UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

IN RE:

Debtor.

Case No.: Chapter 13 Hon. Filed:

STIPULATED MOTION TO PERMIT EXECUTION AND RECORDING OF MORTGAGE AND LIEN

NOW COMES the Debtor, _____, Creditor_____ and Chapter 13 Trustee, by and through his/her/their attorney, _____ and states as follows:

- 1. Debtor filed a petition for Chapter 13 relief on or about _____.
- 2. Debtor's Chapter 13 plan was confirmed on or about ______.
- Debtor has applied for assistance from Michigan's Helping Hardest Hit Homeowners program, otherwise known as Step Forward Michigan.
- 4. Step Forward Michigan will consider applications for homeowners in bankruptcy provided they receive authorization from the Bankruptcy Court permitting the Debtor to:
 - a. Accept Hardest Hit Funds® assistance that will be paid directly to the mortgage lender (See attached Exhibit A: *Instructions for Bankruptcy Clients letter*).
 - b. Execute a Note which will have a 0% interest rate, and require no payments. The principal amount of assistance will be forgivable over a five-year (5) term at 20% per year. During that time, any portion of the principal not forgiven is due only if there is a transfer of the property or if the property ceases to be the homeowner's principal residence.
 - c. Execute and record a Michigan Housing Authority Mortgage Lien on the principal residence.

- 5. If Debtor's application is approved, the awarded funds will be paid directly to the mortgage lender and be applied to the mortgage account.
- 6. The awarded funds may be paid in one lump sum or over a twelve month period.
- 7. This request will not reduce the amount received by the unsecured creditors.
- 8. In all other respects, this Chapter 13 plan remains unchanged.

THEREFORE, the Debtor and Trustee agree that:

- 1. Debtor is permitted to accept funds from Michigan's Helping Hardest Hit Homeowners program, otherwise known as Step Forward Michigan if Debtor's application is approved.
- 2. Debtor is permitted to execute a Note in favor of Michigan Housing Authority which will have a 0% interest rate, and require no payments. The principal amount of assistance will be forgivable over a five-year (5) term at 20% per year. During that time, any portion of the principal not forgiven is due only if there is a transfer of the property or if the property ceases to be the homeowner's principal residence.
- 3. Debtor is permitted to execute and record a Michigan Housing Authority Mortgage Lien on Debtor's principal residence.
- 4. The Chapter 13 Trustee shall continue to disburse to the mortgagee regular ongoing mortgage payments while the debtor(s) applies for funds from MHA.
- 5. The Chapter 13 Trustee will continue to disburse payments on both pre and/or post-petition mortgage arrears while the debtor(s) applies for funds from MHA.
- 6. That an amended plan will be filed to reflect the acceptance by the Michigan's Helping Hardest Hit Homeowners program which clarifies that the mortgage arrears have been paid via said program and the date that the mortgage is contractually due.

Dated:

Debtor's Attorney

Dated:

Barbara Foley Chapter 13 Trustee

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ORDER GRANTING STIPULATED MOTION TO PERMIT EXECUTION AND RECORDING OF MORTGAGE AND LIEN

At a session of said Court held in the City of Grand Rapids, County of Kent, State of Michigan, this day of

PRESENT: HONORABLE ______ BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

THIS MATTER having coming before the Court on *Stipulated Motion to Permit Execution and Recording of Mortgage and Lien*, and the Court having read and reviewed same and being otherwise fully advised in the premises,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED Debtor is permitted to accept Hardest Hit Funds[®] assistance that will be paid directly to the mortgage lender.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Debtor shall be permitted to execute the MHA Note which will have a 0% interest rate, require no payments, and the principal amount of assistance is forgivable over a five-year (5) term at 20% per year. During that time, any non-forgiven portion of the principal is due only if there is a transfer of the property or if the property ceases to be the homeowner's principal residence.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Debtor is permitted to execute and record a MHA Mortgage Lien on his/her principal residence.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Chapter 13 Trustee shall continue to disburse to the mortgagee the regular ongoing mortgage payments while the debtor(s) applies for funds from MHA to cure their arrears.

IT IS FURHER ORDERED The Chapter 13 Trustee will continue to disburse payments on pre and/or post-petition mortgage arrears while the debtor(s) applies for funds from MHA.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED That an amended plan will be filed to reflect the acceptance by the Michigan's Helping Hardest Hit Homeowners program which clarifies that the mortgage arrears have been paid via said program and the date that the mortgage is contractually due.

END OF ORDER