

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of B Well Design located at 2023 Imperial Way, in the County of Pinellas, in the City of Clearwater, Florida 33764 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Barker Books located at 1491 Sea Gull Dr S, in the County of Pinellas, in the City of Saint Petersburg, Florida 33707 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW ACCORDING TO FLORIDA STATUTE NUMBER 865.09

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of Sebba Shade located at 204 37th Ave N in the City of St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, FL 33704 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09, FLORIDA STATUTES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of C2CEVYTHING COMPANY : Located at 115 Steeplechase Ln : Pinellas County in the City of Palm Harbor : Florida, 34684-3328 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The undersigned in compliance with House Bill 491 chapter 63-431 and Florida Statute 85.031 section 2715.07 and 713.78, hereby gives notice that it has liens on the property listed below which remains in our storage at Pfeifer Total Auto Repair LLC, 1261 San Christopher Drive, Dunedin, FL 34698

INVITATION TO BID

TO: ALL INTERESTED BIDDERS
Bids will be received electronically, thru OpenGov, until Step 1: December 5, 2023 @ 3:00 p.m. and Step 2: December 21, 2023 @ 3:00 p.m., and will then and there be opened via electronic lockbox, at the same time and visible to vendors and the public, for the following:

Services, Labor, Materials and Equipment required for Construction of:

TITLE: Stormwater Starkey Facility M10 Modification (PID 003900A) BID NO. 23-1234-ITB-C

PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA

Awards of bids for construction services with an engineering estimate in excess of \$100,000.00 will be made to bidders who have pre-qualified with FDOT in the following work class(s) in DRAINAGE, GRADING, DRIVING STEEL SHEET PILE.

Plans, specifications and bid forms will be available on https://procurement.opengov.com/signup Contact Michelle Jurek, Procurement Analyst at mjurek@pinellascounty.org for email requests.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES REQUIRING REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING/EVENT, SHOULD CALL 727/464-4062 (VOICE/TDD) FAX 727/464-4157, NOT LATER THAN SEVEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE PROCEEDING.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Purchasing Department, at the above address or telephone number 727/464-3311. Bid information may be obtained by visiting the Pinellas County Purchasing Department web site www.pinellascounty.org/purchase

Merry Celeste, CPPB Division Director, Purchasing and Risk Management Division November 17, 2023 23-05084N

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW ACCORDING TO FLORIDA STATUTE NUMBER 865.09

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of J+ Americas Inc. located at 333 3RD AVENUE N in the City of St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, FL 33701 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW ACCORDING TO FLORIDA STATUTE NUMBER 865.09

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of Total Body Keto located at 7901 4TH ST N STE 300 in the City of ST. PETERSBURG, Pinellas County, FL 33702 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW ACCORDING TO FLORIDA STATUTE NUMBER 865.09

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of Fencing Solutions located at 7901 4TH ST N STE 300 in the City of ST. PETERSBURG, Pinellas County, FL 33702 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
The following personal property of ROBERT WILLIAM DAVY, TIMOTHY LEE DAVY, TAMMY DAVY and JUDITH ANN DAVY, if deceased any unknown heirs or assigns, will, on November 30, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., at 2631 Sumo Drive, Lot #3-14, Clearwater, Pinellas County, Florida 33764; be sold for cash to satisfy storage fees in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 715.109:

1966 CHAL MOBILE HOME, VIN: H206, TITLE NO.: 0002477447 and all other personal property located therein

PREPARED BY: J. Matthew Bobo Lutz, Bobo & Telfair, P.A. 2 North Tamiami Trail, Suite 500 Sarasota, Florida 34236 November 17, 24, 2023 23-05074N

PUBLIC NOTICE

UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SEC.713.78 FL STATUTES, UNLESS CLAIMED BY THE LEGAL OR REGISTERED OWNER OF RECORD, THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES WILL BE SOLD TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER AT PUBLIC SALE AT 8:15 A.M. AT BRADFORDS TOWING LLC, 1553 SAVANNAH AVE, TARPON SPRINGS FL 34689 727.938.5511 TO SATISFY LIENS FOR TOWING AND STORAGE. MINIMUM BID STARTS AT CHARGES OWED FOR EACH VEHICLE AT TIME OF SALE, PROPERTY SOLD AS IS, WHERE IS, WITH NO GUARANTEE/WARRANTY EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED AS TO CONDITION OR CLAIMS MADE FROM PRIOR OWNERS ARISING FROM SALE. ALL VEHICLES SOLD WITH OUT TITLES. CALL FOR ANY QUESTIONS. OWNER MAY CLAIM VEHICLES BY PROVIDING PROOF OF OWNERSHIP, PHOTO ID AND PAYMENT OF CHARGES ON OR BEFORE DATE OF SALE, TIME OF SALE.

SALE DATE: 12.01.2023 1C4RJGAGXP8874330 2023 JEEP 1G1ZH57B88F187414 2008 CHEV 1N4AL1D04C153300 2004 NISS 3TMAZ5CN6NM160791 2022 TOYT 5HABE1622GN046407 2016 HOMS JHMC65649XC001123 1999 HOND November 17, 2023 23-05079N

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE:

RRY Inc dba YOHO'S AUTOMOTIVE AND TOWING gives notice that on listed Sale Dated at 09:00 AM the following vehicles(s) may be sold by public sale at 9791 66TH ST. N PINELLAS PARK FL 33782 to satisfy the lien for the amount owed on each vehicle for any recovery, towing, or storage services charges and administrative fees allowed pursuant to Florida statute 713.78. Yo-ho's Automotive & Towing reserves the right to accept/reject and or all bids.

DECEMBER 26, 2023 4T1BG22K1WU342570 1998 TOYT 4T1BK1FK7CU518889 2012 TOYT 1N4AL3AP0FC236122 2015 NISS JM3TB2DA7F0447639 2015 MAZDA 1G1ZE5ST4GF226247 2016 CHEV

DECEMBER 7, 2023 2017 MERZ WDDLJ9BB6HA205055 L2BB8ACGKK000072 2019 JBLC MC

DECEMBER 8, 2023 2GCCE19VX31236004 2003 CHEV NOVIN0200816610 2009 HMDE TRL November 17, 2023 23-05065N

FIRST INSERTION

LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION (single personal representative) IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION Case Number:23-007871-ES IN RE: ESTATE OF PATRICIA DONNELLY CALLAN Deceased.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN WHEREAS, Patricia Donnelly Callan, a resident of Mease Life, 603 Virginia Street, Dunedin, Florida 34698, died on January 5, 2023, owning assets in the State of Florida, and

WHEREAS, Thomas J. Donnelly has been appointed personal representative of the estate of the decedent and has performed all acts prerequisite to issuance of Letters of Administration in the estate,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, the undersigned circuit judge, declare Thomas J. Donnelly duly qualified under the laws of the State of Florida to act as personal representative of the estate of Patricia Donnelly Callan, deceased, with full power to administer the estate according to law; to ask, demand, sue for, recover and receive the property of the decedent; to pay the debts of the decedent as far as the assets of the estate will permit and the law directs; and to make distribution of the estate according to law.

ORDERED 10/26/2023 10:21:13 AM 522023CP007871XXESXX Sherwood Coleman, Circuit Judge 10:26/2023 10:21:12 522023CP007871XXESXX Elise K. Winters, P.A. 1006 Drew Street Clearwater, FL 33755 Phone (727) 442-3888 November 17, 24, 2023 23-05085N

FIRST INSERTION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 23-010447-ES-03 IN RE: ESTATE OF DENNIS R. ROSS, Deceased. The administration of the estate of DENNIS R. ROSS, deceased, whose date of death was August 8, 2023, is pending in the Circuit Court for Pinellas County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 315 Court Street, Clearwater, FL 33756. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All claims not filed within the time periods set forth in Section 733.702 of the Florida Probate Code will be forever barred. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is November 17, 2023. Personal Representative: Jeffery L. Myrick 632 Cohn Lane Safety Harbor, FL 34695 Attorney for Personal Representative: Nicholas J. Roefaro, FL Bar No. 089217 nick@roefarolaw.com cherrie@roefarolaw.com ROEFARO LAW 1700 N. McMullen Booth Rd., Ste. A-6 Clearwater, FL 33759 Telephone: 727-796-9191 November 17, 24, 2023 23-05005N

All claims not filed within the time periods set forth in Section 733.702 of the Florida Probate Code will be forever barred. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is Friday, November 17, 2023. Personal Representative: Dawn Marie Klungseth 11300 Haskell Dr. Clermont, FL 34711 Attorney for Personal Representative: Barbara J. Hunting, Esquire Barbara J. Hunting, P.A. 2706 Alt. 19 North, Suite 310 Palm Harbor, FL 34683-2643 727-772-5804 E-Mail: info@barbarahuntinglaw.com November 17, 24, 2023 23-05078N



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SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 14433 62nd St N, Clearwater, FL 33760 11/29/2023 at 12:00PM

Elizabeth Harlan Household Goods

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property November 10, 17, 2023 23-04971N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 18524 US Hwy 19 N. Clearwater, FL 33764, December 01, 2023 @ 11:30 a.m.

daniel louis austin, jr. boxes and totes

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04931N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: Extra Space 1855 32nd St N St. Petersburg, FL. 33713 on November 30, 2023 at 11:30AM

Michelle James/Mychelle James - Household Items

Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04972N

SECOND INSERTION

Notice of Public Sale

Life Storage will hold a Public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: Auction date:11/30/23 @ 1:00pm 1225 Missouri Ave,Largo Fl.33770 Store#4106

Table with 2 columns: CUSTOMER NAME, INVENTORY. Row 1: Pammie Eason Household goods / Furniture

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Life Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04950N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 9125 Ulmerton Rd Largo, FL 33771 11/29/23 at 12:30pm

Table with 2 columns: Robert Sardella, Andrea Negron; Bike, Generator, Tools, Toys, Paint Supplies, Music Supplies; Furniture, Tools, Lumber, Clothes, Electronics, Props, Toys

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04932N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 10111 Gandy Blvd N St Petersburg FL, 33702 11/30/2023 at 1:30 PM

Zhane Lynn Whitehead- Household goods Stephanie Martinez- Personal items

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04923N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: Life Storage 4495 49th St N. St. Petersburg FL, on November 30, 2023 at 2:00 PM

daniyah stephens - Household Goods/Furniture Sean Hughes - Household Goods/Furniture Jack Brown - Household Goods/Furniture Paul Johnson - Household Items Lorna Gudykunst - Household Goods/Furniture James Dean - Household Goods/Furniture Nikita Jones - Household Goods/Furniture

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04880N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: Extra Space Storage 8610 66th St N Pinellas Park, FL 33782, 727-439-8055, December 01, 2023 at 12:30pm.

Table with 2 columns: NAME, CONTENTS. Rows include Alesha Cidlowski (Bed, TV, Lamps, Mirrors, Leather chair, Bed frame, Totes, Bags, Books), Arnell Lamont Palmer (Dining set, Corner cabinet, Lamp, Toaster Chair, Mattress and frame, TV, Baby swing, Fan, Clothes, Bags, Totes), Patrick jones (Table, Bags, Boxes, Hand tools, Power tools, Shop vacs, Blower, Compressor).

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04926N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 2180 Drew St. Clearwater, FL 33765, 12/1/2023 and 11 A.M.

Table with 2 columns: Tenant Name, General Description of Property. Rows include Samantha Murphy (Household Goods/Furniture), Betty Griffith (Household Goods/Furniture, Tools/Appliances), Carlos Cullari (Household Goods/Furniture), Katina Peduzzi (Household Goods/Furniture)

This auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04875N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 6780 Seminole Blvd Seminole, FL 33772 November 30, 2023 @ 1:00 PM

Table with 2 columns: Keith Scott, Daniel Arthur Long; Household items, Household items

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04924N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 10700 US Highway 19 N, Pinellas Park, FL, 33782 on 11/30/2023 @ 12pm

Cynthia Davis - Household Goods/Furniture

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04881N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 1650 7th Ave N St Petersburg, FL 33713 November 29th, 2023 at 11:30am

Malcolm Turner Chair, Dresser, Table, TV, Boxes, Vase, Lamp Carrie Joseph Bed, Chair, Mattress, Table, Dryer, Stereo, Washer, Boxes, Clothes, Totes, Whelchair, Fire Pit, Speakers Hannah Sanders Chair, Mattress, Table Jillian Goles Chair, Couch, Table, Boxes, Files, Personal Papers, Totes, Mirror, Luggage, Steamer

The auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04933N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: Extra Space 4750 62nd Ave N Pinellas Park, FL 33781 on December 1, 20203 at 11:00AM

Ariane McQueen-Beds, furniture and boxes of household items Michael Stupka-Furniture, clothes, boxes, Home materials Karim Hassan-Boxes, clothes, table Emma King-Household goods, clothes, boxes Deandre Russell-tv and house hold items Jeff Milner-Boxes and car seats holiday decor

Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04958N

THIRD INSERTION

NOTICE OF ACTION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY JUVENILE DIVISION

CRC 21-00405DPANO-5 IN THE INTEREST OF: L., S. (DOB: 11/16/2011) SPN: 311734203 A CHILD

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PINELLAS TO: Kelly Marie Dukes a/k/a Kelly Smith RESIDENCE UNKNOWN

You are hereby notified that a Petition under oath has been filed in the above-styled Court for the termination of your parental rights and commitment of the child for subsequent adoption of L., S. and H., M. a female child, born on November 16, 2023, in Hillsborough County, Florida. You are hereby commanded to appear before a Judge of the Circuit Court, the Honorable Patrice Moore, Juvenile Division, in and for the County of Pinellas, and State of Florida, at the Criminal Justice Center ANNEX, Courtroom D, 14250 49th Street North, Clearwater, Florida 33762 on Monday, December 11, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., for an Advisory hearing/Adjudicatory trial and Disposition on the Petition for Termination of Parental Rights.

FAILURE TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THIS HEARING CONSTITUTES CONSENT TO THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS OF THIS CHILD. IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR ON THE DATE AND TIME SPECIFIED YOU MAY LOSE ALL LEGAL RIGHTS AS A PARENT TO THE CHILD NAMED IN THE PETITION. AN ATTORNEY CANNOT APPEAR FOR YOU.

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED BY A LAWYER. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD ONE, THE COURT WILL APPOINT ONE FOR YOU.

PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 39.802 (4) (D) AND 63.082 (6) (G), FLORIDA STATUTES, YOU ARE HEREBY INFORMED OF THE AVAILABILITY OF PRIVATE PLACEMENT WITH AN ADOPTION ENTITY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 63.032(3), FLORIDA STATUTES.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Office of Human Rights, 400 S. Ft. Harrison Avenue, Suite 300, Clearwater, FL 33756, (727) 464-4062 (V/TDD) at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. Witness my hand and seal of 1st day of November 2023

KEN BURKE Clerk of the Circuit Court BY: DEPUTY CLERK (SEAL) CIRCUIT COURT PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA BRUCE BARTLETT, State Attorney Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida Amy V. Archibald, Assistant State Attorney Office of Bruce Bartlett State Attorney P.O. Box 5028 Clearwater FL 33758 Fl. Bar. 0113824 727/453-7059 November 3, 10, 17, 24, 2023 23-04838N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Extra Space Storage, on behalf of itself or its affiliates, Life Storage or Storage Express, will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated: 1016 N Belcher Rd. Clearwater, FL 33765, 11/29/2023 and 1:00 PM

Luis Martinez Household Goods

This auction will be listed and advertised on www.storagetreasures.com. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the above referenced facility in order to complete the transaction. Extra Space Storage may refuse any bid and may rescind any purchase up until the winning bidder takes possession of the personal property. November 10, 17, 2023 23-04877N

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SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 21-005412-CI REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff, vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF WINIFRED DUNN, DECEASED, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 07, 2023, and entered in 21-005412-CI of the Circuit Court of the SIXTH Judicial Circuit in and for Pinellas County, Florida, wherein CELINK is the Plaintiff and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES,

GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF WINIFRED DUNN, DECEASED; DONNA L. DUNN; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; FLORIDA HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION are the Defendant(s).

THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND, SITUATE LYING AND BEING IN THE COUNTY OF PINELLAS, STATE OF FLORIDA, TO WIT: LOT 5 IN BLOCK 50 OF MEADOW LAWN NINTH ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF

RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 44, PAGES 2, 3 AND 4, PUBLIC RECORDS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 6692 17TH WAY NORTH, SAINT PETERSBURG, FL 33702

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.

IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance.

court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven days. The court does not provide transportation and cannot accommodate such requests.

Dated this 6 day of November, 2023.

By: \S\Danielle Salem Danielle Salem, Esquire Florida Bar No. 0058248 Communication Email: dsalem@raslg.com ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff 6409 Congress Ave., Suite 100 Boca Raton, FL 33487 Telephone: 561-241-6901 Facsimile: 561-997-6909 Service Email: flmail@raslg.com 21-104425 - GrS November 10, 17, 2023 23-04967N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF ACTION IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

Case No.: 23-006386-CO EAGLES NEST RESIDENTS, INC., a Florida corporation, Plaintiff, vs.

ESTATE OF ROMEO MONTOJO, VICTOR MONTOJO MIRANDA, AURORA MIRANDA, and ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, AND UNDER SAID DEFENDANTS, Defendants.

TO: ESTATE OF ROMEO MONTOJO;

ANY AND ALL OTHERS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, AND UNDER SAID DEFENDANTS (Addresses Unknown)

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed by Plaintiff, EAGLES NEST RESIDENTS, INC., a Florida corporation, seeking foreclosure of the following real property:

Lot 17, of EAGLES NEST RESIDENTS, INC., a Florida profit corporation, according to Exhibit "C-2" (Plot Plan) of the Certificate as to Master Occupancy Agreement recorded in Official Records Book 8399, Page 637, et seq., Public Records of Pinellas County, Florida (the "Master Agreement"). (the "Unit"); TOGETHER WITH that certain Membership Certificate Number 17 issued by the Cooperative to Romeo Montjo, evidencing their percentage interest in the Cooperative, and any other incident of ownership arising therefrom (the "Certificate"); TOGETHER WITH that certain Mobile Home situated on the Lot (the "Mobile Home").

The street address of the Property is 7801 34th Avenue North, Lot 17, St. Petersburg, Florida 33710, and the Parcel Identification Number of the Property is 12/31/15/23785/000/0170.

and you are required to serve a copy of a written defense, if any, to Andrew MrBride, Esq., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 100 North Tampa Street, Suite 4000, Tampa, Florida 33602, within 30 days from the first date of publication of this Notice, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court, either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in Plaintiff's Complaint.

If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Human Rights Office, 400 S. Ft. Harrison Ave., Ste. 500, Clearwater, FL 33756. Phone: 727.464.4062 V/TDD; Or 711 for the hearing impaired. Dated this Nov. 1st 2023

(SEAL) CLERK OF COURT PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA KEN BURKE Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller 315 Court Street Clearwater, Pinellas County, FL 33756-5165 By: /s/ Thomas Smith DEPUTY CLERK

Attorneys for Plaintiff: Andrew J. McBride, Esq. Florida Bar No. 0067973 ADAMS AND REESE LLP 100 North Tampa Street, Suite 4000 Tampa, Florida 33611 Telephone: (813) 227-5548 Facsimile: (727) 502-8991 November 10, 17, 2023 23-04983N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF ACTION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION

CASE NO.: 23-007706-CI FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION PLAINTIFF, VS.

UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM E. ANDREWS A/K/A WILLIAM EDWARD ANDREWS A/K/A WILLIAM ANDREWS, ET AL., DEFENDANTS.

TO: Hien Hoang A/K/A Thi Thai Hien Hoang Last Known Address: 215 Hollow Oak Ct, Tarpon Spgs, FL 34689 Current Residence: UNKNOWN

TO: Debbie Schafer Last Known Address: 215 Hollow Oak Ct, Tarpon Spgs, FL 34689 Current Residence: UNKNOWN

TO: Unknown heirs, beneficiaries, devisees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, and all others who may claim an interest in the estate of William E. Andrews A/K/A William Edward Andrews A/K/A William Andrews Last Known Address: 215 Hollow Oak Ct, Tarpon Spgs, FL 34689 Current Residence: UNKNOWN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 31, BLOCK C, OAKLEAF VILLAGE, UNIT THREE, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 75, PAGES 42 AND 43, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF PINELLAS

SECOND INSERTION

COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on MILLER, GEORGE & SUGGS, PLLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 210 N. University Drive, Suite 900, Coral Springs, FL 33071, on or before , within or before a date at least thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in The Business Observer, 1970 Main Street, 3rd Floor, Sarasota, FL 34236 and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you to the provision of certain assistance. Within two (2) working days or your receipt of this document please contact the Human Rights Office, 400 S. Ft. Harrison Ave., Ste. 300, Clearwater, FL 33756, (727) 464-4062 (V/TDD). The court does not provide transportation and cannot accommodate for this service. Persons with disabilities needing transportation to court should contact their local public transportation providers for information regarding disabled transportation services.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 7th day of November, 2023.

KEN BURKE As Clerk of the Circuit Court By: /s/ Thomas Smith As Deputy Clerk MILLER, GEORGE & SUGGS, PLLC, Attorney for Plaintiff, 210 N. University Drive, Suite 900, Coral Springs, FL 33071 November 10, 17, 2023 23-04982N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 21-005665-CI REVERSE MORTGAGE FUNDING LLC, Plaintiff, vs.

THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY ANN DUNN, DECEASED, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated September 21, 2023, and entered in 21-005665-CI of the Circuit Court of the SIXTH Judicial Circuit in and for Pinellas County, Florida, wherein LONGBRIDGE FINANCIAL LLC is the Plaintiff and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY ANN DUNN, DECEASED; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF BETTY ANN DRUMHELLER, DECEASED; DONALD DUNN; CINDY WEINGARTEN; REX DUNN; CHRIS DUNN; DONNA DUNN; DAWN DRUMHELLER; BRENDA BABCOCK; MICHAEL DRUMHELLER; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ON BEHALF OF THE SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; CLERK OF COURT OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA are the Defendant(s).

Ken Burke as the Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at www.pinellas.realforeclose.com, at 10:00 AM, on November 28, 2023,

the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 8, BLOCK 34, NEW-PORT UNIT NO 2, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 57, PAGE 21, PUBLIC RECORDS OF PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Property Address: 7001 DELTA WAY, CLEARWATER, FL 33764

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim in accordance with Florida Statutes, Section 45.031.

IMPORTANT AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT: If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Human Rights Office, 400 S. Ft. Harrison Ave., Ste. 500 Clearwater, FL 33756, (727) 464-4062 V/TDD; or 711 for the hearing impaired. Contact should be initiated at least seven days before the scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than seven days. The court does not provide transportation and cannot accommodate such requests. Persons with disabilities needing transportation to court should contact their local public transportation providers for information regarding transportation services.

Dated this 3 day of November, 2023. By: \S\Danielle Salem Danielle Salem, Esquire Florida Bar No. 0058248 Communication Email: dsalem@raslg.com

ROBERTSON, ANSCHUTZ, SCHNEID, CRANE & PARTNERS, PLLC Attorney for Plaintiff 6409 Congress Ave., Suite 100 Boca Raton, FL 33487 Telephone: 561-241-6901 Facsimile: 561-997-6909 Service Email: flmail@raslg.com 21-109182 - ArC November 10, 17, 2023 23-04938N

SECOND INSERTION

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45 IN THE COUNTY COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR PINELLAS COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION

CASE NO. 22-006030-CO OTTER KEY CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., A FLORIDA NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF, V.

UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF BERNICE M. KMET, ET AL., DEFENDANTS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 18, 2023, followed by Order Rescheduling Sale dated November 1, 2023 and entered in Case No. 22-006030-CO of the COUNTY COURT OF THE SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT in and for Pinellas County, Florida, wherein OTTER KEY CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC. is Plaintiff, and UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF BERNICE M. KMET; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BERNICE M. KMET; MICHAEL KMET; UNKNOWN TENANT #1 and UNKNOWN TENANT #2 are Defendants, Ken Burke as Clerk of said Court, Pinellas County Clerk of Court, will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash: [X] www.pinellas.realforeclose.com, the Clerk's website for online auctions, at 10:00 AM, on the 5th day of December, 2023 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

UNIT 209, from the Condominium Plat of ISLAND VIEW SOUTH, A CONDOMINIUM, as recorded in Condominium Plat Book 87 pages 53 through 60, inclusive, and being fur-

ther described in that certain Declaration of Condominium recording in O. R. Book 6085 page 1380 et seq., of the Public Records of Pinellas County, Florida, together with an undivided interest of share in the common elements appurtenance thereto. TOGETHER WITH all improvements now or hereafter erected on the property, and all easements, rights, appurtenance, rents, royalties, mineral, oil and gas rights and profits, water rights and stock and all fixtures now or hereafter a part of the property. All replacements and additions shall also be covered by this Security Instrument as the "Property". A/K/A: 5400 Park Street N., Unit 209, St. Petersburg, FL 33709

A PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

"If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Human Rights Office, 400 S. Ft. Harrison Ave., Ste. 300, Clearwater, FL 33756, (727) 464-4062 (V/TDD) at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711."

BECKER & POLIAKOFF, P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiff Tower Place 1511 N. Westshore Blvd., Suite 1000 Tampa, FL 33607 Primary: cofoservicemil@beckerlawyers.com BY: Carolyn C. Meadows Florida Bar #92888 24212556v.1 022671/410415 JDEROS November 10, 17, 2023 23-04920N



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The History
How We Got Here

Cradle to Grave

The election of 1932 changed how the public viewed the role of government. Every decade since, government has continually expanded, with greater regulation and one failed welfare program after another.

BY MILTON & ROSE FRIEDMAN

The presidential election of 1932 was a political watershed for the United States.

Herbert Hoover, seeking re-election on the Republican ticket, was saddled with a deep depression. Millions of people were unemployed. The standard image of the time was a breadline or an unemployed person selling apples on a street corner.

Though the independent Federal Reserve System was to blame for the mistaken monetary policy that converted a recession into a catastrophic depression, the president, as the head of state, could not escape responsibility. The public had lost faith in the prevailing economic system. People were desperate. They wanted reassurance, a promise of a way out.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the charismatic governor of New York, was the Democratic candidate. He was a fresh face, exuding hope and optimism.

True enough, he campaigned on the old principles. He promised if elected to cut waste in government and balance the budget, and berated Herbert Hoover for extravagance in government spending and for permitting government deficits to mount.

At the same time, both before the election and during

the interlude before his inauguration, Roosevelt met regularly with a group of advisers at the Governor's Mansion in Albany — his "brain trust," as it was christened. They devised measures to be taken after his inauguration that grew into the "New Deal" FDR had pledged to the American people in accepting the Democratic nomination for president.

The election of 1932 was a watershed in narrowly political terms.

In the 72 years from 1860 to 1932, Republicans held the presidency for 56 years, Democrats for 16. In the 48 years from 1932 to 1980, the tables were turned: Democrats held the presidency for 32 years, Republicans for 16.

The election was also a watershed in a more important sense: It marked a major change in both the public's perception of the role of government and the actual role assigned to government.

One simple set of statistics suggests the magnitude of the change. From the founding of the Republic to 1929, spending by governments at all levels — federal, state, and local — never exceeded 12% of the national income except in time of major war, and two-thirds of that was state and local spending. Federal spending typically amounted to 3% or less of the national income.

Since 1933, government spending has never been less than 20% of national income and is now over 40%, and two-thirds of that is spending by the federal government.

True, much of the period since the end of World War II has been a period of cold or hot war. However, since 1946 non-defense spending alone has never been less than 16% of the national income and is now roughly one-third the national income. Federal government spending alone is more than one-quarter of the national income in total, and more than a fifth for non-defense purposes alone. By this measure, the role of the federal government in the economy has multiplied roughly tenfold in the past half-century.

ROOSEVELT'S UTOPIAN FANTASY

Roosevelt was inaugurated on March 4, 1933 — when the economy was at its lowest ebb. Many states had declared a banking holiday, closing their banks. Two days after he was inaugurated, President Roosevelt ordered all banks throughout the nation to close.

But Roosevelt used his inaugural address to deliver a message of hope, proclaiming that "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself." And he immediately launched a frenetic program of legislative measures — the "100 days" of a special congressional session.

The members of FDR's brain trust were drawn mainly from the universities — in particular, Columbia University. They reflected the change that had occurred earlier in the intellectual atmosphere on the campuses — from

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belief in individual responsibility, laissez faire and a decentralized and limited government to belief in social responsibility and a centralized and powerful government. It was the function of government, they believed, to protect individuals from the vicissitudes of fortune and to control the operation of the economy in the “general interest,” even if that involved government ownership and operation of the means of production.

These two strands were already present in a famous novel published in 1887, “Looking Backward,” by Edward Bellamy, a utopian fantasy in which a Rip Van Winkle character who goes to sleep in the year 1887 awakens in the year 2000 to discover a changed world. “Looking backward,” his new companions explain to him how the utopia that astonishes him emerged in the 1930s — a prophetic date-from the hell of the 1880s.

That utopia involved the promise of security “from cradle to grave” — the first use of that phrase we have come across — as well as detailed government planning, including compulsory national service by all persons over an extended period.

Coming from this intellectual atmosphere, Roosevelt’s advisers were all too ready to view the depression as a failure of capitalism and to believe that active intervention by government — and especially central government — was the appropriate remedy. Benevolent public servants, disinterested experts, should assume the power that narrow-minded, selfish “economic royalists” had abused. In the words of Roosevelt’s first inaugural address, “The money changers have fled from the high seats in the temple of our civilization.”

In designing programs for Roosevelt to adopt, they could draw not only on the campus, but on the earlier experience of Bismarck’s Germany, Fabian England and middle-way Sweden. The New Deal, as it emerged during the 1930s, clearly reflected these views.

It included programs designed to reform the basic structure of the economy. Some of these had to be aban-

doned when they were declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court, notably the NRA (National Recovery Administration) and the AAA (Agricultural Adjustment Administration). Others are still with us, notably the Securities and Exchange Commission, the National Labor Relations Board, and nationwide minimum wages.

The New Deal also included programs to provide security against misfortune, notably Social Security (OASI: Old Age and Survivors Insurance), unemployment insurance and public assistance.

The New Deal also included programs intended to be strictly temporary, designed to deal with the emergency situation created by the Great Depression. Some of the temporary programs became permanent, as is the way with government programs.

The most important temporary programs included “make work” projects under the Works Progress Administration, the use of unemployed youth to improve the national parks and forests under the Civilian Conservation Corps, and direct federal relief to the indigent.

At the time, these programs served a useful function. There was distress on a vast scale; it was important to do something about that distress promptly, both to assist the people in distress and to restore hope and confidence to the public. These programs were hastily contrived, and no doubt were imperfect and wasteful, but that was understandable and unavoidable under the circumstances. The Roosevelt administration achieved a considerable measure of success in relieving immediate distress and restoring confidence.

CENTRAL PLANNING TAKES OVER

World War II interrupted the New Deal, while at the same time strengthening greatly its foundations. The war brought massive government budgets and unprecedented control by government over the details of economic life: fixing of prices and wages by edict, rationing

of consumer goods, prohibition of the production of some civilian goods, allocation of raw materials and finished products, control of imports and exports.

The elimination of unemployment, the vast production of war materiel that made the United States the “arsenal of democracy” and unconditional victory over Germany and Japan — all these were widely interpreted as demonstrating the capacity of government to run the economic system more effectively than “unplanned capitalism.”

One of the first pieces of major legislation enacted after the war was the Employment Act of 1946, which expressed government’s responsibility for maintaining “maximum employment, production and purchasing power” and, in effect, enacted Keynesian policies into law.

The war’s effect on public attitudes was the mirror image of the depression’s. The depression convinced the public that capitalism was defective; the war, that centralized government was efficient. Both conclusions were false.

The depression was produced by a failure of government, not of private enterprise. As to the war, it is one thing for government to exercise great control temporarily for a single overriding purpose shared by almost all citizens and for which almost all citizens are willing to make heavy sacrifices; it is a very different thing for government to control the economy permanently to promote a vaguely defined “public interest” shaped by the enormously varied and diverse objectives of its citizens.

At the end of the war, it looked as if central economic planning was the wave of the future. That outcome was passionately welcomed by some who saw it as the dawn of a world of plenty shared equally. It was just as passionately feared by others, including us, who saw it as a turn to tyranny and misery. So far, neither the hopes of the one nor the fears of the other have been realized.

Government has expanded greatly. However, that expansion has not taken the form of detailed central economic planning accompanied by ever widening nationalization of industry, finance and commerce, as so many of us feared it would. Experience put an end to detailed economic planning, partly because it was not successful in achieving the announced objectives, but also because it conflicted with freedom.

That conflict was clearly evident in the attempt by the British government to control the jobs people could hold. Adverse public reaction forced the abandonment of the attempt. Nationalized industries proved so inefficient and generated such large losses in Britain, Sweden, France and the United States that only a few die-hard Marxists today regard further nationalization as desirable.

The illusion that nationalization increases productive efficiency, once widely shared, is gone. Additional nationalization does occur — passenger railroad service and some freight service in the United States, Leyland Motors in Great Britain, steel in Sweden. But it occurs for very different reasons — because consumers wish to retain services subsidized by the government when market conditions call for their curtailment or because workers in unprofitable industries fear unemployment. Even the supporters of such nationalization regard it as at best a necessary evil.

SOCIALIZING RESULTS OF PRODUCTION

The failure of planning and nationalization has not eliminated pressure for an ever bigger government. It has simply altered its direction. The expansion of government now takes the form of welfare programs and of regulatory activities. As W. Allen Wallis put it in a somewhat different context, socialism, “intellectually bankrupt after more than a century of seeing one after another of its arguments for socializing the means of production demolished — now seeks to socialize the results of production.”

In the welfare area, the change of direction has led to an explosion in recent decades, especially after President Lyndon Johnson declared a “War on Poverty” in 1964. New Deal programs of Social Security, unemployment insurance and direct relief were all expanded to cover new groups; payments were increased; and Medicare, Medicaid, food stamps and numerous other programs were added. Public housing and urban renewal programs were enlarged. By now there are literally hundreds of government welfare and income transfer programs.

The Department of Health, Education and Welfare, established in 1953 to consolidate the scattered welfare programs, began with a budget of \$2 billion, less than 5% of expenditures on national defense. Twenty-five years later, in 1978, its budget was \$160 billion, one and a half times as much as total spending on the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force. It had the third-largest budget in the world, exceeded only by the entire budget of the

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U.S. government and of the Soviet Union.

The department supervised a huge empire, penetrating every corner of the nation. More than one out of every 100 persons employed in this country worked in the HEW empire, either directly for the department or in programs for which HEW had responsibility but which were administered by state or local government units. All of us were affected by its activities. (In late 1979, HEW was subdivided by the creation of a separate Department of Education.)

No one can dispute two superficially contradictory phenomena: widespread dissatisfaction with the results of this explosion in welfare activities; and continued pressure for further expansion.

BAD MEANS FOR GOOD OBJECTIVES

The objectives have all been noble; the results, disappointing. Social Security expenditures have skyrocketed, and the system is in deep financial trouble. Public housing and urban renewal programs have subtracted from rather than added to the housing available to the poor. Public assistance rolls mount despite growing employment.

By general agreement, the welfare program is a “mess” saturated with fraud and corruption. As government has paid a larger share of the nation’s medical bills, both patients and physicians complain of rocketing costs and of the increasing impersonality of medicine. In education, student performance has dropped as federal intervention has expanded.

The repeated failure of well-intentioned programs is not an accident. It is not simply the result of mistakes of execution. The failure is deeply rooted in the use of bad means to achieve good objectives.

Despite the failure of these programs, the pressure to expand them grows. Failures are attributed to the miserliness of Congress in appropriating funds, and so are met with a cry for still bigger programs. Special interests that benefit from specific programs press for their expansion — foremost among them the massive bureaucracy spawned by the programs.

An attractive alternative to the present welfare system is a negative income tax. This proposal has been widely supported by individuals and groups of all political persuasions. A variant has been proposed by three presidents; yet it seems politically unfeasible for the foreseeable future.