

This Indenture, Made this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight between Joseph Griffis an unmarried man of Salina Township in the County of Douglas and State of Kansas of the first part, and Margaret Gray of the second part.

**Witnesseth**, That the said party of the first part in consideration of the sum of Three Hundred and Sixty Six & 2/100 DOLLARS, to him duly paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have sold and by these presents do grant, bargain, sell and mortgage to the said party of the second part her heirs and assigns forever, all that tract or parcel of land situated in the County of Douglas and State of Kansas, described as follows, to-wit: The South West quarter (1/4) of Section Sixteen (16) in Township Fourteen (14) of Range Twenty (20) in said County and State

with all the appurtenances, and all the estate, title and interest of the said party of the first part therein. And the said Joseph Griffis do hereby covenant and agree that at the delivery hereof he is the lawful owner of the premises above granted, and seized of a good and indefeasible estate of inheritance therein free and clear of all incumbrances save and except a Mortgage of \$2000. to the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company

This grant is intended as a Mortgage to secure the payment of the sum of Three Hundred and Sixty Six & 2/100 Dollars

according to the terms of One certain Promissory Note this day executed and delivered by the said Joseph Griffis to the said party of the second part: Payable twelve months after date with interest at 8% after date, until maturity and 10% from maturity

and this conveyance shall be void if such payments be made as herein specified. But if default be made in such payment, or any part therefor, or interest thereon, or the taxes, or if the insurance is not kept up thereon, then this conveyance shall become absolute, and the whole amount shall become due and payable, and it shall be lawful for the said party of the second part her executors, administrators and assigns, at any time thereafter, to sell the premises hereby granted, or any part thereof, in the manner prescribed by law, appraisement hereby waived or not at the option of the part of the second part executors, administrators or assigns; and out of all the moneys arising from such sales, to retain the amount then due for principal and interest, together with the costs and charges for making such sales, and the overplus, if any there be, shall be paid by the part making such sale on demand to the said Party of the first part his heirs and assigns.

In Witness Whereof, The said party of the first part, hath hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed and delivered in presence of

Joseph Griffis (SEAL.)  
(SEAL.)  
(SEAL.)  
(SEAL.)

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STATE OF KANSAS, } SS.  
County of Neosho

Be it Remembered, That on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, A. D. 1898, before me, J. C. Breese, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, came Joseph Griffis an unmarried man to me personally known to be the same person who executed the foregoing instrument, and duly acknowledged the execution of the same.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal on the day and year last above written.

My commission expires July 4, 1900  
Recorded June 28<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1898, at 3 o'clock P.M. —

J. C. Breese  
Notary Public.  
L. J. Bolman  
Register of Deeds.

The following is endorsed on the original instrument  
The note herein described having been paid in full, this mortgage is hereby released and the lien thereby created is discharged  
Witness my this Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> A.D. 1899  
Margaret Gray  
By Christine Hutchinson  
her attorney in fact  
Recorded Nov. 4, 1899  
G. D. Saxman  
Register of Deeds  
By J. H. Fisher  
Deputy.