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NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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Notice is hereby given of a public nonjudicial foreclosure sale.

1. Deed of Trust. The sale is a nonjudicial deed of trust lien foreclosure sale being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the following described deed of trust:

Frank B. Burrell
COUNTY CLERK
FRANKLIN COUNTY, TX

Date: August 23, 2007

Grantors: Bobby Black and Barbara Black

Beneficiary: First National Bank of East Texas (f/k/a Texas American Bank, a branch of The First National Bank of Gilmer)

Substitute Trustee: Scott A. Ritcheson, and/or Douglas A. Ritcheson, and/or Charles E. Lauffer, Jr., and/or Lance Vincent

Recording Information: Deed of Trust recorded in Volume 179, Page 85 of the Official Public Records of Franklin County, Texas.

2. Property to be Sold. The property to be sold (the "Property") is described as follows:

All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land situated in Franklin County, Texas, being more particularly described in the Deed of Trust and on what is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof for all purposes.

3. Date, Time, and Place of Sale. The sale is scheduled to be held at the following date, time and place:

Date: **Tuesday, August 5, 2025**

Time: The sale shall begin no earlier than 10:00 a.m. or no later than three (3) hours thereafter. The sale shall be completed by no later than 1:00 p.m.

Place: Franklin County Courthouse in Mount Vernon, Texas, at the following location:

In the area of such Courthouse designated by the Franklin County Commissioners' Court as the area where foreclosure sales shall take place, or, if no such area has been designated, then at the South entrance door to the main floor of the Franklin County Courthouse in Mt. Vernon, Texas.

The deed of trust permits the beneficiary to postpone, withdraw, or reschedule the sale for another day. In that case, the trustee or substitute trustee under the deed of trust need not appear at the date, time and place of a scheduled sale to announce the postponement, withdrawal, or rescheduling. Notice of the date of any rescheduled foreclosure sale will be reposted and refiled in accordance with the posting and filing requirements of the Texas Property Code. Such reposting or refiling may be after the date originally scheduled for this sale.

4. Terms of Sale. The sale will be conducted as a public auction to the highest bidder for cash, subject to the provisions of the deed of trust permitting the beneficiary thereunder to have the bid credited to the note up to the amount of the unpaid debt secured by the deed of trust at the time of sale.

Those desiring to purchase the property will need to demonstrate their ability to pay cash on the date the property is sold.

The sale will be made expressly subject to unpaid ad valorem taxes and any title matters set forth in the deed of trust, but prospective bidders are reminded that by law the sale will necessarily be made subject to all other matters of record affecting the Property, if any, to the extent that they remain in force and effect and have not been subordinated to the deed of trust. Prospective bidders are strongly urged to examine the applicable property records to determine the nature and extent of such matters, if any.

A purchaser at the sale of the Property "acquires the Property 'AS IS' without any expressed or implied warranties" (except as to the warranties of title from the grantor identified in the deed of trust described below). Any purchaser acquires the Property "at the purchaser's own risk." TEXAS PROPERTY CODE §51.009. Nothing set forth in this Notice is an express or implied representation or warranty regarding the Property, all of which are specifically disclaimed by the undersigned and by the beneficiary of the herein described deed of trust.

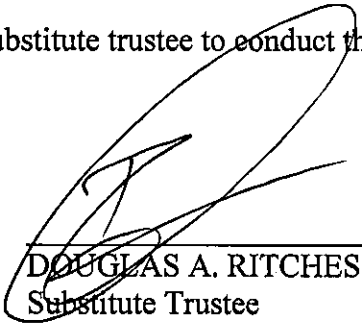
5. Type of Sale. The sale is a nonjudicial deed of trust lien foreclosure sale being conducted pursuant to the power of sale granted by the deed of trust executed by Bobby Black and Barbara Black. The deed of trust is dated August 23, 2007, and is recorded in the office of the County Clerk of Franklin County, Texas, in Volume 179, Page 85 of the Official Public Records of Franklin County, Texas.

6. Obligations Secured. The deed of trust provides that it secures the payment of the indebtedness and obligations therein described (collectively the "Obligations") including, but not limited to, (1) the August 23, 2007 promissory note in the original principal amount of \$71,000.00, executed by Bobby Black and Barbara Black, and payable to the order of Texas American Bank, a branch of The First National Bank of Gilmer (now known as First National Bank of East Texas); (2) all renewals and extensions of the note; (3) all interest, late charges, fees and other expenses payable under said note on the herein described deed of trust; and (4) all other debts and obligations described in the deed of trust (including all debts secured by any cross-collateralization clause in the deed of trust). First National Bank of East Texas is the current owner and holder of the Obligations and is the beneficiary under the deed of trust.

Questions concerning the sale may be directed to the undersigned or to the beneficiary, First National Bank of East Texas, Attention: Jason Frazier, telephone (903) 537-2700, ext. 2407.

7. Default and Request to Act. Default has occurred under the deed of trust, and the beneficiary has asked me, as substitute trustee, to conduct this sale. Notice is given that before the sale the beneficiary may appoint another person substitute trustee to conduct the sale.

DATED: July 7, 2025.



DOUGLAS A. RITCHESON,
Substitute Trustee
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Notice to Members of the Armed Forces of the United States:

Assert and protect your rights as a member of the armed forces of the United States. If you are or your spouse is serving on active military duty, including active military duty as a member of the Texas National Guard or the National Guard of another state or as a member of a reserve component of the armed forces of the United States, please send written notice of the active duty military service to the sender of this notice immediately.

Certificate of Posting

I, _____, whose address is _____, declare under penalty of perjury that I filed and/or recorded this Notice of Foreclosure Sale at the office of the Franklin County Clerk and caused it to be posted at the location directed by the Franklin County Commissioners.

Return to: Ritcheson, Lauffer & Vincent, P.C. 821 ESE Loop 323, Suite 530, Tyler, Texas 75701.

EXHIBIT "A"

Property (including any improvements):

House and lot, tract or parcel of land located in Franklin County, Texas, out of the T.L. Burns HR Survey, A-58, and described as follows:

BEGINNING at a stake on the south side of a former County road, now only a rural mail carriers road, same being on the East line of the property herein conveyed which is 546 feet West from the West side of a county road running roughly North and South;

THENCE SOUTH with the EBL of the 2 acre tract that was not conveyed in a deed from Loyd G. and Stella Mae Black to Michael Black et al of record in Vol. 158, Page 428, of the Records of Franklin County, Texas, to the SEC of said tract reserved to Grantors in said deed;

THENCE WEST with the SBL of said 2 acres, 163.5 feet, the SWC of same;

THENCE NORTH and parallel with the EBL of said 2 acre tract, 483 feet, its NWC;

THENCE EAST, 163.5 feet with the NBL of 2 acre tract, its NEC, a stake;

THENCE SOUTH with EBL to a stake on South side of Mail Carriers Road, the place of Beginning, which was the homestead of Loyd G. and Stella Mae Black during his lifetime; and being the same land reserved and described in the above mentioned deed from Loyd C. and Stella Mae Black to Michael Black et al dated June 16, 1980, of record in Vol. 158, Page 428, of the Records of Franklin County, Texas.