STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Division of Financial Institutions Consumer Finance

In the matter of:) Case No. M2007-390
WESTERN OLYMPIC FINANCIAL OF NORTHERN OHIO, INC.	Notice of Intent to Deny Renewal Application &
4450 Belden Village St. NW, Suite 201 Canton, OH 44718	Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing

JURISDICTION

The Ohio Department of Commerce, by and through the Superintendent of the Division of Financial Institutions ("Division"), is charged with the responsibility of administering and enforcing the Ohio Mortgage Broker Act, codified in Ohio Revised Code ("R.C.") Chapter 1322. In accordance therewith, the Division is accountable for the registration of mortgage brokers.

RESPONDENT

WESTERN OLYMPIC FINANCIAL OF NORTHERN OHIO, INC. ("Respondent") is a company that held a certificate of registration to engage in business as a mortgage broker pursuant to R.C. Chapter 1322. Respondent's mortgage broker certificate of registration expired on April 30, 2007, and Respondent filed an application to renew its certificate of registration. The renewal application remains pending. Respondent's business address of record is 4450 Belden Village St. NW, Suite 201, Canton, Ohio 44718.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

In accordance with sections 1322.04 and 1322.10 of the R.C., and R.C. Chapter 119, the Division intends to DENY Respondent's 2007 renewal application for a mortgage broker certificate of registration.

BASIS FOR PROPOSED ACTION

The Division has conducted an investigation of Respondent, pursuant to R.C. 1322.10(B), and has found the following:

- A. Troy J. Weber is Respondent's operations manager and sole shareholder.
- B. R.C. 1322.04(A)(7) & (B)(3) provide that a registrant will not be renewed if the registrant, its shareholder, operations manager, or other specified individuals, has pleaded guilty to a theft offense. See, also, R.C. 1322.03(A)(8).
- C. In or around 1989, in the Mayor's Court of Minerva, Ohio, Troy J. Weber was convicted of PETTY THEFT.
- D. In or around 1990, in the Municipal Court of Massillon, Ohio, Troy J. Weber was convicted of UNAUTHORIZED USE OF AUTOMOBILE.

As a result of the findings listed above, the Division has determined Respondent's sole shareholder and operations manager has been convicted of two theft offenses as described in R.C. 1322.03(A)(8), and that, as a result, the Division is not authorized to renew Respondent's mortgage broker certificate of registration pursuant to R.C. 1322.04(A)(7) & (B)(3).

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING ON PROPOSED ACTION

Therefore, pursuant to R.C. Chapters 1322 and 119, Respondent is hereby notified that thirty-one (31) days from the date of the mailing of this Notice, the Superintendent intends to issue an Order denying Respondent's renewal application under the Ohio Mortgage Broker Act.

Respondent is further notified, pursuant to R.C. Chapter 119, that Respondent is entitled to a hearing on this matter. If Respondent desires to request a hearing, the request must be made in writing, and must be received in the offices of the Ohio Division of Financial Institutions within thirty (30) days of the time of the mailing of this Notice. Hearing requests should be addressed: Ohio Division of Financial Institutions, Attn: Anthony D. Siciliano, Consumer Finance General Counsel, 77 South High Street, 21st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-6120.

At the hearing, Respondent may appear in person, by Respondent's attorney, or by such other representative as is permitted to practice before the Agency, or Respondent may present its position, arguments, or contentions in writing, and, at the hearing, may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for and against Respondent. At the hearing, a corporation must have a representative that is permitted to practice before the Agency, such as an attorney.

If the Ohio Division of Financial Institutions does not receive a written request for a hearing in its offices within thirty (30) days of the time of the mailing of this Notice, the Superintendent will issue an Order denying Respondent's renewal application.

Signed and sealed this 5th day of July 2007.

RICHARD F. KECK

Acting Deputy Superintendent for Consumer Finance Division of Financial Institutions Ohio Department of Commerce