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A G R E E M E N T

THIS AGREEMENT, made this 15th day of March, 1988,
by and between Robert A. Newbill, Trustee, party of the First
Part (hereinafter called Purchaser), and Mrs. H.A. O'Connell,
Anthony O'Connell, Co-Trustee and H.A. Highman, Co-Trustee
parties of the Second Part (hereinafter called Seller), and
SHANNON & LUCHS COMPANY, party of the Third Part (hereinafter
called Agent):

W I T N E S S E T H:

That for and in consideration of a deposit in the amount of
TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$25,000.00) in the form of a check
to be held in escrow (in an interest bearing account) by Shannon
& Luchs, with interest to accrue to Purchaser, the Sellers agree
to sell, and the Purchaser agrees to purchase approximately
fifteen (15) acres of R-1 ground, Master Planned PDH 3-4 known as
Fairfax County Tax Map Number 90-4-((1)) Lot 17 and shown on the
attached tax map which shall become a part of this Agreement.

\$53,333 / month

1. SALE PRICE. Purchaser shall pay EIGHT HUNDRED
THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$800,000.00) for the subject property.

2. TERMS OF SALE. Purchaser is to pay ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND
DOLLARS (\$100,000.00) in cash at settlement, including the above
mentioned deposit.

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3. For the balance of the purchase price, the Purchaser
agrees to execute and deliver to the Sellers, one negotiable
promissory note in the sum of SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS
(\$700,000.00) with interest thereon at the rate of nine percent
(9%) per annum. The Purchaser shall make quarterly interest only
payments for three years and then the Purchaser shall make
quarterly interest and principal payments based on a fifteen (15)
year amortization schedule and a principal amount of SEVEN
HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$700,000.00) for an additional three
(3) year period. The promissory note shall balloon at the
expiration of six (6) years from execution thereof at which time

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all accrued interest and the remaining unpaid principal balance shall be paid to the noteholder. The promissory note is to be secured by a deferred purchase money first deed of trust secured on the premises. There shall be no prepayment penalty for early prepayment in part or in whole. The noteholder shall permit the note to be assumed in the event of a sale or transfer. NO

4. CONTINGENCIES. This agreement is contingent upon the following: failure of any said contingency shall operate to make this Agreement null and void or Purchaser may waive the unfulfilled contingency and call for final settlement hereunder. If declared null and void, Purchaser's deposit shall be returned.

a. Engineering. The Purchaser shall have ninety (90) days after the acceptance of this Agreement by Sellers to conduct engineering studies and studies of the general feasibility of development of the subject property. The Purchaser may, at his sole option, at any time prior to the expiration of the ninety (90) day period, cancel this Agreement by notice of cancellation to Sellers, and, in such event, this Agreement shall thereupon become null and void and of no effect. *IN SUCH EVENT ALL STUDIES SELLER AT NO COST OR EXPENSE.*

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b. The parties are aware of the pending rezoning application (number R2 86-L-073) and procedure for the adjacent property consisting of approximately 261 acres known as Tax Map Numbers 90-4-((1)) 27, 99-2((1)) 39A, 39B, 39C and 39D, from R-1 to PDH-4. The outcome of this rezoning request directly impacts the subject property. Therefore:

1. The Purchaser shall have a contingency period for ninety (90) days (to run concurrently with the engineering study) from ratification of this Agreement. However, the ninety (90) day period may be extended at the option of the Purchaser if the rezoning application, currently scheduled to be heard by the County Planning Commission on May 11, 1988 is postponed, delayed or deferred for any reason or withdrawn temporarily by the applicant. In said event, the Contingency Period will extend until ten (10) days from the final rezoning of the adjacent above

mentioned property. Settlement would then take place no later than thirty (30) days from the final rezoning of the adjacent property. However, in the event the actual rezoning did not take place by December 15, 1988, the Purchaser shall have the option to either settle no later than December 30, 1988 or cancel this Agreement to purchase in which case the earnest money deposit will be returned to the Purchaser with accrued interest, and there shall be no further liability on either parties part.

5. TITLE. Title to all the property which is the subject of this Agreement is to be good of record, and, in fact, fully marketable and insurable at regular rates, free of rights-of-way, easements, leases, restrictions, covenants, conditions, litigations and encumbrances, except standard utility easements. Should the title be found defective, Sellers shall be allowed reasonable time to correct any defects. If the defects are of such nature that they cannot speedily be remedied by legal action, Purchaser may, at his option, declare the Agreement to be null and void. After the date of execution of this Agreement, Sellers shall not mortgage or encumber the property or execute any lease, easement, covenant, conditions, or restriction without obtaining Purchaser's written consent.

6. ADJUSTMENTS AND POSSESSION. All taxes are to be adjusted and apportioned pro rata between Purchaser and the Sellers as of the date of settlement. Possession is to be given to Purchaser at settlement; provided, however, that at any time subsequent to the acceptance of this Agreement by Sellers, Purchaser and his engineers and agents shall have the right to enter and inspect property and make any desired studies or plans necessary to ascertain the feasibility of development of said property.

7. CONVEYANCE, ETC. The Sellers shall furnish a General Warranty Deed and shall pay the Grantor's tax imposed upon the transfer of the property. Conveyancing, notary fees, and all recording charges are to be paid by Purchaser.

8. SETTLEMENT. Settlement is to be made at the office of an attorney selected by Purchaser on or before December 30, 1988 or as outlined in Paragraph 4(b1).

9. FAILURE TO MAKE SETTLEMENT. If Purchaser shall fail to make full settlement, the deposit herein provided for may be retained as liquidated damages at the option of the Sellers, in which event Purchaser shall be released from further liability hereunder. In the event of the Seller's default, the Purchaser may avail himself to whatever legal remedies may exist. This agreement shall be construed under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

10. ASSIGNMENT. Purchaser shall have the right to assign this Agreement to another or a corporation or corporations.

11. SURVIVAL OF AGREEMENT. All representations, agreements, provisions, terms and conditions of this Agreement shall survive the delivery of the deed and shall not be merged therein.

12. NOTICES. Any notices to be sent pursuant to the terms of this Agreement shall be deemed properly sent when sent to:

As to Purchaser: Robert A. Newbill, Trustee
6052 Ramshorn Place
McLean, Virginia 22101

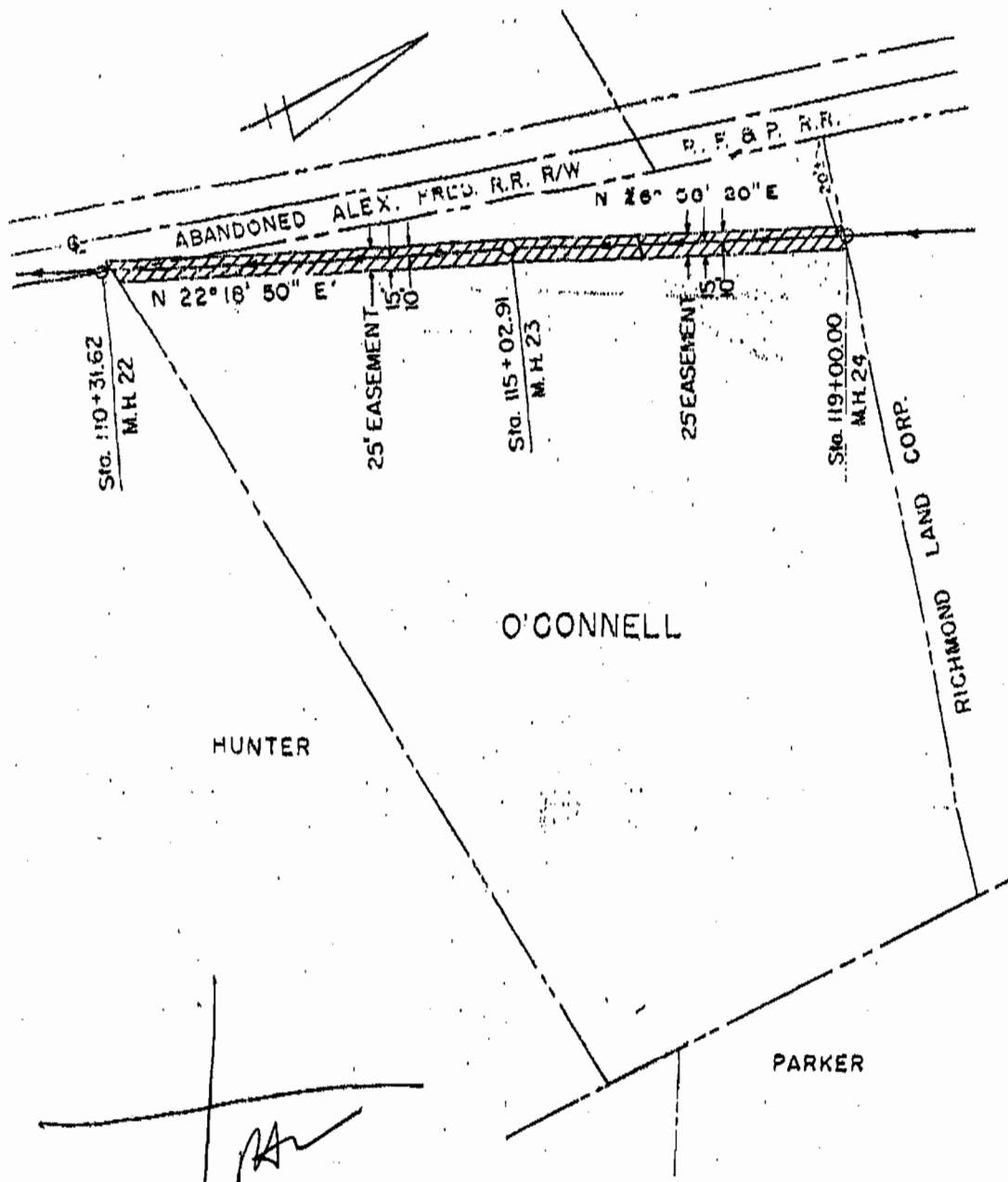
As to Sellers: H.A. Higham, Co-Trustee
6208 Higham Drive
Alexandria, Virginia 22310

or at such other addresses as either party ^{Robert A. Newbill} may from time to time designate to the other in writing. All notices shall be sent by certified mail.

13. SALES COMMISSION. If settlement is completed in accordance with the conditions of this contract, the Purchaser shall pay Robert H. Turner, Broker, of Shannon & Luchs Company a commission as per separate agreement. The settlement attorney is directed to collect the commission at settlement and to make payment thereof to Agent.

14. All the rights and duties hereunder shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the heirs, successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

W. L. W. 10/27
FROM 10/26/87



O'CONNELL

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 FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA
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 PROPERTY OF
 HAROLD A. & JEAN M.
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 D.B. 831-216

SCALE: 1" = 150'

DATE: 9/65

CONTRACT 165-17

Robert A. Newbill 8-87
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VIRGINIA AND DISTRICT
OF COLUMBIA BARS

March 22, 1988

Mr. Anthony M. O'Connell
Conservator
2337 South Thirteenth Street
St. Louis, Missouri 63104

Dear Mr. O'Connell:

I have your letter of March 18, 1988, enclosing a copy of a proposed contract of purchase for your property located near Cinder Bed Road.

1. Although I have not seen any appraisal of the property, I have the feeling that \$800,000 for 15 acres is a little low particularly in view of the contingencies of the contract.
2. \$100,000 stands in proportion to \$800,000 as an appropriate down payment where one has agreed to take back a purchase money deed of trust.
3. The paragraph describing the deed of trust leaves a number of things unsaid. Since the purchaser signs as trustees they may have in mind that they are not personally liable. I would want personal liability on the note. The deed of trust also does not contain any subordination clause. I would wish a provision that subordination would not be allowed. I would also want the usual waivers and default provisions in the note. There should be a provision in the note that in the event of default in paying any installment of interest or principal, the noteholder will have the option of calling the entire amount immediately due and payable. The contract provides that the deed of trust is assumable. If you were able to obtain personal liability on the part of the purchasers and they are substantial people, I probably would not object to such a provision. However, where we are not sure whether they would be personally liable, I would be unwilling to give them the unlimited right of assignment. There is no way of telling to whom they might sell the property. You might have a difficult time collecting your sales price from another owner.

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4. I find that paragraph 4 on contingencies is entirely too liberal as far as the seller is concerned. If, for some reason completely beyond your control, the rezoning is does not take place when expected the purchaser will not be required to close. The result is that you are asked to give a free option to the purchaser from this date until December 30, 1988. Although I am not opposed to a reasonable engineering and feasibility study period, I think that what the purchaser is proposed is unreasonable. They are asking you to give them a nine month's free option. During that period of time you might have many offers for the property and the value of the property might increase.

Paragraphs 5, 6, 7 and 8 are quite usual. Under paragraph 6 I would want copies of all engineering and feasibility studies.

Paragraph 9 limits your remedies to the deposit which I believe is quite small in comparison with an \$800,000 price. This brings me to another point. It is likely that the property has not been surveyed in recent times. If that is the case, then the purchaser should be required to choose whether the sale will be by the acre or by the foot, on the one hand, or in gross, on the other. The contract seems to be drawn for a gross selling price of \$800,000. If it turns out that there is more area than you suppose by the acre sale might give you an advantage. The same comment concerning the assignment of the contract that I have stated above for the assumption of the debt.

I believe that paragraph 13 should contain an indemnification so that you will be completely exculpated and held harmless from any commission payable to Turner.

My last comment is that the contract is not very artfully drawn. It lacks many clauses which most well drafted real estate contracts have. For example, it has no provision directing that the contract be construed in accordance with Virginia law. Secondly, I have no information as to the identify of the purchaser. I believe that before I would sign a contract of sale to a stranger, I would want some financial information.

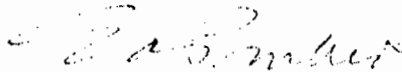
The forfeiture provision lacks mutuality. The purchaser has the right to walk away from the contract even after the December deadline by leaving a \$25,000 deposit in escrow. There is no right of specific performance to require the purchaser to close. If you are willing to accept the forfeiture of a deposit as a sole remedy on default by the purchaser then I believe that the deposit should be greater. I believe it should be at least \$75,000.

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My last comment has to do with the wisdom of selling the property now, at a time when the fate of the adjacent property has not been determined. Property has been rapidly appreciating in value in recent years. A number of factors influence value. Obviously, rezoning is one. Transportation is another. The scarcity of the product is the third. It occurs to me that you probably would be unwise to sell the property when the fate of the adjacent property has not been determined. The value of the property could well go up dramatically after the adjacent property is rezoned and construction is underway. I see no real advantage of selling at the present time and suggest that you would be better off supporting the rezoning application of your neighbor, trying to influence the Department of Environmental Management to extend a street to your property through the property now under consideration for rezoning and then sell it.

I do not know Mr. Newbill. I may have met Mr. Highman. I am not sure. At any rate, they are not well known developers. My guess is that they are speculators.

Sincerely yours,



E. A. Prichard

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