

(3) Section 18 of Article II is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

"SECTION 18. Concerning the Trust, the Investment Administrator, Individuals, etc. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Declaration, the Trustees may not knowingly, directly or indirectly, lend any of the Trust Property to, purchase or otherwise acquire any property whatsoever (other than securities of the Trust) from, sell or otherwise transfer any property whatsoever (other than securities of the Trust) to, contract with, or pay any commission or other remuneration, directly or indirectly in connection with the purchase or sale of Trust assets to (a) any Trustee, officer or employee of the Trust (acting in their individual capacities), (b) the Investment Administrator, (c) any corporation, partnership, trust or other organization with which a Trustee, any officer or employee of the Trust, the Investment Administrator, any independent contractor to the Trust or any officer, director or employee of the Investment Administrator or any such independent contractor to the Trust is an Affiliate, or (d) any officer, director or employee (acting in their individual capacities) of the Investment Administrator, of any Affiliate of the Investment Administrator or of any independent contractor to the Trust; except that the Trustees shall be entitled to engage in any transaction on behalf of the Trust notwithstanding any such affiliation, provided (i) each such transaction has been approved or ratified after full disclosure of such affiliation, by a majority of the Trustees of the Trust, including a majority of the Trustees who are not Affiliates of any Person (other than the Trust) who is a party to the transaction, whether such Trustees are acting as a committee of the Trustees or otherwise and (ii) the Trustees approving the transaction have determined that such transaction is fair and reasonable to the Trust and its Shareholders and that such transaction is on terms not less favorable to the Trust than terms available for a comparable transaction with others that are not so affiliated, and (iii) if such transaction with such Persons relates to: (x) the acquisition by the Trust of federally insured or guaranteed mortgages, it shall be effected at prices not exceeding the currently quoted prices at which the Federal National Mortgage Association is committing to purchase comparable mortgages; (y) the acquisition by the Trust of other mortgages on terms not less favorable to the Trust than similar transactions involving Persons that are not so affiliated; or (z) the acquisition by the Trust of other property, it shall be effected at prices not exceeding the fair value thereof as determined by independent appraisal. The simultaneous acquisition by the Trust and the Investment Administrator or any Affiliate of the Investment Administrator of participations in a loan or other investment shall not be deemed to constitute an acquisition of property by one of them from the other, provided that the terms, other than the size of the participation, are not less favorable to the Trust than to such other Person.

Any Trustee or officer, employee or agent of the Trust may acquire, own, hold and dispose of securities of the Trust, for his individual account, and may exercise all rights of a holder of such securities to the same extent and in the same manner as if he were not such a Trustee or officer, employee or agent. The Trustees shall use their best efforts to obtain through an Investment Administrator or other Persons a continuing and suitable investment program, consistent with the investment policies and objectives of the Trust, and the Trustees shall be responsible for reviewing and approving or rejecting investment opportunities presented by the Investment Administrator or such other Persons. So long as there is such Investment Administrator or other Person, the Trustees shall have no responsibility for the origination of investment opportunities for the Trust. Any Trustee or officer, employee, or agent of the Trust may, in his personal capacity, or in a capacity of trustee, officer, director, stockholder,

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