

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES
PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) or (g) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State of incorporation
or organization)

36-3935116
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

311 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 4000
Chicago, Illinois
(Address of principal executive offices)

60606
(zip code)

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class to be so registered	Name of each exchange on which each class is to be registered
Depository Shares each repre- senting 1/100 of a share of 7.90% Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock with a Liqui- dation Preference Equivalent to \$25.00 per Depository Share	The New York Stock Exchange _____ _____ _____ _____

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box. []

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box. []

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates:
333-43641.

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None
(Title of class)

Item 1: Description of Registrant's Securities to be Registered.

The description of First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.'s (the "Company") Depository Shares each representing 1/100 of a share of 7.90% Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock with a liquidation preference equivalent to \$25.00 per Depository Share is hereby set forth under the caption "Description of Series E Preferred Shares and Depository Shares" in the Prospectus Supplement dated March 13, 1998 and under the captions "Description of Depository Shares" and "Description of Preferred Stock" in the accompanying Prospectus dated January 27, 1998 each as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission") on March 16, 1998 pursuant to Rule 424(b), under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 2: Exhibits.

1. Registrant's Prospectus Supplement dated March 13, 1998, together with accompanying Prospectus dated January 27, 1998 (filed with the Commission on March 16, 1998).

2. Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Company's 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1996, File No. 1-13102).

3. Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, dated September 4, 1997

(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 of the Company's Form 8-K dated September 4, 1997 as filed on September 29, 1997, File No. 1-13102).

4. Form of Articles Supplementary to the Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation of the Company relating to the Company's Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value (filed herewith).

5. Form of Deposit Agreement (filed herewith).

6. Form of Certificate representing Depositary Receipts (filed herewith as Annex A to Exhibit 5).

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Michael J. Havala

Name: Michael J. Havala

Title: Chief Financial Officer,
Treasurer and Secretary

Date: March 17, 1998

7.90% Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock
(Liquidation Preference \$2,500.00 Per Share)

ARTICLES SUPPLEMENTARY

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.

Articles Supplementary of Board of Directors Classifying
and Designating a Series of Preferred Stock as
7.90% Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock
and Fixing Distribution and
Other Preferences and Rights of Such Series

Dated as of March 13, 1998

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.

Articles Supplementary of Board of Directors Classifying
and Designating a Series of Preferred Stock as
7.90% Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock
and Fixing Distribution and
Other Preferences and Rights of Such Series

First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation, having its principal office in the State of Maryland in the City of Baltimore (the "Company"), hereby certifies to the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of Maryland that:

Pursuant to authority conferred upon the Board of Directors by the Charter and Bylaws of the Company, the Board of Directors on December 3, 1996 and December 4, 1997 adopted resolutions appointing certain members of the Board of Directors to a committee (the "Special Committee") with power to cause the Company to issue, among other things, certain series of Preferred Stock and to determine the number of shares which shall constitute such series and the Dividend Rate (as defined herein) and other terms of such series. The Special Committee pursuant to a resolution dated March 13, 1998 (i) authorized the creation and issuance of up to 34,500 shares of Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock which stock was previously authorized but not issued and (ii) determined the preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, and terms and conditions of redemption of the shares of such series and the Dividend Rate (which rate shall be 7.90%) payable on such series. Such preferences, conversion and other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, and terms and conditions of redemption, number of shares and Dividend Rate, as determined by such duly authorized committee, as applicable, are as follows:

Section 1. Number of Shares and Designation. This class of Preferred Stock shall be designated 7.90% Series E Cu-

mulative Preferred Stock (the "Series E Preferred Shares") and the number of shares which shall constitute such series shall not be more than 34,500 shares, par value \$.01 per share, which number may be decreased (but not below the number thereof then outstanding) from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Dividend Rights. (1) Dividends shall be payable in cash on the Series E Preferred Shares when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, out of assets legally available therefor: (i) for the period (the "Initial Dividend Period") from the Deemed Original Issue Date (as defined below) to but excluding July 1, 1998, and (ii) for each quarterly dividend period thereafter (the Initial Dividend Period and each quarterly dividend period being hereinafter individually referred to as a "Dividend Period" and collectively referred to as "Dividend Periods"), which quarterly Dividend Periods shall commence on January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1 in each year (each, a "Dividend Period Commencement Date"), commencing on July 1, 1998, and shall end on and include the day next preceding the next Dividend Period Commencement Date, at a rate per annum equal to 7.90% of the liquidation preference thereof (the "Dividend Rate"). Dividends on each Series E Preferred Share shall be cumulative from the Deemed Original Issue Date of such share and shall be payable, without interest thereon, when, as and if declared by the Board of Directors, on March 31, June 30, September 30 and December 31 of each year, commencing on June 30, 1998 or, in the case of Series E Preferred Shares with a Deemed Original Issue Date after June 30 1998, the first such dividend payment date following such Deemed Original Issue Date; provided, that if any such day shall be a Saturday, Sunday, or a day on which banking institutions in the State of New York are authorized or obligated by law to close, or a day which is or is declared a national or a New York state holiday (any of the foregoing a "Non-Business Day"), then the payment date shall be the next succeeding day which is not a Non-Business Day. Each such dividend shall be paid to the holders of record of Series E Preferred Shares as they appear on the stock register of the Company on such record date, not more than 45 days nor less than 15 days preceding the payment date thereof, as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors. Dividends on account of arrears for any past Dividend Periods may be declared and paid at any time, without reference to any regular dividend payment date, to holders of record on such date, not more than 45 days nor less than 15 days preceding the payment date thereof, as may be fixed by the Board of Directors. After an amount equal to full cumulative dividends on this series, including for the then current Dividend Period, has been paid to holders of record of Series E Preferred Shares

entitled to receive dividends as set forth above by the Company, or such dividends have been declared and funds therefor set aside for payment, the holders of Series E Preferred Shares will not be entitled to any further dividends with respect to that Dividend Period.

"Deemed Original Issue Date" means (a) in the case of any share which is part of the first issuance of Series E Preferred Shares or part of a subsequent issuance of Series E Preferred Shares prior to July 1, 1998, the date of such first issuance and (b) in the case of any share which is part of a subsequent issuance of Series E Preferred Shares on or after July 1, 1998, the later of (x) July 1, 1998 and (y) the latest Dividend Period Commencement Date which precedes the date of issuance of such share and which succeeds the last Dividend Period for which full cumulative dividends have been paid; provided that, in the case of any share which is part of a subsequent issuance on or after July 1, 1998, the date of issuance of which falls between (i) the record date for dividends payable on the first succeeding dividend payment date and (ii) such dividend payment date, the "Deemed Original Issue Date" means the date of the Dividend Period Commencement Date that immediately follows the date of issuance.

(2) Dividends payable on Series E Preferred Shares for any period greater or less than a full Dividend Period, including the Initial Dividend Period, shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. Dividends payable on Series E Preferred Shares for each full Dividend Period shall be computed by dividing the Dividend Rate by four.

(3) When dividends are not paid in full upon the Series E Preferred Shares and any other series of preferred stock of the Company ranking on a parity therewith as to dividends, (or, in the case of the Company's Series A Preferred Shares, payments in lieu thereof are not made under that certain Guarantee and Payment Agreement dated November 17, 1995 between First Industrial Securities, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership and First Industrial Securities Corporation for the benefit of American National Bank and Trust Company of Chicago for the holders of the Series A Preferred Shares (the "Guarantee")), all dividends declared upon the Series E Preferred Shares and any other series of preferred stock of the Company ranking on a parity therewith as to dividends shall be declared pro rata so that the amount of dividends declared per share on the Series E Preferred Shares and such other series of preferred stock shall in all cases bear to each other that same

ratio that the accumulated dividends per share on the Series E Preferred Shares and such other series of preferred stock (less, in the case of the Series A Preferred Shares, payments under the Guarantee in lieu of such dividends) bear to each other. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, unless an amount equal to full cumulative dividends on the Series E Preferred Shares has been paid to holders of record of Series E Preferred Shares entitled to receive dividends as set forth above by the Company for all past Dividend Periods, no dividends (other than in shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$.01 per share (together with any other shares of capital stock of the Company into which such shares shall be reclassified or changed "Common Stock"), or other shares of capital stock of the Company ranking junior to the Series E Preferred Shares as to dividends and upon liquidation) shall be declared or paid or set aside for payment nor (except pursuant to the Guarantee with respect to the Series A Preferred Shares) shall any other distribution be made upon the Common Stock or any other Shares of capital stock of the Company ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series E Preferred Shares as to dividends or upon liquidation. Unless an amount equal to full cumulative dividends on the Series E Preferred Shares has been paid to holders of record of Series E Preferred Shares entitled to receive dividends as set forth above by the Company for all past Dividend Periods, no Common Stock or any other Shares of capital stock of the Company ranking junior to or on a parity with the Series E Preferred Shares as to dividends or upon liquidation shall be redeemed, purchased, or otherwise acquired for any consideration (or any moneys be paid to or made available for a sinking fund for the redemption of any shares of any such stock) by the Company or any subsidiary of the Company, except by conversion into or exchange for shares of capital stock of the Company ranking junior to the Series E Preferred Shares as to dividends and upon liquidation and except pursuant to the Guarantee with respect to the Series A Preferred Shares.

Section 3. Liquidation. (1) In the event of any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of the Company, the holders of Series E Preferred Shares are entitled to receive out of the assets of the Company available for distribution to stockholders, before any distribution of assets is made to holders of Common Stock or any other class or series of shares ranking junior to the Series E Preferred Shares upon liquidation, liquidating distributions in the amount of the stated value of \$2,500 per share, plus all accumulated and unpaid dividends (whether or not earned or declared) for the then current and all past Dividend Periods. If, upon any voluntary or involuntary liquidation, dissolution,

or winding up of the Company, the amounts payable with respect to the Series E Preferred Shares and any other shares of the Company ranking as to any such distribution on a parity with the Series E Preferred Shares are not paid in full, the holders of Series E Preferred Shares and of such other shares will share ratably in any such distribution of assets of the Company in proportion to the full respective preferential amounts to which they are entitled. After payment of the full amount of the liquidating distribution to which they are entitled, the holders of Series E Preferred Shares will not be entitled to any further participation in any distribution of assets by the Company.

(2) Written notice of any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company, stating the payment date or dates when, and the place or places where, the amounts distributable in such circumstances shall be payable, shall be given by first class mail, postage prepaid, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the payment date stated therein, to each record holder of the Series E Preferred Shares at the respective addresses of such holders as the same shall appear on the stock transfer records of the Company.

(3) For purposes of liquidation rights, a consolidation or merger of the Company with or into any other corporation or corporations or a sale of all or substantially all of the assets of the Company shall be deemed not to be a liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company.

Section 4. Redemption. (1) Except as provided in clause (9) below, the Series E Preferred Shares are not redeemable prior to March 18, 2003. On and after such date, the Series E Preferred Shares are redeemable at the option of the Company, by resolution of the Board of Directors, in whole or in part, from time to time upon not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice, at a cash redemption price of the stated value of \$2,500 per share, plus all accumulated and unpaid dividends (whether or not earned or declared) to the date of redemption (the "Redemption Price"). The Redemption Price (other than the portion consisting of accumulated and unpaid dividends) shall be payable solely out of the proceeds from the sale of capital stock of the Company. For purposes of the preceding sentence "Capital Stock" means common stock, preferred stock, depository shares, interests, participations or other ownership interests (however designated) and any rights (other than debt securities convertible into or exchangeable for equity securities) or options to purchase any of the foregoing.

(2) If fewer than all of the outstanding Series E Preferred Shares are to be redeemed, the number of shares to be redeemed will be determined by the Board of Directors and such shares shall be redeemed pro rata from the holders of record of such shares in proportion to the number of such shares held by such holders (with adjustments to avoid redemption of fractional shares) or by lot in a manner determined by the Board of Directors.

(3) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if an amount equal to full dividends for all past Dividend Periods on the Series E Preferred Shares has not been paid to holders of record of Series E Preferred Shares entitled to receive dividends as set forth above by the Company, no Series E Preferred Shares shall be redeemed, except pursuant to Article IX of the Charter, unless all outstanding Series E Preferred Shares are simultaneously redeemed, and the Company shall not purchase or otherwise acquire, directly or indirectly, any Series E Preferred Shares; provided, however, that the foregoing shall not prevent the purchase or acquisition of Series E Preferred Shares pursuant to a purchase or exchange offer provided such offer is made on the same terms to all holders of Series E Preferred Shares.

(4) Immediately prior to any redemption of Series E Preferred Shares, the Company shall pay, in cash, any accumulated and unpaid dividends through the redemption date, unless a redemption date falls after a dividend payment record date and prior to the corresponding dividend payment date, in which case each holder of Series E Preferred Shares at the close of business on such dividend payment record date shall be entitled to the dividend payable on such shares on the corresponding dividend payment date notwithstanding the redemption of such shares before such dividend payment date. Except as expressly provided hereinabove, the Company shall make no payment or allowance for unpaid dividends, whether or not in arrears, on Series E Preferred Shares called for redemption.

(5) Notice of redemption shall be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in The City of New York, such publication to be made once a week for two successive weeks, commencing not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption thereof. A similar notice will be mailed by the Company by first class mail, postage prepaid, to each record holder of the Series E Preferred Shares to be redeemed, not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to such redemption date, to the respective addresses of such holders as the same shall appear on the stock transfer records of

the Company. Each notice shall state: (i) the redemption date; (ii) the number of Series E Preferred Shares to be redeemed; (iii) the Redemption Price; (iv) the place or places where certificates for such shares are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Price; and (v) that dividends on the shares to be redeemed will cease to accumulate on such redemption date. If fewer than all the Series E Preferred Shares held by any holder are to be redeemed, the notice mailed to such holder shall also specify the number of Series E Preferred Shares to be redeemed from such holder.

(6) In order to facilitate the redemption of Series E Preferred Shares, the Board of Directors may fix a record date for the determination of the shares to be redeemed, such record date to be not less than 30 nor more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for such redemption.

(7) Notice having been given as provided above, from and after the date fixed for the redemption of Series E Preferred Shares by the Company (unless the Company shall fail to make available the money necessary to effect such redemption), the holders of shares selected for redemption shall cease to be stockholders with respect to such shares and shall have no interest in or claim against the Company by virtue thereof and shall have no voting or other rights with respect to such shares, except the right to receive the moneys payable upon such redemption from the Company, less any required tax withholding amount, without interest thereon, upon surrender (and endorsement or assignment of transfer, if required by the Company and so stated in the notice) of their certificates, and the shares represented thereby shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding. If fewer than all the shares represented by a certificate are redeemed, a new certificate shall be issued, without cost to the holder thereof, representing the unredeemed shares. The Company may, at its option, at any time after a notice of redemption has been given, deposit the redemption price for the Series E Preferred Shares designated for redemption and not yet redeemed, plus any accumulated and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption, with the transfer agent or agents for the Series E Preferred Shares, as a trust fund for the benefit of the holders of the Series E Preferred Shares designated for redemption, together with irrevocable instructions and authority to such transfer agent or agents that such funds be delivered upon redemption of such shares and to pay, on and after the date fixed for redemption or prior thereto, the redemption price of the shares to their respective holders upon the surrender of their share certificates. From and after the making of such deposit, the holders

of the shares designated for redemption shall cease to be stockholders with respect to such shares and shall have no interest in or claims against the Company by virtue thereof and shall have no voting or other rights with respect to such shares, except the right to receive from such trust fund the moneys payable upon such redemption, without interest thereon, upon surrender (and endorsement, if required by the Company) of their certificates, and the shares represented thereby shall no longer be deemed to be outstanding. Any balance of such moneys remaining unclaimed at the end of the five-year period commencing on the date fixed for redemption shall be repaid to the Company upon its request expressed in a resolution of its Board of Directors.

(8) Any Series E Preferred Shares that shall at any time have been redeemed shall, after such redemption, have the status of authorized but unissued preferred stock, without designation as to series until such shares are once more designated as part of a particular series by the Board of Directors.

(9) The Series E Preferred Shares are subject to the provisions of Article IX of the Charter, including, without limitation, the provisions for the redemption of Excess Stock (as defined in such Article). Notwithstanding the provisions of Article IX of the Charter, Series E Preferred Shares which have been exchanged pursuant to such Article for Excess Stock may be redeemed, in whole or in part, and, if in part, pro rata from the holders of record of such shares in proportion to the number of such shares held by such holders (with adjustments to avoid redemption of fractional shares) or by lot in a manner determined by the Board of Directors, at any time when outstanding Series E Preferred Shares are being redeemed.

Section 5. Voting Rights. The Series E Preferred Shares shall not have any voting powers either general or special, except as required by law and except that:

(1) If and whenever full cumulative dividends on the Series E Preferred Shares, or any other series of preferred stock of the Company ranking on a parity with the Series E Preferred Shares as to dividends or upon liquidation (any such series, a "Parity Preferred Series"), for six quarterly dividend payment periods, whether or not consecutive, are in arrears and unpaid, (and, if such an arrearage exists with respect to Series A Preferred Shares, payment has not been made in the amount of such arrearages pursuant to the Guarantee) (such failure to pay by the Company, a "Dividend Default"), the holders of all outstanding Series E Preferred Shares and any Parity

Preferred Series, voting as a single class without regard to series, will be entitled to elect two Directors until all dividends in arrears and unpaid on the Series E Preferred Shares and any Parity Preferred Series have been paid (either directly or, in the case of the Series A Preferred Shares, pursuant to the Guarantee) or declared and funds therefor set apart for payment. At any time when such right to elect Directors separately as a class shall have so vested, the Company may, and upon the written request of the holders of record of not less than 20% of the total number of Series E Preferred Shares and shares of any Parity Preferred Series of the Company then outstanding shall, call a special meeting of stockholders for the election of such Directors. In the case of such a written request, such special meeting shall be held within 90 days after the delivery of such request and, in either case, at the place and upon the notice provided by law and in the Bylaws of the Company, provided that the Company shall not be required to call such a special meeting if such request is received less than 120 days before the date fixed for the next ensuing Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company and the holders of all outstanding Series E Preferred Shares and shares of any Parity Preferred Series are afforded the opportunity to elect such Directors (or fill any vacancy) at such Annual Meeting of Stockholders. Directors elected as aforesaid shall serve until the next Annual Meeting of Stockholders of the Company or until their respective successors shall be elected and qualified, or, if sooner, until an amount equal to all dividends in arrears and unpaid have been paid (either directly or pursuant to the Guarantee) or declared and funds therefor set apart for payment. If, prior to the end of the term of any Director elected as aforesaid, a vacancy in the office of such Director shall occur during the continuance of a Dividend Default by reason of death, resignation, or disability, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by the appointment of a new Director for the unexpired term of such former Director, such appointment to be made by the remaining Director or Directors elected as aforesaid.

(2) The affirmative vote or consent of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding Series E Preferred Shares and any Parity Preferred Series, voting as a single class without regard to series, will be required to issue, authorize or increase the authorized amount of any class or series of shares ranking prior to the Series E Preferred Shares and shares of each Parity Preferred Series as to dividends or upon liquidation or to issue or authorize any obligation or security convertible into or evidencing a right to purchase any such security. Subject to the preceding sentence, the affirma-

tive vote or consent of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding Series E Preferred Shares, voting separately as a class, will be required to amend or repeal any provision of, or add any provision to, the Charter if such action would materially and adversely alter or change the powers, preferences, privileges or rights of the Series E Preferred Shares.

(3) Nothing herein shall be taken to require a class vote or consent in connection with the authorization, designation, increase or issuance of shares of any class or series (including additional preferred stock of any series) that rank junior to or on a parity with the Series E Preferred Shares as to dividends and liquidation rights or in connection with the authorization, designation, increase or issuance of any bonds, mortgages, debentures or other debt obligations of the Company.

Section 6. Conversion. The Series E Preferred Shares are not convertible into shares of any other class or series of the capital stock of the Company.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company has caused these Articles Supplementary to be signed in its name and on its behalf and attested to by the undersigned on this 13th day of March, 1998 and the undersigned acknowledges under the penalties of perjury that these Articles Supplementary are the corporate act of said Company and that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, the matters and facts set forth herein are true in all material respects.

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.

By: _____
Name:
Title:

Attest:

Name:
Title:

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.,
 FIRST CHICAGO TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
 AS DEPOSITARY,

AND

THE HOLDERS FROM TIME TO TIME OF
 THE DEPOSITARY RECEIPTS DESCRIBED HEREIN
 RELATING TO SERIES E CUMULATIVE PREFERRED STOCK

DEPOSIT AGREEMENT

Dated as of March 18, 1998

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DEPOSIT AGREEMENT, dated as of March 18, 1998, among FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC., a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), FIRST CHICAGO TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, a national banking association (the "Depository"), and the holders from time to time of the Receipts described herein.

WHEREAS, it is desired to provide, as hereinafter set forth in this Deposit Agreement, for the deposit of shares of Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock of the Company with the Depository for the purposes set forth in this Deposit Agreement and for the issuance hereunder of Receipts evidencing Depository Shares in respect of the Stock so deposited; and

WHEREAS, the Receipts are to be substantially in the form of Exhibit A annexed hereto, with appropriate insertions, modifications and omissions, as hereinafter provided in this Deposit Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises contained herein, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall, for all purposes, unless otherwise indicated, apply to the respective terms used in this Deposit Agreement:

"Articles Supplementary" shall mean the Articles Supplementary filed with the Secretary of State of the State of Maryland establishing the Stock as a series of preferred stock of the Company.

"Deposit Agreement" shall mean this Deposit Agreement, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

"Depository" shall mean First Chicago Trust Company of New York and any successor as Depository hereunder.

"Depository Shares" shall mean Depository Shares, each representing 1/100 of a share of Stock and evidenced by a Receipt.

"Depository's Agent" shall mean an agent appointed by the Depository pursuant to Section 5.1 and shall include the Registrar if such Registrar is not the Depository.

"Depository's Office", shall mean any office of the Depository at which at any particular time its depository receipt business shall be administered.

"Excess Stock" shall mean Excess Stock as defined in Section 7.4 of the Company's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation.

"Receipt" shall mean one of the Depository Receipts, substantially in the form set forth as Exhibit A hereto, issued hereunder, whether in definitive or temporary form and evidencing the number of Depository Shares held of record by the record holder of such Depository Shares. If the context so requires, the term "Receipt" shall be deemed to include the DTC Receipt (as defined in Section 2.1 hereof).

"record holder" or "holder" as applied to a Receipt shall mean the person in whose name a Receipt is registered on the books of the Depository maintained for such purpose.

"Registrar" shall mean the Depository or such other bank or trust company which shall be appointed to register ownership and transfers of Receipts as herein provided.-

"Securities Act" shall mean the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Stock" shall mean shares of the Company's 7.90% Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value per share.

ARTICLE II

FORM OF RECEIPTS, DEPOSIT OF STOCK, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY, TRANSFER, SURRENDER AND REDEMPTION OF RECEIPTS

SECTION 2.1. Form and Transfer of Receipts. The Company and the Depository shall make application to The Depository Trust Company ("DTC") for acceptance of all or a portion of the Receipts for its book-entry settlement system. The Company hereby appoints the Depository acting through any authorized officer thereof as its attorney-in-fact, with full power to delegate, for purposes of executing any agreements, certifications or other instruments or documents necessary or desirable in order to effect the acceptance of such Receipts for DTC eligibility. So long as the Receipts are eligible for book-entry settlement with DTC, unless otherwise required by law, all Depository Shares to be traded on the New York Stock Exchange with book-entry settlement through DTC shall be represented by a single receipt (the "DTC Receipt"),

which shall be deposited with DTC (or its designee) evidencing all such Depositary Shares and registered in the name of the nominee of DTC (initially expected to be Cede & Co.). First Chicago Trust Company of New York or such other entity as is agreed to by DTC may hold the DTC Receipt as custodian for DTC. Ownership of beneficial interests in the DTC Receipt shall be shown on, and the transfer of such ownership shall be effected through, records maintained by (i) DTC or its nominee for such DTC Receipt, or (ii) institutions that have accounts with DTC.

If DTC subsequently ceases to make its book-entry settlement system available for the Receipts, the Company may instruct the Depository regarding making other arrangements for book-entry settlement. In the event that the Receipts are not eligible for, or it is no longer desirable to have the Receipts available in, book-entry form, the Depository shall provide written instructions to DTC to deliver to the Depository for cancellation the DTC Receipt, and the Company shall instruct the Depository to deliver to the beneficial owners of the Depositary Shares previously evidenced by the DTC definitive Receipts in physical form evidencing such Depositary Shares. Such definitive receipts shall be in substantially the form annexed hereto as Annex A, with appropriate insertions, modifications and omissions, as hereafter provided.

The beneficial owners of Depositary Shares shall, except as stated above with respect to Depositary Shares in book-entry form represented by the DTC Receipt, be entitled to receive Receipts in physical, certificated form as herein provided.

Definitive Receipts shall be engraved or printed or lithographed on steel-engraved borders, with appropriate insertions, modifications and omissions, as hereinafter provided, if and to the extent required by any securities exchange on which the Receipts are listed. The DTC Receipt shall bear such legend or legends as may be required by DTC in order for it to accept the Depositary Shares for its book-entry settlement system. Pending the preparation of definitive Receipts or if definitive Receipts are not required by any securities exchange on which the Receipts are listed, the Depository, upon the written order of the Company, delivered in compliance with Section 2.2, shall execute and deliver temporary Receipts which are printed, lithographed, typewritten, mimeographed or otherwise substantially of the tenor of the definitive Receipts in lieu of which they are issued and with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as the persons executing such Receipts may determine, as evidenced by their execution of such Receipts. If temporary Receipts are issued, the Company and the Depository will cause de-

definitive Receipts to be prepared without unreasonable delay. After the preparation of definitive Receipts, the temporary Receipts shall be exchangeable for definitive Receipts upon surrender of the temporary Receipts at the Depository's Office or at such other place or places as the Depository shall determine, without charge to the holder. Upon surrender for cancellation of any one or more temporary Receipts, the Depository shall execute and deliver in exchange therefor definitive Receipts representing the same number of Depository Shares as represented by the surrendered temporary Receipt or Receipts. Such exchange shall be made at the Company's expense and without any charge to the holder therefor. Until so exchanged, the temporary Receipts shall in all respects be entitled to the same benefits under this Agreement, and with respect to the Stock, as definitive Receipts.

Receipts shall be executed by the Depository by the manual and/or facsimile signature of a duly authorized officer of the Depository. No Receipt shall be entitled to any benefits under this Deposit Agreement or be valid or obligatory for any purpose unless it shall have been executed in accordance with the foregoing sentence. The Depository shall record on its books each Receipt so signed and delivered as hereinafter provided.

Receipts shall be in denominations of any number of whole Depository Shares. The Company shall deliver to the Depository from time to time such quantities of Receipts as the Depository may request to enable the Depository to perform its obligations under this Deposit Agreement.

Receipts may be endorsed with or have incorporated in the text thereof such legends or recitals or changes not inconsistent with the provisions of this Deposit Agreement as may be required by the Depository or required to comply with any applicable law or any regulation thereunder or with the rules and regulations of any securities exchange upon which the Stock, the Depository Shares or the Receipts may be listed or to conform with any usage with respect thereto, or to indicate any special limitations or restrictions to which any particular Receipts are subject.

Title to Depository Shares evidenced by a Receipt which is properly endorsed or accompanied by a properly executed instrument of transfer shall be transferable by delivery with the same effect as in the case of a negotiable instrument; provided, however, that until transfer of a Receipt shall be registered on the books of the Depository as provided in Section 2.3, the Depository may, notwithstanding any notice to the contrary, treat the record holder thereof at such time as the absolute owner thereof for the purpose of determining the person entitled to distributions of

dividends or other distributions or to any notice provided for in this Deposit Agreement and for all other purposes.

SECTION 2.2. Deposit of Stock; Execution and Delivery of Receipts in Respect Thereof. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Deposit Agreement, the Company may from time to time deposit shares of Stock under this Deposit Agreement by delivery to the Depositary of a certificate or certificates for the Stock to be deposited, properly endorsed or accompanied, if required by the Depositary, by a duly executed instrument of transfer or endorsement, in form satisfactory to the Depositary, together with all such certifications as may be required by the Depositary in accordance with the provisions of this Deposit Agreement, and together with a written order of the Company or such holder, as the case may be, directing the Depositary to execute and deliver to, or upon the written order of, the person or persons stated in such order a Receipt or Receipts for the number of Depositary Shares representing such deposited Stock.

Deposited Stock shall be held by the Depositary at the Depositary's Office or at such other place or places as the Depositary shall determine.

Upon receipt by the Depositary of a certificate or certificates for Stock deposited in accordance with the provisions of this Section, together with the other documents required as above specified, and upon recordation of the Stock on the books of the Company in the name of the Depositary or its nominee, the Depositary, subject to the terms and conditions of this Deposit Agreement, shall execute and deliver, to or upon the order of the person or persons named in the written order delivered to the Depositary referred to in the first paragraph of this Section, a Receipt or Receipts for the whole number of Depositary Shares representing, in the aggregate, the Stock so deposited and registered in such name or names as may be requested by such person or persons. The Depositary shall execute and deliver such Receipt or Receipts at the Depositary's Office or such other offices, if any, as the Depositary may designate. Delivery at other offices shall be at the risk and expense of the person requesting such delivery.

SECTION 2.3. Registration of Transfer of Receipts. Subject to the terms and conditions of this Deposit Agreement, the Depositary shall register on its books from time to time transfers of Receipts upon any surrender thereof by the holder in person or by a duly authorized attorney, properly endorsed or accompanied by a properly executed instrument of transfer. Thereupon, the Depositary shall execute a new Receipt or Receipts evidencing the same aggregate number of Depositary Shares as those evidenced by

the Receipt or Receipts surrendered and deliver such new Receipt or Receipts to or upon the order of the person entitled thereto.

SECTION 2.4. Split-ups and Combinations of Receipts; Surrender of Receipts and Withdrawal of Stock . Upon surrender of a Receipt or Receipts at the Depository's Office or at such other offices as it may designate for the purpose of effecting a split-up or combination of such Receipt or Receipts, and subject to the terms and conditions of this Deposit Agreement, the Depository shall execute and deliver a new Receipt or Receipts in the authorized denomination or denominations requested, evidencing the aggregate number of Depository Shares evidenced by the Receipt or Receipts surrendered; provided, however, that the Depository shall not issue any Receipt evidencing a fractional Depository Share.

Any holder of a Receipt or Receipts representing any number of whole shares of Stock may (unless the related Depository Shares have previously been called for redemption) withdraw the Stock and all money and other property, if any, represented thereby by surrendering such Receipt or Receipts at the Depository's Office or at such other offices as the Depository may designate for such withdrawals and paying any unpaid amount due the Depository. If such holder's Depository Shares are being held by DTC or its nominee pursuant to Section 2.1, such holder shall request withdrawal from the book-entry system of Receipts representing any number of whole shares. Thereafter, without unreasonable delay, the Depository shall deliver to such holder or to the person or persons designated by such holder as hereinafter provided the number of whole shares of Stock and all money and other property, if any, represented by the Receipt or Receipts so surrendered for withdrawal, but holders of such whole shares of Stock will not thereafter be entitled to deposit such Stock hereunder or to receive Depository Shares therefor. If a Receipt delivered by the holder to the Depository in connection with such withdrawal shall evidence a number of Depository Shares in excess of the number of Depository Shares representing the number of whole shares of Stock to be so withdrawn, the Depository shall at the same time, in addition to such number of whole shares of Stock and such money and other property, if any, to be so withdrawn, deliver to such holder, or upon his order, a new Receipt evidencing such excess number of Depository Shares; provided, however, that the Depository shall not issue any Receipt evidencing a fractional Depository Share.

Delivery of the Stock and money and other property being withdrawn may be made by the delivery of such certificates, documents of title and other instruments as the Depository may deem

appropriate, which, if required by the Depositary, shall be properly endorsed or accompanied by proper instruments of transfer.

If the Stock and the money and other property being withdrawn are to be delivered to a person or persons other than the record holder of the Receipt or Receipts being surrendered for withdrawal of Stock, such holder shall execute and deliver to the Depositary a written order so directing the Depositary and the Depositary may require that the Receipt or Receipts surrendered by such holder for withdrawal of such shares of Stock be properly endorsed in blank or accompanied by a properly executed instrument of transfer in blank.

Delivery of the Stock and the money and other property, if any, represented by Receipts surrendered for withdrawal shall be made by the Depositary at the Depositary's Office, except that, at the request, risk and expense of the holder surrendering such Receipt or Receipts and for the account of the holder thereof, such delivery may be made at such other place as may be designated by such holder.

SECTION 2.5. Limitations on Execution and Delivery, Transfer, Surrender and Exchange of Receipts. As a condition precedent to the execution and delivery, registration of transfer, split-up, its combination, surrender or exchange of any Receipt, the Depositary, any of the Depositary's Agents or the Company may require payment to it of a sum sufficient for the payment (or, in the event that the Depositary or the Company shall have made such payment, the reimbursement to it) of any charges or expenses payable by the holder of a Receipt pursuant to Sections 3.2 and 5.7, may require the production of evidence satisfactory to it as to the identity and genuineness of any signature, and may also require compliance with such regulations, if any, as the Depositary or the Company may establish consistent with the provisions of this Deposit Agreement.

The deposit of Stock may be refused, the delivery of Receipts against Stock may be suspended, the registration of transfer of Receipts may be refused and the registration of transfer, surrender or exchange of outstanding Receipts may be suspended (i) during any period when the register of stockholders of the Company is closed, or (ii) if any such action is deemed necessary or advisable by the Depositary, any of the Depositary's Agents or the Company at any time or from time to time because of any requirement of law or of any government or governmental body or commission or under any provision of this Deposit Agreement.

SECTION 2.6. Lost Receipts, etc. In case any receipt shall be mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen, the Depositary in its reasonable discretion may execute and deliver a Receipt of like form and tenor in exchange and substitution for such mutilated Receipt, or in lieu of and in substitution for such destroyed, lost or stolen Receipt, upon (i) the filing by the holder thereof with the Depositary of evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Depositary of such destruction or loss or theft of such Receipt, of the authenticity thereof and of his or her ownership thereof, (ii) the furnishing of the Depositary with indemnification reasonably satisfactory to it and the Company and (iii) the payment of any reasonable expense (including reasonable fees, charges and expenses of the Depositary) in connection with such execution and delivery.

SECTION 2.7. Cancellation and Destruction of Surrendered Receipts. All Receipts surrendered to the Depositary or any Depositary's Agent shall be cancelled by the Depositary. Except as prohibited by applicable law or regulation, the Company is authorized to destroy all Receipts so cancelled.

SECTION 2.8. Redemption of Stock. Whenever the Company shall be permitted and shall elect to redeem shares of Stock in accordance with the provisions of the Company's Articles of Incorporation or Articles Supplementary, it shall (unless otherwise agreed to in writing with the Depositary) give or cause to be given to the Depositary not less than 45 days notice of the date of such proposed redemption or exchange of Stock and of the number of such shares held by the Depositary to be so redeemed and the applicable redemption price, as set forth in the Articles Supplementary, which notice shall be accompanied by a certificate from the Company stating that such redemption of Stock is in accordance with the provisions of the Company's Articles of Incorporation or Articles Supplementary. On the date of such redemption, provided that the Company shall then have paid or caused to be paid in full to the Depositary the redemption price of the Stock to be redeemed, plus an amount equal to any accrued and unpaid dividends thereon to the date fixed for redemption, in accordance with the provisions of the Articles Supplementary, the Depositary shall redeem the number of Depositary Shares representing such Stock. The Depositary shall mail notice of the Company's redemption of Stock and the proposed simultaneous redemption of the number of Depositary Shares representing the Stock to be redeemed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, not less than 30 and not more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption of such Stock and Depositary Shares (the "Redemption Date") to the record holders of the Receipts evidencing the Depositary Shares to be so redeemed, at the address of such holders as they appear on the records of the

Depositary; but neither failure to mail any such notice of redemption of Depositary Shares to one or more such holders nor any defect in any notice of redemption of Depositary Shares to one or more such holders shall affect the sufficiency of the proceedings for redemption as to the other holders. The Company will provide the Depositary with the information necessary for the Depositary to prepare such notice and each such notice shall state: (i) the Redemption Date; (ii) the number of Depositary Shares to be redeemed and, if fewer than all the Depositary Shares held by any such holder are to be redeemed, the number of such Depositary Shares held by such holder to be so redeemed; (iii) the redemption price per Depositary Share; (iv) the place or places where Receipts evidencing Depositary Shares are to be surrendered for payment of the redemption price; and (v) that dividends in respect of the Stock represented by the Depositary Shares to be redeemed will cease to accrue on such Redemption Date and will bear no interest. In case fewer than all the outstanding Depositary Shares are to be redeemed, the Depositary Shares to be so redeemed shall be determined pro rata or by lot in a manner determined by the Board of Directors.

Notice having been mailed by the Depositary as aforesaid, from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Company shall have failed to provide the funds necessary to redeem the Stock evidenced by the Depositary Shares called for redemption) (i) dividends on the shares of Stock so called for redemption shall cease to accrue from and after such date, (ii) the Depositary Shares being redeemed from such proceeds shall be deemed no longer to be outstanding, (iii) all rights of the holders of Receipts evidencing such Depositary Shares (except the right to receive the redemption price) shall, to the extent of such Depositary Shares, cease and terminate, and (iv) upon surrender in accordance with such redemption; notice of the Receipts evidencing any such Depositary Shares called for redemption (properly endorsed or assigned for transfer, if the Depositary or applicable law shall so require), such Depositary Shares shall be redeemed by the Depositary at a redemption price per Depositary Share equal to the same fraction of the redemption price per share paid with respect to the shares of Stock as the fraction each Depositary Share represents of a share of Stock plus the same fraction of all money and other property, if any, represented by such Depositary Shares, including all amounts paid by the Company in respect of dividends which on the Redemption Date have accumulated on the shares of Stock to be so redeemed and have not theretofore been paid. Any funds deposited by the Company with the Depositary for any Depositary Shares that the holders thereof fail to redeem will, upon the written request of the Company, be returned to the Company after a period of five years from the date such funds are so deposited.

If fewer than all of the Depositary Shares evidenced by a Receipt are called for redemption, the Depositary will deliver to the holder of such Receipt upon its surrender to the Depositary, together with the redemption payment, a new Receipt evidencing the Depositary Shares evidenced by such prior Receipt and not called for redemption; provided, however, that the Depositary shall not issue any Receipt evidencing a fractional Depositary Share.

SECTION 2.9. Stock Constituting Excess Stock. As provided in the Articles of Incorporation or Articles Supplementary, upon the happening of certain events, shares of Stock shall be deemed to automatically constitute Excess Stock. In the event of such a conversion, the Receipt representing the deposited Stock so converted shall no longer represent, to the extent of the shares so converted, such deposited Stock. Promptly upon its knowledge of the conversion of such deposited Stock into Excess Shares, the Company shall notify the Depositary of such conversion, the number of shares of deposited Stock so converted, and the identity of the holder of the Receipt so affected, whereupon the Depositary shall promptly notify the holder of such Receipt as to the foregoing information and the requirement for the holder to surrender such Receipt to the Depositary for cancellation of the number of Depositary Shares evidenced thereby equal to the deposited Stock constituting Excess Shares represented thereby.

If fewer than all of the Depositary Shares evidenced by a Receipt are required to be surrendered for cancellation, the Depositary will deliver to the holder of such Receipt upon its surrender to the Depositary a new Receipt evidencing the Depositary Shares evidenced by such prior Receipt and not required to be surrendered for cancellation. Upon the conversion of the deposited Stock and cancellation of the Depositary Shares represented thereby, the Depositary will make appropriate adjustments in its records to reflect such conversion and cancellation (including the reduction of any fractional share of deposited Stock and the issuance of any Excess Shares).

ARTICLE III

CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS OF HOLDERS OF RECEIPTS AND THE COMPANY

SECTION 3.1. Filing Proofs, Certificates and Other Information. Any holder of a Receipt may be required from time to time to file such proof of residence, or other matters or other information, to execute such certificates and to make such representations and warranties as the Depositary or the Company may

reasonably deem necessary or proper or otherwise reasonably request. The Depository or the Company may withhold the delivery, or delay the registration of transfer, redemption or exchange, of any Receipt or the withdrawal or conversion of the Stock represented by the Depository Shares evidenced by any Receipt or the distribution of any dividend or other distribution or the sale of any rights or of the proceeds thereof until such proof or other information is filed or such certificates are executed or such representations and warranties are made.

SECTION 3.2. Payment of Taxes or Other Governmental Charges. Holders of Receipts shall be obligated to make payments to the Depository of certain charges and expenses, as provided in Section 5.7. Registration of transfer of any Receipt or any withdrawal of Stock and all money or other property, if any, represented by the Depository Shares evidenced by such Receipt may be refused until any such payment due is made, and any dividends, interest payments or other distributions may be withheld or any part of or all the Stock or other property represented by the Depository Shares evidenced by such Receipt and not theretofore sold may be sold for the account of the holder thereof (after attempting by reasonable means to notify such holder prior to such sale), and such dividends, interest payments or other distributions or the proceeds of any such sale may be applied to any payment of such charges or expenses, the holder of such Receipt remaining liable for any deficiency.

SECTION 3.3. Warranty as to Stock. The Company hereby represents and warrants that the Stock, when issued, will be duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable. Such representation and warranty shall survive the deposit of the Stock and the issuance of Receipts.

ARTICLE IV

THE DEPOSITED SECURITIES; NOTICES

SECTION 4.1. Cash Distributions. Whenever the Depository shall receive any cash dividend or other cash distribution on Stock, the Depository shall, subject to Sections 3.1 and 3.2, distribute to record holders of Receipts on the record date fixed pursuant to Section 4.4 such amounts of such dividend or distribution as are, as nearly as practicable, in proportion to the respective numbers of Depository Shares evidenced by the Receipts held by such holders; provided, however, that in case the Company or the Depository shall be required to withhold and shall withhold from any cash dividend or other cash distribution in respect of the Stock an amount on account of taxes or as otherwise required

by law, regulation or court process, the amount made available for distribution or distributed in respect of Depositary Shares shall be reduced accordingly. In the event that the calculation of any such cash dividend or other cash distribution to be paid to any record holder on the aggregate number of Depositary Receipts held by such holder results in an amount which is a fraction of a cent, the amount the Depositary shall distribute to such record holder shall be rounded to the next highest whole cent if such fraction of a cent is equal to or greater than \$.005; otherwise such fractional interest shall be disregarded; and upon request of the Depositary, the Company shall pay the additional amount to the Depositary for distribution.

SECTION 4.2. Distributions Other than Cash, Rights, Preferences or Privileges. Whenever the Depositary shall receive any distribution other than cash, rights, preferences or privileges upon Stock, the Depositary shall, subject to Sections 3.1 and 3.2, distribute to record holders of Receipts on the record date fixed pursuant to Section 4.4 such amounts of the securities or property received by it as are, as nearly as may be practicable, in proportion to the respective numbers of Depositary Shares evidenced by the Receipts held by such holders, in any manner that the Depositary may deem equitable and practicable for accomplishing such distribution. If in the opinion of the Depositary such distribution cannot be made proportionately among such record holders, or if for any other reason (including any requirement that the Company or the Depositary withhold an amount on account of taxes) the Depositary deems (after consultation with the Company) such distribution not to be feasible, the Depositary may, with the approval of the Company, adopt such method as it deems equitable and practicable for the purpose of effecting such distribution, including the sale (at public or private sale) of the securities or property thus received, or any part thereof, at such place or places and upon such terms as it may deem equitable and appropriate. The net proceeds of any such sale shall, subject to Sections 3.1 and 3.2, be distributed or made available for distribution, as the case may be, by the Depositary to record holders of Receipts as provided by Section 4.1 in the case of a distribution received in cash.

SECTION 4.3. Subscription Rights, Preferences or Privileges. If the Company shall at any time offer or cause to be offered to the persons in whose names Stock is recorded on the books of the Company any rights, preferences or privileges to subscribe for or to purchase any securities or any rights, preferences or privileges of any other nature, such rights, preferences or privileges shall in each such instance be made available by the Depositary to the record holders of Receipts in such manner as the

Depository may determine, either by the issue to such record holders of warrants representing such rights, preferences or privileges or by such other method as may be approved by the Depository in its discretion with the approval of the Company; provided, however, that (i) if at the time of issue or offer of any such rights, preferences or privileges the Depository determines that it is not lawful or (after consultation with the Company) not feasible to make such rights, preferences or privileges available to holders of Receipts by the issue of warrants or otherwise, or (ii) if and to the extent so instructed by holders of Receipts who do not desire to execute such rights, preferences or privileges, then the Depository, in its discretion (with approval of the Company, in any case where the Depository has determined that it is not feasible to make such rights, preferences or privileges available), may, if applicable laws or the terms of such rights, preferences or privileges permit such transfer, sell such rights, preferences or privileges at public or private sale, at such place or places and upon such terms as it may deem proper. The net proceeds of any such sale shall, subject to Sections 3.1 and 3.2, be distributed by the Depository to the record holders of Receipts entitled thereto as provided by Section 4.1 in the case of a distribution received in cash.

If registration under the Securities Act of the securities to which any rights, preferences or privileges relate is required in order for holders of Receipts to be offered or sold the securities to which such rights, preferences or privileges relate, the Company will file promptly a registration statement pursuant to the Securities Act with respect to such rights, preferences or privileges and securities and use its best efforts and take all steps available to it to cause such registration statement to become effective sufficiently in advance of the expiration of such rights, preferences or privileges to enable such holders to exercise such rights, preferences or privileges. In no event shall the Depository make available to the holders of Receipts any right, preference or privilege to subscribe for or to purchase any securities unless and until it has received written notice from the Company that such registration statement shall have become effective, or that the offering and sale of such securities to such holders are exempt from registration under the provisions of the Securities Act and the Company shall have provided to the Depository an opinion of counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Depository to such effect.

If any other action under the laws of any jurisdiction or any governmental or administrative authorization, consent or permit is required in order for such rights, preferences or privileges to be made available to holders of Receipts, the Company

will use its reasonable best efforts to take such action or obtain such authorization, consent or permit sufficiently in advance of the expiration of such rights, preferences or privileges to enable such holders to exercise such rights, preferences or privileges.

SECTION 4.4. Notice of Dividends, etc.; Fixing Record Date for Holders of Receipts. Whenever any cash dividend or other cash distribution shall become payable or any distribution other than cash shall be made, or if rights, preferences or privileges shall at any time be offered, with respect to Stock, or whenever the Depositary shall receive notice of any meeting at which holders of Stock are entitled to vote or of which holders of Stock are entitled to notice, or whenever the Depositary and the Company shall decide it is appropriate, the Depositary shall in each such instance fix a record date (which shall be the same date as the record date fixed by the Company with respect to or otherwise in accordance with the terms of the Stock) for the determination of the holders of Receipts who shall be entitled to receive such dividend, distribution, rights, preferences or privileges or the net proceeds of the sale thereof, or to give instructions for the exercise of voting rights at any such meeting, or who shall be entitled to notice of such meeting or for any other appropriate reasons.

SECTION 4.5. Voting Rights. Upon receipt of notice of any meeting at which the holders of Stock are entitled to vote, the Depositary shall, as soon as practicable thereafter, mail to the record holders of Receipts a notice which shall contain (i) such information as is contained in such notice of meeting and (ii) a statement that the holders may, subject to any applicable restrictions, instruct the Depositary as to the exercise of the voting rights pertaining to the amount of Stock represented by their respective Depositary Shares (including an express indication that instructions may be given to the Depositary to give a discretionary proxy to a person designated by the Company) and a brief statement as to the manner in which such instructions may be given. Upon the written request of the holders of Receipts on the relevant record date, the Depositary shall use its best efforts to vote or cause to be voted, in accordance with the instructions set forth in such requests, the maximum number of whole shares of Stock represented by the Depositary Shares evidenced by all Receipts as to which any particular voting instructions are received. The Company hereby agrees to take all action which may be deemed necessary by the Depositary in order to enable the Depositary to vote such Stock or cause such Stock to be voted. In the absence of specific instructions from the holder of a Receipt, the Depositary will not vote to the extent of the Stock represented by the Depositary Shares evidenced by such Receipt.

SECTION 4.6. Changes Affecting Deposited Securities and Reclassifications, Recapitalizations, etc.. Upon any change in par value or liquidation preference, split-up, combination or any other etc reclassification of the Stock, or upon any recapitalization, reorganization, merger or consolidation affecting the Company or to which it is a party, the Depositary may in its discretion with the approval (not to be unreasonably withheld) of, and shall upon the instructions of, the Company, and (in either case) in such manner as the Depositary may deem equitable, (i) make such adjustments in the fraction of an interest in one share of Stock represented by one Depositary Share as may be necessary (as certified by the Company) fully to reflect the effects of such change in par value or liquidation preference, split-up, combination or other reclassification of Stock, or of such recapitalization, reorganization, merger or consolidation and (ii) treat any securities which shall be received by the Depositary in exchange for or upon conversion of or in respect of the Stock as new deposited securities so received in exchange for or upon conversion or in respect of such Stock. In any such case, the Depositary may in its discretion, with the approval of the Company, execute and deliver additional Receipts or may call for the surrender of all outstanding Receipts to be exchanged for new Receipts specifically describing such new deposited securities. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, holders of Receipts shall have the right from and after the effective date of any such change in par value or liquidation preference, split-up, combination or other reclassification of the Stock or any such recapitalization, reorganization, merger or consolidation to surrender such Receipts to the Depositary with instructions to convert, exchange or surrender the Stock represented thereby only into or for, as the case may be, the kind and amount of shares of stock and other securities and property and cash into which the Stock represented by such Receipts would have been converted or for which such Stock would have been exchanged or surrendered had such Receipt been surrendered immediately prior to the effective date of such transaction.

SECTION 4.7. Delivery of Reports. The Depositary shall furnish to holders of Receipts any reports and communications received from the Company which are received by the Depositary as the holder of Stock.

SECTION 4.8. List of Receipt Holders. Promptly upon request from time to time by the Company, the Depositary shall furnish to it a list, as of the most recent practicable date, of the names, addresses and holdings of Depositary Shares of all record holders of Receipts. The Company shall be entitled to receive such list four times annually.

ARTICLE V

THE DEPOSITARY, THE DEPOSITARY'S
AGENTS, THE REGISTRAR AND THE COMPANY

SECTION 5.1. Maintenance of Offices, Agencies and Transfer Books by the Depositary; Registrar. Upon execution of this Deposit Agreement, the Depositary shall maintain at the Depositary's Office facilities for the execution and delivery, registration and registration of transfer, surrender and exchange of Receipts, and at the offices of the Depositary's Agents, if any, facilities for the delivery, registration of transfer, surrender and exchange of Receipts, all in accordance with the provisions of this Deposit Agreement.

The Depositary shall keep books at the Depositary's Office for the registration and registration of transfer of Receipts, which books during normal business hours shall be open for inspection by the record holders of Receipts; provided that any such holder requesting to exercise such right shall certify to the Depositary that such inspection shall be for a proper purpose reasonably related to such person's interest as an owner of Depositary Shares evidenced by the Receipts.

The Depositary may close such books, at any time or from time to time, when deemed expedient by it in connection with the performance of its duties hereunder.

The Depositary may, with the approval of the Company, appoint a Registrar for registration of the Receipts or the Depositary Shares evidenced thereby. If the Receipts or the Depositary Shares evidenced thereby or the Stock represented by such Depositary Shares shall be listed on one or more national securities exchanges, the Depositary will appoint a Registrar (acceptable to the Company) for registration of such Receipts or Depositary Shares in accordance with any requirements of such exchange. Such Registrar (which may be the Depositary if so permitted by the requirements of any such exchange) may be removed and a substitute registrar appointed by the Depositary upon the request or with the approval of the Company. If the Receipts, such Depositary Shares or such Stock is listed on one or more other stock exchanges, the Depositary will, at the request and at the expense of the Company, arrange such facilities for the delivery, registration, registration of transfer, surrender and exchange of such Receipts, such Depositary Shares or such Stock as may be required by law or applicable securities exchange regulation.

The Depositary may from time to time appoint Depositary's Agents to act in any respect for the Depositary for the purposes of this Deposit Agreement and may at any time appoint additional Depositary's Agents and vary or terminate the appointment of such Depositary's Agents. The Depositary will notify the Company of any such action.

SECTION 5.2. Prevention of or Delay in Performance by the Depositary, the Depositary's Agents, the Registrar or t. Neither the Depositary nor any Depositary's Agent nor the Registrar nor the Company shall incur any liability to any holder of any Receipt if by reason of any provision of any present or future law, or regulation thereunder, of the United States of America or of any other governmental authority or, in the case of the Depositary, the Depositary's Agent or the Registrar, by reason of any provision, present or future, of the Company's Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation or by reason of any act of God or war or other circumstance beyond the control of the relevant party, the Depositary, the Depositary's Agent, the Registrar or the Company shall be prevented, delayed or forbidden from, or subjected to any penalty on account of, doing or performing any act or thing which the terms of this Deposit Agreement provide shall be done or performed; nor shall the Depositary, any Depositary's Agent, the Registrar or the Company incur liability to any holder of a Receipt (i) by reason of any nonperformance or delay, caused as aforesaid, in the performance of any act or thing which the terms of this Deposit Agreement shall provide shall or may be done or performed, or (ii) by reason of any exercise of, or failure to exercise, any discretion provided for in this Deposit Agreement except, in the case of any such exercise or failure to exercise discretion not caused as aforesaid, if caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the party charged with such exercise or failure to exercise.

SECTION 5.3. Obligation of the Depositary, the Depositary's Agents, the Registrar and the Company. Neither the Depositary nor any Depositary's Agent nor the Registrar nor the Company assumes any any obligation or shall be subject to any liability under this Deposit Agreement or any Receipt to holders of Receipts other than for its gross negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith.

Neither the Depositary nor any Depositary's Agent nor the Registrar nor the Company shall be under any obligation to appear in, prosecute or defend any action, suit or other proceeding in respect of the Stock, the Depositary Shares or the Receipts which in its reasonable opinion may involve it in expense or liability unless indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against ex-

pense and liability be furnished as often as may be reasonably required.

Neither the Depositary nor any Depositary's Agent nor the Registrar nor the Company shall be liable for any action or any failure to act by it in reliance upon the written advice of legal counsel or accountants, or information from any person presenting Stock for deposit, any holder of a Receipt or any other person believed by it in good faith to be competent to give such information. The Depositary, any Depositary's Agent, the Registrar and the Company may each rely and shall each be protected in acting upon any written notice, request, direction or other document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties.

The Depositary shall not be responsible for any failure to carry out any instruction to vote any of the shares of Stock or for the manner or effect of any such vote made, as long as any such action or inaction is in good faith. The Depositary will indemnify the Company and hold it harmless from any loss, liability or expense (including the reasonable costs and expenses of defending itself) which arises from its negligence, wilful misconduct or bad faith. The Depositary undertakes and any Registrar shall be required to undertake only such duties as specifically set forth herein and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Deposit Agreement against the Depositary or Registrar. The indemnification obligations of the Depositary set forth in this Section 5.3 shall survive any termination of this Agreement and any succession of any Depositary.

The Depositary, its parent, affiliates or subsidiaries, the Depositary's Agents and the Registrar may own, buy, sell and deal in any class of securities of the Company and its affiliates and in Receipts or Depositary Shares or become pecuniarily interested in any transaction in which the Company or its affiliates may be interested or contract with or lend money to any such person or otherwise act as fully or as freely as if it were not the Depositary, parent, affiliate or subsidiary or Depositary's Agent or Registrar hereunder. The Depositary may also act as trustee, transfer agent or registrar of any of the securities of the Company and its affiliates.

It is intended that neither the Depositary nor any Depositary's Agent nor the Registrar, acting as the Depositary's Agent or Registrar, as the case may be, shall be deemed to be an "issuer" of the securities under the federal securities laws or applicable state securities laws, it being expressly understood and agreed that the Depositary, any Depositary's Agent and the

Registrar are acting only in a ministerial capacity as Depositary or Registrar for the Stock.

Neither the Depositary (or its officers, directors, employees or agents) nor any Depositary's Agent nor the Registrar makes any representation or has any responsibility as to the validity of the registration statement pursuant to which the Depositary Shares are registered under the Securities Act, the Stock, the Depositary Shares or the Receipts (except for its counter-signatures thereon) or any instruments referred to therein or herein, or as to the correctness of any statement made therein or herein.

The Depositary assumes no responsibility for the correctness of the description that appears in the Receipts. Notwithstanding any other provision herein or in the Receipts, the Depositary makes no warranties or representations as to the validity or genuineness of any Stock at any time deposited with the Depositary hereunder or of the Depositary Shares, as to the validity or sufficiency of this Deposit Agreement, as to the value of the Depositary Shares or as to any right, title or interest of the record holders of Receipts in and to the Depositary Shares. The Depositary shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Company of the Depositary Shares or the Receipts or the proceeds thereof.

SECTION 5.4. Resignation and Removal of the Depositary; Appointment of Successor Depositary. The Depositary may at any time resign as Depositary hereunder by delivering notice of its election to do so to the Company, such resignation to take effect upon the appointment of a successor Depositary and its acceptance of such appointment as hereinafter provided.

The Depositary may at any time be removed by the Company by notice of such removal delivered to the Depositary, such removal to take effect upon the appointment of a successor Depositary and its acceptance of such appointment as hereinafter provided.

In case at any time the Depositary acting hereunder shall resign or be removed, the Company shall, within 60 days after the delivery of the notice of resignation or removal, as the case may be, appoint a successor Depositary, which shall be a bank or trust company having its principal office in the United States of America and having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$150,000,000. If no successor Depositary shall have been so appointed and have accepted appointment within 60 days after delivery of such notice, the resigning or removed Depositary may peti-

tion any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Depositary. Every successor Depositary shall execute and deliver to its predecessor and to the Company an instrument in writing accepting its appointment hereunder, and thereupon such successor Depositary, without any further act or deed, shall become fully vested with all the rights, powers, duties and obligations of its predecessor and for all purposes shall be the Depositary under this Deposit Agreement, and such predecessor, upon payment of all sums due it and on the written request of the Company, shall execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor all rights and powers of such predecessor hereunder, shall duly assign, transfer and deliver all right, title and interest in the Stock and any moneys or property held hereunder to such successor, and shall deliver to such successor a list of the record holders of all outstanding Receipts and such records, books and other information in its possession relating thereto. Any successor Depositary shall promptly mail notice of its appointment to the record holders of Receipts.

Any corporation into or with which the Depositary may be merged, consolidated or converted shall be the successor of such Depositary without the execution or filing of any document or any further act, and notice thereof shall not be required hereunder. Such successor Depositary may authenticate the Receipts in the name of the predecessor Depositary or in the name of the successor Depositary.

SECTION 5.5. Corporate Notices and Reports. The Company agrees that it will deliver to the Depositary, and the Depositary will, promptly after receipt thereof, transmit to the record holders of Receipts, in each case at the addresses recorded in the Depositary's books, copies of all notices and reports (including without limitation financial statements) required by law or by the rules of any national securities exchange upon which the Stock, the Depositary Shares or the Receipts are listed, to be furnished to the record holders of Receipts. Such transmission will be at the Company's expense and the Company will provide the Depositary with such number of copies of such documents as the Depositary may reasonably request.

SECTION 5.6. Indemnification by the Company. The Company shall indemnify the Depositary, any Depositary's Agent and the Registrar against, and hold each of them harmless from, any loss, liability or expense (including the reasonable costs and expenses of defending itself) which may arise out of acts performed or omitted in connection with this Deposit Agreement and the Receipts by the Depositary, any Registrar or any of their respective agents (including any Depositary's Agent), except for any liabil-

ity arising out of negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on the respective parts of any such person or persons. The obligations of the Company set forth in this Section 5.6 shall survive any termination of this Agreement or any succession of any Depositary or Depositary's Agent.

SECTION 5.7. Charges and Expenses. The Company shall pay all transfer and other taxes and governmental charges arising solely from the existence of the depositary arrangements. The Company shall pay charges of the Depositary in connection with the initial deposit of the Stock and the initial issuance of the Depositary Shares, all withdrawals of shares of the Stock by owners of Depositary Shares, and any redemption of the Stock at the option of the Company. All other transfer and other taxes and governmental charges shall be at the expense of holders of Depositary Shares. If, at the request of a holder of Receipts, the Depositary incurs charges or expenses for which it is not otherwise liable hereunder, such holder will be liable for such charges and expenses. All other charges and expenses of the Depositary and any Depositary's Agent hereunder (including, in each case, reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) incident to the performance of their respective obligations hereunder will be paid upon consultation and agreement between the Depositary and the Company as to the amount and nature of such charges and expenses. The Depositary shall present its statement for charges and expenses to the Company at such intervals as the Company and the Depositary may agree.

SECTION 5.8. Tax Compliance. The Depositary, on its own behalf and on behalf of the Company, will comply with all applicable certification, information reporting and withholding (including "backup" withholding) requirements imposed by applicable tax laws, regulations or administrative practice with respect to (i) any payments made with respect to the Depositary Shares or (ii) the issuance, delivery, holding, transfer, redemption or exercise of rights under the Depositary Receipts or the Depositary Shares. Such compliance shall include, without limitation, the preparation and timely filing of required returns and the timely payment of all amounts required to be withheld to the appropriate taxing authority or its designated agent.

The Depositary shall comply with any direction received from the Company with respect to the application of such requirements to particular payments or holders or in other particular circumstances, and may for purposes of this Agreement rely on any such direction in accordance with the provisions of Section 5.3 hereof.

The Depositary shall maintain all appropriate records documenting compliance with such requirements, and shall make such records available on request to the Company or to its authorized representatives.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

SECTION 6.1. Amendment. The form of the Receipts and any provisions of this Deposit Agreement may at any time and from time to time be amended by agreement between the Company and the Depositary in any respect which they may deem necessary or desirable; provided, however, that no such amendment (other than any change in the fees) which shall materially adversely alter the rights of the holders of Receipts shall be effective unless such amendment shall have been approved by the holders of at least a majority of the Depositary Shares then outstanding. Every holder of an outstanding Receipt at the time any such amendment becomes effective shall be deemed, by continuing to hold such Receipt, to be bound by the Deposit Agreement as amended thereby. Subject to Section 2.9 hereof, notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event may any amendment impair the right of any holder of any Depositary Shares, upon surrender of the Receipts evidencing such Depositary Shares and subject to any conditions specified in this Deposit Agreement, to receive shares of Stock and any money or other property, if any, represented thereby, except in order to comply with mandatory provisions of applicable law.

SECTION 6.2. Termination. This Deposit Agreement may be terminated by the Company at any time upon not less than 30 days' prior written notice to the Depositary, in which case, on a date that is not later than 30 days after the date of such notice, the Depositary shall deliver or make available for delivery to holders of Depositary Shares, upon surrender of the Receipts evidencing such Depositary Shares, such number of whole or fractional shares of Stock as are represented by such Depositary Shares. This Deposit Agreement will automatically terminate after (i) all outstanding Depositary Shares have been redeemed pursuant to Section 2.8 or (ii) there shall have been made a final distribution in respect of the Stock in connection with any liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the Company and such distribution shall have been distributed to the holders of Depositary Receipts pursuant to Section 4.1 or 4.2, as applicable.

Upon the termination of this Deposit Agreement, the Company shall be discharged from all obligations under this Deposit

Agreement except for its obligations to the Depository, the Registrar and any Depository's Agent under Sections 5.6 and 5.7.

ARTICLE VII

MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 7.1. Counterparts. This Deposit Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, and by each of the parties hereto on separate counterparts, each of which counterparts, when so executed and delivered, shall be deemed an original, but all such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

SECTION 7.2. Exclusive Benefit of Parties. This Deposit Agreement is for the exclusive benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors hereunder, and shall not be deemed to give any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim to any other person whatsoever.

SECTION 7.3. Invalidity of Provisions. In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Deposit Agreement or in the Receipts should be or become invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions contained herein or therein shall in no way be affected, prejudiced or disturbed thereby.

SECTION 7.4. Notices. Any and all notices to be given to the Company hereunder or under the Receipts shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if personally delivered or sent by mail, or by telegram or facsimile transmission confirmed by letter, addressed to the Company at:

First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc.
311 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 4000
Chicago, Illinois 60606
Facsimile No.: (312) 922-6320

or at any other address of which the Company shall have notified the Depository in writing.

Any and all notices to be given to the Depository hereunder or under the Receipts shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if personally delivered or sent by mail or by telegram or facsimile transmission confirmed by letter, addressed to the Depository at the Depository's Office, at:

First Chicago Trust Company of New York
One First National Plaza, Suite 0123
Chicago, IL 60670
Attention: John Ruocco
Facsimile No.: (312) 407-3021

or at any other address of which the Depositary shall have notified the Company in writing.

Any and all notices to be given to any record holder of a Receipt hereunder or under the Receipts shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if personally delivered or sent by mail, or by telegram or facsimile transmission confirmed by letter, addressed to such record holder at the address of such record holder as it appears on the books of the Depositary, or if such holder shall have filed with the Depositary a written request that notices intended for such holder be mailed to some other address, at the address designated in such request.

Delivery of a notice sent by mail or by telegram or facsimile transmission shall be deemed to be effected at the time when a duly addressed letter containing the same (or a confirmation thereof in the case of a telegram or facsimile transmission) is deposited for mailing by first class mail, postage prepaid. The Depositary or the Company may, however, act upon any telegram or facsimile transmission received by it from the other or from any holder of a Receipt, notwithstanding that such telegram or facsimile transmission shall not subsequently be confirmed by letter or as aforesaid.

SECTION 7.5. Appointment of Registrar. The Company hereby also appoints the Depositary as Registrar in respect of the Receipts and the Depositary hereby accepts such appointments.

SECTION 7.6. Holders of Receipts Are Parties. The holders of Receipts from time to time shall be parties to this Deposit Agreement and shall be bound by all of the terms and conditions hereof and of the Receipts by acceptance of delivery thereof.

SECTION 7.7. Governing Law. THIS DEPOSIT AGREEMENT AND THE RECEIPTS AND ALL RIGHTS HEREUNDER AND THEREUNDER AND PROVISIONS HEREOF AND THEREOF SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, THE LAWS APPLICABLE TO CONTRACTS MADE IN AND TO BE PERFORMED IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK WITHOUT REGARD TO THE CONFLICTS OF LAWS PRINCIPLES THEREOF.

SECTION 7.8. Inspection of Deposit Agreement. Copies of this Deposit Agreement shall be filed with the Depositary and the Depositary's Agent and shall be open to inspection during business hours at the Depositary's office or respective offices of the Depositary's Agent, if any, by any holder of a Receipt.

SECTION 7.9. Headings. The headings of articles and sections in this Deposit Agreement have been inserted for convenience only and are not to be regarded as a part of this Deposit Agreement or the Receipts or to have any bearing upon the meaning or interpretation of any provision contained herein or in the Receipts.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Company and the Depositary have duly executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above set forth, and all holders of Receipts shall become parties hereto by and upon acceptance by them of delivery of Receipts issued in accordance with the terms hereof.

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.

Name:
Title:

FIRST CHICAGO TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK

Name:
Title:

[FORM OF FACE OF RECEIPT]

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THIS CERTIFICATE IS TRANSFERABLE
IN NEW YORK, NY

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RECEIPT FOR DEPOSITARY SHARES,
EACH REPRESENTING 1/100 OF A SHARE OF
7.90% SERIES E CUMULATIVE PREFERRED STOCK

FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.
(INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND)

First Chicago Trust Company of New York, a national banking association duly organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America with an office at the time of execution of the Deposit Agreement (as defined below) at One First National Plaza, Suite 0123, Chicago, IL 60670, as Depositary (the "Depositary"), hereby certifies that

_____ is a registered owner of _____ DEPOSITARY SHARES ("Depositary Shares"), each Depositary Share representing 1/100 of one fully paid and non-assessable share of 7.90% Series E Cumulative Preferred Stock, \$.01 par value per share (the "Shares"), of First Industrial Realty Trust, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Company"), on deposit with the Depositary, subject to the terms and entitled to the benefits of the Deposit Agreement dated as of March 18, 1998 (the "Deposit Agreement"), among the Company, the Depositary and the holders from time to time of Receipts for Depositary Shares. By accepting this Receipt, the holder hereof becomes a party to and agrees to be bound by all the terms and conditions of the Deposit Agreement. This Receipt shall not be valid or obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any benefits under the Deposit Agreement unless it shall have been executed by the Depositary by the manual or facsimile signature of a duly authorized officer or, if a Registrar in respect of the Receipts (other than the Depositary) shall have been appointed, by the manual signature of a duly authorized officer of such Registrar.

Dated:
Countersigned and Registered:
FIRST CHICAGO TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK
Depositary and Registrar

By: _____

By: _____
SECRETARY AND TREASURER

By: _____
PRESIDENT

[FORM OF REVERSE OF RECEIPT]
FIRST INDUSTRIAL REALTY TRUST, INC.

THE SHARES OF STOCK REPRESENTED BY THIS DEPOSITARY RECEIPT ARE SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE CORPORATION'S MAINTENANCE OF ITS QUALIFICATION AS A REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST UNDER THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED. NO PERSON MAY BENEFICIALLY OWN SHARES OF STOCK IN EXCESS OF 9.9% (OR SUCH GREATER PERCENTAGE AS MAY BE DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION) OF THE OUTSTANDING STOCK OF THE CORPORATION. ANY PERSON WHO ATTEMPTS TO BENEFICIALLY OWN SHARES OF STOCK IN EXCESS OF THE ABOVE LIMITATION MUST IMMEDIATELY NOTIFY THE CORPORATION. ALL CAPITALIZED TERMS IN THIS LEGEND HAVE THE MEANINGS DEFINED IN THE CORPORATION'S ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, A COPY OF WHICH, INCLUDING THE RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER, WILL BE SENT WITHOUT CHARGE TO EACH STOCKHOLDER WHO SO REQUESTS. IF THE RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER ARE VIOLATED, THE SHARES OF STOCK REPRESENTED HEREBY MAY BE AUTOMATICALLY EXCHANGED FOR SHARES OF EXCESS STOCK WHICH WILL BE HELD IN TRUST BY THE CORPORATION.

THE CORPORATION WILL FURNISH TO ANY STOCKHOLDER ON REQUEST AND WITHOUT CHARGE A FULL STATEMENT OF THE DESIGNATIONS AND ANY PREFERENCES, CONVERSIONS AND OTHER RIGHTS, VOTING POWERS, RESTRICTIONS, LIMITATIONS AS TO DIVIDENDS, QUALIFICATIONS, AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF REDEMPTION OF THE STOCK OF EACH CLASS WHICH THE CORPORATION IS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE AND, WITH RESPECT TO ANY PREFERRED OR SPECIAL CLASS IN A SERIES, THE DIFFERENCES IN THE RELATIVE RIGHTS AND PREFERENCES BETWEEN THE SHARES OF EACH SERIES TO THE EXTENT THEY HAVE BEEN SET AND THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO SET THE RELATIVE RIGHTS AND PREFERENCES OF SUBSEQUENT SERIES.

The following abbreviations, when used in the inscription on the face of this Depositary Receipt, shall be construed as though they were written out in full according to applicable laws or regulations:

TEN COM-- as tenants in common	UNIF GIFT MIN ACT - . . . Custodian . .
TEN ENT-- tenants by the entirety	(Cust) Minor
JT TEN -- as joint tenants with right of survivorship and not as tenants in common	under Uniform Gifts to Minors Act (State)

Additional abbreviations may also be used though not in the above list.

For Value Received, _____ hereby sells, assigns and transfers
unto

PLEASE INSERT SOCIAL SECURITY OR OTHER IDENTIFYING NUMBER OF ASSIGNEE

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPEWRITE NAME AND ADDRESS INCLUDING POSTAL ZIP CODE OF ASSIGNEE

Depositary Shares represented by the within Depositary Receipt, and do hereby irrevocably constitute and appoint _____ Attorney to transfer the said Depositary Shares on the books of the within named Depositary with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated

Signed

NOTICE: THE SIGNATURE TO THIS ASSIGNMENT MUST CORRESPOND WITH THE NAME AS WRITTEN UPON THE FACE OF THIS DEPOSITARY RECEIPT IN EVERY PARTICULAR, WITHOUT ALTERATION OR ENLARGEMENT OR ANY CHANGE WHATEVER.

SIGNATURE(S) GUARANTEED

By: _____

THE SIGNATURE(S) SHOULD BE GUARANTEED BY AN ELIGIBLE GUARANTOR INSTITUTION (BANKS, STOCKBROKERS, SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS AND CREDIT UNIONS WITH MEMBERSHIP IN AN APPROVED SIGNATURE GUARANTEE MEDALLION PROGRAM), PURSUANT TO S.E.C. RULE 17Ad-15.

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