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## ARTICLE IX

## CONCERNING THE BONDHOLDERS

Section 9.01. Execution of Instruments by Bondholders: Any request, direction, consent or other instrument in writing required by this Indenture to be signed or executed by Bondholders may be in any number of concurrent instruments of similar tenor and may be signed or executed by such Bondholders in person or by agent duly appointed by an instrument in writing. Proof of the execution of any such instrument and of the ownership of Bonds shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and shall be conclusive in favor of the Trustee with regard to any action taken by it under such instrument if made in the following manner:

(a) The fact and date of the execution by any person of any such instrument may be proved by the certificate of any officer in any jurisdiction who, by the laws thereof, has power to take acknowledgments of deeds to be recorded within such jurisdiction, to the effect that the person signing such instrument acknowledged to him the execution thereof, or by an affidavit of a witness to such execution.