STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF DAVIE

DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS HEIDELBERG SUBDIVISION

THIS DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR HEIDELBERG SUBDIVISION (as may be amended or supplemented as set forth herein, "Declaration") is made this 6 day of April, 2022 by House Farmers, LLC, a North Carolina Limited Liability Company (the "Declarant").

WITNESSETH:

- A. Declarant is the owner and developer of certain real estate in Davie County, North Carolina, and more particularly described Heidelberg Subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 13, Page 545 in the Office of the Register of Deeds, Davie County, North Carolina, reference to which is hereby made for a more particular description. (the "<u>Property</u>" or "<u>Subdivision</u>"); and
- B. Declarant is developing the Property known as "Heidelberg" by subdividing it into "Lots" that are to be used for residential purposes as well as common real estate and improvements that are to be owned by a homeowners' association to which the Owner of a Lot must belong and pay lien-supported maintenance assessments; and
- C. At the time of the conveyance of a Lot to an Owner, the Declarant intends to make available the common amenities on the Property, if any, as they are built, and, at the time of completed development, the entire Property, excluding the Lots and dedicated streets, if any, shall be conveyed without cost or charge to the Association.

THEREFORE, the Declarant hereby declares that all of the Lots and Common Areas (defined below) located within the Subdivision are held and shall be held, conveyed, hypothecated or encumbered, leased, rented, used, occupied and improved, subject to the following covenants, conditions and restrictions, all of which are established and agreed upon for the purpose of enhancing and protecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of the Subdivision as a whole and of each of said Lots. All of these restrictions shall run with the land and shall be binding upon the Declarant and upon the parties having or acquiring any right, title or interest, legal or equitable in and to the Property or any part or parts thereof subject to such restrictions and shall inure to the benefit of the Declarant and every one of the Declarant's successors in title to any of the Property.

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

- <u>Section I.1</u> "<u>Annual Organizational Board Meeting</u>" means the annual organizational board meeting of the Board, which shall take place immediately after each Annual Meeting of the Members.
- Section I.2 "Annual Meeting" means the annual meeting of the Members held in Davie County, North Carolina, within the last quarter of each calendar year, upon proper notice, at a date, time and at a place from time to time designated by the Board. The first Annual Meeting of the Members shall be held within one (1) year from the date of incorporation on such date as the initial Board shall determine.
- <u>Section I.3</u> "<u>Articles</u>" or "<u>Articles of Incorporation</u>" shall mean those articles, filed with the Secretary of State of North Carolina, incorporating Heidelberg Property Owners Association, Inc., as a nonprofit corporation under the provisions of North Carolina State law, as the same may be amended from time to time.
- <u>Section I.4</u> "<u>Assessments</u>" means Regular Assessments, Special Assessments, Working Capital Assessments, Individual Assessments and Fine Assessments.
- Section I.5 "Association" shall mean and refer to HEIDELBERG PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., to be formed as a non-profit corporation, its successors and assigns.
- Section I.6 "Board" or "Board of Directors" shall mean and refer to the Board of Directors of the Association.
- Section I.7 "Bylaws" shall mean the Bylaws of the Association, as the same may be amended from time to time.
 - <u>Section I.8</u> "<u>Class A Members</u>" shall mean as defined in <u>Section 4.5.1</u> below.
 - Section I.9 "Class B Members" shall mean as defined in Section 4.5.2 below.
- Section I.10 "Constituent Documents" shall mean the Declaration, the Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation, Architectural Control Standards and Handbook, if any, and the Rules and Regulations, if any, and any other basic documents used to create and govern the Subdivision:
- Section I.11 "Common Property/Common Areas" shall mean all real property, together with all personal property used in conjunction therewith, leased or owned by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of members.
- Section I.12 "Common Expenses" shall mean, refer to, and include all charges, costs and expenses incurred by the Association for and in connection with the administration of the Subdivision, including, without limitation thereof, operation of the Subdivision, maintenance,

repair, replacement and restoration (to the extent not covered by insurance) of the Common Areas; the costs of any additions and alterations thereto; all labor, services, common utilities, materials, supplies, and equipment therefor; all liability for loss or damage arising out of or in connection with the Common Areas and their use; all premiums for hazard, liability and other insurance with respect to the Subdivision; all costs incurred in acquiring a Lot pursuant to judicial sale; and all administrative, accounting, legal, and managerial expenses. "Common Expenses" shall also include the cost of operation, maintenance, improvement, and replacement of any Recreational Facilities, including establishing reserves therefore. "Common Expenses" shall also include all reserve funds or other funds established by the Association. "Common Expenses" shall be construed broadly.

- Section I.13 "Declarant" shall mean and refer to House Farmers, LLC, a North Carolina Limited Liability Company, its successors and assigns.
- Section I.14 "Default" shall mean any violation or breach of, or any failure to comply with, the Restrictions, this Declaration or any other Constituent Documents.
- Section I.15 "Development Period" means the period commencing on the date on which this Declaration is recorded in the Davie County Register of Deeds and terminating on the earlier to occur of (i) when Declarant no longer owns any Lots in the Subdivision; (ii) the date that Declarant relinquishes in writing Declarant's right to appoint Directors; or (iii) the occurrence of the date ten (10) years from the date of recording the Declaration, renewable for an additional ten (10) year period with the consent of a majority of Lot Owners other than the Declarant.
- Section I.16 "Dwelling Unit" shall mean and refer to the individual family living unit on an individual Lot.
- Section I.17 "Fine Assessment" means the charge established by Section 5.5.2 of this Declaration.
- Section I.18 "Individual Assessment" means the charge established by Section 5.4 of this Declaration.
- Section I.19 "Lot" shall mean and refer to any parcel of land designated on the Plat upon which a Dwelling Unit has been or is to be constructed. The Declarant has initially created thirty-four (34) Lots in the Subdivision and has the right to establish additional Lots in accordance with the terms of this Declaration.
- Section I.20 "Member" shall mean and refer to all those Owners who are Members of the Association as provided in Article IV below.
- <u>Section I.21</u> "<u>Owner</u>" shall mean and refer to the record owner, including Declarant, whether one or more persons or entities of a fee simple title to any Lot located within the Subdivision.

- Section I.22 "Plat" shall mean and refer to the record plat of the Subdivision recorded by Declarant, as the same may be amended or supplemented by Declarant from time to time.
- Section I.23 "Planned Community Act" shall mean and refer to the North Carolina Planned Community Act, currently codified as Chapter 47F of the North Carolina General Statutes, as the same may be amended from time to time.
- Section I.24 "Property" or "Subdivision" shall mean and refer to that certain real estate as shown on the plat recorded in the Office of the Davie County Register of Deeds in Plat Book 13, Page 545 and all other real estate that may be annexed into this Declaration and the Association by the Declarant.
- Section I.25 "Regular Assessment" means the charge established by Article V of this Declaration.
- Section I.26 "Resident" shall mean and refer to any person, not an Owner, living in the Owner's Dwelling Unit, including, but not limited to, temporary guests and Tenants.
- Section I.27 "Restrictions" shall mean all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, charges, liens and other obligations provided for in this Declaration, including, without limitation, all notices, rules and regulations issued in accordance with this Declaration.
- Section I.28 "Rules and Regulations" shall mean and include the rules and regulations made from time to time by the Board of Directors as provided in Section 4.3 below.
- Section I.29 "Special Assessment" means the charge established by Section 5.2 of this Declaration.
- Section I.30 "Tenant" means any person occupying any Lot pursuant to a written or oral lease agreement with the Owner thereof or with any other person or entity claiming under the Owner.
- <u>Section I.31</u> "<u>Working Capital Assessment</u>" means the charge established by <u>Section 5.3</u> of this Declaration.

When applicable for the sense of this instrument, the singular should be read as including the plural and the male, female, and neuter pronouns and adjectives should be read as interchangeable.

ARTICLE II

PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THIS DECLARATION

The Property, each portion thereof, and all Dwelling Units thereon shall be held, transferred, sold, conveyed, leased, mortgage and occupied subject to the terms, provisions, covenants and conditions of this Declaration. Declarant reserves the right to add additional properties to this Declaration so long as it owns any Lot which is subject to this Declaration.

ARTICLE III

PROPERTY RIGHTS IN COMMON AREAS

Section III.1 Owner's Easements of Enjoyment. Except as herein otherwise provided, each Owner shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Areas, which shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to his Lot. Each Tenant shall have a non-transferable right to use and enjoy the Common Areas, if any, which right shall terminate when such person ceases to have the status of a Tenant. Such rights and privileges shall be subject, however, to the following:

The right of the Association to grant permits, licenses and public or private easements over Common Areas for utilities, roads and other purposes reasonably necessary or useful for the proper maintenance or operation of the Property.

- Section III.2 Extension of Use. Any Owner may extend his right of enjoyment to the Common Areas to the immediate and/or extended members of his family, his Tenants, guests or contract purchasers of the Owner's Lot.
- Section III.3 Title to Common Areas. The Declarant shall convey by deed all Common Areas to the Association in fee simple absolute after the final platting of all Lots in the Subdivision. Any such conveyance shall be subject to taxes for the year of conveyance, and to restrictions, conditions, limitations and easements of record.
- Section III.4 Use of Common Areas by Declarant. In addition to the specific rights and easements reserved herein, Declarant and its affiliates and associates shall have the same rights of use and enjoyment of the Common Areas as the Class A Members during the Development Period and shall have the same right to use Common Areas for promotional, sales and similar purposes until all of the Lots have been sold.

ARTICLE IV

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

- <u>Section IV.1</u> <u>Homeowners Association</u>. There has been or will be created a North Carolina non-profit corporation, known as Heidelberg Property Owners Association, Inc., which shall be responsible for the maintenance, management and control of the Common Areas.
- Section IV.2 Board of Directors and Officers. The Board of Directors, and such officers as may be elected or appointed in accordance with the Articles or the Bylaws, shall conduct the affairs of the Association. The Board of Directors may also appoint committees and managers or other employees and agents who shall, subject to the general direction of the Board of Directors, be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the Association.
- Section IV.3 Rules and Regulations. By a majority vote of the Board of Directors, the Association may, from time to time adopt, amend and repeal Rules and Regulations with respect to all aspects of the Association's rights, activities and duties under this Declaration. The Rules and Regulations may, without limitation, govern use of the Subdivision, including

prohibiting, restricting or imposing charges for the use of any portion of the Subdivision by Owners, Residents or others, interpret this Declaration or establish procedures for operation of the Association or the administration of this Declaration. A copy of the Rules and Regulations, as they may from time to time be adopted, amended or repealed, shall be available to each Owner upon request.

Section IV.4 Membership of Association. Every Owner of a Lot shall be a Member of the Association. Such Owner and Member shall abide by the Association's Rules and Regulations, shall pay the Assessments provided for in this Declaration, when due, and shall comply with decisions of the Association's governing body. Conveyance of fee simple title to a Lot automatically transfers membership in the Association without necessity of further documents. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot that is subject to Assessment.

Section IV.5 Classes of Membership. The Association shall have two (2) classes of Membership:

Class A Members. Every person, group of persons, or entity which is a record Owner of a fee interest in any Lot upon which a Dwelling Unit has been erected within the Property, shall automatically be a Class A Member of the Association except the Declarant during the Development Period and builders who own Lots with a dwelling unit under construction; provided, however, that any such person, group of persons or entity who holds such interest solely as security for the performance of an obligation shall not be a Member. A Class A Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot upon which a Dwelling Unit has been constructed that is subject to Assessment. Class A Members shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot in which they hold the interest required for membership. In the event that more than one person, group of persons or entity is the record Owner of a fee interest in any Lot, then the vote for the membership appurtenant to such Lot portion shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot. In the event agreement is not reached, the vote attributable to such Lot shall not be cast.

<u>Class B Members</u>. The Class B Member during the Development Period shall be the Declarant. The Class B Membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership upon the expiration of the Development Period.

<u>Voting</u>. Each Member shall have one vote with respect to each Lot owned by such Member, but Class A Members shall not be entitled to exercise any vote until the expiration of the Development Period.

Section IV.6 <u>Maintenance Obligations of the Association</u>. The Association, at its expense, shall maintain, operate and keep in good repair, unless such obligations are assumed by any municipal or governmental agency having jurisdiction thereof, the Common Areas and all improvements located thereon for the common benefit of the Subdivision. This shall include, without limitation, the maintenance, repair, replacement and painting of the landscaping and improvements (to the extent that such improvements or landscaping are located upon or constitute Common Areas): (a) all lawns, trees, grass and landscape areas, shrubs and fences,

except as otherwise set forth hereinbelow; (b) all conduits, ducts, utility pipes, plumbing, wiring and other facilities which are part of or located in, or for the furnishing of utility services to, the Common Areas (specifically any street lighting within the Subdivision) and which are not for the exclusive use of a single Dwelling Unit.

The Association shall make the determination as to when maintenance, repair, replacement and care shall be done, and its determination shall be binding. Declarant shall have the right to employ a manager to oversee and implement the Association's maintenance obligations, and any such management fees incurred thereby shall be paid by the Association. The Association shall also perform the other duties prescribed by this instrument or the Association's Rules and Regulations.

<u>Section IV.7</u> <u>Maintenance Obligation of the Lot Owners</u>. The responsibilities of each Lot Owner shall include:

To clean, maintain, keep in good order, repair and replace at his or her expense all portions of his or her Lot and Dwelling Unit. Any repair, replacement and maintenance work to be done by an Owner must comply with any Rules and Regulations of the Association including architectural control and visual harmony.

To perform the responsibilities in such manner so as not unreasonably to disturb other persons residing within the Subdivision.

Not to impair the use of any easement without first obtaining the written consents of the Association and of the Owner or Owners for whose benefit such easements exists.

Each Lot Owner shall be deemed to agree by acceptance of delivery of a deed to a Lot, to repair and/or replace at his or her expense all portions of the Common Areas which may be damaged or destroyed by reason of his or her own intentional or negligent act or omission, or by the intentional or negligent act or omission of any invitee, tenant, licensee family member, including, but not limited to any repairs necessary which result from damage incurred by pets or vehicles owned by the Lot Owner, or owned by any guest, invitee, Tenant or licensee of such Lot Owner. To the extent that any Common Area is damaged as an insurable loss and the proceeds from the Association's insurance policy are utilized to pay for the loss, the Owner shall be responsible for payment of the deductible as an Individual Assessment in accordance with Section 5.4 and Section 7.7 below.

ARTICLE V

COVENANT FOR ASSESSMENTS

Section V.1 Regular Assessments. Regular Assessments for the payment of the Common Expenses shall be made in the manner provided herein, and in the manner provided in the Bylaws. The Regular Assessment is established for the benefit and use of the Association and shall be used in covering all the Common Expenses.

Section V.2 Special Assessment. In addition to levying Regular Assessments, and to the extent that the reserve fund is insufficient, the Board of Directors may levy Special

Assessments to construct, structurally alter, or replace improvements which are a part of the property required to be maintained by the Association. Until the expiration of the Development Period or the date on which Declarant no longer owns a Lot, whichever is earlier, Declarant shall be one of the consenting Members, or the capital improvement shall not be made. The Board of Directors shall calculate each Lot's proportionate share of the Special Assessment for the capital improvements and shall give the Lot Owner(s) written notice of the proportionate share and of the date(s) that the Special Assessment is due and payable. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Declarant shall have no obligations to pay any Special Assessment with respect to any Lot owned by it unless there is a Dwelling Unit located upon the Lot that is occupied as a residence.

Section V.3 Individual Assessment. In the event that the need for maintenance, repair or replacement of any improvement on the Property, for which the Association has the maintenance, repair and/or replacement obligation, is caused through the willful or negligent act of an Owner, his family, his pet(s), or his invitees, the cost of such maintenance, repairs or replacements shall be paid by such Owner. The Board shall have the maintenance, repair or replacement done and the cost thereof shall be provided by the Board to said Owner and shall be paid by said Owner within thirty (30) days thereafter, unless an earlier date is otherwise set forth herein.

Section V.4 Date of Commencement of Assessments; Due Dates; Determination of Regular Assessments; Fine Assessments.

The annual Regular Assessment provided for herein shall commence as to each Owner of a Lot, except Declarant, on the first day following the initial conveyance of the Lot to the Owner and shall be adjusted according to the number of days remaining in the year. The Declarant, its successors and assigns, shall not be required to pay the Regular Assessment for any Lot which it owns until such time as Declarant transfers the Lot to a third party. The initial annual assessment shall be in the sum of \$300.00. The Board of Directors shall thereafter fix the amount of the annual Regular Assessment to be paid by each Class A Member against each Lot at the beginning of each calendar year. Written notice of the annual Regular Assessment shall be sent to every Class A Member subject thereto. The Board of Directors shall establish the due dates.

The Board of Directors, or an adjudicatory panel established by the Board of Directors, may levy a reasonable Fine Assessment, as a fine or penalty for violation of this Declaration, all in accordance with the Planned Community Act. A lien may be filed for this Fine Assessment and this Fine Assessment may be enforced by foreclosure and otherwise treated as a Regular Assessment.

The Association is paying the cost of maintenance as well as the electric, water and/or sewer bill(s) for the common areas of the Subdivision. The annual dues shall be applied to all utility bills incurred by the Association for the streetlights and common areas.

Section V.5 <u>Billing</u>. The Annual Assessment shall be paid in one annual installment or as otherwise required by the Association. The Owner of each Lot must pay his Lot's required Annual Assessment in advance on January 1st of each year, unless the Association otherwise directs. Payment is to be made to such person at such an address as Association determines. Special Assessments are due thirty (30) days after the bill for the

Special Assessment has been mailed or otherwise sent out by Association, unless the Association otherwise directs. If the Subdivision is expanded and additional Lots are brought into the Subdivision during a given Assessment year, those additional Lots shall begin paying the Annual Assessment on the first day of the initial conveyance of the Lot from Declarant to the Owner.

Section V.6 Common Surplus. If the Annual Assessment collected in any given year is in excess of the actual Common Expenses for that year, the Board may, at its sole discretion (a) return each Owner's share of the Common Surplus; (b) credit each Owner's share of the Common Surplus to each Owner's payment as for the Regular Assessment for the following year; or (c) apply the Common Surplus to the reserve.

Section V.7 Assessment Certificate. The Association shall, upon demand, at any reasonable time, furnish to any Owner liable for Assessments a certificate in writing signed by an Officer or other authorized agent of the Association, setting forth the status of said Assessments; i.e., "current", and if not current, "delinquent" and the amount due. Such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the payment of any Assessment therein stated to have been paid. A reasonable charge to cover labor and materials may be made in advance by the Association for each certificate.

Section V.8 Books and Records of the Association. The Association shall keep full and correct books of account. The Association shall make available to all Lot Owners and the holders of all first mortgages on Lots, current copies of the books, records and financial statements of the Association upon reasonable request during normal business hours. All funds collected by the Association shall be held and expended solely for the purposes designated by this Declaration and shall be deemed to be held for the use, benefit and account of the Association and all of the Lot Owners. All books and records must be kept in accordance with good accounting procedures and must be reviewed at least once a year by an independent accounting firm.

Section V.9 Non-Payment of Assessment. Any Assessments levied pursuant to these covenants which is not paid on the date when due shall be delinquent and shall, together with such interest and other costs as set out elsewhere in this Declaration, thereupon become a continuing lien upon the Lot which shall bind the Lot in the hands of the then Owner and the Owner's successors and assigns.

If the Assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the Assessment shall bear interest at a reasonable rate of ten percent (10%) per year or at such other reasonable rate set by Association in its minutes, not to exceed the maximum amount allowed by law, and the Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same and/or foreclose the lien against the Lot, in either of which events interest, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees shall be added to the amount of each Assessment. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the Assessments by non-use or waiver of use of the Common Areas or by abandonment of his Lot.

Section V.10 Priority of Association Lien. The lien provided for in this Article V shall take priority over any lien or encumbrance subsequently arising or created, except liens for real estate taxes and assessments and liens of bona fide first mortgages which have been filed of

record before a claim of lien hereunder has been docketed in the office of the clerk of superior court in Davie County, and may be foreclosed in the same manner as a mortgage on real property under power of sale in an action brought by the Association in accordance with the Planned Community Act. The Association is entitled to recover its reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs and collection costs, as part of the lien.' In any such foreclosure action, the Association shall be entitled to become a purchaser at the foreclosure sale.

- Section V.11 Disputes as to Common Expenses; Adjustments. Any Owner who believes that the portion of Common Expenses chargeable to his Lot, for which an assessment lien has been filed by the Association, has been improperly charged against his or her Lot, may bring action in an appropriate court of law.
- Section V.12 Purchaser at Foreclosure Sale Subject to Declaration, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the Association. Any purchaser of a Lot at a foreclosure sale shall automatically become a Member of the Association and shall be subject to all the provisions of this Declaration, the Bylaws and the Rules and Regulations.
- Section V.13 Non-Liability of Foreclosure Sale Purchaser for Past Due Common Expenses. When the holder of a first mortgage or first deed of trust of record or other purchaser of a Lot acquires title to the Lot as a result of foreclosure of the first mortgage first deed of trust or by deed in lieu of foreclosure, such acquirer of title, his, her or its successors and assigns, shall not be solely liable for the share of the Common Expenses or other Assessments by the Association chargeable to such Lot which became due prior to the acquisition of title to the Lot by such acquirer, other than Assessments for which a claim of lien has been docketed with the Davie County clerk of superior court prior to the recordation of the lien being foreclosed. Such unpaid share of Common Expenses or Assessments shall be deemed to be Common Expenses collectible from all of the Lots, including that of such acquirer, his, her or its successors or assigns. This provision shall not relieve the party acquiring title or any subsequent Owner of the subject Lot from paying future Assessments.
- Section V.14 Liability for Assessments Upon Voluntary Conveyance. In a voluntary conveyance of a Lot, any grantee or his or her first mortgagee shall inform the Board of Directors in writing of such contemplated conveyance and such grantee or first mortgagee shall be entitled to a statement from the Board of Directors of the Association setting forth the amount of all unpaid Assessments (including current Assessments) against the grantor due the Association. Neither the grantee nor the mortgagee shall be personally obligated for any delinquent Assessments, but such delinquent Assessments, along with interest, late charges, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees shall be a lien against the Lot in accordance with Section 5.10 and Section 5.11 herein.
- Section V.15 <u>Late Charge</u>. The Association may impose a charge against any Lot Owner who fails to pay any amount assessed by the Association against his Lot within thirty (30) days after such Assessments are due and payable and who fails to exercise his rights under this Declaration or under the laws of the State of North Carolina to successfully contest such Assessment. The amount of the late charge shall be the greater of (a) Twenty and 00/100 Dollars (\$20.00), or (b) twenty percent (20%) of the delinquent amount, or such other amount as may be determined by the Association from time to time.

Section V.16 Miscellaneous.

The Association may change the interest rate due on delinquent Assessments (including any late charges), except that the rate cannot be changed more often than once every six (6) months. As of its effective date, the new interest rate will apply to all Assessments then delinquent.

The Owner has the sole responsibility of keeping the Association informed of the Owner's current address if different from the Lot owned. Otherwise notice sent by Association to the Lot is sufficient for any notice requirement under this Declaration.

The lien under this <u>Article V</u> arises automatically, and no notice of lien need be recorded to make the lien effective.

The Assessment lien includes all collection costs, including demand letters, preparation of documents, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, filing fees, collection fees, and any other expenses incurred by the Association in enforcing or collecting the Assessment.

Any Assessment otherwise payable in installments shall become immediately due and payable in full without notice upon Default in the payment of any installment. The acceleration shall be at the discretion of the Board.

No Owner of a Lot may exempt himself or herself from liability for his or her contribution toward the Common Expenses by waiver of the use or enjoyment of any of the Common Areas or by the abandonment of his or her Lot.

This Section applies to every type of Assessment.

ARTICLE VI

EASEMENTS AND ENCUMBRANCES

Section VI.1 Easement for Encroachments. All utility lines, and all other improvements as originally constructed by or on behalf of Declarant or its assigns shall have an easement to encroach upon any setback, Lot or Common Area as a result of the location of the utility lines and other improvements across boundary lines between and along Lots and/or the Common Areas, or as a result of building or improvement movement or alterations or additions from time to time, provided that such alterations or additions have complied with the requirements of this Declaration.

Section VI.2 Lot's Utility Easements. Easements are granted in favor of each Lot Owner to and throughout the Common Areas and, if necessary, the setback areas of any other Lots, as may be necessary for the installation, maintenance, repair and use of underground water, gas, sewer, power and other utilities and services including power and communication, now or hereafter existing, including maintaining, repairing and replacing any pipes, wires, ducts, conduits, equipment, fixtures, utility, power or communication lines or equipment, or other components. The foregoing notwithstanding, no Lot Owner (other than Declarant) may exercise the easement rights reserved in this Section 6.2 without the prior written approval of the Board as described in Section 6.6 below and the Declarant, so long as it owns a Lot in the Subdivision.

Utility and Drainage Easements. Easements are reserved and/or Section VI.3 granted hereby in favor of the Declarant and/or the Association through each Lot (provided that such easements shall not materially and unreasonably interfere with the use of any dwelling located upon any Lot) as shown on the recorded plat for the purpose of installing, laying, maintaining, repairing and replacing any pipes, wires, ducts, conduits, equipment, fixtures, utility, power or communication lines or equipment, or other components. Each individual lot owner shall be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of utility and drainage easements located on owner's lot. Without limiting any other provision in this Article 6, it is understood that Declarant's easement rights reserved herein may be utilized for the benefit of property within or outside of the Subdivision. Each Lot Owner and/or his respective mortgagee by acceptance of a deed conveying such ownership interest and each mortgagee encumbering such ownership interest, as the case may be, hereby irrevocably appoint Declarant, or the Association, as the case may be, as his attorney in fact, coupled with an interest, and authorize, direct and empower such attorney, at the option of the attorney, to execute, acknowledge and record for and in the name of such Lot Owner and his mortgagee, such easements or other instruments as may be necessary to effect the purpose of this Section 6.3. The easements may be assigned and/or granted by the Declarant and/or the Association to any utility or service company.

Section VI.4 General Easements. An easement is hereby reserved and/or granted in favor of the Declarant and/or the Association in, on, over and through the Common Areas for the purposes of maintaining, cleaning, repairing, improving, regulating, operating, policing, replacing and otherwise dealing with the Common Areas, including all improvements thereon as required or permitted by the Constituent Documents or applicable law. An easement is hereby reserved in favor of Declarant over the Common Areas for the purpose of advertising or promoting sales of Lots or Dwelling Units in the Subdivision.

Section VI.5 Use of Easement. Any use of the rights and easements granted and reserved in this Article VI shall be reasonable. If any damage, destruction, or disturbance occurs to a Lot or Common Area as a result of the use of any easement or right, the Lot or Common Area shall be restored by, or at the direction of, the Association promptly in a reasonable manner at the expense of the person or persons making the use of the easement or right that resulted in the damage, destruction or disturbance. Before beginning work, Association may require all or any part of the expected expense to be prepaid by that person or those persons liable for the expense. Additionally, should any Lot Owner other than Declarant elect to exercise its easement rights hereunder, it shall be required to obtain the Board's prior written approval (not to be unreasonably withheld), after providing the Board with detailed plans of its proposed work, as well as evidence of appropriate insurance and other such reasonable information or assurances as the Board may require. No easement may be granted across, through, over, or under any Lot or Common Area, which materially restricts ingress and egress to the Lot or Common Area, unless reasonable alternate ingress and egress is provided or unless the restrictions is only temporary. All easements reserved hereunder shall be perpetual and non-exclusive.

Section VI.6 <u>Declarant's Easements: General</u>. The easements and grants reserved for and granted to the Declarant also benefit and bind any heirs, successors and assigns of Declarant and its respective guests, invitees or lessees, including, without limitation, assignees of Declarant who do not own property within the Subdivision.

Section VI.7 Easements to Run with Land. All easements and rights described in this Article VI are easements appurtenant, running with the land, perpetually in full force and effect, and at all times shall inure to the benefit of and be binding on the Declarant, its successors and assigns, and any Owner, purchaser, mortgagee, and other person or entity now or hereafter having an interest in the Subdivision, or any part or portion of it.

Section VI.8 Reference to Easements and Deeds. Reference in the respective deeds of conveyance or any mortgage or trust deed or other evidence of obligation, to the easements and rights described in this Declaration, shall be sufficient to create and reserve such easements and rights to the respective grantees, mortgagees and trustees in said instruments as fully and completely as those such easements and rights were recited fully and set forth in their entirety in such instruments.

ARTICLE VII

INSURANCE

Section 7.1 General Insurance. The Association shall maintain liability insurance in reasonable amounts, covering all occurrences commonly insured against for death, bodily injury, and property damage arising out of or in connection with the use, ownership, or maintenance of the Common Areas. The Association shall try to have its liability insurance contain cross-liability endorsements or appropriate provisions to cover liability of the Lot Owners, individually and as a group (arising out of their ownership interest in the Common Areas), to another Lot Owner. In any event, all such insurance must comply, at a minimum, with the applicable requirements set forth in the North Carolina Planned Community Act.

Section VII.1 Fidelity Insurance. The Association must have fidelity coverage against dishonest acts on the part of Officers and employees, Members of the Association, members of the Board, trustees, employees or volunteers responsible for the handling of funds collected and held for the benefit of the Lot Owners. The fidelity bond or insurance must name the Association as the named insured and shall be written in an amount sufficient to provide protection which is in no event less than the insured's total Regular Assessment, plus all accumulated reserves and all other funds held by the Association either in its own name or for the benefit of the Lot Owners.

Section VII.2 <u>Directors' and Officers' Errors and Omissions Insurance</u>. The Association shall purchase insurance to protect itself and to indemnify any Director or Officer, past or present against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him/her in connection with the defense of any action, suit or proceeding, civil or criminal, in which he is made a party by reason of being or having been such Director or Officer, except in relation to matters as to which he shall be adjudged in such action, suit or proceeding to be liable for negligence or misconduct in the performance of duty to the Association; or to obtain such fuller protection and indemnification for Directors and Officers as the law of North Carolina permits. The policy or policies shall be in an amount to be reasonably determined by the Association.

<u>Section VII.3</u> <u>Premiums</u>. All premiums upon insurance purchased by the Association shall be Common Expenses. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Lot Owners may be

responsible for certain deductibles to the insurance policies purchased by the Association as outlined in Section 7.1 and Section 7.7 herein.

Section VII.4 Proceeds. Proceeds of all insurance policies owned by the Association shall be received by the Association for the use of the Lot Owners and their mortgagees as their interest may appear; provided, however, the proceeds of any insurance received by the Association because of property damage shall be applied to repair and reconstruction of the damaged property, except as may otherwise be permitted by this Declaration.

Section VII.5 Power of Attorney. Each Lot Owner shall be deemed to appoint the Association as his true and lawful attorney-in-fact to act in connection with all matters concerning the maintenance of the master policy or any other insurance policy obtained by the Association. Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, the Association as said attorney shall have full power and authority to purchase and maintain such insurance, to collect and remit the premiums therefor, to collect proceeds and to distribute the same to the Association, the Lot Owners and their respective mortgagees as their interest may appear, to execute releases of liability and to execute all documents and to do all things on behalf of such Lot Owners and the Subdivision as shall be necessary or convenient to the accomplishment of the foregoing; and any insurer may deal exclusively with the Association in regard to such matters.

Section 7.6 Responsibility of Lot Owner. The Association shall not be responsible for procurement or maintenance of any insurance covering any Lot or Dwelling Unit, or the contents of any Lot or Dwelling Unit nor the liability of any Lot Owner for injuries not caused by or connected with the Association's operation, maintenance or use of the Common Areas or other property located in the Subdivision.

ARTICLE VIII

ASSOCIATION

Section VIII.1 Association. The administration of the Subdivision shall be vested in the Association. The Owner of any Lot, upon acquiring title, shall automatically become a Member of the Association and shall remain a Member until such time as his ownership of such Lot ceases for any reason, at which time his membership in the Association shall automatically cease. The Association shall have full power and responsibility to administer, operate, sustain, maintain, and govern the Subdivision including but not limited to, the powers and responsibilities to make prudent investments of funds held by it; to make reasonable Rules and Regulations; to borrow money; to make Assessments; to bring lawsuits and defend lawsuits; to enter into contracts; to enforce all of the provisions of this Declaration, the Bylaws and any other documents or instruments relating to the establishment, existence, operation, alternation of the Subdivision. The powers of the Association shall be construed liberally and shall include, without limitation, all the powers set forth in Section 47F-3-102 of the Planned Community Act.

Section VIII.2 <u>Board of Directors</u>. Unless otherwise specifically stated in this Declaration, the Association shall act exclusively through its Board of Directors (the "<u>Board</u>"). The Association in accordance with the Bylaws shall choose the Board. The Board shall be

authorized to delegate the administration of its duties and powers by written contract to a managing agent or administrator employed for that purpose by the Board.

Section VIII.3 <u>Limitations on Association's Duties.</u>

The Association did not construct the improvements, including the Dwelling Units. The Association does not warrant in any way or for any purpose, the improvements in the Subdivision. Construction defects are not the responsibility of the Association.

In case of ambiguity or omission, the Board may interpret the Declaration and the Board's interpretation shall be final if made without malice or fraud. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Declarant may overrule any interpretation affecting it, for so long as Declarant owns any portion of the Property; and such interpretation cannot be enforced against the Declarant, its successors or assigns.

ARTICLE IX

HARMONY, ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROLS

Section IX.1 Architectural Control Committee. Except for original construction performed by or on behalf of Declarant or as otherwise in these covenants provided, no building, fence, electric pet fence, drive, mailbox, or other structure, or improvement or anything attached thereto visible from the outside of the structure or improvement (including, without limitation, storm doors, windows, drapes or window coverings) shall be erected, placed, altered, or maintained within the Subdivision nor shall any exterior addition to or change (including any change in color) or alteration therein be made until the proposed building plans, specifications, exterior color and finish, plot plans (showing the proposed location of such building or structure, drives and parking areas), general contractor and all subcontractors, and construction schedule shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Board of Directors of the Association, or by any architectural control committee appointed by said Board of Directors. Refusal of approval of plans, location or specification by said Board of Directors or architectural control committee may be based upon any reasonable ground, including, without limitation, lack of harmony of external design, color, location or relation to surrounding structures and topography and purely aesthetic considerations which, in the discretion of said Board of Directors or architectural control committee shall deem sufficient. After approval by the Board of Directors or architectural control committee is given, no alterations may be made in such plans except by and with their prior written consent. One copy of all plans, specifications and related data shall be furnished the Board of Directors or architectural control committee for its records.

ARTICLE X

USE RESTRICTIONS

Section X.1 Use and Occupancy. The Association shall make Rules and Regulations to govern the use and occupancy of the Subdivision. In addition, the following

covenants, conditions, and restrictions, as to use and occupancy shall run with the land and shall be binding upon each Lot Owner, his heirs, tenants, licensees and assigns.

Section X.2 Purpose of Subdivision. Except as otherwise provided in this Declaration, no part of the Subdivision shall be used for any purpose other than residential purposes, unless the Board of Directors authorizes some other use. Except for the construction, sales and management activities of the Declarant, no business, trade, industry, occupation or profession of any kind, whether for profit or not for profit, may be conducted, maintained, or permitted on any part of the Subdivision property. To the extent permitted by law, an Owner may use a portion of his or her Dwelling Unit for an office or studio (other than a music and/or dance studio) provided that the activities conducted therein shall not interfere with the quiet enjoyment or comfort of any other owner or occupant; and provided further that such activities do not increase the normal flow of traffic or individuals in and out of the Subdivision or in and out of said Owner's Lot.

Section X.3 Size of Dwellings. Each single-family dwelling erected or on any Lot shall contain the following minimum heated square footage, exclusive of porches, basements and garages, with the Declarant reserving the right to grant a 10% variance at its discretion:

a. One story dwellings shall containing not less than 1,600 square feet of heated floor space;

b. One and one-half story dwellings shall contain not less than 1,900 square feet of heated floor space, with a minimum of 1,200 square feet of heated floor space on the ground floor.

c. Two story dwellings shall contain not less than 2,200 square feet of heated floor space with a minimum of 1,100 square feet of heated floor space on the ground floor.

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d. No split level or split foyer dwellings shall be constructed on any

Section X.4 Parking and Use of Roads. Except for vehicles being used by persons providing services to the Declarant, the Association, the Lot Owners or otherwise used or authorized to be used at the Subdivision by the Declarant, no part of the Subdivision may be used for the parking of any trailer coach, house trailer, mobile home, automobile trailer, motorcycle, camp car, recreational vehicle, camper, truck which exceeds 3/4 ton, boat, boat trailer, or any vehicle with letters or other markings over four inches tall or wide, or any other similar vehicle (collectively, "Special Vehicles"), unless such Special Vehicles are parked in the garage of the Lot Owner who owns such Special Vehicle and the garage door of such Lot Owner is completely closed at all times when a Special Vehicle is parked therein. No more than two (2) operative vehicles, other than Special Vehicles, used by a resident of a Lot as a primary source of transportation may be parked in the driveway of such Lot Owner. Inoperative vehicles may not be parked within the Subdivision unless these inoperative vehicles are parked in the garage and the garage door is completely closed. Vehicles, whether owned by a Lot Owner or not, parked in violation of any part of this Declaration or in violation of any Rules or Regulations, shall be

towed away and stored at the Owner's risk and expense. By parking in the Subdivision, the Owner of the vehicle or other vehicle user hereby waives any claim against the Association resulting directly or indirectly out of the towing, unless the towing can be shown beyond a reasonable doubt to have been done maliciously by the Association. Note that the Association is not obliged to try to determine the owner of a vehicle and first give notice, before towing the vehicle. The roads of the Subdivision will be dedicated for public use and maintained by the State of North Carolina. Declarant and/or the Association has the right to determine if loaded vehicles and vehicles incident to the construction of dwelling units are damaging the roads. When vehicles are determined to be damaging the roads, such vehicles may be (1) required to enter at a designated construction entrance; (2) use routes designated as suitable for construction traffic; and (3) reload the cargo onto lighter loads and delivered on smaller vehicles.

Animals and Pets. No animals of any kind shall be raised, bred, or Section X.5 kept on any Lot or in any Dwelling Unit or in the Common Areas, except that three dogs, three cats or a total of three household pets may be kept on a Lot, subject to the Rules and Regulations, provided that it is not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purpose, and that it is kept subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Association. No exotic pets shall be allowed in the Subdivision. Dogs, cats or other household pets must be kept within the confines of the Owner's Lot except when being held on hand leash by the pet owner of the animal. No Lot Owner shall install a fence and/or electric fence on any portion of the Common Area without the prior written consent of the Association. No pet may be "staked", housed, tied up or otherwise left in any Common Area. A Lot Owner shall be responsible for cleaning up after his household pet. Notwithstanding the above, the Association shall have the right to promulgate Rules and Regulations pertaining to the size, number and type of such household pets and the right to levy fines and enforcement charges against persons who do not clean up after their pets. Additionally, the right of an occupant to maintain an animal on a Lot shall be subject to termination if the Board in its full and complete discretion, determines that maintenance of the animal constitutes a nuisance or creates a detrimental effect on the Subdivision or occupants. No doghouse or other structure used or intended for the housing or keeping of animals may be constructed, placed or maintained on any part of the Common Areas.

Section X.6 Nuisances. No noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on or in the Common Areas or on the Lot of an Owner, nor shall anything be done therein, either willfully or negligently, which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the other Lot Owners or occupants. The discharge of a firearm and the setting off of firecrackers or fireworks within the Subdivision is specifically prohibited without the express consent of the Association.

Section X.7 Laundry or Rubbish and Open Fires in Common Areas and Facilities. No clothes, sheets, blankets, laundry of any kind or other articles shall be hung out or exposed on any Lot in a manner visible from any neighboring Lot or street. The Lots shall be kept free and clear of rubbish, debris and other unsightly materials. All trash, garbage or other rubbish shall be deposited only in covered sanitary containers as provided in Section 10.9 below.

Section X.8 Prohibited Activities. Except as otherwise provided in this Declaration, no business, trade, industry, occupation or profession of any kind, whether for profit or not for profit, shall be conducted, maintained or permitted on any part of the Subdivision. A Lot Owner or his authorized real estate agent is permitted to place and maintain a standard "For

Sale" or "For Rent" sign only in the yard of his Dwelling Unit; provided, however that it is of a typical size within the industry or within an area expressly permitted by the Board of Directors. No other sign that is visible from the outside of Dwelling Units may be placed on any part of the Subdivision except as expressly permitted by the Board of Directors. Declarant and/or the Board shall have the right to immediately remove and dispose of those items in violation of this Declaration. A Lot Owner must obtain the prior written consent of the Board of Directors in the event a Lot Owner desires to maintain a "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign which is not of a typical size within the industry, or desires to maintain other displays or advertising, unless otherwise provided for under the Rules and Regulations.

So long as the Declarant owns a Lot no action may be taken nor may any Rule or Regulation be adopted or amended that would (a) directly or indirectly alter the exterior appearance of any part of the Subdivision; (b) reduce or discontinue any maintenance standard or practice in effect as of the date when the Declarant no longer controls the Board; (c) adversely affect the Declarant's sale of any Lots; or (d) otherwise adversely affect the Declarant, any of its rights, or any Lot owned by it without, in each case, first obtaining the Declarant's written consent.

Section X.9 Trash Disposal. Each Lot Owner shall deposit all trash, garbage, or other rubbish by as directed and instructed by the Board. Lot Owners shall keep trash containers at all times in each Lot Owner's garage (if applicable), or in such other location as designated by the Board, except on the days which trash, garbage, or other rubbish is collected by the local waste removal authorities. Any trash containers placed outside by the Lot Owners in the location designated for collection by the local waste removal authorities shall only remain in such location for a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours. The Board shall have the right to dispose of any trash, garbage, or other rubbish of a Lot Owner in violation of this Article X, and may assess the Lot Owner for the cost of such removal, which amount shall be payable on the date the next installment of the regular assessment is due.

<u>Section X.10</u> <u>Nondiscrimination</u>. No owner (including the Declarant), or any employee, agent or representative thereof, shall discriminate upon the basis of sex, race, age, color, creed or national origin in the sale, lease or rental of any Lot nor in the use of the Common Areas.

<u>Section X.11</u> <u>Setback Requirements</u>. All set back requirements shall be in accordance with the current minimum setback requirements as set forth by the applicable zoning regulations as established by Davie County.

ARTICLE XI

ENFORCEMENT

Section XI.1 Enforcement. The Association or any Lot Owner may enforce these covenants, conditions and restrictions. Enforcement of these covenants, conditions and restrictions shall be by any proceeding at law or in equity against any person or persons violating or attempting to violate ("Violating Party") any covenant, condition or restriction, either to restrain or enjoin violation or to recover damages, and against the land to enforce any lien

created by these covenants. In addition to all other amounts due on account of said violation or attempted violation, the Violating Party shall be liable to the parties enforcing the covenants and/or restrictions of this Declaration (the "Enforcing Parties") for all reasonable attorney's fees and court costs incurred by the Enforcing Parties. Failure or forbearance by the Association or any Owner to enforce any covenant, condition or restriction herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter. In any lawsuit filed to enforce this Declaration by injunction or restraint, there shall be and there is hereby created and declared to be a conclusive presumption that any violation or breach or any attempted violation or breach of any of the within covenants, conditions or restrictions cannot be adequately remedied by action at law or by recovery of damages.

In addition to all other remedies of the Association, the Association shall have the right to assess a maximum fine of \$25.00 per day (or such higher amount as may be allowed by law) per violation against any Owner who violates any provision of this Declaration or the Articles, Bylaws or Rules and Regulations of the Association after such Owner has been given notice of the violation and an opportunity to be heard with respect to the violation in accordance with such policies and procedures as may be adopted from time to time by the Board of Directors or as may be set forth in the Bylaws.

In addition to the above rights, the Association may also enter upon a Lot or any land upon which a violation exists to remove any violation, perform maintenance or make repairs thereon which is the responsibility of a Lot Owner who has failed to remove said violation or to perform such maintenance or make such repairs (i) after having given such owner at least ten (10) days prior notice, or (ii) without giving notice in the event of an emergency.

Any action brought by the Association hereunder may be brought in its own name, in the name of its Board or in the name of its managing agent. In any case of flagrant or repeated violation by a Lot Owner, he or she may be required by the Association to give sufficient surety or sureties for his or her future compliance with the covenants, conditions and restrictions contained in this Declaration, the Bylaws and the Rules and Regulations.

Section XI.2 Severability. Invalidation of any one of these covenants, conditions or restrictions by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any other provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section XI.3 Restrictions Run With Land. The easements or other permanent rights or interests are herein created, the covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land, and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Association, or the Owner of any Dwelling Unit subject to this Declaration, their respective legal representatives, heirs, successors, and assigns.

<u>Section XI.4</u> <u>Amendment</u>. The Association (the Declarant controlling the Association until the expiration of the Development Period) may amend this Declaration at any time, as long as consistent with the design, scheme and purposes of this Declaration, by the affirmative vote or written agreement of the Owners to whom not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of all of the votes in the Association are allocated in accordance with <u>Section 4.4</u> and <u>Section 4.5</u> above. Any amendment must be recorded in the Office of the Davie County Register

of Deeds. Following the end of the Development Period, no such agreement to amend, in whole or in part, shall be effective unless written notice of the proposed amendment is sent to every Member at least thirty (30) days in advance of any action taken, and no such amendment shall be effective with respect to any permanent easements or other permanent rights or interests relating to the Common Areas herein created (unless such amendment is consented to in writing by Declarant and all other beneficiaries of such permanent easements, rights of interests).

<u>Section XI.5</u> <u>Management and Service Contracts</u>. Any agreement for the professional management of the Subdivision and the Common Areas may not exceed three (3) years and shall provide for termination by either party without cause and without payment of a termination fee upon reasonable notice.

Section XI.6 <u>Binding Determination</u>. In the event of any dispute or disagreement with or between any Owner(s) relating to, or of any other disputes, disagreements or questions regarding, the interpretation or application of the provisions of this Declaration or the Articles or Bylaws of the Association, the determination thereof (i) by Declarant for so long as Declarant retains control of the Association; and (ii) thereafter by the Board of Directors of the Association shall be final and binding on each and all such Owners; providing that any determination which directly or indirectly affects Declarant shall require Declarant's prior consent to become binding upon Declarant.

Section XI.7 Captions and Titles. All captions, titles or headings in this Declaration are for the purpose of reference and convenience only and are not deemed to limit, modify or otherwise affect any of the provisions hereof, or to be used in determining the intent or context thereof.

Section XI.8 Notices. Except as otherwise provided in this Declaration, any notice to any Owner under this Declaration shall be in writing, shall be effective on the earlier of (i) the date when received by such Owner, or (ii) the date which is three days after mailing (postage prepaid) to the last address of such Owner set forth in the books of the Association. The address of an Owner shall be at his Lot (or any of them if more than one) unless otherwise specified in writing to the Association. The Articles and Bylaws shall specify the permissible manner of giving notice for voting and all other Association matters for which the manner of giving notice is not prescribed in this Declaration.

Section XI.9 Governing Law. This Declaration shall be deemed to be made under, and shall be construed in accordance with and shall be governed by, the laws of the State of North Carolina, and suit to enforce any provision hereof or to obtain any remedy with respect hereto shall be brought in state court in Davie County, and for this purpose each Owner by becoming such hereby expressly and irrevocably consents to the jurisdiction of said court.

ARTICLE XII

MORTGAGEE'S RIGHTS

Section XII.1 Notice of Rights of Mortgagee of a Lot. As used herein, the term "Mortgagee" shall mean the holder of a first lien mortgage or deed of trust on a Lot who

provides notice to the Association with its name and address with a request to receive any notices and other rights provided to "Mortgagees" under this Article XII. A Mortgagee of a Lot shall be entitled to receive written notification of any default, not cured within sixty (60) days after its occurrence, by the Owner of the Lot with respect to any obligation of the Owner under the Declaration, the Bylaws of the Association or the Articles of Incorporation of the Association. Any Mortgagee of a Lot can make the request for notification. The notification shall be sent not later than the 65th day after the occurrence of an uncured Default.

Section XII.2 Rights of Mortgagee. Unless at least seventy five percent (75%) of the Mortgagees (based upon one vote for each first mortgage or deed of trust owned), and a vote of seventy-five percent (75%) of the votes allocated to the Members entitled to vote hereunder, the Association shall not use hazard insurance proceeds for losses to any Common Areas for other than the repair, replacement or reconstruction of such Common Areas.

Section XII.3 Right to Examine Books and Records. Mortgagees, their successors or assigns, shall have the right to examine the books and records of the Association.

Section XII.4 Taxes and Insurance. Mortgagees may, jointly or singly, pay taxes or other charges which are in default and which may or have become a charge against any Lot and may pay overdue premiums on hazard insurance policies, or secure new hazard insurance coverage on the lapse of a policy, for such Lot, and first mortgagees making such payments shall be owed immediate reimbursement therefore from the Lot Owner.

Section XII.5 Insurance Proceeds and Condemnation Awards. No provision of this Declaration or any other document or instrument affecting the title to the Property, Common Areas, any Lot or the organization or operation of the Association shall give an Owner or any other party priority over any rights of first mortgages of Lots within the Subdivision pursuant to their mortgages in the case of a distribution to Owners of insurance proceeds or condemnation awards for losses to or taking of Common Areas.

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