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## DECLARATION OF COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS

OF

VICTORIA GROVE

This DECLARATION includes the following Exhibits:

- Exhibit "A" - Legal Description of the SUBJECT PROPERTY
- Exhibit "B" - Articles of Incorporation of ASSOCIATION
- Exhibit "C" - Bylaws of the ASSOCIATION
- Exhibit "D" - SFWMD Permit and Maintenance and Monitoring Plan
- Exhibit "E" - Legal Description of CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY

THIS DECLARATION OF COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS OF VICTORIA GROVE is made this 15 day of MARCH, 200 2, by TRANSEASTERN PROPERTIES, INC., a Florida corporation ("DECLARANT").

DECLARANT and those persons executing this DECLARATION own the property described herein, and intend to develop the property as a residential community. The purpose of this DECLARATION is to provide various use and maintenance requirements and restrictions in the best interest of the future owners of dwellings within the property, to protect and preserve the values of the property. This DECLARATION will also establish an association which may own, operate and/or maintain various portions of the property and improvements constructed within the property, will have the right to enforce the provisions of this DECLARATION, and will be given various other rights and responsibilities. The expenses of the association will be shared by the owners of the property, who will be members of the association.

NOW, THEREFORE, DECLARANT hereby declares that the SUBJECT PROPERTY, as herein defined, shall be held, sold, conveyed, leased, mortgaged, and otherwise dealt with subject to the easements, covenants, conditions, restrictions, reservations, liens, and charges set forth herein, all of which are created in the best interest of the owners and residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and which shall run with the SUBJECT PROPERTY and shall be binding upon all persons having and/or acquiring any right, title or interest in the SUBJECT PROPERTY or any portion thereof, and shall inure to the benefit of each and every person, from time to time, owning or holding an interest in the SUBJECT PROPERTY, or any portion thereof.

1. **DEFINITIONS.** The terms used in this DECLARATION, and in the ARTICLES and the BYLAWS, shall have the following meanings, unless the context otherwise requires:

1.1 **APPROVING PARTY** means DECLARANT, so long as DECLARANT owns any LOT, or until DECLARANT assigns its rights as the APPROVING PARTY to the ASSOCIATION, and thereafter means the ASSOCIATION. DECLARANT reserves the right to assign its rights as the APPROVING PARTY to

the ASSOCIATION in whole or in part. Notwithstanding the foregoing, DECLARANT, and not the ASSOCIATION, shall be the APPROVING PARTY with respect to the initial construction of any improvements within the SUBJECT PROPERTY by any builder or developer.

1.2 ARTICLES means the Articles of Incorporation of the ASSOCIATION, as same may be amended from time to time.

1.3 ASSESSMENT means the amount of money which may be assessed against an OWNER for the payment of the OWNER's share of COMMON EXPENSES, and/or any other funds which an OWNER may be required to pay to the ASSOCIATION as provided by this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES or the BYLAWS.

1.4 ASSOCIATION means the corporation established pursuant to the Articles of Incorporation attached hereto as an exhibit.

1.5 BOARD means the Board of Directors of the ASSOCIATION.

1.6 BYLAWS means the Bylaws of the ASSOCIATION, as same may be amended from time to time.

1.7 COMMON AREAS means any property, whether improved or unimproved, or any easement or interest therein, which is now or hereafter (i) owned by the ASSOCIATION, (ii) dedicated to the ASSOCIATION on any recorded plat, (iii) required by any recorded plat or other recorded document to be maintained by the ASSOCIATION, (iv) declared to be a COMMON AREA by this DECLARATION, or (v) intended to be a COMMON AREA by DECLARANT. COMMON AREAS may include, but are not limited to, parks, open areas, lakes, recreational facilities, roads, entranceways, parking areas, and other similar properties, provided that the foregoing shall not be deemed a representation or warranty that any or all of the foregoing types of COMMON AREAS will be provided.

1.8 COMMON EXPENSES means all expenses of any kind or nature whatsoever incurred by the ASSOCIATION, including, but not limited to, the following:

1.8.1 Expenses incurred in connection with the ownership, maintenance, repair, improvement or operation of the COMMON AREAS, or any other property to be maintained by the ASSOCIATION as provided in this DECLARATION, including, but not limited to, utilities, taxes, assessments, insurance, operation, maintenance, repairs, improvements, and alterations.

1.8.2 Expenses of obtaining, repairing or replacing personal property in connection with any COMMON AREA or the performance of the ASSOCIATION's duties.

1.8.3 Expenses incurred in connection with the administration and management of the ASSOCIATION.

1.8.4 Expenses declared to be COMMON EXPENSES by the provisions of this DECLARATION, or by the ARTICLES or BYLAWS.

1.8.5 Any amounts payable by the ASSOCIATION to any other association or any governmental authority.

1.9 COMMON SURPLUS means the excess of all receipts of the ASSOCIATION over the amount of the COMMON EXPENSES.

1.10 DECLARANT means the PERSON executing this DECLARATION, or any PERSON who may be assigned the rights of DECLARANT pursuant to a written assignment executed by the then present DECLARANT recorded in the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located. In addition, in the event any PERSON obtains title to all the SUBJECT PROPERTY then owned by DECLARANT as a result of the foreclosure of any mortgage or deed in lieu thereof, such PERSON may elect to become the DECLARANT or to have any rights of DECLARANT by a written election recorded in the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located, and regardless of the exercise of such election, such PERSON may appoint as DECLARANT or assign any rights of DECLARANT to any third party who acquires title to all or any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY by written appointment recorded in the public records recorded in the county in which the SUBJECT

PROPERTY is located. In any event, any subsequent DECLARANT shall not be liable for any actions or defaults of, or any obligations incurred by, any prior DECLARANT, except as same may be expressly assumed by the subsequent DECLARANT.

1.11 DECLARATION means this document as it may be amended from time to time.

1.12 IMPROVEMENT means any building, fence, wall, patio area, driveway, walkway, landscaping, antenna, sign, mailbox, pool, or other structure or improvement, which is constructed, made, installed, placed or developed within or upon, or removed from, any LOT, and all exterior portions of a UNIT including exterior walls, roofs, enclosures, windows, doors, shutters, awnings, gutters and other exterior portions of a UNIT, and any change, alteration, addition or removal of same other than normal maintenance and repair which does not materially alter or change the exterior appearance, condition and color of same.

1.13 INSTITUTIONAL LENDER means the holder of a mortgage encumbering a LOT, which holder in the ordinary course of business makes, purchases, guarantees, or insures mortgage loans, and which is not owned or controlled by the OWNER of the LOT encumbered. An INSTITUTIONAL LENDER may include, but is not limited to, a bank, savings and loan association, insurance company, real estate or mortgage investment trust, pension or profit sharing plan, mortgage company, the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, an agency of the United States or any other governmental authority, or any other similar type of lender generally recognized as an institutional-type lender. For definitional purposes only, an INSTITUTIONAL LENDER shall also mean the holder of any mortgage executed by or in favor of DECLARANT, whether or not such holder would otherwise be considered an INSTITUTIONAL LENDER. For definitional purposes only, an INSTITUTIONAL LENDER shall also mean the holder of any mortgage executed by or in favor of DECLARANT, or which encumbers any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY which is owned by DECLARANT, whether or not such holder would otherwise be considered an INSTITUTIONAL LENDER, and notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the holder of any such mortgage shall be entitled to all rights and protections granted to first mortgagees hereunder, whether or not such mortgage is a first mortgage.

1.14 LOT means any platted lot within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, or any other parcel of land located within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, which has been or is intended to be conveyed by DECLARANT to an OWNER and which contains or is intended to contain a UNIT, and shall include any UNIT constructed upon the LOT.

1.15 OWNER means the record owner(s) of the fee title to a LOT.

1.16 PERSON means an individual, corporation, partnership, trust, or any other legal entity.

1.17 SUBJECT PROPERTY means all of the property subject to this DECLARATION from time to time, which as of the execution of this DECLARATION is the property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto, and includes any property that is hereafter added to this DECLARATION, and excludes any property that is hereafter withdrawn from this DECLARATION, by an amendment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no amendment may withdraw any property from this DECLARATION without the prior written consent of the Palm Beach County Attorney's office.

1.18 UNIT means the residential dwelling constructed upon a LOT.

2. ASSOCIATION. In order to provide for the administration of the SUBJECT PROPERTY and this DECLARATION, the ASSOCIATION has been organized under the Laws of the State of Florida.

2.1 ARTICLES. A copy of the ARTICLES is attached hereto as Exhibit "B" and is hereby made a part of this DECLARATION.

2.2 BYLAWS. A copy of the BYLAWS is attached as Exhibit "C" and is hereby made a part of this DECLARATION.

2.3 Powers of the ASSOCIATION. The ASSOCIATION shall have all of the powers indicated or incidental to those contained in its ARTICLES and BYLAWS. In addition, the ASSOCIATION shall have the power to enforce this DECLARATION and shall have all of the powers granted to it by this

DECLARATION. By this DECLARATION, the SUBJECT PROPERTY is hereby submitted to the jurisdiction of the ASSOCIATION.

2.4 Approval or Disapproval of Matters. Whenever the approval, consent, or decision of the OWNERS is required for any matter pursuant to this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES, or the BYLAWS, such approval, consent, or decision shall be made by a majority of the votes of the OWNERS present in person or by proxy at a duly called meeting of the ASSOCIATION at which a quorum exists, in accordance with the ARTICLES and the BYLAWS, except for matters where a greater voting requirement is specified.

2.5 Acts of the ASSOCIATION. Unless the approval or action of the OWNERS and/or a certain specific percentage of the BOARD is specifically required by this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES or BYLAWS, or by applicable law, all approvals or actions required or permitted to be given or taken by the ASSOCIATION shall be given or taken by the BOARD, without the consent of the OWNERS, and the BOARD may so approve an act through the proper officers of the ASSOCIATION without a specific resolution. When an approval or action of the ASSOCIATION is permitted to be given or taken, such action or approval may be conditioned in any manner the ASSOCIATION deems appropriate, or the ASSOCIATION may refuse to take or give such action or approval without the necessity of establishing the reasonableness of such conditions or refusal, except as herein specifically provided to the contrary.

2.6 Management and Service Contracts. The ASSOCIATION shall have the right to contract for professional management or services on such terms and conditions as the BOARD deems desirable in its sole discretion.

2.7 Membership. All OWNERS shall be members of the ASSOCIATION. Membership as to each LOT shall be established, and transferred, as provided by the ARTICLES and the BYLAWS.

2.8 OWNERS Voting Rights. The votes of the OWNERS shall be established and exercised as provided in the ARTICLES and BYLAWS.

### 3. COMMON AREAS, DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

#### 3.1 Conveyance of COMMON AREAS to ASSOCIATION.

3.1.1 By DECLARANT. DECLARANT shall have the right to convey title to any property owned by it, or any easement or interest therein, to the ASSOCIATION as a COMMON AREA, and the ASSOCIATION shall be required to accept such conveyance. Any such conveyance shall be effective upon recording the deed or instrument of conveyance in the public records of the county where the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located.

3.1.2 By Any Other PERSON. Any other PERSON may also convey title to any property owned by such PERSON, or any easement or interest therein, to the ASSOCIATION as a COMMON AREA, but the ASSOCIATION shall not be required to accept any such conveyance, and no such conveyance shall be effective to impose any obligation for the maintenance, operation or improvement of any such property upon the ASSOCIATION, unless the BOARD expressly accepts the conveyance by executing the deed or other instrument of conveyance or by recording a written acceptance of such conveyance in the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located.

3.2 Use and Benefit. All COMMON AREAS shall be held by the ASSOCIATION for the use and benefit of the ASSOCIATION and the OWNERS, the residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and their respective guests and invitees, the holders of any mortgage encumbering any LOT from time to time, and any other persons authorized to use the COMMON AREAS or any portion thereof by DECLARANT or the ASSOCIATION, for all proper and reasonable purposes and uses for which the same are reasonably intended, subject to the terms of this DECLARATION, subject to the terms of any easement, restriction, reservation or limitation of record affecting the COMMON AREA or contained in the deed or instrument conveying the COMMON AREA to the ASSOCIATION, and subject to any rules and regulations adopted by the ASSOCIATION. An easement and right for such use is hereby created in favor of all OWNERS, appurtenant to the title to their LOTS.

3.3 Grant and Modification of Easements. The ASSOCIATION shall have the right to grant, modify or terminate easements over, under, upon, and/or across any property owned by the

ASSOCIATION, and shall have the further right to modify, relocate or terminate existing easements in favor of the ASSOCIATION.

3.4 Additions, Alterations or Improvements. The ASSOCIATION shall have the right to make additions, alterations or improvements to the COMMON AREAS, and to purchase any personal property, as it deems necessary or desirable from time to time, provided, however that the approval of the OWNERS shall be required if any recreational facility is removed or substantially and adversely affected, or for any addition, alteration, or improvement or any purchase of personal property, exceeding a sum equal to one (1) month's total ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES payable by all of the MEMBERS, or if the cost of the foregoing shall in any fiscal year exceed in the aggregate a sum equal to two (2) months' ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES payable by all of the OWNERS. The foregoing approval shall in no event be required with respect to expenses incurred in connection with the maintenance, repair or replacement of existing COMMON AREAS, or any existing improvements or personal property associated therewith. The cost and expense of any such additions, alterations or improvements to the COMMON AREAS, or the purchase of any personal property, shall be a COMMON EXPENSE. In addition, so long as DECLARANT owns any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, or any property that may be added to the SUBJECT PROPERTY, DECLARANT shall have the right to make any additions, alterations or improvements to the COMMON AREAS as may be desired by DECLARANT in its sole discretion from time to time, at DECLARANT's expense.

3.5 Utilities. The ASSOCIATION shall pay for all utility services for the COMMON AREAS, or for any other property to be maintained by the ASSOCIATION, as a COMMON EXPENSE.

3.6 Taxes. The ASSOCIATION shall pay all real and personal property taxes and assessments, if any, assessed against any property owned by the ASSOCIATION, as a COMMON EXPENSE.

3.7 Insurance. The ASSOCIATION shall purchase insurance as a COMMON EXPENSE, as follows:

3.7.1 Hazard Insurance protecting against loss or damaged by fire and all other hazards that are normally covered by the standard extended coverage endorsement, and all other perils customarily covered for similar types of projects, including those covered by the standard all-risk endorsement, covering 100% of the current replacement cost of all COMMON AREAS and property owned by the ASSOCIATION, excluding land, foundations, excavations, landscaping, and other items normally excluded from insurance coverage. The ASSOCIATION shall not use hazard insurance proceeds for any purpose other than the repair, replacement or reconstruction of any damaged or destroyed property without the approval of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of the OWNERS.

3.7.2 Comprehensive General Liability Insurance protecting the ASSOCIATION from claims for bodily injury, death or property damage providing for coverage of at least \$1,000,000 for any single occurrence or such lesser amount as is approved by the OWNERS.

3.7.3 Blanket Fidelity Bonds for anyone who handles or is responsible for funds held or administered by the ASSOCIATION, covering the maximum funds that will be in the custody or control of the ASSOCIATION or any managing agent, which coverage shall be at least equal to the sum of three (3) months assessments on all LOTS plus reserve funds.

3.7.4 Such other insurance as may be desired by the ASSOCIATION, such as flood insurance, errors and omissions insurance, workman's compensation insurance, or any other insurance.

3.7.5 All insurance purchased by the ASSOCIATION must include a provision requiring at least 30 days written notice to the ASSOCIATION before the insurance can be cancelled or the coverage reduced for any reason.

3.7.6 Any deductible or exclusion under the policies shall be a COMMON EXPENSE and shall not exceed \$2,500.00 or such other sum as is approved by the BOARD.

3.7.7 Upon request, each INSTITUTIONAL LENDER shall have the right to receive a copy or certificate of the insurance purchased by the ASSOCIATION, and shall have the right to require at least 30 days written notice to the INSTITUTIONAL LENDER before any insurance can be cancelled or the coverage reduced for any reason. Each INSTITUTIONAL LENDER shall have the right upon notice to the ASSOCIATION to review and approve, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, the

form, content, issuer, coverage and deductibles of all insurance purchased by the ASSOCIATION, and to require the ASSOCIATION to purchase insurance complying with the reasonable and customary requirements of the INSTITUTIONAL LENDER. In the event of a conflict between the INSTITUTIONAL LENDERS, the requirements of the INSTITUTIONAL LENDER holding mortgages encumbering LOTS which secure the largest aggregate indebtedness shall control.

3.7.8 Waiver. If the BOARD determines that the insurance required to be purchased by the ASSOCIATION pursuant to this Paragraph would be unduly expensive, or if such insurance is not obtainable, the ASSOCIATION may purchase insurance with less coverage than specified above, provided the BOARD gets the approval of the OWNERS as to such action.

3.8 Default. Any OWNER or INSTITUTIONAL LENDER may pay for any utilities, taxes or assessments, or insurance premiums which are not paid by the ASSOCIATION when due, or may secure new insurance upon the lapse of an insurance policy, and shall be owed immediate reimbursement therefor from the ASSOCIATION, plus interest and any costs of collection, including attorneys' fees.

3.9 Damage or Destruction. In the event any improvement (other than landscaping) within any COMMON AREA is damaged or destroyed due to fire, flood, wind, or other casualty or reason, the ASSOCIATION shall restore, repair, replace or rebuild (hereinafter collectively referred to as a "repair") the damaged improvement to the condition the improvement was in immediately prior to such damage or destruction, unless otherwise approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of the OWNERS. If any landscaping within any COMMON AREA or any other property maintained by the ASSOCIATION is damaged or destroyed, the ASSOCIATION shall only be obligated to make such repairs to the landscaping as is determined by the BOARD in its discretion. Any excess cost of repairing any improvement over insurance proceeds payable on account of any damage or destruction shall be a COMMON EXPENSE, and the ASSOCIATION shall have the right to make a special ASSESSMENT for any such expense.

3.10 Maintenance of COMMON AREAS and other Property. The ASSOCIATION shall maintain all COMMON AREAS and property owned by the ASSOCIATION, and all improvements thereon, in good condition at all times. If pursuant to any easement the ASSOCIATION is to maintain any improvement within any property, then the ASSOCIATION shall maintain such improvement in good condition at all times. In addition, the ASSOCIATION shall have the right to assume the obligation to operate and/or maintain any property which is not owned by the ASSOCIATION if the BOARD, in its sole discretion, determines that the operation and/or maintenance of such property by the ASSOCIATION would be in the best interests of the residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY. Without limitation, the ASSOCIATION shall have the right to assume the obligation to operate and/or maintain any walls or fences on or near the boundaries of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and any pavement, landscaping, sprinkler systems, sidewalks, paths, signs, entrance features, or other improvements, in or within 40 feet of any public or private road right-of-ways within or contiguous to the SUBJECT PROPERTY. To the extent the ASSOCIATION assumes the obligation to operate and/or maintain any property which is not owned by the ASSOCIATION, the ASSOCIATION shall have an easement and right to enter upon such property in connection with the operation in or maintenance of same, and no such entry shall be deemed a trespass. Such assumption by the ASSOCIATION of the obligation to operate and/or maintain any property which is not owned by the ASSOCIATION may be evidenced by a supplement to this DECLARATION, or by a written document recorded in the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located, and may be made in connection with an agreement with any OWNER, the DECLARANT, or any governmental authority otherwise responsible for such operation or maintenance, and pursuant to any such document the operation and/or maintenance of any property may be made a permanent obligation of the ASSOCIATION. The ASSOCIATION may also enter into agreements with any other PERSON, or any governmental authority, to share in the maintenance responsibility of any property if the BOARD, in its sole and absolute discretion, determines this would be in the best interest of the OWNER. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any OWNER or any resident of any UNIT, or their guests or invitees, damages any COMMON AREA or any improvement thereon, or any other portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY to be maintained by the ASSOCIATION, the OWNER shall be liable to the ASSOCIATION for the cost of repair or restoration to the extent not covered by the ASSOCIATION's insurance, and to the extent such liability exists under the laws of the State of Florida.

3.11 Surface Water Management System. It is acknowledged the surface water management and drainage system for the SUBJECT PROPERTY is one integrated system, and accordingly shall be

deemed a COMMON AREA, and an easement is hereby created over the entire SUBJECT PROPERTY for surface water drainage and for the installation and maintenance of the surface water management and drainage system for the SUBJECT PROPERTY, provided however that such easement shall be subject to improvements constructed within the SUBJECT PROPERTY as permitted by controlling governmental authorities from time to time. The surface water management and drainage system of the SUBJECT PROPERTY shall be developed, operated, and maintained in conformance with the requirements of the South Florida Water Management District and/or any other controlling governmental authority. The ASSOCIATION shall maintain as a COMMON EXPENSE the entire surface water management and drainage system for the SUBJECT PROPERTY, including but not limited to all lakes, canals, swale areas, retention areas, culverts, pipes, pumps, catch basins, and related appurtenances, regardless of whether or not same are within the SUBJECT PROPERTY or are owned by the ASSOCIATION. Such maintenance shall be performed in conformance with the requirements of the South Florida Water Management District, and any other controlling governmental authority, and an easement for such maintenance is hereby created. Such maintenance responsibility on the part of the ASSOCIATION shall not be deemed to include the maintenance of the banks of any lake or canal, or the maintenance of any landscaping, within any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY which is not a COMMON AREA or contiguous to a COMMON AREA or which is not otherwise to be maintained by the ASSOCIATION pursuant to this DECLARATION.

**3.12 Mortgage and Sale of COMMON AREAS.** The ASSOCIATION shall not encumber, sell or transfer any COMMON AREA owned by the ASSOCIATION without the approval of 2/3 of the votes of all of the OWNERS, excluding DECLARANT, provided, however, that the ASSOCIATION may dedicate any COMMON AREA to any governmental authority. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if DECLARANT changes the location of any unconveyed LOTS such that a portion of the COMMON AREA would be within a relocated LOT, then the ASSOCIATION shall have the right without the approval of the OWNERS to convey such portion of the COMMON AREAS to DECLARANT, and in connection therewith, DECLARANT shall convey to the ASSOCIATION any property which will be a COMMON AREA due to the relocation of the LOTS. If ingress or egress to any LOT is through any COMMON AREA, any conveyance or encumbrance of such COMMON AREA shall be subject to an appurtenant easement for ingress and egress in favor of the OWNER(S) of such LOT, unless alternative ingress and egress is provided to the OWNER(S).

**3.13 Special Provisions Regarding Recreational Facilities.** It is acknowledged DECLARANT plans to construct various recreational facilities within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, which are planned to include a swimming pool and deck, a cabana building, and various personal property associated therewith, the kind, value and nature of which shall be determined in DECLARANT's sole discretion, and DECLARANT reserves the right to increase or add to the foregoing recreational facilities, or to expand the recreational facilities, without the consent of the OWNERS or the ASSOCIATION. Notwithstanding the foregoing, DECLARANT shall have no obligation to complete the recreational facilities or to convey same to the ASSOCIATION unless and until all of the UNITS planned within the SUBJECT PROPERTY have been built and have been conveyed to purchasers.

**3.14 Controlled Access Facility.** It is acknowledged that DECLARANT may, but will not be required to, construct a controlled access facility at the entrance to the SUBJECT PROPERTY, which may include a building intended to be staffed, or which may contain an access entry system not intended to be staffed. So long as DECLARANT appoints a majority of the Directors of the ASSOCIATION, if the facility is to be staffed, DECLARANT shall have the right to determine, in its sole discretion, whether, and during what hours the facility will be staffed. If provided, all costs associated with any Controlled Access Facility will be a COMMON EXPENSE. DECLARANT, and any builder constructing UNITS within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, their contractors and suppliers, and their respective agents and employees, and any prospective purchasers of new UNITS, shall be given free and unimpeded access through any such Controlled Access Facility, subject only to such controls and restrictions as are agreed to in writing by DECLARANT. In addition, any governmental authority, any public utility company, and any entity providing utility services, cable television, home monitoring, internet, or other services to the OWNERS pursuant to an agreement with the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, shall be given free and unimpeded access through any such Controlled Access Facility, subject only to such controls and restrictions as are agreed to in writing by them. If the COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION attempts to restrict or control access into the SUBJECT PROPERTY through means not approved by the foregoing, the foregoing may take any and all measures necessary to eliminate same, including disabling any entry system during any hours desired by the foregoing, and the foregoing shall have no liability in this regard.



3.15 Termination of Common Area. In the event any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY which is dedicated to the ASSOCIATION on any plat is platted into a LOT pursuant to a plat or replat of the SUBJECT PROPERTY or any portion thereof recorded in the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located, same shall automatically divest the ASSOCIATION of any interest in such COMMON AREA, without the joinder or execution by the ASSOCIATION or any UNIT OWNER in the plat or any other instrument. In connection therewith, the ASSOCIATION shall have the right to execute a deed of such COMMON AREA that is replatted into a LOT to DECLARANT, or to any other person, but no such deed shall be required to divest the ASSOCIATION of its interest in such COMMON AREA which is replatted into a LOT.

4. EASEMENTS. Each of the following easements are hereby created, which shall run with the land and, notwithstanding any of the other provisions of this DECLARATION, may not be substantially amended or revoked in such a way as to unreasonably interfere with their proper and intended uses and purposes, and each shall survive the termination of this DECLARATION.

4.1 Easements for Pedestrian and Vehicular Traffic. Easements for pedestrian traffic over, through and across sidewalks, paths, lanes and walks, as the same may from time to time exist upon the COMMON AREAS and be intended for such purpose; and for pedestrian and vehicular traffic and parking over, through, across and upon such portion of the COMMON AREAS as may from time to time be paved and intended for such purposes, same being for the use and benefit of the OWNERS and the residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, their mortgagees, and their guests and invitees.

4.2 Perpetual Nonexclusive Easement in COMMON AREAS. The COMMON AREAS shall be, and the same are hereby declared to be, subject to a perpetual nonexclusive appurtenant easement in favor of all OWNERS and residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY from time to time, and their guests and invitees, for all proper and normal purposes and for the furnishing of services and facilities for which the same are reasonably intended.

4.3 Service and Utility Easements. Easements in favor of governmental and quasi-governmental authorities, utility companies, cable television companies, ambulance or emergency vehicle companies, and mail carrier companies, over and across all roads existing from time to time with the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and over, under, on and across the COMMON AREAS, as may be reasonably required to permit the foregoing, and their agents and employees, to provide their respective authorized services to and for the SUBJECT PROPERTY. Also, easements as may be required for the installation, maintenance, repair and providing of utility services, equipment and fixtures in order to adequately serve the SUBJECT PROPERTY, including, but not limited to, electricity, telephones, sewer, water, lighting, irrigation, drainage, television antenna and cable television facilities, and electronic security. However, easements affecting any LOT which serve any other portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY shall only be under the LOT, and shall only be for utility services actually constructed, or reconstructed, and for the maintenance thereof, unless otherwise approved in writing by the OWNER of the LOT. An OWNER shall do nothing on his LOT which interferes with or impairs the utility services using these easements. The BOARD or its designee shall have a right of access to each LOT to inspect, maintain, repair or replace the utility service facilities contained under the LOT and to remove any improvements interfering with or impairing the utility services or easement herein reserved at the expense of the applicable OWNER, and an easement for such entry is hereby reserved; provided such right of access shall not unreasonably interfere with the OWNER's permitted use of the LOT.

4.4 Encroachments. If any portion of the COMMON AREAS encroaches upon any LOT; if any UNIT or other improvement encroaches upon any LOT or upon any portion of the COMMON AREAS; or if any encroachment shall hereafter occur as a result of (i) construction or reconstruction of any improvements; (ii) settling or shifting of any improvements; (iii) any addition, alteration or repair to the COMMON AREAS made by or with the consent of the ASSOCIATION, (iv) any repair or restoration of any improvements (or any portion thereof) or any UNIT after damage by fire or other casualty or any taking by condemnation or eminent domain proceedings of all or any portion of any UNIT or the COMMON AREAS; or (v) any non-purposeful or non-negligent act of an OWNER except as may be authorized by the BOARD, then, in any such event, a valid easement shall exist for such encroachment and for the maintenance of the same so long as the improvements shall stand.

4.5 Easements for overhanging troughs or gutters, downspouts and the discharge therefrom of rainwater and the subsequent flow thereof over the LOTS and the COMMON AREAS.

4.6 Additional Easements. DECLARANT (so long as it owns any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, or any property that may be added to the SUBJECT PROPERTY) and the ASSOCIATION, on their behalf and on behalf of all OWNERS, each shall have the right to (i) grant and declare additional easements over, upon, under and/or across the COMMON AREAS in favor of DECLARANT or any person, entity, public or quasi-public authority or utility company, or (ii) modify, relocate, abandon or terminate existing easements benefitting or affecting the SUBJECT PROPERTY. In connection with the grant, modification, relocation, abandonment or termination of any easement, DECLARANT reserves the right to relocate roads, parking areas, utility lines, and other improvements upon or serving the SUBJECT PROPERTY. So long as the foregoing will not unreasonably and adversely interfere with the use of LOTS for dwelling purposes, no consent of any OWNER or any mortgagee of any LOT shall be required or, if same would unreasonably and adversely interfere with the use of any LOT for dwelling purposes, only the consent of the OWNERS and INSTITUTIONAL LENDERS of LOTS so affected shall be required. To the extent required, all OWNERS hereby irrevocably appoint DECLARANT and/or the ASSOCIATION as their attorney-in-fact for the foregoing purposes.

4.7 Sale and Development Easement. DECLARANT reserves and shall have an easement over, upon, across and under the SUBJECT PROPERTY as may be reasonably required by DECLARANT in connection with the development, construction, sale and promotion, or leasing, of any LOT or UNIT within the SUBJECT PROPERTY or within any other property owned by DECLARANT.

## 5. MAINTENANCE OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.

5.1 By the ASSOCIATION. Except as provided in Section 16 herein, the ASSOCIATION shall operate, maintain, repair and replace, as a COMMON EXPENSE, the following portions of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and shall have an easement over the LOTS and the irrevocable right of access to the LOTS and the UNITS from time to time during reasonable hours as may be necessary in connection with the ASSOCIATION's maintenance obligations:

5.1.1 COMMON AREAS. The ASSOCIATION shall maintain all COMMON AREAS, or other areas for which the duty to maintain has been delegated to and accepted by the ASSOCIATION, and all paving, parking areas, landscaping and improvements contained thereon from time to time.

5.1.2 Landscaping. The ASSOCIATION shall be responsible for the maintenance and care of all landscaping throughout the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and in the unpaved portion of contiguous road right-of-ways. The ASSOCIATION shall plant, remove and/or replace sod, plants, flowers, shrubbery and trees when in the sole discretion of the ASSOCIATION same is appropriate and in the best interest of the SUBJECT PROPERTY. The ASSOCIATION's responsibility shall include mowing, trimming, pruning, edging, fertilizing, weed control, and landscape related insect and disease control. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any OWNER installs landscaping on the OWNER's LOT which is materially more expensive to maintain than the landscaping on the other LOTS, the ASSOCIATION will have the right to assess the OWNER of such LOT for the extra cost of maintaining the special landscaping on such LOT, or in the alternative the ASSOCIATION may require the applicable OWNER to maintain such special landscaping as hereafter provided, and if the applicable OWNER fails to pay any such extra cost or maintain such landscaping, the ASSOCIATION will have the right to remove same in the sole discretion of the ASSOCIATION, without liability to the OWNER.

5.1.3 Utility Services. The ASSOCIATION shall maintain all utility meters, lines and facilities not owned or maintained by any governmental authority or utility company, except for utility services located within any LOT, which serve only the LOT or the UNIT on the LOT.

5.1.4 Subdivision Wells and Water Sprinkler System. The ASSOCIATION shall maintain and repair wells (if any), pipes and water sprinkler systems throughout the SUBJECT PROPERTY, except that if the sprinkler systems serving the LOTS are separate and not common systems, then each OWNER shall maintain the sprinkler system serving his LOT.

5.1.5 Surface Water Management System. The ASSOCIATION shall operate and maintain the surface water management system for the SUBJECT PROPERTY, including but not limited to all lakes, canals, swale areas, retention areas, culverts, pipes, pumps, catch basins, and related

facilities, in conformance with the requirements of the South Florida Water Management District and any other controlling governmental authority.

**5.1.6 Sidewalks and Street Lighting.** The ASSOCIATION shall maintain any common sidewalks within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, but not any sidewalk exclusively serving only one LOT. The ASSOCIATION shall also maintain any common street lighting within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, other than any street lighting exclusively serving one LOT, and shall maintain and pay for any utility services used in connection with such common street lighting.

**5.1.7 Other Property.** The ASSOCIATION shall have the right to maintain such other areas within or contiguous to the SUBJECT PROPERTY as the BOARD determines from time to time is in the best interest of the OWNERS, and the cost of any such maintenance shall be a COMMON EXPENSE. In particular, the ASSOCIATION shall have the right to maintain landscaping within any road right-of-way contiguous to the SUBJECT PROPERTY, to the edge of the pavement within such right-of-way, and if any lake or canal is contiguous to the SUBJECT PROPERTY, the ASSOCIATION shall have the right to maintain landscaping to the waterline of any such lake or canal. The ASSOCIATION may also enter into agreements with any other PERSON, or any governmental authority, to share in the maintenance responsibility of any property if the BOARD, in its sole and absolute discretion, determines this would be in the best interest of the OWNER.

**5.1.8 Special Maintenance Required by OWNERS.** Notwithstanding the foregoing, if for any reason any maintenance which would not otherwise then be performed by the ASSOCIATION is required due to the actions of any OWNER, or the residents of any UNIT, or their guests or invitees, the OWNER of the UNIT shall be responsible for the cost of such maintenance and may be assessed for such cost by the ASSOCIATION. In addition, if any OWNER or any resident of any UNIT, or their guests or invitees, damages any COMMON AREA or any improvement thereon, the OWNER of such UNIT shall be liable to the ASSOCIATION for the cost of repair or restoration to the extent not covered by the ASSOCIATION's insurance.

**5.2 By the OWNERS.** Each OWNER shall maintain his UNIT and all improvements upon his LOT in first class condition, except the landscaping which is to be maintained by the ASSOCIATION as provided above. The exterior of all UNITS including but not limited to roofs, walls, exterior doors, and garage doors, windows, patio areas, pools, screenings, awnings, and other portions of the exterior of the UNITS shall be maintained in first-class condition and repair and in a neat and attractive manner. Exterior maintenance, including painting and pressure cleaning, shall be periodically performed as reasonably necessary. Any OWNER intending to paint his UNIT or the other IMPROVEMENTS on this LOT shall obtain the consent of the APPROVING PARTY as to the color of the paint that will be used, which in any event shall be harmonious with other IMPROVEMENTS within the SUBJECT PROPERTY. No unsightly peeling of paint or discoloration of same, mildew, rust deposits, dirt, or deterioration shall be permitted. All sidewalks, driveways and parking areas within the OWNER's LOT or serving the OWNER's UNIT shall be cleaned and kept free of debris; and cracks, damaged and/or eroding areas on same shall be repaired, replaced, and/or resurfaced as necessary.

## **6. ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL FOR EXTERIOR CHANGES.**

**6.1 Purpose.** The APPROVING PARTY shall have the right to exercise architectural control over all IMPROVEMENTS, to assist in making the entire SUBJECT PROPERTY a community of high standards and aesthetic beauty. Such architectural control may include all architectural aspects of any IMPROVEMENT including, but not limited to, size, height, site planning, set-back exterior design, materials, colors, open space, landscaping, waterscaping, and aesthetic criteria.

**6.2 OWNER to Obtain Approval.** No OWNER shall make any IMPROVEMENT, and no OWNER shall apply for any governmental approval or building or other permit for any IMPROVEMENT, unless the OWNER first obtains the written approval of the IMPROVEMENT from the APPROVING PARTY.

**6.3 Request for Approval.** Any request for approval by the APPROVING PARTY of any IMPROVEMENT shall be in writing and shall be accompanied by plans and specifications or other details as the APPROVING PARTY may deem reasonably necessary in connection with its determination as to whether or not it will approve same. The plans and specifications submitted for approval shall show the nature, kind, shape, height, materials, color, and location of all proposed IMPROVEMENTS. If the APPROVING PARTY deems the plans and specifications deficient, the APPROVING PARTY may require such further detail in the plans and specifications as the APPROVING PARTY deems necessary in

connection with its approval of same, including, without limitation, floor plans, site plans, drainage plans, elevation drawings, and descriptions or samples of exterior materials and colors, and until receipt of the foregoing, the APPROVING PARTY may postpone review of any plans submitted for approval. The APPROVING PARTY shall have the right to charge a reasonable fee to any PERSON requesting architectural approval, including where applicable the fee of any architect or engineer hired by the APPROVING PARTY to review any plans or specifications, provided that the APPROVING PARTY shall not be required to use the services of any architect or engineer in connection with its exercise of architectural approval. The APPROVING PARTY shall not be obligated to review or approve any plans and specifications until such fee is paid. Approval of any request shall not be withheld in a discriminatory manner or in a manner which unreasonably prohibits the reasonable improvement of any property, but may be withheld due to aesthetic considerations.

6.4 Approval. The APPROVING PARTY shall notify the OWNER of its approval or disapproval, or that the APPROVING PARTY requires additions to the plans and specifications or other materials, by written notice within 30 days after request for such approval is made in writing to the APPROVING PARTY, and all documents, plans and specifications, and other materials required by the APPROVING PARTY in connection with such approval have been submitted. In the event the APPROVING PARTY fails to disapprove any request within such 30 day period, the request shall be deemed approved and upon request the APPROVING PARTY shall give written notice of such approval, provided the party requesting such approval pays any fee charged by the APPROVING PARTY in connection with the approval. In consenting to any proposed IMPROVEMENT, the APPROVING PARTY may condition such consent upon changes being made and any such approval shall be deemed a disapproval unless and until the party requesting the approval agrees to the changes. If the APPROVING PARTY approves, or is deemed to have approved, any IMPROVEMENT, the OWNER requesting approval may proceed to make the IMPROVEMENT in strict conformance with the plans and specifications approved or deemed to have been approved, subject to any conditions of the APPROVING PARTY's approval, and shall not make any material changes without the approval of the APPROVING PARTY. If the APPROVING PARTY approves any IMPROVEMENT, same shall not require the APPROVING PARTY, or any subsequent APPROVING PARTY to approve any similar IMPROVEMENT in the future, and the APPROVING PARTY shall have the right in the future to withhold approval of similar IMPROVEMENTS requested by any other OWNER.

6.5 Architectural Guidelines and Criteria. The APPROVING PARTY may adopt and modify from time to time, in its discretion, minimum guidelines, criteria and/or standards which will be used by it in connection with its exercise of architectural control, provided however that same shall not apply to any previously existing or approved IMPROVEMENT. The foregoing may include, but are not limited to, minimum square footage, maximum height, minimum set-back, and minimum landscaping requirements.

6.6 Inspections. Upon the completion of any IMPROVEMENT, the applicable OWNER shall give written notice of the completion to the APPROVING PARTY. Within 90 days thereafter, the APPROVING PARTY shall have the right to inspect the IMPROVEMENT and notify the OWNER in writing that the IMPROVEMENT is accepted, or that the IMPROVEMENT is deficient because it was not completed in conformance with the approved plans and specifications or in a manner otherwise acceptable to the APPROVING PARTY, specifying the particulars of such deficiencies. Within 30 days thereafter the OWNER shall correct the deficiencies set forth in the notice, and upon completion of the work the APPROVING PARTY shall again be given a notice of the completion, and the provisions of this Paragraph shall again become operative. If the APPROVING PARTY fails to notify the OWNER of any deficiencies within 90 days after receipt of a notice of completion the IMPROVEMENT shall be deemed to have been accepted by the APPROVING PARTY.

6.7 Remedy for Violations. In the event this section is violated in that any IMPROVEMENT is made without first obtaining the approval of the APPROVING PARTY, or is not made in strict conformance with any approval given or deemed given by the APPROVING PARTY, the APPROVING PARTY shall specifically have the right to injunctive relief to require the applicable OWNER to stop, remove and/or alter any IMPROVEMENT in a manner which complies with the requirements of the APPROVING PARTY, or the APPROVING PARTY may pursue any other remedy available to it. If DECLARANT is the APPROVING PARTY, then in connection with the enforcement of this section, DECLARANT shall have all of the rights of enforcement granted to the ASSOCIATION pursuant to this DECLARATION, including but not limited to the right to impose fines, and to assess and lien for costs and expenses incurred in enforcing this section, except that any fines shall be paid to the ASSOCIATION. In connection with the enforcement of this section, the APPROVING PARTY shall have

the right to enter onto any LOT and make any inspection necessary to determine that the provisions of this Paragraph have been complied with. The failure of the APPROVING PARTY to object to any IMPROVEMENT prior to the completion of the IMPROVEMENT shall not constitute a waiver of the APPROVING PARTY's right to enforce the provisions of this section. Any action to enforce this Section must be commenced within 1 year after notice of the violation by the APPROVING PARTY, or within 3 years after the date of the violation, whichever occurs first. The foregoing shall be in addition to any other remedy set forth herein for violations of this DECLARATION. Notwithstanding anything contained within this DECLARATION to the contrary, the APPROVING PARTY shall have the exclusive authority to enforce the provisions of this Paragraph.

**6.8 No Liability.** Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the APPROVING PARTY shall merely have the right, but not the duty, to exercise architectural control, and shall not be liable to any OWNER due to the exercise or non-exercise of such control, or the approval or disapproval of any IMPROVEMENT. Furthermore, the approval of any plans or specifications or any IMPROVEMENT shall not be deemed to be a determination or warranty that such plans or specifications or IMPROVEMENT are complete or do not contain defects, or in fact meet any standards, guidelines and/or criteria of the APPROVING PARTY, or are in fact architecturally or aesthetically appropriate, or comply with any applicable governmental requirements, and the APPROVING PARTY shall not be liable for any defect or deficiency in such plans or specifications or IMPROVEMENT, or any injury resulting therefrom.

**6.9 Compliance with Governmental Requirements.** In addition to the foregoing requirements, any IMPROVEMENT made by any OWNER must be in compliance with the requirements of all controlling governmental authorities, and the OWNER shall be required to obtain an appropriate building permit from the applicable governmental authority when required by controlling governmental requirements. Any consent or approval by the APPROVING PARTY to any IMPROVEMENT may be made conditioned upon the OWNER obtaining a building permit for same, or providing the APPROVING PARTY written evidence from the controlling governmental authority that such permit will not be required, and in that event the OWNER shall not proceed with any IMPROVEMENT until such building permit or evidence that a building permit is not required is obtained and submitted to the APPROVING PARTY.

**6.10 Construction by Licensed Contractor.** If a building permit is required for any IMPROVEMENT made by any OWNER, then the IMPROVEMENT must be installed or constructed by a licensed contractor unless otherwise approved by the APPROVING PARTY, and in any event must be constructed in a good and workmanlike manner.

**6.11 Certificate.** Within 10 days after the request of any OWNER, the APPROVING PARTY shall issue without charge a written certification in recordable form as to whether or not the IMPROVEMENTS located upon the OWNER's LOT comply with the provisions of this DECLARATION.

## **7. USE RESTRICTIONS.**

**7.1 Air Conditioning Units.** Only central air conditioning units are permitted, and no window, wall, or portable air conditioning units are permitted, without the prior written consent of the APPROVING PARTY.

**7.2 Automobiles, Vehicles and Boats.** Only automobiles, vans, pick-up trucks, and other vehicles manufactured and used as private passenger vehicles, may be parked within the SUBJECT PROPERTY overnight without the prior written consent of the APPROVING PARTY, unless kept within an enclosed garage. In particular and without limitation, without the prior written consent of the APPROVING PARTY, no truck with more than two axles, recreational vehicle, camper, trailer, or vehicle other than a private passenger vehicle as specified above, and no boat, may be parked or stored outside of a UNIT overnight. No overnight parking is permitted on any streets, lawns, or areas other than driveways and garages without the consent of the APPROVING PARTY. Notwithstanding the foregoing, automobiles owned by governmental law enforcement agencies are expressly permitted. The OWNER and residents of any UNIT may not keep more than two vehicles within the SUBJECT PROPERTY on a permanent basis without the prior written consent of the APPROVING PARTY. The foregoing restrictions shall not be deemed to prohibit the temporary parking of commercial vehicles while making delivery to or from, or while used in connection with providing services to, the SUBJECT PROPERTY. All vehicles parked within the SUBJECT PROPERTY must be in good condition and repair, and no vehicle which does not contain a current license plate or which cannot operate on its own power shall be parked within the SUBJECT PROPERTY outside of an enclosed garage for more than 24

hours, and no major repair of any vehicle shall be made on the SUBJECT PROPERTY. All vehicles parked within the SUBJECT PROPERTY must be painted with colors and in a manner which is customary for private passenger vehicles, and which is not offensive or distasteful in the reasonable opinion of the APPROVING PARTY. No motorcycle, motorbike, moped, all-terrain vehicle, or other such vehicle is permitted to be operated within the SUBJECT PROPERTY unless such vehicle is licensed for street use and equipped with appropriate noise-muffling equipment so that its operation does not create an annoyance to the residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and if the APPROVING PARTY determines the operation of any such vehicle creates an annoyance to the residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, then after written demand from the APPROVING PARTY, the vehicle shall not be operated within the SUBJECT PROPERTY.

7.3 Basketball Backboards. No permanently installed basketball backboards are permitted. No portable basketball backboards may be kept outside of a UNIT overnight or when not in use.

7.4 Business or Commercial Use. No trade, business, profession, or commercial activity, or any other non-residential use, shall be conducted by a UNIT OWNER or resident of a UNIT outside of the UNIT, if in connection therewith customers, patients or the like come to the UNIT or if such non-residential use is otherwise apparent from the exterior of the UNIT. The foregoing shall not preclude (i) the leasing of UNITS in accordance with this DECLARATION; or (ii) activities associated with the construction, development and sale of the SUBJECT PROPERTY or any portion thereof.

7.5 Clotheslines and Outside Clothes Drying. No clotheslines or clothespoles shall be erected, and no outside clothes-drying is permitted, except where such activity is advised or mandated by governmental authorities for energy conservation purposes, in which event the APPROVING PARTY shall have the right to approve the portions of any LOT used for outdoor clothes-drying purposes and the types of devices to be employed in this regard, which approval must be in writing. In any event outdoor clothes drying will only be permitted behind a UNIT, in an area which is screened from view from adjoining roads within the SUBJECT PROPERTY. Only portable outdoor clothes-drying facilities approved by the APPROVING PARTY will be permitted, and same shall be removed when not in use.

7.6 COMMON AREAS. Nothing shall be stored, constructed, placed within, or removed from any COMMON AREA by any OWNER other than DECLARANT, unless approved by the APPROVING PARTY.

7.7 Damage and Destruction. In the event any UNIT or other IMPROVEMENT is damaged or destroyed, the OWNER of the UNIT or IMPROVEMENT, shall repair and restore same as soon as is reasonably practical to the same condition that the UNIT or IMPROVEMENT was in prior to such damage or destruction, or shall remove the damaged UNIT or IMPROVEMENT and restore the applicable LOT to a clean, neat and safe condition as soon as is reasonably practical, unless otherwise approved by the APPROVING PARTY.

7.8 Driveways. No asphalt or gravel driveways, walkways or sidewalks are permitted, and all driveways, sidewalks and walkways must be constructed with an upgraded, stabilized hard surface approved by the APPROVING PARTY. All driveways and walkways must be constructed with concrete, stamped concrete or brick pavers.

#### 7.9 Easements.

7.9.1 "Drainage and/or Utility Easements" means such easements on those portions of the SUBJECT PROPERTY so designated on any plat or any recorded easement for the installation and maintenance of utility and/or drainage facilities. Such easements are for the installation, maintenance, construction, and repair of drainage facilities, including, but not limited to, canals, pumps, pipes, inlets, and outfall structures and all necessary appurtenances thereto and underground utility facilities, including, but not limited to, power, telephone, sewer, water, gas, irrigation, lighting, and television transmission purposes. Within these easements, no Improvement or other material shall be placed or permitted to remain or alteration made which:

7.9.1.1 May damage or interfere with the installation and maintenance of utilities without the prior written consent of the affected utility company and the APPROVING PARTY; provided, however, the installation of a driveway or sod shall not require the consent of the affected utility companies unless the APPROVING PARTY imposes such requirements; or

7.9.1.2 May materially damage the direction of flow or drainage channels in the easements or may materially obstruct or retard the flow of water through drainage channels in the easements without the prior written consent of the APPROVING PARTY and applicable governmental agencies.

The portions of the SUBJECT PROPERTY designated as Drainage and/or Utility Easements and all improvements thereon shall be maintained continuously by the OWNER of such portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, except for those improvements for which a public authority or utility company is responsible.

7.10 Exterior Changes, Alterations and Improvements. No OWNER shall make any IMPROVEMENT, without the prior written consent of the APPROVING PARTY, as required by Paragraph 6 of this DECLARATION.

7.11 Fences. Fences shall not be permitted on any LOT without the consent of the APPROVING PARTY. The APPROVING PARTY, in approving any fence as elsewhere provided, shall have the right to require all fences throughout the SUBJECT PROPERTY to be one or more specified standard type(s) of construction and material, and shall have the right to prohibit any other types of fences, and shall further have the right to change such standard as to any new fences from time to time, as the APPROVING PARTY deems appropriate.

7.12 Garages. No garage shall be permanently enclosed, and no portion of a garage originally intended for the parking of an automobile shall be converted into a living space or storage area. All garage doors shall remain closed when not in use.

7.13 Garbage and Trash. Garbage, trash, refuse or rubbish shall be regularly picked up, shall not be permitted to unreasonably accumulate, and shall not be placed or dumped on any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, including any COMMON AREA, not intended for such use, or on any property contiguous to the SUBJECT PROPERTY. Garbage, trash, refuse or rubbish that is required to be placed along any road or in any particular area in order to be collected may be so placed after 5:00 p.m. on the day before the scheduled day of collection, and any trash facilities must be removed on the collection day. Except when so placed for collection, all containers, dumpsters or garbage facilities shall be kept inside a UNIT. All garbage, trash, refuse or rubbish must be placed in appropriate trash facilities or bags. No noxious or offensive odors shall be permitted.

7.14 Garbage Containers, Oil and Gas Tanks, Air Conditioners. All garbage and refuse containers, air conditioning units, oil tanks, bottled gas tanks, and all permanently affixed swimming pool equipment and housing shall be underground or placed in walled-in or landscaped areas, and shall be appropriately landscaped, as approved by the APPROVING PARTY so that they will be substantially concealed or hidden from any eye-level view from any street or adjacent property.

7.15 Lakes and Canals. No swimming or boating is allowed in any lake or canal within or contiguous to the SUBJECT PROPERTY. No OWNER shall deposit or dump any garbage or refuse in any lake or canal within or contiguous to the SUBJECT PROPERTY.

7.16 Landscaping. The landscaping of any LOT, and any material modifications, additions, or substitutions thereof, must be approved by the APPROVING PARTY. No OWNER shall do anything to adversely affect the common irrigation system or the operation of same as determined by the BOARD. All landscaped areas shall be primarily grass, and shall not be paved or covered with gravel or any artificial surface without the prior written consent of the APPROVING PARTY. No artificial grass, plants, or other artificial vegetation shall be placed or maintained outside of a UNIT without the consent of the APPROVING PARTY.

7.17 Leases. All leases of a UNIT must be in writing and specifically be subject to this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES and the BYLAWS, and copies delivered to the ASSOCIATION prior to occupancy by the tenant(s). No lease shall be for a period of less than 6 months, without the consent of the APPROVING PARTY.



7.18 Mailboxes. No mailboxes are permitted except for common mailboxes supplied by DECLARANT or the ASSOCIATION.

7.19 Nuisances. No nuisances shall be permitted within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and no use or practice which is an unreasonable source of annoyance to the residents within the SUBJECT PROPERTY or which shall interfere with the peaceful possession and proper use of the SUBJECT PROPERTY by its residents shall be permitted. No unreasonably offensive or unlawful action shall be permitted, and all laws, zoning ordinances and regulations of all controlling governmental authorities shall be complied with at all times by the OWNERS.

7.20 Occupancy. No UNIT shall be permanently occupied by more than five persons for a two bedroom UNIT, and two additional persons for each additional bedroom or den in the UNIT. In addition, temporary guests are permitted so long as they do not create an unreasonable source of noise or annoyance to the other residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY.

7.21 Outside Antennas and Flag Poles. No outside signal receiving or sending antennas, dishes or devices are permitted which are visible from the exterior of a UNIT without the consent of the APPROVING PARTY, except for digital satellite dishes not exceeding 18" in diameter which are located in the rear of the UNIT and not visible from adjoining streets. The foregoing shall not prohibit any antenna or signal receiving dish owned by the APPROVING PARTY which services the entire SUBJECT PROPERTY. No flag poles are permitted without the consent of the APPROVING PARTY.

7.22 Outside Storage of Personal Property. The personal property of any resident of the SUBJECT PROPERTY shall be kept inside the resident's UNIT or a fenced or a walled-in yard, except for tasteful patio furniture and accessories, Bar-B-Q grills, playground equipment approved by the APPROVING PARTY, and other personal property commonly kept outside, which must be kept in the rear of the LOT and must be neat appearing and in good condition.

7.23 Pets. No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be permitted within the SUBJECT PROPERTY except for common household domestic pets. As regards cats and dogs, only 2 such pets if both weigh under 50 pounds, or one such pet if same weighs over 50 pounds, are permitted in any UNIT except with the written consent of the APPROVING PARTY, which may granted or withheld in the APPROVING PARTY's discretion. No pit bull terriers are permitted without the consent of the APPROVING PARTY, which may be withheld in its sole discretion. In any event, only dogs and cats will be permitted outside of the permanently enclosed air conditioned living space of a UNIT, and no pet other than a cat or dog shall be permitted outside of such portion of a UNIT, including but not limited to any screened in porch or patio, without the consent of the APPROVING PARTY. No dog shall be kept outside of a UNIT, or in any screened-in porch or patio, unless someone is present in the UNIT. Any pet must be carried or kept on a leash when outside of a UNIT or fenced-in area. No pet shall be permitted to go or stray on any other LOT without the permission of the OWNER of the LOT. Any pet must not be an unreasonable nuisance or annoyance to the other residents of the SUBJECT PROPERTY. Any resident shall immediately pick up and remove any solid animal waste deposited by his pet on the SUBJECT PROPERTY, except for designated pet-walk areas, if any. No commercial breeding of pets is permitted within the SUBJECT PROPERTY. The APPROVING PARTY may require any pet to be immediately and permanently removed from the SUBJECT PROPERTY due to a violation of this Paragraph.

7.24 Playground Equipment. No OWNER shall install any sports, recreational or toddler/children equipment on his LOT or on the exterior of his UNIT without the prior written consent of the APPROVING PARTY.

7.25 Portable Buildings. No portable, storage, temporary or accessory buildings or structures, sheds, or tents, shall be erected, constructed or located upon any LOT for storage or otherwise.

7.26 Recreational Facilities. The BOARD shall have the right to make reasonable rules and regulations regarding the recreational facilities as the BOARD deems desirable from time to time.

7.27 Signs. No sign shall be placed upon any LOT or other portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and no signs shall be placed in or upon any UNIT which are visible from the exterior of the UNIT, without the prior written consent of the APPROVING PARTY. In the event any sign is installed on any LOT or on the exterior of any UNIT which violates this Paragraph, the APPROVING PARTY shall have the right to remove such sign without notice to the OWNER, and the removal shall not be deemed



a trespass and the APPROVING PARTY shall not be liable to the OWNER for the removal or for any damage or loss to the sign.

7.28 Solar Collectors. Solar collectors are permitted, provided that the APPROVING PARTY shall have the right to approve the type and the specific location where any solar collector will be installed on a roof with an orientation to the south or within 45 degrees east or west of due south, provided that such determination does not impair the effective operation of the solar collector.

7.29 Surface Water Management. No OWNER or any other PERSON shall do anything to adversely affect the surface water management and drainage of the SUBJECT PROPERTY without the prior written approval of the APPROVING PARTY and any controlling governmental authority, including but not limited to the excavation or filling in of any lake, pond, or canal, or the changing of the elevation of any other portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, provided the foregoing shall not be deemed to prohibit or restrict the initial construction of improvements upon the SUBJECT PROPERTY by DECLARANT or by the developer of any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY in accordance with permits issued by controlling governmental authorities. In particular, no OWNER other than DECLARANT shall install any landscaping or place any fill on the OWNER's LOT which would adversely affect the drainage of any contiguous LOT.

7.30 Swimming Pools. No below or above-ground swimming pools, spas, or the like, shall be installed or placed within the SUBJECT PROPERTY without the consent of the APPROVING PARTY.

7.31 Utility Services. All utility (including but not limited to electricity, telephone, water and sewer, and cable television services) lines, pipes, wires, equipment, boxes, and facilities (collectively "Utility Equipment") shall be installed underground, and no Utility Equipment shall be installed or be located above-ground on any LOT and/or COMMON AREA, with the exception of (i) Utility Equipment installed by any applicable governmental authority, (ii) Utility Equipment installed by or with the approval of DECLARANT or the ASSOCIATION, and (iii) Utility Equipment installed by or for the primary supplier of any particular utility, and (iv) Utility Equipment installed above ground with the prior written consent of DECLARANT or the ASSOCIATION. For purposes of this paragraph, the primary supplier of electricity is Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), the primary supplier of telephone service is Bell South, the primary supplier of water and sewer service is the applicable governmental agency or utility company providing same to the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and the primary supplier of cable television and related services will be any company supplying such services to the SUBJECT PROPERTY pursuant to a written contract with the ASSOCIATION which specifically permits facilities to be constructed above ground.

7.32 Window Treatments. Window treatments shall consist of drapery, blinds, shutters, decorative panels, or other tasteful window covering, and no newspaper, aluminum foil, sheets or other temporary window treatments are permitted, except for periods not exceeding 90 days after an OWNER or tenant first moves into a UNIT or when permanent window treatments are being cleaned or repaired.

7.33 Rules and Regulations. The APPROVING PARTY may adopt additional reasonable rules and regulations relating to the use, maintenance and operation of the SUBJECT PROPERTY. Copies of such rules and regulations and amendments shall be furnished by the APPROVING PARTY to any OWNER upon request.

7.34 Waiver. The APPROVING PARTY shall have the right to waive the application of one or more of these restrictions, or to permit a deviation from these restrictions as to any UNIT(S), where in the discretion of the APPROVING PARTY special circumstances exist which justify such waiver or deviation, or where such waiver or deviation, when coupled with any conditions imposed for the waiver or deviation by the APPROVING PARTY, will not materially and adversely affect any other OWNERS. In granting any waiver or deviation, the APPROVING PARTY may impose such conditions and restrictions as the APPROVING PARTY may deem necessary, and the OWNER shall be required to comply with any such restrictions or conditions in connection with any waiver or deviation. In the event of any such waiver or permitted deviation, or in the event any party fails to enforce any violation of these restrictions, such actions or inactions shall not be deemed to prohibit or restrict the right of the APPROVING PARTY, or any other person having the right to enforce these restrictions, from insisting upon strict compliance with respect to all other LOTS, nor shall any such actions be deemed a waiver of any of the restrictions contained herein as same may be applied in the future. Furthermore, any approval given by the APPROVING PARTY as to any matter shall not be deemed binding upon the

APPROVING PARTY in the future, and shall not require the APPROVING PARTY to grant similar approvals in the future as to any other LOT or OWNER.

**7.35 Exceptions.** The foregoing use and maintenance restrictions shall not apply to DECLARANT, or to any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY while owned by DECLARANT, and shall not be applied in a manner which would prohibit or restrict the development of any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY and the construction of any UNITS and other IMPROVEMENTS thereon, or any activity associated with the sale or leasing of any UNITS within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, by DECLARANT, or any activity associated with the construction, sale or leasing of any UNITS within any other property owned by DECLARANT or any affiliate of DECLARANT. Specifically, and without limitation, DECLARANT shall have the right to, (i) construct any UNITS or IMPROVEMENTS within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and make any additions, alterations, improvements, or changes thereto, (ii) maintain sales, leasing, general office and construction operations on any LOT, for use in connection with the SUBJECT PROPERTY or any other property; (iii) place, erect or construct portable, temporary or accessory buildings or structures upon any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY for sales, leasing, general office, construction, storage or other purposes; (iv) temporarily deposit, dump or accumulate materials, trash, refuse and rubbish in connection with the development or construction activities; and (v) post, display, inscribe or affix to the exterior of a UNIT or upon any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, signs and other materials used in developing, constructing, selling, leasing, or promoting any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY or any other property.

**8. ZERO LOT LINE RESTRICTIONS.** It is acknowledged all or some of the UNITS ("ZERO UNITS") may be constructed with a wall (the "ZERO WALL") on or within 4 feet of a side lot line (the "ZERO LOT LINE") of the LOT containing the UNIT (a "ZERO LOT"). In such event, it will be necessary for the OWNER's of such ZERO LOT to go onto the contiguous LOT or COMMON AREA (the "ADJACENT LOT") to construct and maintain such ZERO UNIT.

**8.1 MAINTENANCE EASEMENT.** There is hereby reserved upon each ADJACENT LOT a non-exclusive appurtenant easement ("MAINTENANCE EASEMENT") for construction, repair, maintenance and drainage purposes, over and upon any portion of an ADJACENT LOT which is within 4 feet of a ZERO WALL, which is for the benefit of the OWNER of the adjoining ZERO LOT. No permanent structures may be constructed or permitted to remain within the MAINTENANCE EASEMENT which would materially and adversely affect the ability of the OWNER of the ZERO LOT to construct, repair or maintain the ZERO UNIT on the ZERO LOT, including any ZERO WALL, without the written consent of the OWNER of the ZERO LOT and the APPROVING PARTY. If any fence or wall is constructed between a ZERO UNIT and the UNIT on the ADJACENT LOT which denies access to the MAINTENANCE EASEMENT by the OWNER of the ZERO LOT, then a gate or door approved by the APPROVING PARTY must be constructed to provide such access. The OWNER of the ZERO LOT shall have the right to enter upon the MAINTENANCE EASEMENT upon 24 hours written notice to the OWNER of the ADJACENT LOT during the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to construct, repair or maintain the ZERO UNIT on the ZERO LOT, including a ZERO WALL, or any fence along the ZERO LOT LINE, or at any time in the event of an emergency or to prevent imminent damage, and shall also have the right to enter such other portions of the ADJACENT LOT as may be reasonably necessary in connection therewith, and the OWNER of the ADJACENT LOT shall provide such access to the OWNER of the ZERO LOT. In connection with such construction, repair and maintenance, the OWNER of the ZERO LOT shall use reasonable efforts to minimize damage to any landscaping or improvements within the ADJACENT LOT, and shall not be liable for any damage to the landscaping or improvements within the ADJACENT LOT unless such damage is caused by the gross negligence or wilful acts of the OWNER of the ZERO LOT, or such OWNER's contractors. Upon the completion of such construction, repair or maintenance, the OWNER of the ZERO LOT shall remove all materials and equipment and clean up and restore the ADJACENT LOT in a reasonable manner. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the OWNER of the ZERO LOT shall not be required to repair or restore any improvements constructed or installed in violation of the provisions of this DECLARATION.

**8.2 ADJACENT LOT OWNERS' Obligations.** The OWNER of any ADJACENT LOT shall not attach any fence, wall or other improvements to the ZERO WALL on the ADJACENT ZERO LOT, except such as are attached in connection with the original construction of the ZERO UNIT on the ZERO LOT or the ADJACENT LOT, and shall not paint or otherwise alter the ZERO WALL, without the prior written consent of the OWNER of the ZERO LOT. The ZERO WALL shall not be used as a playing surface for any sport or game. No landscaping within a MAINTENANCE EASEMENT shall interfere with the flow of surface water drainage within the MAINTENANCE EASEMENT. The OWNER of the ADJACENT LOT shall not cause the elevation of the soil adjacent to the ZERO WALL to be less than 2 inches above the

slab of the ZERO UNIT on the ZERO LOT. No excavations may be made within the MAINTENANCE EASEMENT for any purpose without the written consent of the OWNER of the ZERO LOT. The OWNER of the ADJACENT LOT shall not do anything which causes damage to the ZERO UNIT on the ZERO LOT, and if the OWNER of the ADJACENT LOT does anything which causes such damage, including but not limited to the discoloration of the paint on the ZERO WALL due to the irrigation of the landscaping on the ADJACENT LOT, then the OWNER of the ADJACENT LOT will be liable for such damage to the OWNER of the ZERO LOT.

8.3 Encroachments and Overhangs. There is hereby reserved an easement for encroachments and overhangs for the original construction of the ZERO UNIT, and in particular any ZERO WALL, constructed upon the ZERO LOT, into the ADJACENT LOT. Nothing herein shall be deemed to grant any OWNER the right to modify the original construction of the ZERO UNIT upon the ZERO LOT to encroach further into the ADJACENT LOT.

## 9. ASSESSMENT FOR COMMON EXPENSES.

9.1 Each OWNER of a UNIT shall be responsible for the payment to the ASSOCIATION of ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES for each UNIT owned by the OWNER, which amount shall be assessed to the OWNER as described below. In addition, each OWNER shall be responsible for the payment to the ASSOCIATION of any ASSESSMENTS owed by the prior OWNER, except for any ASSESSMENTS owed by DECLARANT, and except as otherwise provided in this DECLARATION.

9.2 Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year of the ASSOCIATION, the BOARD shall adopt a budget for such fiscal year which shall estimate all of the COMMON EXPENSES to be incurred by the ASSOCIATION during the fiscal year. The BOARD shall then establish the ASSESSMENT for COMMON EXPENSES for each UNIT, which shall be equal and shall be determined by dividing the total amount to be assessed for COMMON EXPENSES by the number of UNITS for which ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES are to be made pursuant to the budget. The ASSOCIATION shall then notify each OWNER in writing of the amount, frequency, and due dates of the ASSESSMENT for COMMON EXPENSES. From time to time during the fiscal year, the BOARD may modify the budget, and pursuant to the revised budget or otherwise, the BOARD may, upon written notice to the OWNERS, change the amount, frequency and/or due dates of the ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES. If the expenditure of funds for COMMON EXPENSES is required in addition to funds produced by regular ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES, the BOARD may make special ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES, which may include ASSESSMENTS to provide funds to pay for an existing or proposed deficit of the ASSOCIATION, or for any additions, alterations, or improvements to any COMMON AREA, or for any other purpose. Special ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES shall be levied in the same manner as hereinbefore provided for regular ASSESSMENTS, and shall be payable in one lump sum or as otherwise determined by the BOARD in its sole discretion and as stated in the notice of any special ASSESSMENT for COMMON EXPENSES. In the event any ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES are made payable in equal periodic payments, as provided in the notice from the ASSOCIATION, such periodic payments shall automatically continue to be due and payable in the same amount and frequency unless and until (i) the notice specifically provides that the periodic payments will terminate or change upon the occurrence of a specified event or date or the payment of the specified amount, or (ii) the ASSOCIATION notifies the OWNER in writing of a change in the amount and/or frequency of the periodic payments. In no event shall any ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES be due less than ten (10) days from the date of the notification of such ASSESSMENTS.

9.3 ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES shall not be payable with respect to any LOT not containing a UNIT unless required by law, and in the event the OWNER of any LOT not containing a UNIT is required by law to pay ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES same shall be 10% of the ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES for a LOT containing a UNIT, and except for the foregoing, the ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES against each LOT shall be equal. The full ASSESSMENT for COMMON EXPENSES as to each LOT upon which a UNIT is constructed shall commence after a certificate of occupancy for the UNIT is issued, and upon the conveyance of the LOT by DECLARANT or by the builder of the UNIT on the LOT, or upon the first occupancy of the UNIT as a residence, whichever occurs first.

9.4 In addition to ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES, after a certificate of occupancy for a UNIT constructed upon a LOT is issued by the controlling governmental authority, upon the first to occur of the next conveyance of the LOT or the first occupancy of the UNIT, the OWNER of the LOT shall pay to the ASSOCIATION a contribution to a working capital fund of the ASSOCIATION in an

amount equal to two (2) months' ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES, which shall be in addition to the OWNER's responsibility for ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES. The working capital fund shall be used by the ASSOCIATION for start-up expenses or otherwise as the ASSOCIATION shall determine from time to time and need not be restricted or accumulated.

9.5 Notwithstanding the foregoing, until such time as DECLARANT no longer appoints a majority of the directors of the ASSOCIATION, or until DECLARANT notifies the ASSOCIATION in writing that DECLARANT elects to pay ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES as in the case of any other OWNER, DECLARANT shall not be liable for ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES for any LOTS owned by DECLARANT, but in lieu thereof, DECLARANT shall be responsible for all COMMON EXPENSES actually incurred by the ASSOCIATION in excess of the ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES and any other income receivable by the ASSOCIATION, including working capital fund contributions. During such period when DECLARANT is not liable for ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES for LOTS owned by DECLARANT, the ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES shall be established by DECLARANT based upon DECLARANT's estimate of what the expenses of the ASSOCIATION would be if all UNITS and IMPROVEMENTS contemplated within the SUBJECT PROPERTY were completed, so that ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES during such period will be approximately what said ASSESSMENTS would be if the development of the SUBJECT PROPERTY as contemplated by DECLARANT was complete. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event the ASSOCIATION incurs any expense not ordinarily anticipated in the day-to-day management and operation of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, including but not limited to expenses incurred in connection with lawsuits against the ASSOCIATION, or incurred in connection with damage to property, or injury or death to any person, which are not covered by insurance proceeds, the liability of DECLARANT for such COMMON EXPENSES shall not exceed the amount that DECLARANT would be required to pay if it was liable for ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES as any other OWNER, and any excess amounts payable by the ASSOCIATION shall be assessed to the other OWNERS.

9.6 Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, during the period when DECLARANT is not liable for ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES the ASSOCIATION will not be required to fund any reserve or other accounts shown in the ASSOCIATION's budget, and may use funds otherwise allocated for such reserve or other accounts to pay for the COMMON EXPENSES incurred by the ASSOCIATION. Thereafter the ASSOCIATION will only be required to fund that portion of any reserve account or other account which is reflected in the budget which is attributable to UNITS owned by UNIT OWNERS other than DECLARANT.

9.7 Exclusion for Expenses Relating to Completed UNITS. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, in the event the ASSOCIATION incurs any expense which by its nature is applicable only to a completed UNIT, such expense shall only be assessed to and payable by the OWNERS of completed UNITS, and shall not be included within any ASSESSMENTS payable by any OWNER of a LOT not containing a completed UNIT. Such expenses include, for example, expenses for cable television, or expenses relating to the maintenance of landscaping upon any LOT, which may be incurred pursuant to this DECLARATION.

## 10. DEFAULT.

### 10.1 Monetary Defaults and Collection of Assessments.

10.1.1 Late Fees and Interest. If any ASSESSMENT is not paid within ten (10) days after the due date, or if any check for any ASSESSMENT is dishonored, the ASSOCIATION shall have the right to charge the applicable OWNER a late or bad check fee of ten (10%) percent of the amount of the ASSESSMENT, or Twenty-Five (\$25.00) Dollars, whichever is greater, plus interest at the then highest rate of interest allowable by law from the due date until paid. If there is no due date applicable to any particular ASSESSMENT, then the ASSESSMENT shall be due ten (10) days after written demand by the ASSOCIATION.

10.1.2 Acceleration of ASSESSMENTS. If any OWNER is in default in the payment of any ASSESSMENT owed to the ASSOCIATION for more than 30 days after written demand by the ASSOCIATION, the ASSOCIATION upon written notice to the defaulting OWNER shall have the right to accelerate and require such defaulting OWNER to pay to the ASSOCIATION ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES for the next twelve (12) month period, based upon the then existing amount and frequency of ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES, plus interest at the highest rate permitted by law from the date of such notice until the accelerated ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES are

paid. In the event of such acceleration, the defaulting OWNER shall continue to be liable for any increases in the regular ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES, for all special ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES, and/or for all other ASSESSMENTS payable to the ASSOCIATION.

**10.1.3 Lien for ASSESSMENTS.** The ASSOCIATION has a lien on each LOT for unpaid ASSESSMENTS owed to the ASSOCIATION by the OWNER of such LOT, and for late fees and interest, and for reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by the ASSOCIATION incident to the collection of the ASSESSMENT or enforcement of the lien, and all sums advanced and paid by the ASSOCIATION for taxes and payment on account of superior mortgages, liens or encumbrances in order to preserve and protect the ASSOCIATION's lien. The lien is effective from and after recording a claim of lien in the public records in the county in which the LOT is located, stating the description of the LOT, the name of the record OWNER, and the amount due as of the recording of the claim of lien. A recorded claim of lien shall secure all sums set forth in the claim of lien, together with all ASSESSMENTS or other moneys owed to the ASSOCIATION by the OWNER until the lien is satisfied. The lien is in effect until all sums secured by it have been fully paid or until the lien is barred by law. The claim of lien must be signed and acknowledged by an officer or agent of the ASSOCIATION. Upon payment in full of all sums secured by the lien, the person making the payment is entitled to a satisfaction of the lien in recordable form.

**10.1.4 Collection and Foreclosure.** The ASSOCIATION may bring an action in its name to foreclose a lien for ASSESSMENTS in the manner a mortgage of real property is foreclosed and may also bring an action to recover a money judgment for the unpaid ASSESSMENTS without waiving any claim of lien, and the applicable OWNER shall be liable to the ASSOCIATION for all costs and expenses incurred by the ASSOCIATION in connection with the collection of any unpaid ASSESSMENTS, and the filing, enforcement, and/or foreclosure of the ASSOCIATION'S lien, including reasonable attorneys' fees whether or not incurred in legal proceedings, and all sums paid by the ASSOCIATION for taxes and on account of any other mortgage, lien, or encumbrance in order to preserve and protect the ASSOCIATION'S lien. The BOARD is authorized to settle and compromise the ASSOCIATION'S lien if the BOARD deems a settlement or compromise to be in the best interest of the ASSOCIATION.

**10.1.5 Rental and Receiver.** If an OWNER remains in possession of his UNIT and the claim of lien of the ASSOCIATION against his LOT is foreclosed, the court, in its discretion, may require the OWNER to pay a reasonable rental for the UNIT, and the ASSOCIATION is entitled to the appointment of a receiver to collect the rent.

**10.1.6 Subordination of Lien.** Where any person obtains title to a LOT pursuant to the foreclosure of a first mortgage of record, or where the holder of a first mortgage accepts a deed to a LOT in lieu of foreclosure of the first mortgage of record of such lender, such acquirer of title, its successors and assigns, shall not be liable for any ASSESSMENTS or for other moneys owed to the ASSOCIATION which are chargeable to the former OWNER of the LOT and which became due prior to acquisition of title as a result of the foreclosure or deed in lieu thereof, unless the payment of such funds is secured by a claim of lien recorded prior to the recording of the foreclosed or underlying mortgage. The unpaid ASSESSMENTS or other moneys are COMMON EXPENSES collectable from all of the OWNERS, including such acquirer and his successors and assigns. The new OWNER, from and after the time of acquiring such title, shall be liable for payment of all future ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES and such other expenses as may be assessed to the OWNER's LOT. Any person who acquires a LOT, except through foreclosure of a first mortgage of record or deed in lieu thereof, including, without limitation, persons acquiring title by sale, gift, devise, operation of law or by purchase at a judicial or tax sale, shall be liable for all unpaid ASSESSMENTS and other moneys due and owing by the former OWNER to the ASSOCIATION, and shall not be entitled to occupancy of the UNIT or enjoyment of the COMMON AREAS, or of the recreational facilities as same may exist from time to time, until such time as all unpaid ASSESSMENTS and other moneys have been paid in full.

**10.1.7 Assignment of Claim and Lien Rights.** The ASSOCIATION, acting through its BOARD, shall have the right to assign its claim and lien rights for the recovery of any unpaid ASSESSMENTS and any other moneys owed to the ASSOCIATION, to any third party.

**10.1.8 Unpaid ASSESSMENTS Certificate.** Within 15 days after written request by any OWNER or any INSTITUTIONAL LENDER holding or making a mortgage encumbering any LOT, the ASSOCIATION shall provide the OWNER or INSTITUTIONAL LENDER a written certificate as to whether or not the OWNER of the LOT is in default with respect to the payment of ASSESSMENTS or with respect to compliance with the terms and provisions of this DECLARATION, and any person or entity

who relies on such certificate in purchasing or in making a mortgage loan encumbering any LOT shall be protected thereby.

10.1.9 Application of Payments. Any payments made to the ASSOCIATION by any OWNER shall first be applied towards any sums advanced and paid by the ASSOCIATION for taxes and payment on account of superior mortgages, liens or encumbrances which may have been advanced by the ASSOCIATION in order to preserve and protect its lien, next toward reasonable attorneys' fees incurred by the ASSOCIATION incidental to the collection of assessments and other moneys owed to the ASSOCIATION by the OWNER and/or for the enforcement of its lien; next towards interest on any ASSESSMENTS or other moneys due to the ASSOCIATION, as provided herein, and next towards any unpaid ASSESSMENTS owed to the ASSOCIATION, in the inverse order that such ASSESSMENTS were due.

10.1.10 Exception for DECLARANT. Notwithstanding the foregoing, DECLARANT shall not be liable for any interest or late fees for any ASSESSMENTS or other funds owed to the ASSOCIATION, and the ASSOCIATION shall not have a lien against any LOT for any ASSESSMENTS or other monies owed to the ASSOCIATION by DECLARANT.

10.1.11 Suspension of Voting Rights. The ASSOCIATION may suspend the voting rights of any OWNER for the nonpayment of regular ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES that are delinquent for more than 90 days.

10.2 Non-Monetary Defaults. In the event of a violation by any OWNER or any tenant of an OWNER, or any person residing with them, or their guests or invitees, (other than the non-payment of any ASSESSMENT or other moneys) of any of the provisions of this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES, the BYLAWS or the Rules and Regulations of the ASSOCIATION, the ASSOCIATION shall notify the OWNER and any tenant of the OWNER of the violation, by written notice. If such violation is not cured as soon as practicable and in any event within seven (7) days after such written notice, or if the violation is not capable of being cured within such seven (7) day period, if the OWNER or tenant fails to commence and diligently proceed to completely cure such violation as soon as practicable within seven (7) days after written notice by the ASSOCIATION, or if any similar violation is thereafter repeated, the ASSOCIATION may, at its option:

10.2.1 Fine the OWNER or tenant as provided below and/or suspend, for a reasonable period of time, the rights of an OWNER or an OWNER'S tenants, guests, or invitees, or both, to use the COMMON AREAS (but such suspension shall not impair the right of an OWNER or tenant to have vehicular and pedestrian access to and from the OWNER'S LOT, including, but not limited to, the right to park); and/or

10.2.2 Commence an action to enforce the performance on the part of the OWNER or tenant, or for such equitable relief as may be necessary under the circumstances, including injunctive relief; and/or

10.2.3 Commence an action to recover damages; and/or

10.2.4 Take any and all actions reasonably necessary to correct such failure, which action may include, where applicable, but is not limited to, removing any addition, alteration, improvement or change which has not been approved by the ASSOCIATION, or performing any maintenance required to be performed by this DECLARATION.

All expenses incurred by the ASSOCIATION in connection with the correction of any failure, plus a service charge of ten (10%) percent of such expenses, and all expenses incurred by the ASSOCIATION in connection with any legal proceedings to enforce this DECLARATION, including reasonable attorneys' fees whether or not incurred in legal proceedings, shall be assessed against the applicable OWNER, and shall be due upon written demand by the ASSOCIATION. The ASSOCIATION shall have a lien for any such ASSESSMENT and any interest, costs or expenses associated therewith, including attorneys' fees incurred in connection with such ASSESSMENT, and may take such action to collect such ASSESSMENT or foreclose said lien as in the case and in the manner of any other ASSESSMENT as provided above. Any such lien shall only be effective from and after the recording of a claim of lien in the public records of the County in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located.



### 10.3 Fines and Suspensions.

10.3.1 The amount of any fine shall not exceed \$50.00 per violation, or such other amount as is permitted by law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any violation of this DECLARATION or the Rules and Regulations is of a continuing nature, and if the OWNER or tenant fails to cure any continuing violation within 30 days after written notice of such violation, or if such violation is not capable of being cured within such 30 day period, if the OWNER or tenant fails to commence action reasonably necessary to cure the violation within such 30 day period or shall thereafter fail to diligently proceed to cure the violation as soon as is reasonably practical, in addition to the initial fine a daily fine may be imposed until the violation is cured in an amount not to exceed \$10.00 per day, to the extent permitted by law.

10.3.2 Prior to imposing any suspension or fine, the OWNER or tenant shall be given written notice of the fact that the ASSOCIATION is considering the imposition of the suspension or fine, including (i) a statement of the provisions of the DECLARATION, BYLAWS or Rules and Regulations which have allegedly been violated, (ii) the proposed length of the suspension or amount of the fine, and (iii) the right of the OWNER or tenant to request a hearing by written request to the ASSOCIATION within 14 days after the ASSOCIATION's notice. If the OWNER or tenant desires a hearing, they must so notify the ASSOCIATION in writing within 14 days after the ASSOCIATION's notice, and in that event a hearing shall be held in accordance with applicable law upon not less than 14 days written notice to the OWNER or tenant. At the hearing, the OWNER or tenant shall have an opportunity to respond, to present evidence, and to provide written and oral argument on all issues involved, and the suspension or fine previously imposed may be approved, disapproved or modified. If the OWNER or tenant fails to timely request a hearing, or fails to attend the hearing, the proposed fine or suspension set forth in the ASSOCIATION's notice shall be deemed imposed.

10.3.3 Any fine imposed shall be due and payable within ten (10) days after written notice of the imposition of the fine, or if a hearing is timely requested within ten (10) days after the decision at the hearing. Any fine levied against an OWNER shall be deemed an ASSESSMENT, and if not paid when due all of the provisions of this DECLARATION relating to the late payment of ASSESSMENTS shall be applicable. In any event, the ASSOCIATION shall not have the right to impose any suspension or fine against DECLARANT or any builder of new homes within the SUBJECT PROPERTY.

10.3.4 The BOARD may, and to the extent required by law shall, delegate the right to impose suspension or fines, set the amount thereof, and/or conduct hearings pursuant to this paragraph, to a Committee of the ASSOCIATION.

10.4 Negligence. An OWNER shall be liable and may be assessed by the ASSOCIATION for the expense of any maintenance, repair or replacement rendered necessary by his act, neglect or carelessness, to the extent otherwise provided by law and to the extent that such expense is not met by the proceeds of insurance carried by the ASSOCIATION. Such liability shall include any increase in fire insurance rates occasioned by use, misuse, occupancy or abandonment of a LOT or UNIT, or the COMMON AREAS.

10.5 Responsibility of an OWNER for Occupants, Tenants, Guests, and Invitees. To the extent otherwise provided by law, each OWNER shall be responsible for the acts and omissions, whether negligent or willful, of any person residing in his UNIT, and for all guests and invitees of the OWNER or any such resident, and in the event the acts or omissions of any of the foregoing shall result in any damage to the COMMON AREAS, or any liability to the ASSOCIATION, the OWNER shall be assessed for same as in the case of any other ASSESSMENT, limited where applicable to the extent that the expense or liability is not met by the proceeds of insurance carried by the ASSOCIATION. Furthermore, any violation of any of the provisions of this DECLARATION, of the ARTICLES, or the BYLAWS, by any resident of any UNIT, or any guest or invitee of an OWNER or any resident of a UNIT, shall also be deemed a violation by the OWNER, and shall subject the OWNER to the same liability as if such violation was that of the OWNER.

10.6 Right of ASSOCIATION to Evict Tenants, Occupants, Guests and Invitees. With respect to any tenant or any person present in any UNIT or any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, other than an OWNER and the members of his immediate family permanently residing with him in the UNIT, if such person shall materially violate any provision of this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES, or the BYLAWS, or shall create a nuisance or an unreasonable and continuous source of annoyance to the residents of the

SUBJECT PROPERTY, or shall willfully damage or destroy any COMMON AREAS or personal property of the ASSOCIATION, then upon written notice by the ASSOCIATION such person shall be required to immediately leave the SUBJECT PROPERTY and if such person does not do so, the ASSOCIATION is authorized to commence an action to evict such tenant or compel the person to leave the SUBJECT PROPERTY and, where necessary, to enjoin such person from returning. The expense of any such action, including attorneys' fees, may be assessed against the applicable OWNER, and the ASSOCIATION may collect such ASSESSMENT and have a lien for same as elsewhere provided. The foregoing shall be in addition to any other remedy of the ASSOCIATION.

10.7 No Waiver. The failure of the ASSOCIATION to enforce any right, provision, covenant or condition which may be granted by this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES, or the BYLAWS, shall not constitute a waiver of the right of the ASSOCIATION to enforce such right, provision, covenant or condition in the future.

10.8 Rights Cumulative. All rights, remedies and privileges granted to the ASSOCIATION pursuant to any terms, provisions, covenants or conditions of this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES or the BYLAWS, shall be deemed to be cumulative, and the exercise of any one or more shall neither be deemed to constitute an election of remedies, nor shall it preclude the ASSOCIATION from executing any additional remedies, rights or privileges as may be granted or as it might have by law.

10.9 Enforcement By or Against other Persons. In addition to the foregoing, this DECLARATION may be enforced by DECLARANT (so long as DECLARANT is an OWNER), or the ASSOCIATION, by any procedure at law or in equity against any person violating or attempting to violate any provision herein, to restrain such violation, to require compliance with the provisions contained herein, to recover damages, or to enforce any lien created herein. The expense of any litigation to enforce this DECLARATION, including attorneys' fees, shall be borne by the person against whom enforcement is sought, provided such proceeding results in a finding that such person was in violation of this DECLARATION. In addition to the foregoing, any OWNER shall have the right to bring an action to enforce this DECLARATION against any person violating or attempting to violate any provision herein, to restrain such violation or to require compliance with the provisions contained herein, but no OWNER shall be entitled to recover damages or to enforce any lien created herein as a result of a violation or failure to comply with the provisions contained herein by any person, and the prevailing party in any such action shall be entitled to recover its reasonable attorneys' fees.

11. TERM OF DECLARATION. All of the foregoing covenants, conditions, reservations and restrictions shall run with the land and continue and remain in full force and effect at all times as against all OWNERS, their successors, heirs or assigns, regardless of how the OWNERS acquire title, for a period of fifty (50) years from the date of this DECLARATION, unless within such time, one hundred (100%) percent of the OWNERS execute a written instrument declaring a termination of this DECLARATION (as it may have been amended from time to time). After such fifty (50) year period, unless sooner terminated as provided above, these covenants, conditions, reservations and restrictions shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years each, until a majority of the votes of the entire membership of the ASSOCIATION execute a written instrument declaring a termination of this DECLARATION (as it may have been amended from time to time). Any termination of this DECLARATION shall be effective on the date the instrument of termination is recorded in the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located, provided, however, that any such instrument, in order to be effective, must be approved in writing and signed by the DECLARANT so long as the DECLARANT owns any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY or any property that may be added to the SUBJECT PROPERTY

## 12. AMENDMENT.

12.1 This DECLARATION may be amended upon the approval of not less than 2/3 of the OWNERS, except that if any provision of this DECLARATION requires more than a 2/3 vote of the OWNERS to approve any action, such provision may not be amended to require a lesser vote, and may not be deleted, without the same number of votes required to approve such action. In addition, so long as DECLARANT owns any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, or any property that may be added to the SUBJECT PROPERTY, this DECLARATION may be amended from time to time, by DECLARANT and without the consent of the ASSOCIATION or any OWNER, and no amendment may be made by the OWNERS without the written joinder of DECLARANT. Such right of DECLARANT to amend this DECLARATION shall specifically include, but shall not be limited to, (i) amendments adding any property which will be developed in a similar manner as the SUBJECT PROPERTY, or deleting any property from the SUBJECT PROPERTY which will be developed differently than the SUBJECT PROPERTY (provided



that any such amendment shall require the joinder of the owners of such property or any portion thereof if the owners are different than DECLARANT, and further provided that DECLARANT shall not have the obligation to add any property to or delete any property from the SUBJECT PROPERTY), and (ii) amendments required by any INSTITUTIONAL LENDER or governmental authority in order to comply with the requirements of same. In order to be effective, any amendment to this DECLARATION must first be recorded in the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located, and in the case of an amendment made by the OWNERS, such amendment shall contain a certification by the President and Secretary of the ASSOCIATION that the amendment was duly adopted.

12.2 No amendment shall discriminate against any OWNER or class or group of OWNERS, unless the OWNERS so affected join in the execution of the amendment. No amendment shall change the number of votes of any OWNER or increase any OWNER's proportionate share of the COMMON EXPENSES, unless the OWNERS affected by such amendment join in the execution of the amendment. No amendment may prejudice or impair the priorities of INSTITUTIONAL LENDERS granted hereunder unless all INSTITUTIONAL LENDERS join in the execution of the amendment. No amendment shall make any changes which would in any way affect any of the rights, privileges, powers or options herein provided in favor of, or reserved to, DECLARANT, unless DECLARANT joins in the execution of the amendment.

12.3 Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, any amendment to this DECLARATION which would adversely affect the surface water management system, including the water management portions of the COMMON AREAS, must have the prior approval of the South Florida Water Management District.

### 13. SPECIAL PROVISIONS REGARDING INSTITUTIONAL LENDERS.

13.1 Notice of Action. Upon written request to the ASSOCIATION by an INSTITUTIONAL LENDER holding, insuring or guaranteeing a first mortgage encumbering any LOT, identifying the name and address of the holder, insurer or guarantor and the LOT number or address, any such holder, insurer or guarantor will be entitled to timely written notice of:

13.1.1 Any condemnation or casualty loss which affects a material portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY or the LOT;

13.1.2 Any 60-day default in the payment of ASSESSMENTS or charges owed to the ASSOCIATION or in the performance of any obligation hereunder by the OWNER of the LOT;

13.1.3 Any lapse, cancellation or material modification of any insurance policy or fidelity bond maintained by the ASSOCIATION;

13.1.4 Any proposed action which would require the consent of a specified percentage of INSTITUTIONAL LENDERS.

13.2 Consent of INSTITUTIONAL LENDERS. Whenever the consent or approval of any, all or a specified percentage or portion of the holder(s) of any mortgage(s) encumbering any LOTS is required by this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES, the BYLAWS, or any applicable statute or law, to any amendment of the DECLARATION, the ARTICLES, or the BYLAWS, or to any action of the ASSOCIATION, or to any other matter relating to the SUBJECT PROPERTY, the ASSOCIATION may request such consent or approval of such holder(s) by written request sent certified mail, return receipt requested (or equivalent delivery evidencing such request was delivered to and received by such holders). Any holder receiving such request shall be required to consent to or disapprove the matter for which the consent or approval is requested, in writing, by certified mail, return receipt requested (or equivalent delivery evidencing such request was delivered to and received by the ASSOCIATION), which response must be received by the ASSOCIATION within 30 days after the holder receives such request, and if such response is not timely received by the ASSOCIATION, the holder shall be deemed to have consented to and approved the matter for which such approval or consent was requested. Such consent or approval given or deemed to have been given, where required, may be evidenced by an affidavit signed by all of the directors of the ASSOCIATION, which affidavit, where necessary may be recorded in the public records of the county where the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located, and which affidavit shall be conclusive evidence that the applicable consent or approval was given as to the matters therein contained. The foregoing shall not apply where an INSTITUTIONAL LENDER is otherwise required to specifically join in an amendment to this DECLARATION.

**13.3 Payment of Taxes and Insurance.** Any INSTITUTIONAL LENDER may pay any taxes or assessments owed to any governmental authority by the ASSOCIATION which are in default, or any overdue insurance premiums required to be purchased by the ASSOCIATION pursuant to this DECLARATION, or may secure new insurance upon the lapse of a policy, and shall be owed immediate reimbursement therefor from the ASSOCIATION plus interest at the highest rate permitted by law and any costs of collection, including attorneys' fees.

**14. SPECIAL PROVISIONS REGARDING CABLE TELEVISION AND OTHER SERVICES.** DECLARANT, so long as DECLARANT is entitled to appoint any director of the ASSOCIATION, reserves and shall have the right to enter into an agreement with one or more companies (a "Service Provider") to install, maintain, and provide cable television, home monitoring, internet, telephone, electricity, and/or other utility, communication, entertainment, or other similar services to the UNITS within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, on such terms and conditions as DECLARANT may reasonably desire, provided however that the charges for services provided by any such Service Provider shall not be unreasonable compared to charges of other companies providing similar services in the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located. Any such agreement may grant the Service Provider appropriate easements and/or the right to use portions of the COMMON AREAS or and PARCEL AREAS, as may be necessary or convenient in connection with the providing of such services. Any Service Provider may be a subsidiary or affiliate of DECLARANT or a company having the same or similar ownership and/or control as DECLARANT. Any such agreement may require each UNIT OWNER to subscribe for, at a minimum, basic services offered by the Service Provider, which may include but is not limited to basic cable television, home monitoring, and high speed internet service, and to pay such services as a COMMON EXPENSE or as a PARCEL EXPENSE, either directly to the Service Provider, or to the PARCEL ASSOCIATION of which the UNIT OWNER is a member, or to the ASSOCIATION, as may be provided in the agreement. Any agreement may also give the UNIT OWNERS the option to subscribe to additional services in addition to the basic services for an additional fee to be determined by the Service Provider providing such services from time to time.

**ALL UNIT PURCHASERS ARE HEREBY PLACED ON NOTICE THAT THEIR ASSESSMENTS MAY INCLUDE BASIC CABLE, HOME MONITORING, AND INTERNET SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE DECLARANT OR A COMPANY RELATED TO DECLARANT.**

**15. SPECIAL PROVISIONS REGARDING CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY.** Notwithstanding anything contained herein or in the ARTICLES or BYLAWS to the contrary, although the PROPERTY described in Exhibit "F" attached hereto (the "CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY"), is a part of the SUBJECT PROPERTY and is subject to this DECLARATION, the following shall apply to the extent as set forth herein:

**15.1** The sole purpose of including the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY within and as part of the SUBJECT PROPERTY is to provide unified control of the entire SUBJECT PROPERTY.

**15.2** The OWNERS of the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY shall not be members of the ASSOCIATION and shall not have voting or approval rights under this DECLARATION or in the ASSOCIATION pursuant to the ARTICLES or BYLAWS.

**15.3** The OWNERS and residents of the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY, and their guests and invitees, shall not have the right to use the COMMON AREAS, and the ASSOCIATION shall not have any obligations with respect to the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY, except insofar as such rights and obligations exist pursuant to that certain Easement and Maintenance Agreement, recorded in Official Records Book 12976, Page 1041, of the Public Records of Palm Beach County, Florida, as same may be amended from time to time (the "EASEMENT AGREEMENT") or as set forth herein. The terms and provisions of the EASEMENT AGREEMENT are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects, except, however, and notwithstanding anything contained in the EASEMENT AGREEMENT to the contrary, the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY is subject to this DECLARATION.

**15.4** The sole and exclusive obligation of the OWNERS of the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY under paragraphs 10 and 11 of this DECLARATION is to pay ASSESSMENTS to the ASSOCIATION in the amounts set forth and in the manner provided in the EASEMENT AGREEMENT. The sole remedies of the ASSOCIATION in the event of a default by the OWNERS of the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY are expressly set forth in the EASEMENT AGREEMENT.

**15.5** The provisions of paragraphs 6, 7, 8, 9, 11.2-11.6, and 15 of the DECLARATION shall not apply to the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY.

15.6 Any portion of the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY dedicated on any plat to the ASSOCIATION or required to be maintained by the ASSOCIATION by any legal instrument or by the Village of ROYAL PALM BEACH shall be maintained by the OWNERS of the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY or any association created pursuant to the EASEMENT AGREEMENT or otherwise to perform such maintenance. The ASSOCIATION shall have the duty and obligation to ensure that all required maintenance within the SUBJECT PROPERTY is performed either under the terms of the EASEMENT AGREEMENT or this DECLARATION, as same may be amended.

15.7 Conflict With DECLARATION. In the event of any conflict between the EASEMENT AGREEMENT and this DECLARATION as to the rights and obligations of the OWNERS of the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY and/or the ASSOCIATION with respect to ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES and/or a default in the payment of such ASSESSMENTS, the EASEMENT AGREEMENT shall control; otherwise, this DECLARATION shall control.

## 16. MISCELLANEOUS.

16.1 Conflict With ARTICLES or BYLAWS. In the event of any conflict between the ARTICLES and the BYLAWS and this DECLARATION, this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES, and the BYLAWS, in that order, shall control.

16.2 Authority of ASSOCIATION and Delegation. Nothing contained in this DECLARATION shall be deemed to prohibit the BOARD from delegating to any one of its members, or to any officer, or to any committee or any other person, any power or right granted to the BOARD by this DECLARATION including, but not limited to, the right to exercise architectural control and to approve any deviation from any use restriction, and the BOARD is expressly authorized to so delegate any power or right granted by this DECLARATION.

16.3 Severability. The invalidation in whole or in part of any of these covenants, conditions, reservations and restrictions, or any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, word or other provision of this DECLARATION shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions which shall remain in full force and effect.

16.4 Validity. In the event any court shall hereafter determine that any provisions as originally drafted herein violate the rule against perpetuities, the period specified in this DECLARATION shall not thereby become invalid, but instead shall be reduced to the maximum period allowed under such rules of law.

16.5 Assignment of DECLARANT's Rights. Any or all of the rights, privileges, or options provided to or reserved by DECLARANT in this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES, or the BYLAWS, may be assigned by DECLARANT, in whole or in part, as to all or any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY, to any person or entity pursuant to an assignment recorded in the public records of the county in which the SUBJECT PROPERTY is located. Any partial assignee of any of the rights of DECLARANT shall not be deemed the DECLARANT, and shall have no other rights, privileges or options other than as are specifically assigned. No assignee of DECLARANT shall have any liability for any acts of DECLARANT or any prior DECLARANT unless such assignee is assigned and agrees to assume such liability.

16.6 Performance of ASSOCIATION's Duties by DECLARANT. DECLARANT shall have the right from time to time, at its sole discretion, to perform at DECLARANT's expense the duties and obligations required hereunder to be performed by the ASSOCIATION, and in connection therewith to reduce the budget of the ASSOCIATION and the ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES payable by the OWNER, provided however that any such performance on the part of DECLARANT may be discontinued by DECLARANT at any time, and any such performance shall not be deemed to constitute a continuing obligation on the part of DECLARANT.

16.7 Actions Against DECLARANT. The ASSOCIATION shall not institute any legal proceedings against DECLARANT, or any principal of DECLARANT, or any other person or entity related to or affiliated with DECLARANT or any principal of DECLARANT, or spend or commit to spend any ASSOCIATION funds in connection with such legal proceedings, or make a special ASSESSMENT for funds to pay for costs or attorneys' fees in connection with any such legal proceedings, without the consent of 75% of the votes of all of the OWNERS obtained at a special meeting of the OWNERS called expressly for the purpose of approving such action, and without the consent of INSTITUTIONAL LENDERS holding a majority of the mortgages that encumber the LOTS.

16.8 FHA/VA Approval. If any mortgage encumbering any LOT is guaranteed or insured by the Federal Housing Administration or by the Veterans Administration, then upon written demand to the ASSOCIATION by either such agency, the following action, if made by DECLARANT or if made prior to the completion of 75% of the UNITS which may be built within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, must be approved by either such agency: (i) any annexation of additional property; (ii) any mortgage, transfer or dedication of any COMMON AREA; (iii) any amendment to this DECLARATION, the ARTICLES or the BYLAWS, if such amendment materially and adversely affects the OWNERS or materially and adversely affects the general scheme of development created by this DECLARATION, provided however such approval shall specifically not be required where the amendment is made to add any property specifically identified in this DECLARATION, or to correct errors or omissions, or is required to comply with the requirements of any INSTITUTIONAL LENDER, or is required by any governmental authority; or (iv) any merger, consolidation or dissolution of the ASSOCIATION. Such approval shall be deemed given if either agency fails to deliver written notice of its disapproval of any such action to DECLARANT or to the ASSOCIATION within 20 days after a request for such approval is delivered to the agency by certified mail, return receipt requested, or equivalent delivery, and such approval may be conclusively evidenced by a certificate of DECLARANT or the ASSOCIATION that the approval was given or deemed given.

16.9 Modification of Development Plan and Obligations With Respect to the Property Described. DECLARANT reserves the right at any time and from time to time to modify the development plan for all or any portion of the SUBJECT PROPERTY owned by it, and in connection therewith to develop UNITS which are different from the UNITS presently or hereafter planned from time to time, and in the event DECLARANT changes the type, size or nature of the UNITS or other improvements constructed within the SUBJECT PROPERTY, DECLARANT shall have no liability therefor to any OWNER. In addition, DECLARANT makes no representations or warranties as to the manner in which any other property outside of the SUBJECT PROPERTY will be developed, and shall have no liability to any OWNER as regards the development of any other property in or around the SUBJECT PROPERTY.

16.10 Utility Deposits. It is acknowledged that various utility deposits may be required for utility services for the COMMON AREAS which will be supplied as a COMMON EXPENSE, and in the event DECLARANT pays for such deposits, DECLARANT shall be entitled to reimbursement from the ASSOCIATION when funds are available for such reimbursement, and until DECLARANT is reimbursed for any deposits paid by it, DECLARANT shall be entitled to any refunds of any utility deposits from the appropriate authority holding same, and if any deposit is refunded to the ASSOCIATION, same shall be promptly paid to DECLARANT by the ASSOCIATION upon receipt.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, DECLARANT has executed this DECLARATION this 15 day of MARCH, 2002.

WITNESSES:


TRANSEASTERN PROPERTIES, INC., a Florida corporation

By:

Its:

VICE PRESIDENT

3300 University Drive  
Coral Springs, Florida



Print Name: Linda Thornton



Print Name: Eric A. Simon

STATE OF FLORIDA )

) ss:

COUNTY OF BROWARD )

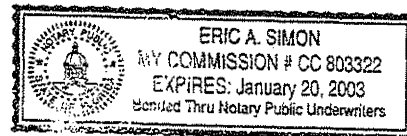
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 15 day of MARCH, 2002, by HEILEISNER as VICE PRESIDENT of TRANSEASTERN PROPERTIES, INC., a Florida corporation on behalf of the corporation. He/She is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.



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State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires:



## JOINDER

The undersigned, being the owner of the property described in Exhibit "E" of the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions of Victoria Grove, to which this Joinder is attached, hereby consents to and joins in the Declaration, and agrees the property described in Exhibit "E" is subject to the Declaration.

WITNESSES:

*Barbara Ferrey*  
 Print Name: Barbara Ferrey

*ANA Y. CASTRO*  
 Print Name: ANA Y. CASTRO

Shoma Homes at Royal Palm Beach, Inc., a  
 Florida corporation

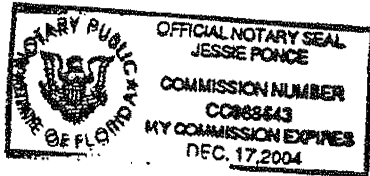
By: *Masoud Shojae*

MASOUD SHOJAE  
 (Type/Print Name and Title)

STATE OF FLORIDA )

COUNTY OF Dade ) ss:

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 7<sup>th</sup> day of March 2002 by Masoud Shojae as President of Shoma Homes at Royal Palm Beach, Inc., a Florida corporation, on behalf of the corporation. He/she is personally known to me or has produced as identification.



*Jesse Ponce*  
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EXHIBIT "A"

All of the Plat of Anthony Groves Phase I, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 93, at Page 40, of the Public Records of Palm Beach County, Florida.



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RECORD AND RETURN TO:  
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→ Eric A. Simon, Esquire  
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TRI COUNTY - WILL CALL

FIRST AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION OF COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS  
OF  
VICTORIA GROVE

Transeastern Properties, Inc., a Florida corporation ("Transeastern Properties"), being the named "DECLARANT" in the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions of Victoria Grove (the "DECLARATION"), recorded in Official Records Book 13513, Page 1537, of the Public Records of Palm Beach County, Florida, and Transeastern Anthony Groves, Inc., a Florida corporation ("Transeastern Anthony"), hereby amend the DECLARATION as follows:

1. It is acknowledged the SUBJECT PROPERTY described in Exhibit "A" of the DECLARATION is owned by Transeastern Anthony and not by Transeastern Properties. Accordingly, the "DECLARANT" pursuant to the DECLARATION is hereby amended to be Transeastern Anthony. By executing this amendment, Transeastern Anthony hereby joins in and consents to the DECLARATION with the same force and effect as if Transeastern Anthony executed the original DECLARATION.

2. Paragraph 5.1.2 of the DECLARATION is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

5.1.2 Landscaping. The ASSOCIATION shall be responsible for the maintenance and care of all landscaping throughout the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and in the unpaved portion of contiguous road right-of-ways. The ASSOCIATION shall plant, remove and/or replace sod, plants, flowers, shrubbery and trees when in the sole discretion of the ASSOCIATION same is appropriate and in the best interest of the SUBJECT PROPERTY. The ASSOCIATION's responsibility shall include mowing, trimming, pruning, edging, fertilizing, weed control, and landscape related insect and disease control, as determined by the ASSOCIATION in its sole discretion. If any landscaping requires replacement for any reason, the nature and extent of such replacement shall be determined in the sole discretion of the ASSOCIATION, and the ASSOCIATION will not be required to install the same kind, size, quality, quantity, or maturity of landscaping as previously existed. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the following shall apply with respect to the landscaping on the LOTS:

5.1.2.1 No OWNER shall have the right to require the ASSOCIATION to perform landscape maintenance, including but not limited to fertilizing, weed control, and landscape



related insect and disease control, at a higher level than determined by the ASSOCIATION in its sole discretion. If any OWNER desires the landscaping on his LOT to be maintained at a higher level than determined by the ASSOCIATION, the OWNER may do so at the OWNER's expense.

5.1.2.2 The ASSOCIATION shall not be responsible for the removal and/or replacement of landscaping on the LOTS. Each OWNER shall be required at the OWNER's expense to remove and replace any landscaping on the OWNER's LOT that dies or becomes diseased or needs to be replaced for any reason. In no event will the ASSOCIATION be liable to the OWNER for the cost of such removal and/or replacement, regardless of whether same is required due to the negligence or failure of the ASSOCIATION for any reason to properly maintain, irrigate or fertilize same, or to properly treat same for disease, fungus or insects. The ASSOCIATION shall have the right in its sole discretion to require any landscaping to be removed and/or replaced by any OWNER, and to approve and/or designate the kind, size, quality, quantity, and maturity of new landscaping to be installed. If any OWNER fails or refuses to remove and/or replace such landscaping as required by the ASSOCIATION for any reason, the ASSOCIATION shall have the right to do and the OWNER shall pay the cost of such removal and replacement.

5.1.2.3 If any OWNER installs landscaping on the OWNER's LOT which is materially more expensive to maintain than the landscaping on the other LOTS, the ASSOCIATION will have the right to assess the OWNER of such LOT for the extra cost of maintaining the special landscaping on such LOT, or in the alternative the ASSOCIATION may require the applicable OWNER to maintain such special landscaping. If the applicable OWNER fails to pay any such extra cost or maintain such landscaping, the ASSOCIATION will have the right to remove the special landscaping and replace same with sod or other plant materials as desired in the sole discretion of the ASSOCIATION, without liability to the OWNER, and the OWNER shall pay the cost of such removal and replacement.

3. Paragraph 5.1.4 of the DECLARATION is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

5.1.4 Subdivision Wells and Water Sprinkler System. The ASSOCIATION shall maintain and repair wells (if any), pipes and water sprinkler systems throughout the SUBJECT PROPERTY, except that if the sprinkler systems serving the LOTS are separate and not common systems, then each OWNER shall maintain the sprinkler system serving his LOT. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any OWNER installs any improvements on the OWNER'S LOT which requires any portion of any common sprinkler system on or contiguous to the OWNER'S LOT to be repaired or reconfigured, the OWNER shall be required to repair and/or reconfigure the sprinkler system in a manner that is approved by the ASSOCIATION and which does not adversely affect the operation of the sprinkler system.

4. A new Paragraph 3.16 is added to the DECLARATION, which shall read as follows:

3.16 Service Providers. It is acknowledged that is customary for the OWNERS to separately contract for various services for their LOTS which are customarily provided by independent providers, such as insect and pest control, pool maintenance, appliance maintenance, and the like. The APPROVING PARTY will have the right to approve one or more service providers for each type of such services, in order to limit the number of different

service providers that will have access into the SUBJECT PROPERTY, and in that event no OWNER may contract for such services for the OWNER's LOT with any service provider other than an approved service provider(s). In the alternative, the ASSOCIATION may enter into a contract with any service provider to provide any type of services to the LOTS as a COMMON EXPENSE, and in that event all of the OWNERS will pay for such services as part of their ASSESSMENTS for COMMON EXPENSES, except that if such services are not applicable to any particular LOTS (for example pool maintenance service is not applicable to a UNIT which does not have a pool) then such COMMON EXPENSES shall only be assessed to the OWNERS of LOTS for which the service applies. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the provisions of this paragraph shall not apply to the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY.

5. In Paragraph 15, the reference to Exhibit "F" is hereby amended to be Exhibit "E". In Paragraph 15.4, the reference to paragraphs 10 and 11 is hereby amended to be paragraphs 9 and 10. Paragraph 15.5 is amended to read as follows:

15.5 The provisions of Paragraphs 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10.2-10.6, and 14 of the DECLARATION shall not apply to the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY

6. A new paragraph 15.8 is added to the DECLARATION which shall read as follows:

15.8 Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, any amendment to this DECLARATION which affects the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY shall required the approval of the OWNERS of the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY, except that if a homeowners or condominium association is formed to operate all or any portion of the CONTIGUOUS PROPERTY, the approval of such association shall be required in lieu of the OWNERS who are members of the association.

This Amendment is made by DECLARANT pursuant to the authority granted the DECLARANT to amend the DECLARATION contained in Paragraph 12.1 of the DECLARATION.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, DECLARANT has executed this Amendment this 17 day of July, 2002.

WITNESSES:

Joe Sluwa Vill Sluwa  
 Print Name: Joe Sluwa  
Christina Gatto  
 Print Name: Christina Gatto

TRANSEASTERN PROPERTIES, INC., a  
 Florida corporation

By: V.C.  
 Its: VICE PRESIDENT  
 3300 University Drive  
 Coral Springs, Florida

STATE OF FLORIDA )

) ss:

COUNTY OF BROWARD )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 17 day of JULY, 2002, by NEIL EISNER, as VICE PRESIDENT of TRANSEASTERN PROPERTIES, INC., a Florida corporation on behalf of the corporation. He/She is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

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COMMISSION # CC831049  
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Jill A. Sluwa  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
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My Commission Expires:

WITNESSES:

Jill Sluwa Jill Sluwa  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Christina Gatto  
Print Name: Christina Gatto

TRANSEASTERN ANTHONY GROVES,  
INC., a Florida corporation

By: [Signature] V.P.  
Its: VICE PRESIDENT  
3300 University Drive  
Coral Springs, Florida

STATE OF FLORIDA )

) ss:

COUNTY OF BROWARD )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 17 day of JULY, 2002, by NEIL EISNER, as VICE PRESIDENT of TRANSEASTERN ANTHONY GROVES, INC., a Florida corporation on behalf of the corporation. He/She is personally known to me or has produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification.

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PALM BEACH COUNTY, STATE OF FLORIDA

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a  
true copy of the record in my office.

This 8 Day of August, 2002

DOROTHY H. WILKEN  
Clerk Circuit Court

BY [Signature] D.C.