, and said writing was signed and sealed by him, in behalf of said Corporation, by its authority duly given. And the said President acknowledged the said writing to be the act and deed of said Corporation.

Elaine H. Hubbard  
Notary Public

(Notarial Seal)

My Commission Expires:  
4-3-94

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF DURHAM

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a Notary Public for said County and State, do hereby certify that \_\_\_\_\_ personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership.

Witness my hand and notarial seal, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

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Notary Public

(Notarial Seal)

My Commission Expires:  
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EXHIBIT A - LEGAL DESCRIPTION

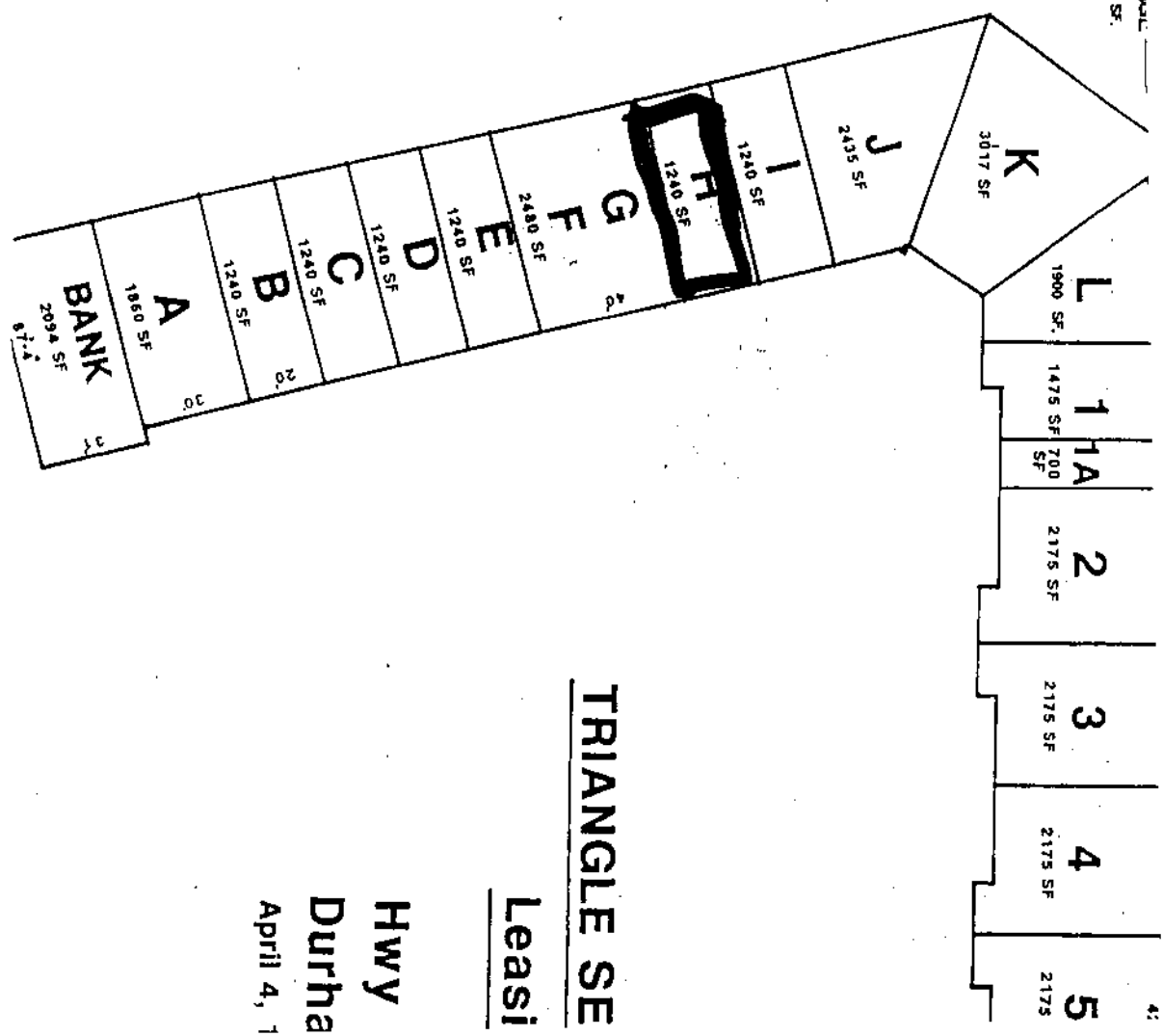
All that certain lot or parcel of land situated in the City of Durham, Triangle Township, Durham County, North Carolina and more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at an existing right of way monument designated control corner being located in the eastern right of way line of N.C. Highway 55, said point of BEGINNING being located South 14 degrees 14 minutes 51 seconds West 4,281.09 feet from N.C.G.S. monument "Elton" having North Carolina Grid Coordinates of North = 788,017.42 and East = 2,032,094.22 and from said point and place of BEGINNING along and with the southern boundary of property now or formerly owned by North Carolina Office Company as shown in Plat Book 107, Page 169 of the Durham County Registry North 79 degrees 14 minutes 49 seconds East 466.44 feet to an existing iron pipe; thence South 4 degrees 2 minutes 55 seconds West 472.31 feet to an iron pipe set (being the centerline of Jester Road, now closed); thence North 78 degrees 08 minutes 08 seconds East 20.88 feet to an iron pipe set in the western property line of the Durham and Southern Railroad Property; thence along and with the western property line of the Durham and Southern Railroad property South 4 degrees 2 minutes 55 seconds West 346.00 feet to an iron pipe set in the northern right of way line of N.C. Highway 54; thence along and with the northern right of way line of N.C. Highway 54 North 67 degrees 52 minutes 12 seconds West 197.14 feet to an iron pipe set; thence continuing along and with the right of way line of N.C. Highway 54 North 2 degrees 44 minutes 55 seconds East 25.91 feet to an existing right of way monument; thence continuing along and with the northern right of way line of N.C. Highway 54 in a curve to the left having an arc distance of 204.65 feet, a radius of 2,068.88 feet, a chord bearing of North 70 degrees 34 minutes 56 seconds West and a chord length of 204.57 feet to an existing right of way monument; thence North 2 degrees 41 minutes 46 seconds East 94.25 feet to an iron pipe set; thence South 78 degrees 08 minutes 08 seconds West 115.84 feet to an iron pipe set in the eastern right of way line of N.C. Highway 55; thence along and with the eastern right of way line of N.C. Highway 55 North 34 degrees 00 minutes 47 seconds West 32.23 feet to an existing right of way monument; thence along and with the eastern right of way line of N.C. Highway 55 North 9 degrees 54 minutes 51 seconds East 466.72 feet to the POINT AND PLACE OF BEGINNING and being all of that 7.13 acre tract as shown on the Recombination Plat entitled "Auto Mall Tax Map 546, Parcels 2-8" prepared by Philip Post & Associates dated 11/7/89.

TOGETHER WITH all rights, title and interest contained in that certain Deed of Easement from the Department of Transportation of the State of North Carolina to Auto Mall Development, Inc. dated November 3, 1989 and recorded in Book 1563, Page 874 of the Durham County Registry.



ORIGINAL 54 SF.



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EXHIBIT C  
PROCEDURES  
LANDLORD'S WORK - RETAIL

1. PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS. After the execution of the Lease, Tenant shall deliver to Landlord fully dimensioned 1/4-inch scale drawing indicating the specific requirements of space, showing clearly the store fronts, interior partitions, trade fixtures plans, lighting, electric outlets, floor coverings, exterior signs, and other specific requirements of Tenant, all in conformity with Landlord's Construction under paragraph 7 below. The Tenant drawing shall be subject to Landlord's approval. These Tenant Plans, after being approved by Tenant and Landlord, will be hereinafter called "Approved Final Construction Tenant Plans". If for any reason whatsoever, a Final Construction Tenant Plan is not approved by both parties within thirty (30) days after the date of this Lease, Landlord may terminate this Lease by notice to that effect to Tenant or may complete Premises typical to Landlord's specified requirements in which case Tenant will absorb all costs relating to Tenant's construction requirements.

2. CONSTRUCTION. Landlord shall put its improvements described under paragraph 7 out to bid by subcontractors and suppliers in Landlord's capacity as owner-builder, or shall enter into a negotiated contract with a general contractor. As soon as practical after the acceptance of a bid or bids, the work necessary to complete Landlord's Construction as set forth in paragraph 7 and as shown in its final construction plan shall be commenced and pursued to completion, subject to delaying causes. Tenant hereby releases Landlord for any failure to deliver the Premises on the date they are scheduled to be ready for occupancy by Tenant. Tenant shall at this time proceed with due diligence, at its own expense, to obtain any permits required from local governmental bodies, for the operation of Tenant's business.

3. DELIVERY OF PREMISES. Upon substantial completion of Landlord's Construction, Landlord shall tender delivery of the premises to Tenant, (Paragraph 6B), for its fixturing and/or Tenant's as set forth in Exhibit D. Substantial completion shall be defined as that condition ready to accept Tenant's interior improvements as reasonably determined by Landlord.

4. INSTALLATION OF TENANT'S WORK.

4.1. Tenant, upon delivery of possession, shall thereupon immediately proceed with due diligence, at its own expense, to install therein Tenant's property (meaning all items of Tenant's construction and Tenant's trade fixtures, equipment and merchandise) without interference with other work, if any, being done in the building or shopping center and in compliance with all reasonable rules which Landlord, its architect and its contractors may make. Tenant shall upon final completion of its work furnish Landlord with all certificates and approvals relating to any work or installations done by Tenant that may be required by any governmental or insurance requirements. Landlord shall have no responsibility for any loss of or any damage to any of Tenant's property so installed or left on the premises. Tenant's entry prior to the Commencement Date shall be subject to all of the provisions of this Lease other than the payment of

4.2. Landlord's Construction shall not include, and Tenant shall bear the entire expense of, procuring and installing in the Premises (whether affixed to the Premises or not) any and all work designated in the Approved Final Construction Tenant Plans or in Exhibit D as a Tenant item, or Tenant's property incidental to the operation of the type of business to be operated by Tenant on the Premises, including, but without limitation, furniture, shelves, interior decoration, graphics, movable partitions, and exterior and interior signs.

5. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COMPLETION OF LANDLORD'S WORK. Tenant agrees that upon the completion of Landlord's Construction as reasonably determined by Landlord, Tenant shall conclusively be deemed to have accepted the premises in the condition which they may then be, and Tenant hereby waives any right or claim against Landlord for any causes, directly or indirectly, arising out of the condition of the Premises, appurtenances thereto, or the improvements therein, and Landlord shall not be liable for any latent or patent defects therein.

6. PAYMENT FOR CHANGES IN WORK. No changes, modification or alterations in the Approved Final Construction Tenant Plan can be made without the written consent of Landlord. Any additional charges, expense or costs, including any increased fees which Landlord may be required to pay for architectural, engineering and other similar services arising by reason of any subsequent change, modification or alteration in the Approved Final Construction Tenant Plan made at the request of Tenant, shall be at the sole cost and expense of Tenant and shall be paid by Tenant to Landlord before the performance of the work requested by Tenant.

7. LANDLORD'S CONSTRUCTION. Retail

7.1. The term "Landlord's Construction" shall mean the construction by Landlord of only the following items of work. Where two types of materials or structures are indicated, the option shall be that of the Landlord.

- a. Shell: The shell shall include exterior walls, roofing, and concrete floor slab.
- b. Store Front: The store front shall have a glass front in substantial part, with one 3' x 7' door front along the front line of the premises. All store fronts and interiors shall be in accordance with architectural standards established for the shopping center by the Landlord and shall be subject to review approval by Landlord.
- c. Perimeter Walls: Perimeter walls shall be of drywall construction, to 10' high, taped, and textured. (No paint)
- d. Ceiling: Landlord shall provide a suspended "T" bar acoustical ceiling. The ceiling shall be in one plane, and the ceiling height between floor slab and ceiling shall be 10'.
- e. Lighting Fixtures: Landlord shall provide 2' x 4' tube fluorescent fixtures in "T" bar ceiling type and count to be determined by Landlord. The count shall be one fixture per 100 sq.ft. minimum.
- f. Telephone: Landlord shall provide a conduit telephone service into the demised premises to a point determined by Landlord.
- g. Heating and Air Conditioning: Tenant shall be provided

- h. Toilet Room: Landlord shall furnish one lavatory with concealed wall hangers; one free-standing tank type water closet; one light fixture; one hollow wood door with privacy wall as required by the building code. Cold water only. Walls and ceiling to be painted, marlite wainscoat and VAT flooring.
- i. Individual metered 100 amp. electrical service.
- J. Electrical: Landlord shall provide service for power and lighting to a location in premises determined by Landlord. One convenience receptical shall be provided by each 250 sq.ft. of floor area. One sign outlet shall be provided if required. Power for air conditioning shall be provided per Landlord's specifications. Size and capacity of all of the aforementioned electrical service shall be in accordance with Tenant's requirements up to a maximum of a 100 amp. service and panel. \*
- K. See Exhibit C-1 (attached)

Louise Holt - Auto Mall Dev.  
Landlord

LZH Vision Enterprises, Inc  
Tenant

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\* Landlord will be responsible for completion of electrical check off list provided by the utility company and required prior to establishing services to the premises

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Landlord will incur the cost of installing the water meter.

EXHIBIT D

TENANT'S WORK

1. The work to be performed by Landlord in satisfying its obligation to construction of Tenant's store on the premises shall be limited to that which is described in Exhibit C. All items of work not set forth in Exhibit C shall be provided by Tenant at Tenant's expense, and are called "Tenant's Construction". Tenant's Construction shall include, but not be limited to, the purchase and/or installation and/or performance of any and all of the following items, including applicable architectural and engineering fees therefor:

- a. All interior partitions and curtain walls within the Premises, except as provided in paragraph Exhibit C.
- b. All electrical work except as provided in Exhibit C (provided by Landlord at Tenant's expense).
- c. Light coves and special hung or furred ceilings.
- d. Internal communication systems and alarm systems.
- e. Store fixtures, furnishings and wall and floor coverings.
- f. Plumbing and plumbing fixtures except as provided in Exhibit C.
- g. Show window display platforms, window backs, etc.
- h. Special heating, cooling or ventilating that is required due to the specific use of fixturation by the Tenant or due to irregularities of Tenant's partitioning.
- i. Special lighting fixtures.
- j. Tenant's signs, both interior and exterior.
- k. The finish of all walls, except as provided in Exhibit C.
- l. Any sprinkler heads which are required due to irregularities of Tenant's partitioning, ceiling design, store front, wall displays, or Tenant's use.
- m. All work which is designated in the Approved Final Tenant's Construction Plans (whether in the notes, specifications, or drawings) by appropriate language, legend, or notes as being furnished and installed by Tenant or as not included in Landlord's Construction, shall be furnished and installed by Tenant or furnished by Tenant, as the case may be.
- n. Any systems needed for the control and disposal of any Hazardous Materials as described in Paragraph 25.
- o. Any and all other items required by Tenant.
- p. Tenant must contact and pay Landlord's roofing contractor to perform any roof penetrations and to repair and/or restore the roof.

*Thomas J. ... - Auto Mall Inc.*  
Landlord

*22N Vision Enterprises Inc.*  
Tenant

ps 7. In addition, Tenant shall place ceiling tiles provided by Landlord, carpet showroom section with + ... + showroom walls,

## EXHIBIT E

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The sidewalks, roadways, and other public portions in the Shopping Center shall be used by each Tenant for the purpose solely of ingress and egress to and from the Premises so demised to the Tenants.

2. All waste paper, refuse, and garbage shall be put by Tenant in metal trash cans, with covers, to be located at the rear of the store, such waste paper, refuse and garbage to be removed at the Tenant's expense.

3. Each Tenant shall keep the exterior and interior portions of its store, all windows, doors, and all other glass or plate fixtures in a clean condition. Each Tenant shall keep its display window(s) illuminated during such hours as the windows throughout a major portion of the Shopping Center are illuminated.

4. No Tenant shall keep or permit to be kept on its Premises any inflammable or combustible fluid, chemical, or explosives, except those used in the normal course of business for which Landlord shall have given express written permission.

5. No Tenant shall hold any auction, fire or bankruptcy sale in its Premises or otherwise in the Shopping Center.

6. Each Tenant shall conduct its business in an orderly manner in the best interests of the Shopping Center. No Tenant shall permit noises from the use of any radios, televisions, loudspeakers, talking machines, phonographs, or other instruments to reach outside its Premises, which will in the sole judgment of the Landlord interfere in any way with other Tenants in the Shopping Center.

7. No Tenant shall burn any trash or garbage of any kind in or about the building(s) or on the grounds of the Shopping Center.

8. The plumbing facilities shall be used for the purposes for which they have been constructed, and no foreign substance of any kind shall be thrown therein. The expense of any breakage, stoppage, or damage resulting from a violation of this provision caused by any Tenant, its employees, agents, or invitees shall be borne by such Tenant.

9. The Landlord reserves the right to control and operate the Common Areas of the Shopping Center in such manner as the Landlord deems necessary or desirable for the best interests of the Shopping Center and the Tenants and for the protection of the buildings and other property in the Shopping Center. The Landlord, however, shall not be liable to any Tenant for any damages arising out of such control and operation.

10. Tenant will be responsible for the removal of grease, oil or hazardous materials, in such a manner that meets the regulations of the governing authorities, and shall not be allowed to permit those materials to enter into the building's sewer and drainage systems or trash enclosures.

made by Tenant, at Tenant's expense, and will be made in such a manner so as not to invalidate any guarantee relating to said roof.

12. No overnight parking, whatsoever, is permitted in the common areas. Tenants who violate this regulation agrees to take full responsibility for any vehicles in their possession, that are towed. Further, Tenant agrees to reimburse Landlord in the amount of \$25.00 as a proccessory fee on all towed vehicles.

13. Hours of deliveries: Tenant shall cause to be completed all deliveries, loading and unloading and services to the Premises prior to 10:00 A.M. each day.

14. Tenant shall not without Landlord's prior written consent display or sell any type of merchandise or service automobiles outside the defined exterior walls and permanent doorways of the demised premises.

15. This is an auto service center and it is not meant, nor has it been designed for the re-building of cars and/or automobile engines. Automobiles are to be kept for a very short period of time for the purpose of servicing, not for rebuilding or major repairs, and must remain inside Tenant's Premises if kept overnight. All vehicles left outside overnight are subject to towing without notice. Towed cars are the responsibility of the Tenant and Landlord reserves the right to charge back Tenant for any towing costs incurred.

16. The Landlord reserves the right to amend, rescind, or waive any of these rules or regulations listed herein, and further to make such other reasonable rules and regulations as may from time to time seem necessary or desirable, and any such other and further rules and regulations shall be binding upon each Tenant.

17. Tenant shall not maintain or display anywhere on or in the Premises, any photos, posters, etc. that in the Landlord's sole opinion would be considered offensive or pornographic.

18. Tenant shall require all his employees to either be in clean uniforms or other clothing that is maintained neat and clean.


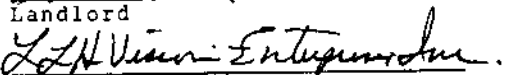
  
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Tenant

EXHIBIT F  
SIGN CRITERIA  
AUTO MALL  
DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA

Section I - General

PURPOSE - This criteria was developed to create a coordinated and attractive appearance to the graphic image of this center. Signs shall be provide by the tenants at their expense.

APPROVAL - The character, design and layout of all signs are subject to the Landlord's approval. Two sets of prints must be submitted to the Landlord for written approval prior to fabrication and installation. Failure to do so can result in the removal of such sign at tenant's expense.

PERMITS - After receiving approval from the Landlord the tenant shall be responsible to obtain any required sign permits from the proper local authorities.

COMMON SIGN PLAN - A common sign plan has been filed with and approved by the City of Durham. (A copy of which is attached.)

SIGNS - Each tenant shall be allowed one sign with copy limited to the tenants trade name and/or established logo. All signs shall be limited to individual lighted letters.

SIZE - The allowable letter size for each tenant shall not exceed 50% of the parapet height to which it is attached. A maximum height of 30" for minor tenants and 40" for major tenants. Upper case and/or upper-lower case is acceptable.

TYPE - All letters shall be internally illuminated, U.L. approved and mounted on a raceway. PBKM are acceptable (transformers within the letter). The raceway is to be painted Beige (Off White) to match the wall to which it is mounted, or blue on Mansard. Visible disconnect switches are required on all raceways. Benjamin moore #1072  
Light blue - Mason Corp.  
Birmingham, AL (205) 942-4100

LIGHTING - All signs shall be internally illuminated by 13mm neon tubing, powered by 30 M.A. transformers located within an exposed aluminum wireway.

FACES - To be 3/16" thick acrylic Plexiglas designed to secure to letter return via Jewelite trim cap.

SCRIPT - The letter style shall be each tenant's option with Landlord approval.

LOCATION - The primary sign shall be centered horizontally and vertically on the parapet wall or mansard roof.

LOGOS AND TRADEMARKS - When tenant has a logo or trademark which is used in conjunction with tenant's name, he may seek Landlords approval for the use of such logo in conjunction with his sign. Logo must meet size and lighting specifications under the criteria (no product logos

SIGN CRITERIA: AUTO MALL, DURHAM, NC (CONTINUED)

The Landlord reserves the right to perform necessary adjustments in tenant signage areas to comply with any local restrictions concerning signage area allowed for total building.

Tenants shall be responsible for the installation of their respective signs and connection to the electrical service provided by the Landlord.

All signs shall be manufactured and installed in compliance with all applicable building codes and the City of Durham sign ordinance.

Logos shall be submitted for approval by Landlord and must be approved by the City prior to manufacture.

Sign manufacturer approved and recommended is Harlan Laws Corporation, Durham, NC. Contact, Neil Robinson, (919) 596-2124.

APPROVED COMMON SIGN PLAN

AUTO MALL DURHAM, NC

1. MATERIAL: Each sign shall consist of translucent acrylic faces with welded aluminum back and sides - LIGHTED LETTERS.
2. LOCATION OF EACH SIGN: Each sign shall be located on the upper parapet or mansard roof as shown on the elevations.
3. LIGHTING: All signs are to be internally illuminated neon.
4. PROPORTION: Due to the varying parapet heights and shop frontage widths the proportions of each sign shall be determined by the following:
  1. The overall height of each sign shall not exceed 50% of the parapet height to which it is attached. A maximum height of 30" for minor tenants and 40" for major tenants.
  2. The width of each sign shall be determined by the limitation of the individual shop frontage. Sign width is not to exceed 75% of the width of the store front or the 15% limitation restriction whichever governs.

EXHIBIT G

OPTION

1. Option(s). In addition to the initial term as described hereinabove in this Lease, and provided this Lease is still in full force and effect and Tenant is not in default under any of the terms, provisions or conditions of this Lease on its part to observe, comply with or fulfill, and Landlord and Tenant have signed below, Tenant shall have the option(s) to renew the term (3) years each next succeeding the initial term set forth in the Lease (the "Option Period;" if more than one such period, each an "Option Period" and collectively the "Option Periods.") Such option(s) to renew shall be exercised by written notice to Landlord not less than one hundred eighty (180) days prior to the end of the then current term or Option Period, as applicable. Each Option Period, if exercised by Tenant, shall be on the same terms and conditions as provided in this Lease except Rent shall be in the amount as set forth below. There shall be no additional options to renew other than set forth in this Exhibit. Time is of the essence with respect to the exercise of any option to renew hereunder.

Annual Minimum Rent:

	Option Period 1	Option Period 2
Year 1	\$ <u>14,256</u> ; \$ <u>1,188</u> /mo.	\$ <u>N/A</u> ; \$ <u>N/A</u> /mo.
Year 2	\$ <u>14,256</u> ; \$ <u>1,188</u> /mo.	\$ _____ ; \$ _____ /mo.
Year 3	\$ <u>14,256</u> ; \$ <u>1,188</u> /mo.	\$ _____ ; \$ _____ /mo.
Year 4	\$ <u>N/A</u> ; \$ <u>N/A</u> /mo.	\$ _____ ; \$ _____ /mo.
Year 5	\$ <u>11</u> ; \$ <u>11</u> /mo.	\$ _____ ; \$ _____ /mo.

~~Percentage of Gross Sales: \_\_\_\_\_ percent (\_\_\_\_%)~~

~~Option Period 1      Option Period 2~~

~~Additional Security Deposit: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_~~

Landlord: Gate Mall Development, Inc.

By: [Signature]

Tenant: L. H. Visoni Enterprises, Inc.

By: [Signature] Secretary

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF DURHAM

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF LEASE

This Notice of Extension of Lease is given by **LLH Vision Enterprises, D/B/A ASAP Signs**, hereinafter referred to as "Tenant," to **Auto Mall Developments, Inc.**, a North Carolina corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Landlord."

WHEREAS, Landlord and Tenant have previously entered into a certain Lease Agreement dated December 20, 1991, wherein Landlord leased and demised to Tenant a certain portion of Triangle Village Auto Mall, generally known and referred to as "Space H", 2105 Highway 54 in Durham, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, Tenant renewed said Lease on August 14, 1992; February 12, 1993; September 7, 1993; September 19, 1994; October 6, 1995; September 26, 1996; and September 26, 1997. Such extensions have now expired; and

WHEREAS, Tenant desires to renew this Lease under the same terms and conditions as said lease, for an additional period of four (4) years, beginning November 1, 2000 and terminating October 31, 2004, and desires to give Landlord notice thereof.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and covenants set forth and contained herein, and as set forth and contained in said Lease dated December 20, 1989, and subsequent extensions, Tenant does hereby extend said Lease for an additional period of four (4) years, commencing November 1, 2000 and terminating October 31, 2004, with monthly rent at \$1250.00 for each month during the first two years, \$1300.00/month for year three, and ~~\$1350.00/month~~ for year four. All other terms and conditions set forth in said Lease shall apply.

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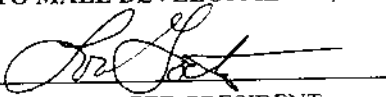
This is the 7 day of June, 2000.

Accepted and Agreed:

LANDLORD:

**AUTO MALL DEVELOPMENTS, INC.:**

BY:

  
LOU GOETZ, PRESIDENT

TENANT:


**LLH VISION ENTERPRISES**

BY:

  
LANE HUBBARD

ATTEST:

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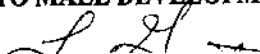
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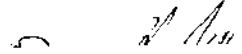
This is the 26 day of September, 1997.

Accepted and Agreed:

LANDLORD:  
AUTO MALL DEVELOPMENTS, INC.:



TENANT:  
LLH VISION ENTERPRISES:



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
COUNTY OF DURHAM

NOTICE OF EXTENSION OF LEASE

This notice of Extension of Lease is given by LLH Vision Enterprises, D/B/A/ ASAP Signs, hereinafter referred to as "Tenant," to AUTO MALL DEVELOPMENT, INC., a North Carolina Corporation, hereinafter referred to as "Landlord."

WHEREAS, Landlord and Tenant had previously entered into a certain lease agreement dated December 20, 1991, wherein Landlord leased and demised to Tenant a certain portion of Triangle Village Auto Mall, generally known and referred to as "Space H", 2105 East Highway 54 in Durham, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Tenant extended such Lease on August 14, 1992; February 12, 1993; September 7, 1993; September 19, 1994; and October 6, 1995. Such extensions have now expired; and

WHEREAS, Tenant desires to extend this lease for an additional period of one (1) year, beginning November 1, 1996 and terminating October 31, 1997.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the Premises and covenants set forth and contained herein, and as set forth and contained in said Lease, dated December 20, 1991, Tenant does hereby extend said Lease for an additional period of one (1) year commencing November 1, 1996, and terminating October 31, 1997, with monthly rent at \$1100.00 for each month during the year. All other terms and conditions set forth in said

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WHEREAS, the Tenant extended the Lease on August 14, 1992; February 12, 1993; September 7, 1993; and September 19, 1994. Such extensions have now expired; and

WHEREAS, Tenant desires to extend this lease for an additional period of one (1) year, beginning November 1, 1995 and terminating October 31, 1996.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the Premises and covenants set forth and contained herein, and as set forth and contained in said Lease, dated December 20, 1991, Tenant does hereby extend said Lease for an additional period of one (1) year commencing November 1, 1995, and terminating October 31, 1996, with monthly rent at \$1000.00 for each month during the first year. All other terms and conditions set forth in said Lease shall apply.

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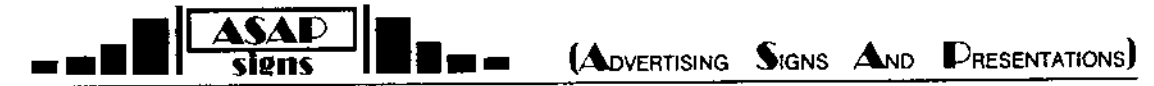
WHEREAS, the Tenant extended the Lease on August 14, 1992; February 12, 1993; and September 7, 1993. Such extensions have now expired; and

WHEREAS, Tenant desires to extend this lease for an additional period of one (1) year, beginning November 1, 1994 and terminating October 31, 1995.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the Premises and covenants set forth and contained herein, and as set forth and contained in said Lease, dated December 20, 1991, Tenant does hereby extend said Lease for an additional period of one (1) year commencing November 1, 1994, and terminating October 31, 1995, with monthly rent at \$900.00 for each month during the first year. All other terms and conditions set forth in said Lease shall apply.

This is the 19 day of November, 1994.

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Park City Developments  
701 Morreene Rd.  
Durham, NC 27705

8/26/94

ATTN: Lou Goetz

Lou,

Per our conversation of 8/24/94, we have decided to renew our lease from November 1st, 1994 through October 31st 1995 at the increased rate of \$900.00 per month.

Thanks for stopping by.

*Lane Hubbard*  
Lane Hubbard  
ASAP Signs

February 12, 1993

ADDENDUM TO LEASE

The following terms and conditions of the Lease Agreement dated December 20, 1991 and Addendum to Lease dated August 14, 1992 by and between Auto Mall Developments, Inc. as Lessor, and LLH Vision Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a ASAP Signs, as Lessee shall now reflect the following changes:

- 1) Rather than exercise its Option to Renew the Lease for three (3) years, at this time, Lessee shall be granted a six (6) month Lease, beginning May 1, 1993 and terminating October 30, 1993.
- 2) The three (3) year Option to Renew shall remain in place and can be exercised by Lessee, by providing, in writing, a notice to Lessor, prior to August 31, 1993 of such intention..
- 3) Monthly rental payments from May 1, 1993 thru ~~August~~ <sup>October</sup> 1993, shall be \$720.00 per month.
- 4) All other terms and conditions of the Lease shall remain in effect.

In witness where of the parties hereto have executed this Addendum this day and year first above written.

Lessor:

Landlord: Auto Mall Developments, Inc.

By: [Signature] President

[SEAL]

Attest: [Signature] Assistant Secretary

Lessee

Tenant: L.L.H. Vision Enterprises

[SEAL]

By: [Signature]

Attest: [Signature]

September 7, 1993

ADDENDUM TO LEASE

The following terms and conditions of the Lease Agreement dated December 20, 1991 and Addendums to Lease dated August 14, 1992 and February 12, 1993, by and between Auto Mall Developments, Inc. as Lessor, and LLH Vision Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a ASAP Signs, as Lessee shall now reflect the following changes:

- 1) Rather than exercise its Option to Renew the Lease for three (3) years, at this time, Lessee shall be granted a twelve (12) month Lease, beginning November 1, 1993, and terminating October 30, 1994.
- 2) The three (3) year Option to Renew shall remain in place and can be exercised by Lessee, by providing, in writing, a notice to Lessor, prior to August 31, 1994 of such intention.
- 3) Monthly rental payments from November 1, 1993, thru October 30, 1994, shall be \$800.00 per month.
- 4) All other terms and conditions of the Lease shall remain in effect.

In witness where of the parties hereto have executed this Addendum this day and year first above written.

Lessor:

Landlord: Auto Mall Developments, Inc.

By: *Lawrence J. ...* President

[SEAL]

Attest: *Henry D. ...* Assistant Secretary

Lessee

Tenant: LLH Vision Enterprises

By: *Scott ...*

[SEAL]

Attest: *Michelle ...*

August 14, 1992

ADDENDUM TO LEASE

The following terms and conditions of the Lease Agreement by and between Auto Mall Developments, Inc. as Lessor, and LLH Vision Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a ASAP Signs, as Lessee shall now reflect the following changes:

- 1) Rather than exercise its Option to Renew the Lease for three (3) years, at this time, Lessee shall be granted a six (6) month Lease, beginning November 1, 1992 and terminating April 30, 1993.
- 2) The three (3) year Option to Renew shall remain in place and can be exercised by Lessee, by providing, in writing, a notice to Lessor, prior to February 28, 1993 of such intention..
- 3) Monthly rental payments from November 1, 1992 thru April 1993, shall be \$720.00 per month.
- 4) All other terms and conditions of the Lease shall remain in effect.

In witness where of the parties hereto have executed this Addendum this day and year first above written.

Lessor:

Landlord: Auto Mall Developments, Inc.

By: Tom Goetz President

Attest: Henry S. Butts Assistant Secretary

[SEAL]

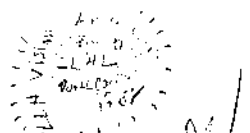
Lessee

Tenant: L.L.H. Vision Enterprises

By: Elaine J. Butts

Attest: Debbie Louell

[SEAL]



STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF DURHAM

I, Shelia S. Willis, a Notary Public for said County and State, do hereby certify that Louis Goetz, President, of Auto Hall Developments, Inc. personally appeared before me this day and acknowledged the due execution of the foregoing instrument on behalf of the partnership.

Witness my hand and notarial seal, this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1992.

[Notarial Seal]

Shelia S. Willis  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

3-28-97

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

COUNTY OF ~~DURHAM~~ Wake

I, Reynolds Brown, a Notary Public for said County and State, do hereby certify that Debbie Howell, who, being by me duly sworn, says that he/she is Debbie Howell Secretary that the seal affixed to the foregoing instrument in writing is the corporate seal of the Corporation, and said Corporation, by its authority duly given. And the said President acknowledged the said writing to be the act and deed of said Corporation.

Witness my hand and notarial seal, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1992.

[Notarial Seal]

Reynolds Brown  
Notary Public