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DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND RESERVATION OF EASEMENTS FOR CHARLESTON PLACE OF SUMMIT COUNTY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Declarant, Union Square Investments, Ltd., an Ohio limited liability company, is the owner of a portion of certain real estate in the city of Green, Summit County, Ohio, described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein (hereinafter referred to as "Property"). Further, appended hereto are the consents of owners of certain Lots comprising the balance of the Property and such owners have executed and delivered such Consents for the purpose of subjecting their Lots to this Declaration and all provisons herein and amendments hereto.

Declarant hereby declares that the Property shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to the covenants, conditions, restrictions and reservation of easements herein, which are for the purpose of protecting the value and desirability of and which shall run with the Property submitted hereunder or which may subsequently be added, and shall be binding on all parties having any right, title or interest in the Property, its successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of each owner thereof.

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

- 1.1. Additional Land. "Additional Land" means the property described in Exhibit "B" which may be made subject to this Declaration pursuant to Article XII.
- 1.2. Allocated Interests. "Allocated Interests" means the Common Expense Liability and votes in the Association as set forth in Article III.
- 1.3. Assessments. "Assessments" means those charges upon the Lots established by Article VII of this Declaration.
- **1.4. Association**. "Association" means Charleston Place of Summit County Homeowners Association Inc., an Ohio nonprofit corporation, its successors and assigns. Except as the context otherwise requires "Association" shall mean the Board of Trustees acting on behalf of the Association.
- 1.5. Board. "Board" shall mean the Board of Trustees of the Association.



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- **1.6.** Builder. "Builder" means any person or entity (including the Declarant) who acquires a Lot for the purpose of improving that Lot and erecting a Dwelling Unit thereon for resale to an Owner.
- **1.7.** Common Elements. "Common Elements" shall mean any real estate owned or leased by the Association other than a Lot, including easements in favor of the Association.
- **1.8.** Common Expense Liability. "Common Expense Liability" means the liability for Common Expenses allocated to each Lot pursuant to Article III, of this Declaration.
- **1.9.** Common Expenses. "Common Expenses" means expenditures made by, or financial liabilities of, the Association, together with any allocations to reserves.
- **1.10. Declarant.** "Declarant" means Union Square Investments, Ltd., an Ohio limited liability company, is the Declarant.
- **1.11. Declaration.** "Declaration" means this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Reservation of Easements for Charleston Place of Summit County Homeowners Association Inc., including any amendments hereto.
- **1.12.** Development Rights. "Development Rights" means the rights reserved by the Declarant pursuant to Article XII.
- **1.13. Dwelling Unit**. "Dwelling Unit" means a building situated on the Properties designed and intended for use and occupancy as a single family residence.
- **1.14.** Lot. "Lot" means the physical portion of the Property designated for separate ownership or occupancy, the boundaries of which are described pursuant to Article II, Section 2.1.
- 1.15. Member: "Member" means any person or entity entitled to membership in the Association as provided in Article VI.
- **1.16.** Occupant. "Occupant" means any person in possession of a Lot or Dwelling Unit whether or not such possession is lawful and shall include but not be limited to, an Owner's family members, guests, invitees, tenants and lessees.
- 1.17. Owner. "Owner" means the Declarant or other person or entity who owns a Lot, but does not include a person or entity having an interest in a Lot solely as security for an obligation.
- **1.18.** Property. "Property" or "Properties" means the real estate described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and any other property which may be made subject to the terms of this Declaration, together with any improvements made thereon.
- **1.19.** Record Plan. "Record Plan" means the record plat for Charleston Place of Summit County Subdivision, Reception Number 54718823, Summit County Recorder's Plat Records.



- **1.20.** Special Declarant Rights. "Special Declarant Rights" means the rights reserved by the Declarant in Article XIII.
- **1.21.** Surface Water Management System. "Surface Water Management System" shall mean the system designed for the Property by the Declarant for storm water, soil erosion and sediment control. Such system shall include all existing watercourses, ditches, retention basins and swales located in the Property.

ARTICLE II

LOTS

2.1. Description of Lot Boundaries. The boundaries of the Lots shall be those as set forth on the Record Plan.

ARTICLE III

ALLOCATION OF ALLOCATED INTERESTS

- 3.1. Common Expense Liability. The allocation of Allocated Interests for Common Expense Liability shall be determined in accordance with the allocation of the various assessments as set forth in Article VII, Section 7.8.
- **3.2.** Votes in the Association. The allocation of Allocated Interests for voting purposes shall be one vote per Lot.

ARTICLE IV

COMMON ELEMENTS AND EASEMENTS

- **4.1. Description**. The Common Elements shall be any portion of, or interest in, the Property, other than a Lot, owned by the Association.
- **4.2. Easements.** The Lots and Common Elements shall include certain easements. These easements shall be appurtenant to and pass with the title to the Lots.
- **4.2.1.** Enjoyment. The Property shall be subject to an easement of enjoyment in favor of the Lots and Owners. Such easement shall be limited to the purposes for which the easements are created. Nothing herein shall be construed to provide any right of access to the Lots by any persons who are not Owners thereof.



- **4.2.2. Drainage.** The Property shall be subject to easements in favor of the Lots benefited for Surface Water Management as further defined in Article V. No Owner shall do anything within a Lot or Dwelling Unit which shall unreasonably increase the flow of surface water.
- **4.2.3.** Utilities. The Lots shall be subject to covenants, conditions and easements of record and as shown on the Record Plan.
- 4.2.4. City of Green and Summit County. A non-exclusive easement is granted to the city of Green and Summit County, and to all police, fire and other emergency personnel, ambulance operators, delivery, garbage and trash removal personnel, and to all similar persons, and to the local governmental authorities, but not to the public in general, to enter upon the Common Elements and the Surface Water Management System in the performance of their duties.
- **4.3.** Owner's Delegation Rights. Any Owner may delegate his or her easement rights and rights of enjoyment to the Common Elements to any Occupants, and any guests, invitees, tenants or lessees thereof. Any Owner who has leased his or her Lot shall be deemed to have delegated such rights. Any such delegation, however, shall in be accordance with and subject to reasonable rules, regulations and limitation as may be adopted by the Association in accordance with its Code of Regulations.
- **4.4.** Limitation on Common Elements and Easements. All Common Elements, easements and rights granted herein are subject to:
 - 4.4.1. Restrictions set forth in this Declaration.
- **4.4.2.** Any rules and regulations adopted by the Association and the right to enforce such rules and regulations.
- **4.4.3.** The right of the Association to levy assessments for the Common Expenses and other assessments as set forth herein.
- **4.4.4.** The right of the Declarant and the Association to amend the Record Plat and to grant further rights and easements within, upon, over, under, and across the Common Elements for the benefit of the Owners, the Association or Declarant.
- **4.4.5.** The Common Elements cannot be mortgaged or conveyed without the consent of two-thirds of the Owners, excluding the Declarant. During any Declarant Control Period as set forth in Article XIII, no portion of the Common Elements can be dedicated without the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration, if either such agency is insuring or guaranteeing the mortgage on any Lot.
- **4.4.6.** If access to any residence is through the Common Elements, any conveyance or encumbrance of such area is subject to the Lot Owner's easement.



4.4.7. All rights granted to the Association in this Declaration.

ARTICLE V

SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT

- **5.1.** Surface Water Management System. The Surface Water Management System shall consist of the "Storm Easements" and "Stormwater Management Easement" as shown on the Record Plan. The Association shall maintain and administer the Surface Water Management System in accordance with the guidelines as may be promulgated from time to time by the city of Green or Summit County. The Association shall have primary responsibility for the maintenance of the retention basin(s), including any pipes, concrete gutters or mechanical devices.
- 5.2. Surface Water Management System Easements. Each Lot shall be subject to and shall be benefited by an easement for storm sewers, drainage and surface water management as more particularly shown on the Record Plan. Such easement shall be non-exclusive as to the Owners and shall run to the Association. Such easement, however, shall not run to the public at large.
- **5.3.** Access to Lots. For the purpose solely of performing the maintenance required or authorized herein, the Association, through its duly authorized agents or employees, or subcontractors, shall have the right, after reasonable notice to the Owner, to enter upon the Lot at reasonable hours on any day.
- 5.4. Individual Maintenance. Each Owner shall maintain that portion of the Surface Water Management System which serves only that Owner's Lot. Each Owner shall have primary responsibility for grass-cutting and vegetation control within the easements located on his or her Lot. Such responsibility shall include keeping these easements clean and unobstructed. Maintenance of the Surface Water Management System shall be in accordance with the guidelines and standards set forth by the city of Green or Summit County. If any portion of the Surface Water Management System which serves only one Lot is damaged, the Owner of that portion shall promptly cause it to be repaired.
- 5.5. Restriction on use. No Owner shall use or permit any other persons to use the Surface Water Management System in any manner which would constitute a nuisance, hazard or unsanitary condition or be in violation of any local, state, or federal law ordinance, rule, regulation or statute.
- **5.6.** Sediment and Erosion Control. In the construction of improvements on any lot no activities or any action will be taken by a grantee of a lot to be in violation of the NPDES permit for the allotment or a violation of the erosion and sediment control plans and any other relevant plans. A grantee of a lot or said grantee's employees, agents, successors, or assigns, shall not permit sediment to be discharged on adjoining property, on paved surfaces, or into public storm



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sewer systems. Copies of all applicable plans are on file in the office of Union Square Investments, Ltd., at 821 South Main Street, North Canton, Ohio 44720. The builder agrees to submit an individual lot Notice of Intent (NOI) to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency, General Permit Program, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, Ohio 43266-1049.

ARTICLE VI

OWNERS ASSOCIATION

- **6.1.** Formation. The Declarant has caused or will cause to be chartered in accordance with Chapter 1702 of the Ohio Revised Code, a nonprofit corporation named Charleston Place of Summit County Homeowners Association Inc. The purposes of the Association are to provide for the administrative governance, maintenance and upkeep of the Property and to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the Owners and Occupants of the Property.
- **6.2. Membership.** The membership of the Association shall at all times consist exclusively of Owners of the Lots. All such Owners shall be Members. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from such ownership.
- **6.3.** Powers of the Association. Subject to Special Declarant Rights hereinafter set forth in Article XIII, the Association may:
- **6.3.1.** adopt and amend a Code of Regulations for the government of the Association, the conduct of its affairs and the management of the Property;
- **6.3.2.** adopt rules and regulations for the use and occupation of the Common Elements and to enforce the rules and regulations and the provisions and restrictions of the Declaration as against the Owners and Occupants.
- **6.3.3.** adopt and amend budgets for revenues, expenditures and reserves and levy and collect Assessments from Owners;
- **6.3.4.** hire and discharge managing agents and other employees, agents and independent contractors:
- **6.3.5.** institute, defend or intervene in litigation or administrative proceedings in its own name on behalf of itself or two or more Owners on matters affecting the community;
 - 6.3.6. make contracts and incur liabilities;
- 6.3.7. regulate the use, maintenance, repair, replacement and modification of the Common Elements for which the Association has maintenance responsibility and other rights as set forth herein;
 - **6.3.8.** cause additional improvements to be made as part of the Common Elements;



- **6.3.9.** acquire, hold, encumber and convey in its own name any right, title or interest to real estate or personal property;
- **6.3.10.** grant easements, liens, licenses and concessions through or over the Common Elements;
- **6.3.11.** impose and receive any payments, fees or charges for the use, rental or operation of the Common Elements and for services provided to Owners;
- **6.3.12.** impose charges for late payments of Assessments and after notice and an opportunity to be heard, levy reasonable fines for violations of the Declarations, Code of Regulations, and the rules and regulations of the Association;
- **6.3.13.** impose reasonable charges for the preparation and recordation of amendments to the Declaration or for statements of unpaid Assessments;
- **6.3.14.** provide for indemnification of its officers and board of trustees and maintain directors' and officers' liability insurance;
- **6.3.15.** assign its right to future income, including the right to receive Common Expense Assessments, except that this power shall be limited to the purposes of repair of existing structures or improvements;
- **6.3.16.** exercise any other powers conferred by the Declaration, Code of Regulations or Articles of Incorporation;
- **6.3.17.** exercise all other powers that may be exercised in this state by nonprofit corporations;
- **6.3.18.** exercise any other powers necessary and proper for the governance and operation of the Association.
- **6.4.** Voting Rights. Subject to Special Declarant Rights as set forth in Article XIII, Members shall be entitled to vote on matters properly before them in accordance with this Article, the Code of Regulations and the laws of the State of Ohio.
- 6.5. Number of Votes. Each Lot shall have one vote. If only one of several Owners for a Lot is present at a meeting of the Association, that Owner is entitled to cast the vote allocated to that Lot. If more than one of the Owners is present, the vote allocated to that Lot may be cast only in accordance with the agreement of a majority in interest of the Owners. There is majority agreement if any one of the Owners casts the vote allocated to that Lot without protest being made promptly to the person presiding over the meeting by any of the other Owners of the Lot. The Association may adopt rules regarding deadlocks. No votes allocated to any Lots owned by the Association may be cast.



6.6. Proxies. A vote allocated to a Lot may be cast pursuant to a proxy duly executed by an Owner. An Owner may revoke a proxy given pursuant to this section only by actual notice of revocation to the person presiding over a meeting of the Association. A proxy is void if it is not dated or purports to be revocable without notice. Except as hereinafter provided, a proxy shall terminate one year after its date, unless it specifies a shorter time. If a first mortgage has been designated a proxy under the terms of a first mortgage covering the Lot, its presentation to the Board of a copy of the mortgage shall be notice of the proxy designation, and if the mortgage so states, of the irrevocability of that designation. Written notice to the Board or notice in a meeting of a revocation of a proxy designation shall not affect any vote or act previously taken. Each proxy shall automatically cease upon conveyance of the Lot.

Unless expressly reserved and the Association is notified of such reservation, a land contract vendee as defined in Chapter 5313 of the Revised Code, shall be deemed the proxy of a land contract vendor for purposes of this section.

- **6.7.** Annual Meeting. A meeting of the Members of the Association must be held at least once each year.
- **6.8. Management Agent.** The Board may employ for the Association a professional management agent or agents at a compensation established by the Board to perform such duties and services as the Board shall authorize. The Board may delegate to the managing agent or manager, subject to the Board's supervision, certain powers granted to the Board by this Declaration. The Declarant, or an affiliate of the Declarant, may be employed as a managing agent or manager.

No management contract may have a term in excess of three (3) years and must permit termination by either party without cause and without termination fee on ninety (90) days or less written notice.

ARTICLE VII

ASSESSMENTS

- 7.1. Establishment of Assessments. There are hereby established for the benefit of the Association, its successors and assigns, as a charge on each Lot, certain Assessments for Common Expenses and other expenses. Each Owner, by acceptance of a deed, covenants and agrees to pay such Assessments.
- 7.2. Purpose of the Assessments. The Assessments are established for the benefit and use of the Association and shall be used in covering the costs of its Common Expenses and for other such purposes as hereinafter set forth.
- 7.3. Annual General Assessment. There is hereby established an "Annual General Assessment" for the purpose of funding the Common Expenses of the Association. The



Common Expenses shall include among other things, (1) operation, maintenance, repair and replacement as required by this Declaration; (2) the cost of any insurance required by this Declaration; (3) reasonable reserves for contingencies and replacement; (4) administrative, accounting, legal and management fees; (5) and all other costs and liabilities incurred by the Association in the exercise of its powers and duties pursuant to this Declaration.

- 7.4. Individual Assessment. The Association after approval by two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members of the Board shall have the right to assess an individual Lot for any of the following:
- 7.4.1. any costs incurred by the Association in the performance of any maintenance in accordance with Article VIII, Section 8.3.
- 7.4.2. any charges or fines imposed or levied in accordance with Article IX, Section 9.3.1.1.
- 7.4.3. any costs incurred for maintenance or repair caused through the willful or negligent act of an Owner or Occupant or their family, tenants, guests or invitees, including attorney fees, court costs and other expenses incurred.
- 7.4.4. any costs associated with the enforcement of this Declaration or the Rules and Regulations of the Association, including, but not limited to attorneys fees, witness fees and costs, and court costs.
- 7.5. Working Capital Fund; Initial Assessment. At the time of closing of a Lot from a Builder, the purchaser of such Lot shall be assessed the sum of \$200.00 as such purchaser's initial capital contribution to the working capital fund of the Association. This Assessment shall be used by the Association for its operating expenses. Such Asssessment is not an advance payment of the Annual General Assessment, and it will not be held in any sort of trust or reserve account. Neither Declarant nor Builder shall be subject to or required to pay such Working Capital Fund Assessment.
- **7.6.** Special Assessment. There is hereby established a Special Assessment for the purpose of repairing or restoring damage or destruction to the Common Elements as further set forth in Article X.
- 7.7. Computation and Payment of Annual General Assessment. The Annual General Assessment shall be computed and levied in accordance with the budget adopted by the Board pursuant to the Code of Regulations. This Assessment shall be effective as to each Lot on the first day of the Association's fiscal year. The initial Annual General Assessment as to each Lot shall commence on the first day of the month following the earlier of (i) its conveyance to an Owner other than a Builder; or (ii) occupation of the Dwelling Unit. The initial Annual General Assessment shall be prorated on a monthly basis to the end of the Association's fiscal year, and shall be collected at closing of the coveyance of the Lot from the Builder. So long as there has been no default in payment of the Assessment, it shall be payable in annual installments due on the first day of each fiscal year. The Board shall have the power from time to time to adopt such



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billing, collection and payment procedures, charges and other payment time schedules as it deems appropriate. Declarant and Builder shall not be subject to or required to pay the Annual General Assessment.

- 7.8. Maximum Annual Assessment. Beginning with the recording of this Declaration and until December 31, 2003, the maximum Annual General Assessment shall be \$ 200.00 Dollars. Beginning with Assessments levied as of January 1, 2004, and annually thereafter, the Board, without a vote of the Owners, may increase or decrease the Annual General Assessment. If the Board increases the Annual General Assessment, then, within Thirty (30) days of notice of such increase, Members in good standing exercising Ten (10%) percent of the voting power of the Association, may petition the Board for a special meeting of the Association to reconsider such increase. At such meeting, the Members in good standing, in person or by proxy, exercising sixty-six and two thirds (66 2/3%) percent of voting power of the Association, may vote to reduce the increase by any amount therein proposed, but not lower than the previous years maximum amount.
- 7.9. Allocation of Assessments. The Common Expense Liability of each Lot shall be its portion of the Common Expense. The Common Expense Liability and the Annual General Assessment shall be allocated equally to each Lot. The other Assessments shall be allocated as applicable to the respective Lots and as determined by the Board. Declarant and Builder shall not be subject to or required to pay any Common Expense Liability.
- 7.10. Lien for Assessments. The Association shall have a lien for any Assessment levied against a Lot, for fines imposed against an Owner or Occupant, and for interest, costs and reasonable attorney fees.
- 7.10.1. Creation. The lien for Assessments is created by this Declaration and shall be a charge and a continuing lien on each Lot which shall run with the land. All persons or entities acquiring an interest in a Lot after the filing of this Declaration take such interest subject to the lien.
- 7.10.2. Effective Dates. The lien for the Common Expense Liability for each Lot as set forth in the Annual General Assessment shall be effective on the first day of the fiscal year of the Association. The lien for other Assessments shall be effective on the first day of the month following the notice of it levy on the Owners affected.
- **7.10.3. Perfection**. Recording of this Declaration constitutes notice and perfection of the Lien.
- 7.10.4. Notice of Lien. The Association may file a notice of lien with the Recorder of Summit County. Such notice shall not be required for the Association to enforce its lien.



- 7.10.5. Priority of the Lien. The lien created by this Section shall be prior to all liens and encumbrances recorded subsequent to this Declaration except the lien for real estate taxes and assessments and the lien of any bona fide first mortgage filed of record.
- 7.10.6. Subordination and Mortgagee Protection. Notwithstanding any of the provisions hereof to the contrary, the lien of any Assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration (and any late charges, interest, costs and attorney fees) shall be subordinate to, and shall in no way affect the rights of the holder of a first mortgage made in good faith for value received; provided, however, that such subordination shall apply only to Assessments, or installments thereof, which have become due and payable prior to the date of Sheriff's sale of such Lot pursuant to a foreclosure or the date of a deed in lieu of foreclosure. Such sale or transfer shall not relieve the mortgagee or the purchaser of a Lot at such sale from liability for any Assessments thereafter becoming due, nor from the lien of any such subsequent Assessment. Mortgagees are not required to collect Assessments on behalf of the Association. Failure to pay Assessments shall not constitute a default under any mortgage insured by FHA/VA.
- 7.10.7. Extinguishment of the Lien. A lien for unpaid Assessments is extinguished unless proceedings to enforce it are instituted within five (5) years after the full amount of the Assessment becomes due. If an Owner of a Lot subject to a lien files a petition for relief under the United States Bankruptcy Code, then the period of time to enforce the Association's lien shall be tolled until thirty (30) days after the automatic stay under Section 362 of the Bankruptcy Code is lifted.
- 7.10.8. Estoppel Certificate. Upon request of any mortgagee or Owner and upon payment in full of all Assessments and other charges permitted by this Declaration that are due to the Association, the Association shall execute and deliver to such mortgagee or Owner an estoppel certificate. Such certificate shall be in recordable form and shall note the payment of the outstanding Assessments and charges and that the Association is estopped from the enforcement of its lien with respect to Assessment and charges becoming due and payable prior to the date of the certificate. The Association may charge a reasonable fee for the preparation of such certificate.
- 7.11. Delinquency and Acceleration. Any installment of an Assessment provided for by this Declaration shall become delinquent if not paid on the due date as established by this Declaration or by the Board. With respect to each installment of an Assessment not paid within five (5) days of its due date, the Board may, at its election, require the Owner to pay a reasonable late charge, costs of collection, reasonable attorney fees and interest at the rate provided in Section 1343.03 of the Ohio Revised Code (and as amended from time to time). Interest shall be calculated from the date of delinquency to the date full payment is received by the Association. If any installment of an Assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days of its due date, the Board may, at its election, declare all of the unpaid balance of the Assessment immediately due without further notice or demand to the Owner. The Association may enforce the collection of the full Assessment and all charges thereon in any manner authorized by law or this Declaration. The filing of any petition for relief pursuant to the United States Bankruptcy Code by an Owner whose Assessment has



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been accelerated shall operate as a restoration of the Assessment to its prior status as if it has not been accelerated.

- **7.12.** Remedies Cumulative. A suit to recover money judgment for unpaid Assessments and charges may be maintained without foreclosing or waiving the right to enforce the lien. A foreclosure may be maintained notwithstanding the pendency of any suit to recover a money judgment.
- 7.13. Personal Obligation. The Assessments, including fines, if any, payable by each Owner, together with any penalty, interest, costs and reasonable attorney fees shall be the personal obligation of the Owner of the Lot at the time incurred. The personal obligation shall not pass to any successors in title unless expressly assumed by them.
- 7.14. Statement of Unpaid Assessments. The Association shall upon written request of the Owner, contract purchaser, or first mortgagee, furnish a statement setting forth the amount of unpaid Assessments against the Lot. This statement must be furnished within ten (10) business days after receipt of the request and is binding on the Association, the Board and every Owner. The Association may charge a reasonable amount for this statement.
- **7.15.** No Waiver of Liability for Common Expenses. No Owner may exempt himself or herself from liability for payment of the Common Expenses by waiver of the use or enjoyment of the Common Elements or by abandonment of the Lot against which the Assessments are made. Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither Declarant nor Builder shall obligated to pay Common Expenses.
- **7.16.** Loan. In the event that sufficient funds are not on hand to pay Common Expenses as and when the same become due, Declarant may loan the Association such sums as may be required to pay said Common Expenses. All such sums shall draw interest at the prime rate charged by Summit National Bank at the time said loan is made.

ARTICLE VIII

UPKEEP OF THE PROPERTY

- **8.1.** Lots. Each and every Lot, its Dwelling Unit and any improvement erected thereon shall be maintained in a reasonable manner in accordance with the standard generally prevailing throughout the Properties.
- **8.2.** Common Elements. The Association shall maintain the Common Elements.
- **8.3.** Association's Right to Maintain If an Owner shall fail to provide maintenance as required by this Declaration in a manner satisfactory to the Association, and such Owner has failed to comply for ten (10) days after being so notified of such failure (and after being provided an opportunity to be heard concerning such failure), the Association shall have the right, through



its agents and employees, to enter upon Owner's Lot and repair, maintain and restore the Lot. In the event that such failure poses a health, safety or security risk, then no notice or hearing need be given. The cost of such maintenance and repair shall be assessed against the subject Lot in accordance with Article VII, Section 7.4. Nothing in this Section shall be construed as giving the Association any right to repair, maintain or restore any Dwelling Unit.

Access to Lots. For the purpose solely of performing the maintenance required or 8.4. authorized herein, the Association, through its duly authorized agents or employees, or subcontractors, shall have the right, after reasonable notice to the Owner, to enter upon any Lot at reasonable hours on any day.

ARTICLE IX

RESTRICTIONS

- Use and Occupancy. The following restrictions are applicable to the use and occupancy of the Property.
- 9.1.1. Compliance with Laws. No improper, offensive or unlawful use shall be made of the Property or any part thereof. All laws, orders, rules, regulations or requirements of any governmental agency having jurisdiction over any portion of the Property shall be observed and complied with, by and at the expense of all Owners and Occupants.
- 9.1.2. Harmful Discharges. There shall be no emissions of dust, sweepings, dirt, cinders, odors, gases or other substances into the atmosphere (other than normal residential chimney emissions), no production, storage or discharge of hazardous wastes on the Property or discharges of liquid, solid wastes or other harmful matter into the ground or any body of water, if such emission, production, storage or discharge may adversely effect the use or intended use of any portion of the Property or may adversely effect the health, safety or comfort of any person. No waste nor any substance or materials of any kind shall be discharged into any public sewer or the Surface Water Management System serving the Property or any part thereof in violation of any regulation of law, order, rule, regulation or requirement of any applicable government or governmental agency.
- 9.1.3. Noise. No person shall cause any unreasonably loud noise (except for security devices) anywhere on the Property, nor shall any person permit or engage in any activity, practice or behavior for the purpose of causing annoyance, discomfort or disturbance to any person lawfully present on any portion of the Property.
- 9.1.4. Signs. No signs of any character shall be erected, posted or displayed upon the Property, except: (i) marketing signs installed by the Declarant while actively marketing the Lots for sale; (ii) street and identification signs installed by the Association or the Declarant; and (iii) one temporary real estate sign not to exceed six square feet in area advertising that such Lot is on the market.



9.1.5. No Trade or Business. No trade or business of any kind may be conducted in or from any Lot or Dwelling Unit except that an Owner or Occupant of a Lot or Dwelling Unit may conduct such business activity within the Lot or Dwelling Unit so long as: (a) the existence or operation of the business activity is not apparent or detectable by sight, sound or smell from the exterior of the Lot or Dwelling Unit; (b) the business activity conforms to all zoning requirements for the Property; (c) the business activity does not involve persons coming on to the Lot who do not reside in the Property; and (d) the business activity is consistent with the residential character of the Property.

The terms "business" and "trade" as used in this provision shall be construed to have their ordinary generally accepted meanings and shall include, without limitation, any occupation, work or activity undertaken on an ongoing basis which involves the provision of goods or services to persons other than the provider's family and for which the provider receives a fee, compensation or other form of consideration, regardless of whether (i) such activity is engaged in full-time or part-time; (ii) such activity is intended to or does generate a profit; or (iii) a license is required thereof. The term "trade" or "business" for purposes of this restriction shall not include the construction, operation and maintenance of any model home or homes and sales offices by any builder during reasonable hours.

- **9.1.6.** Trash. Except in connection with construction activities, no burning of any trash and no accumulation or storage of litter, refuse, bulk materials, building materials or trash of any other kind shall be permitted on any Lot. Trash containers (except during construction) must be protected from animals and shall not be permitted to remain in public view except on days of trash collection. No incinerator shall be kept or maintained upon any Lot.
- 9.1.7. Parking; Vehicle Repairs. Except in connection with construction activities, trucks, trailers, campers, recreational vehicles, boats and other large vehicles may be parked on the Property only if in garages. No junk or derelict vehicle or other vehicle on which current registration plates are not displayed shall be kept upon any portion of the Property. Vehicle repairs and storage of vehicles are permitted on the Property only if in garages. Recreational vehicles and boats may be parked in the driveways for a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours for the purpose of cleaning, loading or unloading.
- 9.1.8. Animals. The maintenance, keeping, boarding or raising of animals of any kind, regardless of number, is prohibited on any Lot except that the keeping of guide animals and orderly domestic pets (e.g., dogs, cats or caged birds), is permitted, subject to the Rules and Regulations adopted by the Board. Such pets are not to be kept or maintained for commercial purposes or for breeding. No external compound cages, kennels or hutches shall be permitted.

Any pet causing or creating a nuisance or unreasonable disturbance or noise may be permanently removed from the Property upon ten (10) days written notice from the Board. Pets shall not be permitted on the Common Elements unless accompanied by someone who can control the pet and unless carried or leashed. Any Owner or Occupant who keeps or maintains any pet on any portion of the Property shall be deemed to have indemnified and agreed to hold the Association



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harmless from any loss, claim or liability of any kind or character whatever arising by reason of keeping or maintaining such pet within the Property. All pets which may leave the Dwelling Unit or Lot must be inoculated as required by law. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary hereinabove, only dogs that are of a "non-vicious" breed shall be permitted to be kept on the Property and said dogs shall not be allowed to remain outside so as to create a nuisance with respect to their barking or howling.

- 9.1.9. Open Fires. Open burning is not permitted on the Property, except that outdoor fireplaces, grills, and chimneys may be used if equipped with fire screens to prevent the discharge of embers or ashes.
- Proximity to Airport. The Akron-Canton Regional Airport is located to 9.1.10 the south of the Property. The Property may be over flown by low flying aircraft landing or taking off from the airport.
- Architectural Restrictions. The following architectural restrictions shall be applicable 9.2. to the Lots.
- 9.2.1. Plan Approval. No structure shall be placed, erected or installed upon any Lot, no construction (which term shall include within its definition staking, clearing, excavation, grading, and other site work), no exterior alteration or modification of existing improvements, and no plantings or removal of plants, trees, or shrubs shall take place until the requirements of this section have been fully met. Prior to any construction, the Owner or Builder shall first submit to the Declarant (which for the terms of this section shall include its designee) a complete set of building plans for the proposed construction. The Declarant shall approve, reject or modify such plans in a writing sent to the Owner or Builder in question not more than thirty (30) days after the plans are submitted to the Declarant. The thirty (30) day period shall commence upon execution of a written notice by the Declarant acknowledging receipt of plans and specifications and all information required therewith. The Declarant shall review the plans as to aesthetics, proposed materials, design and harmony of external structures with existing structures and as to location in relation to surrounding structures, topography and finish grade elevation. The Declarant shall not unreasonably withhold approval of any plans that conform in every way with the Declaration and with the general character of the development on neighboring Lots within the Property. If the Declarant fails to approve, reject, or modify the plans within the thirty (30) day period, the Declarant's approval shall be deemed to have been denied, and further submission of such plans shall be needed before the improvements described in such plans may be constructed or installed. However, in no event shall any improvements be constructed or installed which violate any terms of this Declaration.
 - 9.2.1.1. Declarant's Plan Approval Period. Declarant's right of plan approval shall exist for as long as Declarant owns any Lot in the Properties. Declarant's right of plan approval shall include any alterations to existing Lots or Dwelling Units and / or items requiring prior approval by this Declaration. In any items or matters that are discretionary, the Declarant's decision shall be conclusive upon all parties.



- 9.2.1.2. Design Guidelines. The Declarant shall prepare and, on behalf of itself and the Association, shall promulgate design and development guidelines governing construction within the Properties, which shall include application and review procedures to be followed in submitting an application for approval hereunder ("Design Guidelines"). The Design Guidelines shall be those of the Association, and the Declarant and/or the Association shall have sole and full authority to modify and to amend them from time to time without the consent of any Owner. The Declarant and/or the Association shall make the Design Guidelines available to Builders and Owners who seek to engage in construction upon all or any portion of the Property. A copy of the current Design Guidelines is attached as Exhibit C.
- **9.2.1.3.** Declarant's Control of New Construction. The Declarant shall have exclusive control of new construction within the Properties. No provision of this Declaration or the Design Guidelines, as the same relates to new construction, may be modified without Declarant's consent.
- 9.2.1.4. Association's Right of Plan Approval. After Declarant's right of plan approval has expired, the Association shall be responsible for plan approval. The Declarant may assign its right of plan approval, or any portion thereof, to the Association.
- 9.2.1.5. No Liability. Each Owner and Builder are responsible to insure that all construction or any modifications, are in compliance with the restrictions and approved plans. If the Developer or the Trustees have acted in good faith on the basis of such information possessed by them, neither the Developer, the Board nor any Trustee shall be liable to the Association or to any Owner for any damage, loss or prejudice suffered or claimed due to: (a) the approval or disapproval of any plans, drawings and specifications, whether or not defective; or (b) the construction or performance of any work whether or not pursuant to approved plans, drawings, and specifications.
- 9.2.2. Dwelling Type. No building shall be erected, altered, placed or be permitted to remain on any Lot other than one single-family dwelling with an attached garage for at least two cars. No manufactured home, industrialized unit, or mobile home of any kind shall be placed, erected, located, or maintained on any Lot. A manufactured home is defined as a building unit or assembly of closed construction that is fabricated in an off-site facility. An industrialized unit is defined as a building unit or assembly of closed construction fabricated in an off-site facility, that is substantially self-sufficient as a unit or as part of a greater structure, and that requires transportation to the site of intended use. An industrial unit includes units installed on a Lot as independent units, as part of a group of units, or incorporated with standard construction methods to form a completed structural entity. A mobile home is defined as a building unit or assembly of closed construction that is fabricated at an off-site facility, is built on a permanent chassis, and is



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transportable in one or more sections. Panelized wall systems and engineered structural components shall be allowed.

- **9.2.3. Dwelling Floor Areas.** The living area of the Dwelling Unit exclusive of porches, decks, attics, basements, areas not heated year round and garages shall be no less than the areas set forth in the Design Guidelines.
- **9.2.4.** Roof Requirements. The roof and gables of each Dwelling unit shall be in accordance with the Design Guidelines
- **9.2.5.** Set Back, Minimum Elevation and Yard Requirements. All Dwelling Units shall be located in accordance with the building set back lines, minimum basement elevation and yard requirements as shown on the Record Plan and as required by applicable codes, ordinances and regulations. The Owner or Builder shall be responsible for compliance with these standards. Declarant shall not be responsible for any failure to comply with these standards.
- **9.2.6.** Front Yards and Driveways. Front yards shall be landscaped within ninety (90) days after closing, weather permitting. All driveways shall be paved with concrete, asphalt, brick or paving stone.
- **9.2.7.** Construction Materials. No Dwelling Units shall be constructed of concrete block, cinder block or other similar materials unless the exterior of the Dwelling Unit is covered with brick and / or siding. No underground Dwelling Units shall be permitted.
 - **9.2.8. Exterior Siding.** Any wooden sheeting materials must have prior approval.
- 9.2.9. Front Storage. No front porch shall be used for the storage of any items except normal porch furniture. No front yard shall be used for storage of any kind of items. This restriction shall not apply to building materials and / or equipment stored on the Lot during construction of the Dwelling Unit.
- 9.2.10. Radio and Television Antennas. With the exception of home satellite dishes of one meter or less in diameter, no exterior antennas, aerials, satellite dishes, or other apparatus for the reception or transmission of television, radio, satellite or other signals of any kind shall be placed, allowed, or maintained upon any portion of the Properties, including any Dwelling Unit, without the prior written approval as provided in Section 9.2.1, and in accordance with the Design Guidelines. Nothing herein shall be construed so as to be in conflict with current Federal Communications Commission's rules and regulations for antennas.
- **9.2.11.** Air Conditioning and Heat Pump Equipment. Air-conditioning and heating equipment should be located and screened in such a manner so as to provide minimum visual impact from other Lots.
- **9.2.12. Awnings.** No metal or plastic awnings for windows, doors or patios may be erected or used.



- 9.2.13. Exterior Carpeting. No exterior carpeting shall be permitted if it is visible from the street or any neighboring Lot.
- **9.2.14. Fences.** No fence of any sort, may be erected unless the same is in accordance with the Design Guidelines and until prior approval in accordance with Section 9.2 of the Declaration has been obtained. The Declarant reserves the right to prohibit all fences or types of fences on certain Lots. Chain link fences shall not be permitted. Invisible pet fences are permitted and preferred
- 9.2.15. Other Structures. No structure of a temporary character, trailer, or shack shall be permitted on any Lot. Barns, storage sheds or other outbuildings must have prior approval in accordance with Section 9.2. Construction trailers and/or storage sheds shall be permitted only during construction.
- **9.2.16. Pools and Spas.** Pools, hot-tubs and spas must have prior approval in accordance with Section 9.2. In-ground swimming pools shall be permitted. With the exception of portable children's pools not exceeding forty-eight inches in diameter, no above ground swimming pools shall be permitted. All hot tubs and spas must be in-ground or if above ground incorporated into a deck with enclosed sides. All hot tubs and spas must be screened with a privacy fence in accordance with the Design Guidelines.
- 9.2.17. Play Equipment and Basketball Hoops. All play equipment and basketball hoops must comply with the Design Guidelines.
- 9.2.18. Clothes Drying. No outdoor close drying apparatus of any sort shall be permitted.
- 9.2.19. Mailboxes, Lamposts. All mailboxes and lampposts must be of uniform design, style and color as determined by Declarant.
- **9.2.20.** Completion. Construction of a Dwelling Unit on any Lot shall be completed within one (1) year from the date construction is started.
- 9.2.21. Lot Maintenance. All lots must be kept mowed and free of debris and clutter. During construction, each Owner and builder shall be responsible for keeping the streets and adjacent Lots clean and free of debris. The Declarant shall have the right to assess any Owner or Builder for the cost of mowing or clean up in the event that the Owner or Builder fails to do so.
- **9.3.** Remedies for Breach of Covenants and Restrictions. The violation of any covenant or restriction, contained in this Declaration or violation of any rule or regulation duly adopted by the Board shall give the Board the authority to enforce the covenants, restrictions, rules and regulations in accordance with this Section.



- 9.3.1. Actions. The Board may take any or all of the following actions.
 - **9.3.1.1.** levy a fine against the Owner or Occupant which shall also be an Individual Assessment under Section 7.4.
 - 9.3.1.2. to enter upon a Lot or portion thereof upon which or, as to which, such violation or breach exists and to summarily abate and remove at the expense of the Owner, any structure, thing or condition that may exist thereon contrary to the intent and meaning of the provisions of this Declaration, and the Board, or its agents shall not be thereby deemed guilty in any manner of trespass or wrongful act.
 - **9.3.1.3.** to institute appropriate legal proceedings to enjoin, abate or remedy the continuance of any breach.
 - **9.3.1.4.** undertake such dispute resolution methods such as mediation and arbitration, except that this provision shall not be construed as any requirement to do so as a condition precedent to legal proceedings.
- 9.3.2. Notice and Opportunity to be Heard. Prior to any action, the Board shall give the Owner and/or Occupant reasonable notice of the violation and an opportunity to be heard. Such notice and opportunity shall not be required in emergency situations or for repeated or continuing violations.
- **9.3.3.** Individual Actions. Each Owner is empowered to enforce the covenants by appropriate legal proceedings or alternative dispute resolution methods.

ARTICLE X

INSURANCE AND CASUALTY LOSSES

- 10.1. Insurance. The Board or its duly authorized agent shall have the authority to and shall obtain such insurance as it may deem necessary to protect the Common Elements, the Owners, the Association and the Board.
- 10.2. Repair and Restoration. If the damage or destruction for which the insurance proceeds are paid is to be repaired or reconstructed and such proceeds are not sufficient to defray the cost thereof, the Board shall, without the necessity of a vote of the Owners, levy a Special Assessment against all Owners. Additional Special Assessments may be levied at any time during or following the completion of any repair or reconstruction. If the funds available from insurance exceed the cost of repair, such excess shall be deposited to the benefit of the Association.

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ARTICLE XI

CONDEMNATION

- 11.1. Whenever all or any part of the Common Elements shall be taken (or conveyed in lieu of and under threat of condemnation by the Board, acting on its behalf or on the written direction of all Owners of Lots subject to the taking, if any) by any authority having the power of condemnation or eminent domain, each Owner shall be entitled to notice thereof and to participate in the proceedings incident thereto, unless otherwise prohibited by law. The award made for such taking shall be payable to the Association, as trustee for all Owners, to be disbursed as follows:
- 11.2. If the taking involves a portion of the Common Elements on which improvements have been constructed, then, unless within sixty (60) days after such taking the Declarant and at least seventy-five (75%) percent of the Owners shall otherwise agree, the Association shall restore or replace such improvements so taken on the remaining land included in the Common Elements, to be extent lands are available therefore, in accordance with plans approved by the Board. If such improvements are to be repaired or restored, the above provisions in Article X hereof regarding the disbursement of funds in respect to casualty damage or destruction which is to be repaired shall apply. If the taking does not involve any improvements on the Common Elements, or if there is a decision made not to repair or restore, or if there are net funds remaining after any such restoration or replacement is completed, then such award or net funds shall be disbursed to the Association and used for such purposes as the Board shall determine.

ARTICLE XII

DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS

- 12.1. Submission of Additional Land. The Declarant reserves the rights to submit all or any portion of the Additional Land to the terms of this Declaration without consent of the Owners for a period of seven (7) years beginning with the date of recording of the Declaration. The submission shall be accomplished by the filing of a Supplemental Declaration identifying the Additional Land, the Lots and the Common Elements. During any Declarant Control Period, annexation of Additional Land shall require the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration, if either such agency is insuring or guaranteeing the mortgage on any Lot.
- 12.2. Notice to the Board. The Declarant shall notify the Board of the filing of any Supplemental Declaration, but any such Supplemental Declaration shall not otherwise be affected or invalidated by Declarant's failure to notify the Board.
- 12.3. Easements Reserved. The Declarant reserves for itself, its successors and assigns and any Builder, the following easements:
 - 12.3.1. Easements for drainage and all utilities as shown on the Record Plan.



- 12.3.2. Easements for ingress, egress, drainage and all utilities over the Common Elements provided that such easements do not unreasonably interfere with any Owner's rights of enjoyment.
- 12.3.3. An easement over the Common Elements as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose of discharging its obligations or exercising any rights under the Declaration.
- 12.3.4. An easement for ingress, egress, drainage and all utilities over the Common Elements and in favor of the Additional Property and the right to convey that easements to others in the event that the Additional Property is not submitted to this Declaration.
- 12.4. Assignment of Development Rights. The Declarant reserves the right to assign any or all of its Development Rights to any person or entity for the purpose of further development and improvement of the Property. No assignment shall be effective unless in a writing filed with the Recorder of Summit County, Ohio
- 12.5. Transfer of Development Rights by Foreclosure. Unless otherwise provided in any mortgage securing the Property held by Declarant, in the case of foreclosure of such mortgage, deed in lieu of foreclosure, judicial sale, tax sale, sale under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or receivership proceedings, of any portion of the Property held by the Declarant subject to the Development Rights herein reserved (including the Special Declarant Rights), a person acquiring title to such property, but only upon his request, succeeds to all such Development Rights. The judgment or instrument conveying title must provide for the transfer of such rights. Upon foreclosure sale, deed in lieu of foreclosure, judicial sale, tax sale, sale under the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or receivership proceedings, the Declarant ceases to have any of the rights herein reserved. A successor to the Development Rights held by a transferee who acquired such rights pursuant to this Section, may declare by a recorded instrument the intention to hold such rights solely for transfer to another person. Thereafter, until transferring such Development Rights to any person acquiring title to the Property subject to the Development Rights, or until recording an instrument permitting exercise of such rights, that successor may not exercise any of those rights, and any attempted exercise is void. So long as a successor declarant may not exercise any Development Rights under this section, such declarant is not subject to any liability as a declarant.

ARTICLE XIII

SPECIAL DECLARANT RIGHTS

- 13.1. Use for Sale Purposes. Declarant reserves for itself, its successors and assigns, and any Builder the right to maintain sales offices and models on the Lots.
- 13.2. Signs and Marketing. The Declarant reserves the right for itself and any Builder to post signs and displays in the Property to promote sales of Lots, and to conduct general sales activities, in a manner as will not unreasonably disturb the rights of Owners.



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13.3. Control of the Association.

- 13.3.1. Appointment of Trustees and Officers. The Declarant reserves the right to appoint and remove the members of the Board and the Officers of the Association during the Declarant Control Period which commence upon the recording of this Declaration and shall terminate no later than the earlier of.
 - 13.3.1.1. sixty (60) days after the conveyance of seventy-five (75%) percent of the Lots (including Lots to be included on the Additional Land) to Owners other than Declarant or any Builder;
 - 13.3.1.2. seven (7) years after recording of this Declaration.
- 13.3.2. Transition from Declarant Control. Not later than sixty (60) days after the conveyance of twenty-five (25%) percent of the Lots (including Lots to be included on the Additional Land) to Owners other than Declarant or any Builder, one Owner shall be elected to the Board by a vote of Owners other than Declarant or any Builder at which time four (4) persons shall constitute the Board. Not later than sixty (60) days after the conveyance of fifty (50%) percent of the Lots (including Lots to be included on the Additional Land) to Owners other than Declarant or any Builder, an additional Owner shall be elected to the Board by a vote of Owners other than Declarant or any Builder at which time five (5) persons shall constitute the Board.
- 13.3.3. Early Termination of Control. The Declarant may voluntarily surrender the right to appoint and remove trustees and officers before the termination of the period set forth above. In that event, the Declarant may require, for the duration of that period, that specified actions of the Association or the Board, be approved by Declarant before they become effective. Such voluntary termination shall be evidenced by a recorded instrument executed by the Declarant setting forth the termination of right to appoint and the actions which require Declarant's approval.
- 13.4. Declarant's Personal Property. The Declarant and any Builder reserve the right to retain all personal property and equipment used in sales, management, construction and maintenance of the premises that has not been represented as property of the Association. The Declarant and Builder reserve the right to remove, within One (1) year after the sale of the last Lot, from the Property any and all goods and improvements used in development, marketing and construction, whether or not they have become fixtures.
- 13.5. Right to Amend Documents. Notwithstanding anything above to the contrary, this Declaration may be amended at any time without the vote or approval of any Owners, including those Owners who have executed and delivered Consents attached to this Declaration, by a written instrument executed by the Declarant for the purpose of eliminating or correcting any typographical or other inadvertent error herein; eliminating or resolving any ambiguity herein; making nominal changes; clarifying Declarant' original intent; making any change necessary or desirable to meet the requirements of any institutional lender, the Veteran's Administration, the



Federal Housing Administration, the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, or any other agency which may insure or purchase loans on a Lot. No such amendment, however, shall materially affect any Owner's interest in the Association or the Common Elements. Each Owner and his mortgagees, by acceptance of a deed to a Lot or a mortgage encumbering such Lot, shall be deemed to have consented to and approved of the provisions of this paragraph and the amendment of this Declaration by Declarant as provided in the immediately preceding sentence. All such Owners and their mortgagees, upon request of Declarant, shall execute and deliver from time to time all such instruments and perform all such acts as may be deemed by a Declarant to be necessary or proper to effectuate the provisions of this paragraph.

ARTICLE XIV

DURATION, AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

- 14.1. Duration. This Declaration, and its provisions, shall be covenants running with the land and shall bind the property and shall (regardless of whether any such beneficiary owns an interest in any Lot) inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by Declarant, the Association, and each Owner, Occupant and their legal representatives, heirs, devisees, successors and assigns and shall continue in full force and effect for twenty (20) years from the date on which this Declaration is recorded. Thereafter this Declaration shall be automatically renewed for successive ten-year periods unless amended or terminated as provided in this Article.
- **14.2. Amendment.** Except as provided in Section 13.5, prior to the end of the Declarant Control Period, any provision of this Declaration may be amended in whole or in part by a recorded instrument executed by Declarant, approved by the Owners of at least 75% of all Lots, and the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration, if either such agency is insuring or guaranteeing the mortgage on any Lot.
- 14.2.1. Except as provided in this Section 13.5, after the end of the Declarant Control Period, any provision of this Declaration may be amended in whole or in part by a recorded instrument approved by the Owners of at least seventy-five (75%) percent of all Lots.
- 14.2.2. All Amendments shall be executed by the Declarant, and any Builder, if required, and shall be executed by the President and Secretary of the Association. Such Amendment shall certify that the proper notices were sent and that the requisite vote was obtained. Amendments need not be signed by the Owners nor the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration.
- **14.3. Termination.** This Declaration and the regime created thereby may be terminated only in accordance with this Section.
- 14.3.1. Consent Required. This Declaration may be terminated only upon consent of Eighty (80%) Percent of the Owners, and if during the Declarant Control Period, by



consent the Declarant and the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration, if either such agency is insuring or guaranteeing the mortgage on any Lot.

14.3.2. Agreement to Terminate. No termination shall be effective unless an agreement to terminate is filed for record with the Summit County Recorder. This agreement shall be executed in the same manner as an amendment as provided above. The agreement shall provide for disposition of the Common Elements, disposition of Association funds and other resolutions and provisions necessary to terminate the regime and wind up the affairs of the Association.

ARTICLE XV

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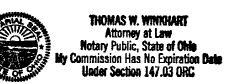
- **15.1.** No Reverter. No covenant, condition, restriction or reservation of easement contained in this Declaration is intended to create, or shall be construed as creating, a condition subsequent or a possibility of reverter.
- 15.2. Notices. Any notice required or permitted to be given to an Owner or resident by the Board pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration shall be deemed given when mailed by United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such person's last address as it appears on the records of the Association.
- 15.3. Construction. The Board shall have the right to construe the provisions of this Declaration, and, in the absence of an adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction to the contrary, such construction shall be final and binding as to all persons and entities benefited or bound by the provisions of this Declaration.
- 15.4. Invalidity. The determination by a court of competent jurisdiction that any provision of this Declaration is invalid for any reason shall not affect the validity of any other provision hereof.
- 15.5. Headings. The headings of the Articles and Sections are for conveyance only and shall not affect the meaning or construction of the contents of this Declaration.
- **15.6.** Gender. Throughout this Declaration, the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine and neuter, and the singular, the plural and vice versa.
- 15.7. Conflict. In the event of a conflict between a restriction, covenant, condition, easement or obligation herein and those of any instrument of the Association which may be recorded subsequent to this Declaration, the more restrictive restriction, covenant, condition, easement or other obligation shall control.



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	Notary Public, State of Ohio

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This instrument prepared by: James Matre, Esq. 225 Pictoria, Suite 200 Cincinnati, OH 45246



John A Donofrio, Summit Fiscal Officer

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CONSENT TO FILING OF DECLARATION

The undersigned, being the owner(s) of a portion of the property described in Exhibit A, hereby consents to the filing of the of the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions and Reservation of Easements for Charleston Place of Summit County Homeowners Association, Inc., and submits the property to the terms thereof. The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that the Declaration, all supplements and amendments shall be a covenant that runs with the land and shall be binding on the parties, their heirs, successors and assigns.

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Exhibit "A"

Situated in the City of Green, County of Summit and State of Ohio:

Known as being Lot Number 2 in Charleston Place Phase One Allotment, Green, Summit County, Ohio as shown in plat recorded in Reception Number 54718823 of the Summit County Records.

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CONSENT TO FILING OF DECLARATION

NVR, Inc. dba Ryan Homes, being the owner of portions of the property described in Exhibit A, hereby consents to the filing of the of the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions and Reservation of Easements for Charleston Place of Summit County Homeowners Association, Inc., and submits the property to the terms thereof. The undersigned acknowledges and agrees that the Declaration, all supplements and amendments shall be a covenant that runs with the land and shall be binding on the parties, their heirs, successors and assigns.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, NVR, Inc. has caused this Consent be executed	on the
day of March, 2003 by Richard E. Unstagh, its Vice President	•

NVR, Inc.

(Signature)

(Print name)

State of Ohio

County of Chilaloga

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this $\frac{25}{atch}$ day of $\frac{1}{atch}$, 2003, by Richard E. Vustagi, Vice President of NVR, Inc., a

Virginia corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

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Exhibit "A"

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Known as being Lot Numbers 6, 7, 37, 39 and 40 in Charleston Place Phase One Allotment, Green, Summit County, Ohio as shown in plat recorded in Reception Number 54718823 of the Summit County Records.

EXHIBIT A Lots to be submitted

Situated in the City of Green, County of Summit and State of Ohio:

Known as and being Lot Numbers 1 through 50 in Charleston Place, Phase One, as the same is recorded in Reception Number 54718823 of the Summit County Records.

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EXHIBIT B Additional Land

DESIGN. INC.

3378 West Market Street

Akron, OH 44333-3386

Phone 330-836-0228

Fax 330-836-5782

E-mail gbc@gbcdesign.com

Sy Cymerman, A.I.A. Michael A. Gardina, P.E . Gary R. Rouse, P.E., P.S. John E. Walsh, P.E.

March 26, 2003

LEGAL DESCRIPTION Charleston Place Phase Two 11.0438 Acres

Situated in the City of Green, County of Summit, State of Ohio and known as being Part of Section 23, formerly Green Township and more fully described as follows:

Beginning at a 5/8" capped rebar (GBC Design, Inc.) found at the northeasterly corner of Lot 15 of Charleston Place Phase One, as recorded in Reception No. 54718823 of the Summit County Records, said point being the True Place of Beginning for the parcel of land herein described;

Thence S 55° 22' 07" W, along the northerly line of said Charleston Place Phase One, a distance of 210.00 feet to a 5/8" capped rebar (GBC Design, Inc.) found;

Thence S 34° 37' 53" E, continuing along the northerly line of said Charleston Place Phase One, a distance of 16.28 feet to a 5/8" capped rebar (GBC Design, Inc.) found;

Thence S 55° 22' 06" W, continuing along the northerly line of said Charleston Place Phase One, a distance of 841.44 feet to a 5/8" capped rebar (GBC Design, Inc.) found;

Thence N 87° 37' 24" W, continuing along the northerly line of said Charleston Place Phase One, a distance of 164.09 feet to a 5/8" capped rebar (GBC Design, Inc.) found;

Thence N 02° 22' 36" E, along the westerly line of said Section 23, a distance of 339.65 feet to a 1" rebar to be set;

Thence N 55° 22' 07" E a distance of 553.66 feet to a 1" rebar to be set;

Thence N 34° 37' 53" W a distance of 155.03 feet to a 1" rebar to be set;

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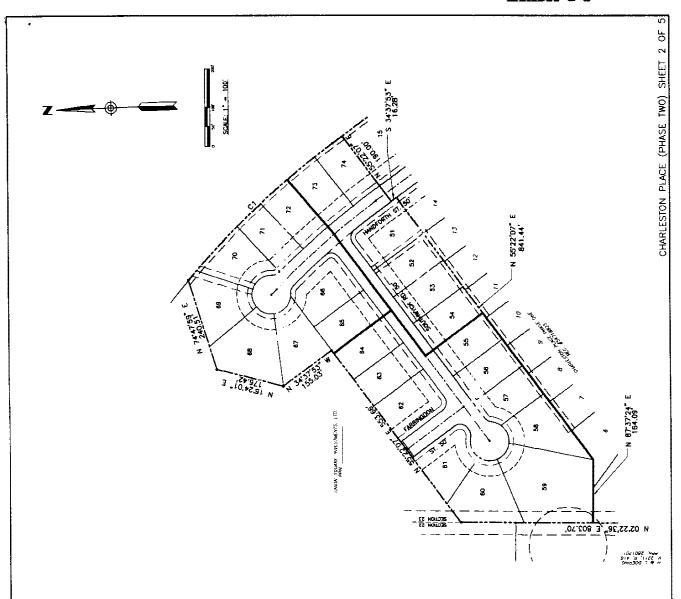
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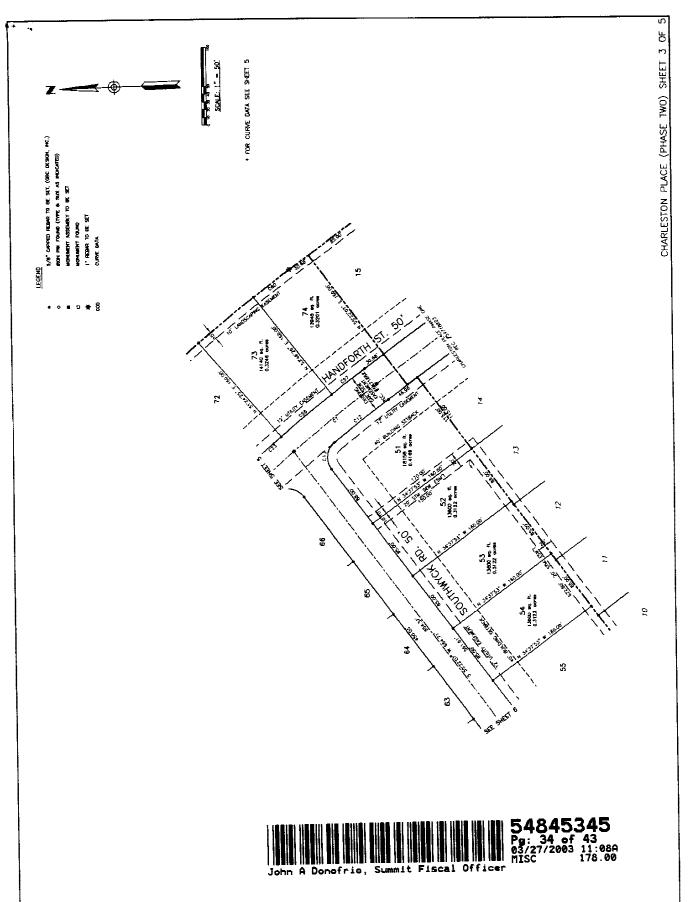
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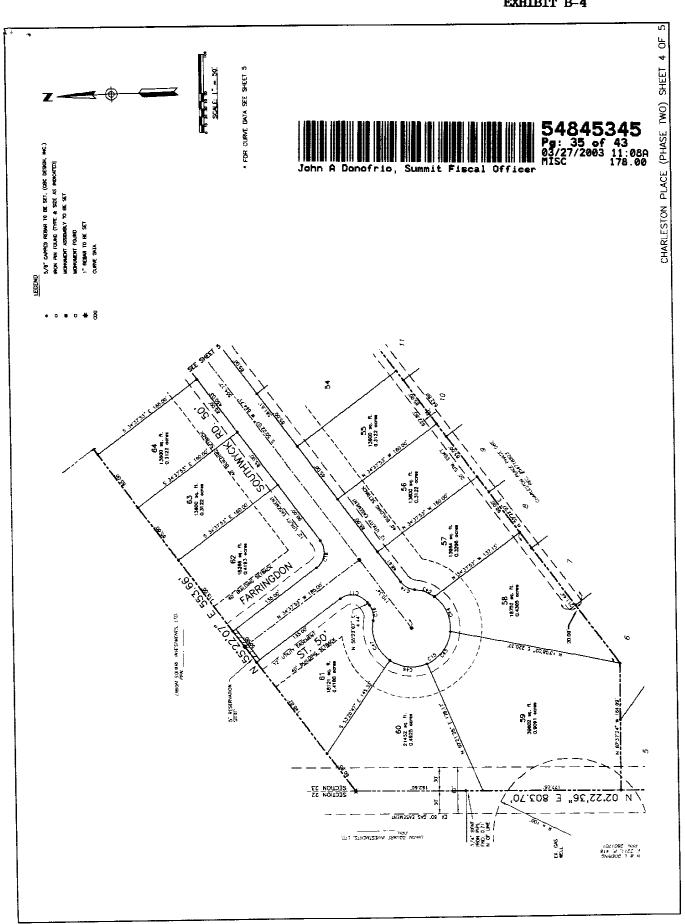
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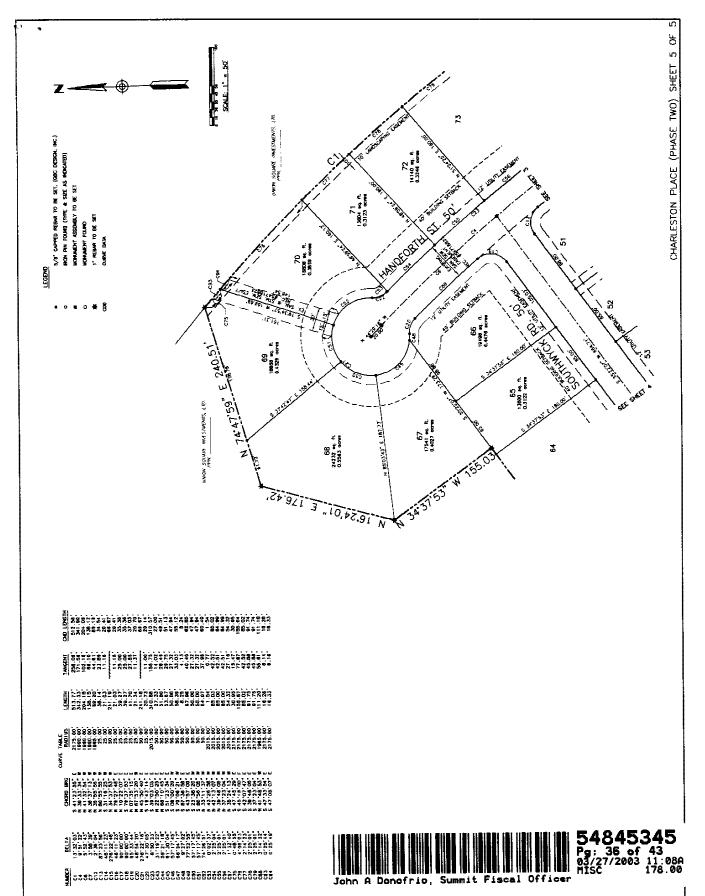






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EXHIBIT C

CHARLESTON PLACE OF SUMMIT COUNTY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION DESIGN GUIDELINES

The following standards have been developed and promulgated by the Declarant in accordance with Article IX, Section 9.2.1.2 of the Declaration and are applicable to all new construction and all modifications or improvements. These Design Guidelines are not part of the Declaration and can be amended by the Declarant or the Association without a vote of the Owners. Pursuant to Article IX, Section 9.2.1.1 of the Declaration, Declarant shall retain all architectural plan review and approval as set forth therein.

GENERAL GUIDELINES APPLICABLE TO ALL LOTS

House Placement and Yard Grading. Dwelling Units shall conform to existing grade and drainage patterns. Builders shall be responsible to regrade the Lot to conform the drainage plan approved for the subdivision.

The following guidelines shall be used in determining placement with respect to style and elevations:

a. There must be a minimum of a two different homes separating like models on the same side of the street. Optional items, such as full porches and pediment front fovers, may be used to establish the differences.

Dwelling Type. No building shall be erected, altered, placed or be permitted to remain on any Lot other than one single-family dwelling and a garage for at least two cars. A single-family dwelling shall meet the following requirements:

- a. A one story dwelling structure, the living area being the first floor space only, constructed with a basement and a space between the first floor ceiling and the roof of inadequate heights to permit its use as a dwelling place.
- **b.** A story and a half or "Cape Cod" dwelling structure, the living area of which is on two levels connected by a stairway and constructed with a basement. The upper level is constructed within the gable portion of the roof. Window penetrations are made by use of dormers.
- c. A two-story dwelling structure, the living area of which is on two levels connected by a stairway, constructed with a basement.

Dwelling Unit Size. Dwelling Units must be at least 1800 square feet for a one story dwelling, 1924 square feet for a one and a half story dwelling and 1944 square feet for a two-story dwelling. Square footage for other types of dwellings (if permitted) shall be

determined by the Declarant upon plan review. Declarant reserved the right to make minor variances if, in its sole opinion, the intent of the section is maintained.

Dwelling Unit Construction. No manufactured home, industrialized unit, or mobile home of any kind shall be placed, erected, located, or maintained on any Lot. A manufactured home is defined as a building unit or assembly of closed construction that is fabricated in an off-site facility. An industrialized unit is defined as a building unit or assembly of closed construction fabricated in an off-site facility, that is substantially self-sufficient as a unit or as part of a greater structure, and that requires transportation to the site of intended use. An industrial unit includes units installed on a Lot as independent units, as part of a group of units, or incorporated with standard construction methods to form a completed structural entity. A mobile home is defined as a building unit or assembly of closed construction that is fabricated at an off-site facility, is built on a permanent chassis, and is transportable in one or more sections. Panelized wall systems and engineered structural components shall be allowed.

Roof. The roof and gables of each Dwelling unit shall be no less than 6 - 12 pitch. Porch, rear extension and patio roofs may be 3.5 - 12 pitch. All shingles shall be of a uniform color.

Garages. A minimum two car garage is required. Garages must be no less than 380 square feet. Detached garages of any size are not permitted.

Yards, Driveways and Walks. Front yards shall be grass and landscaped as soon after completion of the Dwelling Unit as is practical under weather conditions. Rear Yards shall be defined as that portion of the Lot which is behind the rear elevation of the Dwelling Unit extended to each Lot line. All driveways shall be paved with asphalt, concrete, paver bricks or paving stone. Gravel, limestone or dirt driveways are prohibited. The lot owners or their assigns shall, within three (3) months, weather permitting, of occupancy of their residences, construct on the frontage of said lot a sidewalk which shall be four feet (4') wide, four inches (4'') deep, constructed of concrete (six sack limestone mix) and meet the specifications of Summit County and shall span the width of the lot and connect with the sidewalk constructed on adjoining lots on each side of the premises.

Foundations. No exposed concrete block foundation, including split face concrete block shall be permitted. Accordingly, a brick or stone band is required on all elevations. A poured concrete foundation with a brick exterior pattern is acceptable..

Color Schemes. All dwellings shall be in conformance with the original color scheme as promulgated by the Developer. The following guidelines shall be followed when determining color scheme with respect to location.

- a. In any group of five dwellings on the same side of a street, at least three siding colors must be used. Never use the same color on two consecutive dwellings.
- b. On any cross-street intersection, at least two siding colors must be used.



c. Dwellings directly across the street from one another should have different siding colors.

Underground and Log Houses. Underground and log structures are prohibited.

Porches, appendages and additions. No porches, appendages, or additions shall be permitted unless they are of a size, style, color and type compatible with the original design of the house and shall match the house material and coloring exactly. Porches, appendages or additions must be integrated into the design of the house. Compatibility shall be at the discretion of the Committee.

Front Storage. No front porch shall be used for the storage of any items except normal porch furniture. No front yard shall be used for the storage of any item of any kind.

Awnings. No metal or plastic awnings for windows, doors, decks or patios may be erected or used. Canvas awnings may be used subject to prior approval of size, color, location and manner of installation for the particular lot in question.

Exterior Carpeting. No exterior carpeting may be used if it is visible from any neighboring lot or the street.

Railings. All deck and balcony railings shall be wood or other material as approved by the committee and stained the same color as the deck or balcony.

Solar Panels. No solar panels shall be permitted.

Chimneys. All chimneys with metal flues must be enclosed within a chase that may be sided. Any direct vent chimney and / or furnace flues, hotwater heater or any other flues shall be vented only to the rear or side of the Dwelling Unit

Water Discharge. Storm water must be disposed in accordance with the drainage plan for the subdivision and city regulations. Sump drain and downspouts must discharge to an approved swale on the rear of the lot or the sump drain line provided. Curb cuts and or discharge to the street of right-of-way or curb is prohibited. Plans showing sump drain lines are available from the Declarant.

Skylights. Skylights may be used on a back roof facing the rear of a lot. Other locations may be approved for a contemporary design house depending upon the design and the particulars of the lot.

Entrance Structures. No additional driveway entrance structures shall be permitted.



Swimming Pools, Spas and Hot Tubs. In-ground swimming pools, hot tubs and spas shall be permitted provided that such pool, hot tub or spa is located in the Rear Yard and at least ten (10) feet from any property line. Privacy fencing or other such adequate screening as approved by the Committee is required. All swimming pools must be approved by the Committee as to style and location. Portable children's pools not exceeding forty-eight inches in diameter shall be permitted.

Play Equipment. Play apparatus or structures shall be located in the Rear Yard and not located within any side or rear setback lines. Such structures shall be of wood or other material as approved by the committee with natural coloring or may be painted or stained brown or gray. Structures that include colored items of equipment, such as a slide or swing set seats, so long as all such equipment is the same color. Any play structures that include a roof shall be shingled in the same color as the dwelling. All play equipment on any one lot shall be the same colors.

Basketball Hoops. No basketball hoop or goal may be placed on any lot, regardless of location, until its specifications and location have been approved in accordance with these guidelines. Portable basketball goals also require approval.

- a. Specifications. In general, any commercially available goal will be acceptable. Goals with home-made backboards or posts will not be acceptable. Backboards must be clear or painted white. The post should be painted in subdued colors so as to blend in with the surroundings as much as possible. All goals must be maintained. Any backboard or goal that becomes broken or damaged, must be repaired, replaced or removed. Any lighting for the goal must be directed away from any neighboring dwelling or patio or deck areas.
- b. Location. No basketball goals shall be permitted in the front of any lot or dwelling. No goal may be attached to any dwelling or garage. No goal may be placed forward of the rear elevation line of any house. On corner lots, goals must be located behind the rear elevation line of the house and at least fifteen (15) feet back from the setback line on the "side" yard adjacent to the street. All goals must be located at least ten (10) feet back from any property line. A portable basketball goal may be located on a driveway for the period of its current use. No portable goals will be permitted to be used in driveways of corner lots. Any portable goal must be put away after use. Any portable goal left out overnight shall be considered in violation of these guidelines.
- c. Use. Use shall be limited to reasonable play hours depending upon seasons. No use will be permitted after 9 pm, nor earlier than 9:00 am. The Board shall have the right to set different hours in the event that use creates an unreasonable disturbance.

Pool Pump Buildings, Sheds and Storage Buildings. Pool Pump Buildings, storage sheds, outbuildings, storage buildings, whether attached or unattached, shall be permitted



54845345 Pg: 40 of 43 03/27/2003 11:08A MISC 178:00 in the Rear Yard. Such structures may not exceed 120 square feet in size nor exceed 10 feet in height and must be constructed with shingles and siding to match the Dwelling Unit. No more than one shed or storge building shall be permitted per lot. No structure may be located within ten (10) feet of any Lot line. All such structures shall conform to the zoning requirements of the City of Green.

Air Conditioning and Heat Pump Equipment. Air conditioning and heat pump equipment shall be located in side yards or Rear Yards. To the extent reasonably possible, such equipment shall be screened from view in a manner approved for each particular lot.

Fencing. Standard chain link or other metal fences shall not be permitted. Fences may be erected only in the Rear Yard. On corner lots, fences may not be placed within the setback on the street side. Perimeter fences are permitted if they are three rail wood split rail or vinyl fencing not to exceed five (5) feet in height or privacy fences not to exceed six (6) feet in height. Wire fencing material (4" x 4" dog wire) may be attached to the split rail fences for additional enclosure. All swimming pool fencing shall be reviewed on an individual basis in accordance with general standard hereinafter set forth. Decorative fencing will be reviewed upon an individual basis considering the visual impact on surrounding lots. Invisible fencing for pets is encouraged. The Declarant and the Association reserve the right to restrict fencing in areas where its presence would adversely impact the aesthetics of the community.

Radio and Television Antennas. These guidelines are to be interpreted so as to balance the right of the individual owners to receive acceptable quality broadcast signals in accordance with F.C.C. regulations with the right and duty of the Association to preserve, protect and enhance the value of the properties within the subdivision.

A. Prohibited Apparatus. All exterior antennas are prohibited except for a satellite dish that is designed to receive direct broadcast satellite service, including direct-to-home satellite services, that is one meter or less in diameter..

B. Permitted Locations.

A permitted satellite dish must be located in the rear yard or on the rear of the Dwelling Unit in such a manner so as not to be visible by a person of normal height standing at the edge of the street directly in front of the Dwelling Unit. Other locations are permitted if placement under these guidelines precludes reception of an acceptable quality signal. In such case, the owner and the Declarant or the Association shall attempt to find a location with the least visual impact upon the surrounding properties. An "acceptable quality signal" is one that is intended for reception in the viewing area and is consistent with the quality of signals received by others in the immediate vicinity. No location shall be permitted if installation creates a line of sight problem for drivers in the vicinity. The Declarant or the Association may prohibit a location that imposes a legitimate safety concern.

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C. Other Requirements.

The Declarant or the Association may require that the satellite dish be painted in a fashion that will not interfere with reception so that it blends into the background against which it is mounted or that the satellite dish be screened so as to reduce the visual impact. Any such requirements must be reasonable in light of the cost of the equipment or services and the visual impact of the satellite dish. The Declarant or the Association may impose restrictions on methods of installation that create legitimate safety concerns. For example, permitted methods of installation may include reasonable height restrictions and adequate bolting.

D. Continued Maintenance.

Each owner shall maintain any satellite dish in a reasonable manner so as not become unsightly. Each owner shall remove any satellite dish upon cessation of its use.

Landscaping. Landscaping and normal lawn are required around all houses.

Street trees. Street trees shall be provided by the Developer along the street right of way. The street trees shall not be moved except by the Developer. The Lot Owner is expressly prohibited from moving street trees from the tree lawn area to other areas on the lot or removing them. The Developer shall guarantee the street trees for a period of one (1) year commencing on the date of installation. After one (1) year a damaged or dead street tree shall be replaced by and at the Lot Owner(s) expense.

Lot Maintenance. All lots must be kept mowed and free of debris and clutter. During any construction, each Owner and Builder shall be responsible for keeping the streets and adjacent lots clean and free of debris. No fill material shall be dumped on any lot except within five (5) days of commencement of construction. The Association shall have the right to assess any owner for the costs of mowing or clean up in the event that the owner fails to do so.

Lot Grading. The Builder and Owners shall be responsible to regrade the Lot in accordance with the grading plan as approved by the City of Green. Any deviations from such plan must be preapproved by the City and the Developer.

Mailboxes. Mailboxes and newspaper boxes will be provided and installed by the builder. Mailboxes and newspaper boxes once installed shall be maintained by the lot owner. All mailboxes must conform to the specifications set forth in Article IX, Section 9.2.19 of the Declaration. Mailbox location shall be determined by the United States Postal Service.

House Numbers. House numbers must be placed on all mailboxes.

Exterior Lighting. All Lots shall have an exterior light post which must conform to the specifications set forth in the appendix to these guidelines. Plans showing sufficient detail



as to size, wattage and type of bulb to be used in the exterior lighting must be submitted to the Committee prior to installation. Exterior lighting must be directed in such a manner so as not to intrude into neighboring lots and houses.

Discretion. Any discretion to be exercised in the review of plans shall be that of the Committee.

Variances. The developer or the committee may grant variances from these guidelines if such variance will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent lots and will not materially impair these guidelines and the overall best interest of the subdivision.

Right to Modify Guidelines. The Developer reserves the right to modify these guidelines, provided however, that no such modification shall be made that will materially and adversely affect the overall character of the properties as a first class development.

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CODE OF REGULATIONS FOR

CHARLESTON PLACE OF SUMMIT COUNTY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE I GENERAL

SECTION 1. Name and Nature of the Association. The name of the Association shall be Charleston Place of Summit County Homeowners Association, Inc., and shall be an Ohio nonprofit corporation.

SECTION 2. Membership. Each owner upon acquisition of title to a Lot shall automatically become a member of the Association. Such Membership shall terminate upon the sale or other disposition by such Member of his or her Lot ownership, at which time the new Owner of such Lot shall automatically become a Member of the Association.

SECTION 3. Definitions. The terms used in this Code of Regulations shall have the same meaning as set forth in the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions and Reservation of Easements recorded with the Recorder of Summit County in Official Record Book , page (the "Declaration"), unless the context shall prohibit.

ARTICLE II MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

SECTION 1. Place of Meetings. Meetings of the Association shall be held at the principal office of the Association or at such other suitable place convenient to the Members as may be designated by the Board of Trustees either in The City of Green, Summit County, Ohio or as convenient thereto as possible and practical.

regular or special meeting, shall be held within one (1) year from the date of incorporation of the Association. The next annual meeting shall be set by the Board so as to occur no later than thirty (30) days before the close of the Association's fiscal year. Subsequent annual meetings of the Members shall be held within thirty (30) days of the same day of the same month of each year thereafter at an hour set by the Board. The annual meeting of the Members shall be held at a date and time as set by the Board.

SECTION 3. Special Meetings. The President may call special meetings. In addition, it shall be the duty of the President to call special meetings of the Association if so directed by resolution of a majority of a quorum of the Board of Trustees or a written petition signed by at least twenty-five (25%) percent of the total votes of the Association. The notice of

special meetings shall state the date, time and place of such meeting and the purpose thereof. No business shall be transacted at special meetings except as stated in the notice.

SECTION 4. Notice of Meetings. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to mail or cause to be delivered to the Owner of record of each Lot a notice of each annual or special meetings of the Association stating the purpose of the special meetings, as well as the time and place where it is to be held. If an Owner wishes notice to be given at an address other than his or her Lot, he or she shall designate such address by written notice to the Secretary. The mailing or delivering of a notice of a meeting in the manner provided in this Section shall be considered service of notice. Notices shall be served not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days before a meeting.

SECTION 5. Waiver of Notice. Waiver of notice of a meeting of the Members shall be deemed the equivalent of proper notice. Any Member may, in writing, waive notice of any meeting of the Members, either before or after the holding of such meeting. Attendance of any Member at any meeting without protesting, prior to or at the commencement of the meeting, the lack of proper notice shall be deemed to be a waiver by him or her of such meeting.

SECTION 6. Adjournment of Meetings. If any meetings of the Association cannot be held because a quorum is not present, a majority of the Members who are present at such meeting, either in person or by proxy, may adjourn the meeting to a time not less than five (5) nor more than thirty (30) days from the time the original meeting was called. At such adjourned meeting at which a quorum is present, any business which might have been transacted at the meeting originally called may be transacted. If a time and place of the adjourned meeting are not fixed by those in attendance at the original meeting, or if for any reason a new date is fixed for the adjourned meeting after adjournment, notice of the time and place of the adjourned meeting shall be given to Members in the manner prescribed for regular meetings.

Those present at a duly called or held meeting at which a quorum is present may continue to do business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough Members to leave less than a quorum, provided that any action taken shall be approved by at least a majority of Members required to constitute a quorum.

SECTION 7. Voting Rights. Each Lot shall have one vote. If only one of several Owners for a Lot is present at a meeting of the Association, that Owner is entitled to cast the vote allocated to that Lot. If more than one of the Owners is present, the vote allocated to that Lot may be cast only in accordance with the agreement of a majority in interest of the Owners. There is majority agreement if any one of the Owners casts a vote allocated to that Lot without protest being made promptly to the person presiding over the meeting by any of the other Owners of the Lot. The Association may adopt rules regarding deadlocks. No votes allocated to a Lot owned by the Association may be cast. Voting at elections and votes on other matters may be conducted by mail and / or electronic mail transmission.

Unless expressly reserved and the Association is notified of such reservation, a land contract vendee as defined in Chapter 5313 of the Revised Code, shall be deemed the proxy of a land contract vendor for purposes of this section.

- duly executed by an Owner. If a Lot is owned by more than one person, each Owner of the Lot may vote or register protest to the casting of votes by the Owners of a Lot through a duly executed proxy. An Owner may revoke a proxy given pursuant to this section only by actual notice of revocation to the person presiding over a meeting of the Association. A proxy is void if it is not dated or purports to be revocable without notice. Except as hereinafter provided, a proxy shall terminate one year after its date, unless it specifies a shorter time. If a first mortgagee has been designated a proxy under the terms of a first mortgage covering the Lot, its presentation to the Board of a copy of the mortgage shall be notice of the proxy designation, and if the mortgage so states, of the irrevocability of that designation. Written notice to the Board or notice in a meeting of a revocation of a proxy designation shall not affect any vote or act previously taken. Each proxy shall automatically cease upon conveyance of the Lot.
- SECTION 9. Majority of Owners. As used in this Code of Regulations, the term majority shall mean those votes, Owners, Members or other group as the context may indicate totaling more than fifty (50%) percent of the total number.
- **SECTION 10. Quorum.** Except as otherwise provided in these Code of Regulations or in the Declaration, those Members present in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the Association. Any provision in the Declaration concerning quorums is specifically incorporated herein.
- **SECTION 11.** Conduct of Meetings. The President shall preside over all meetings of the Association, and the Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meeting and record in the minute book all resolutions adopted, as well as a record of all transactions occurring thereat.
- SECTION 12. Action Without A Meeting. Any action which may be authorized or taken at a meeting of the members, except the election of Board members, may be authorized or taken without a meeting with the affirmative vote or approval, and in writing or writings signed by not less than a majority of the Members. Any such writing shall be entered into the minute book of the Association.

ARTICLE III BOARD OF TRUSTEES

SECTION 1. Governing Body. Except as otherwise provided by law, the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration or this Code of Regulations, all of the authority of the Association shall be exercised by or under the direction of the Board of Trustees.

SECTION 2. Number and Qualification of Trustees. The Board of Trustees in the Association shall consist of three (3) persons and shall be those named in the Articles of Incorporation or other such person or persons as may be substituted by the Declarant pursuant to Article XIII, Section 13.3 of the Declaration. At such time as the Owners are entitled to elect one member of the Board, the Board of Trustees shall be expanded to consist of five (5) persons. Except those appointed by the Declarant, all Trustees must be Owners. The spouse of an Owner is qualified to act as a Trustee if both the Owner and the spouse occupy the Lot. No person and his or her spouse may serve on the Board at the same time.

Declarant, nominations for election of the Board of Trustees shall be made by a Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall consist of a Chairman, who shall be a member of the Board, and two (2) or more Members of the Association. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Board at each annual meeting of the Members to serve from the close of such annual meeting until the close of the next annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall make as many nominations for election to the Board as it shall in its discretion determine but in no event less than the number of vacancies or terms to be filled. Nominations shall be permitted from the floor. All candidates shall have a reasonable opportunity to communicate their qualifications to the Members and to solicit votes.

meeting of the Members of the Association or at a special meeting called for the purpose of electing Trustees. At a meeting of Members of the Association at which Trustees are to be elected, only persons nominated as candidates shall be eligible for election as Trustees and the candidates receiving the greatest number of votes shall be elected. The Board may adopt rules regarding nominations and procedure for elections. Election to the Board shall be by secret written ballot and at such elections, the Members or their proxies may cast, in respect to each vacancy, such voting power as they are entitled to exercise under the provisions of the Declaration.

SECTION 5. Term of Office; Resignations. Except for those Trustees appointed by the Declarant, each Trustee shall hold office for a term of two (2) years and until his or her successor is elected, or until his or her earlier resignation, removal from office, or death. It is intended by these Code of Regulations that the terms of the Trustees shall be staggered with three (3) Trustees being elected in odd numbered years and two (2) Trustees being elected in even numbered years. The initial terms of the Trustees elected by the Owners shall be adjusted to carry out this intent.

Any Trustee may resign at any time by oral statement to that effect made at a meeting of the Board of Trustees or in writing to that effect delivered to the Secretary of the Association, such resignation to take effect immediately or at such other time as the Trustee may specify. In the event of death or resignation of a Trustee, his or her successor shall be selected by a majority of the remaining members of the Board and shall serve for the unexpired term of the predecessor.

- SECTION 6. Compensation. Members of the Board of Trustees shall serve without compensation, except that they may be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred on behalf of the Association.
- SECTION 7. Removal of Trustees. Except for those appointed by the Declarant, at any regular or special meeting of the Association duly called, any one or more of the members of the Board of Trustees may be removed, with or without cause, by a majority vote of the Owners, and a successor may then and there be elected to fill the vacancy thus created. A Trustee whose removal has been proposed shall be given at least ten (10) days notice of the calling of the meeting and the purposes thereof and shall be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting. Additionally, any Trustee who has three (3) unexcused absences from Board meetings or who is delinquent in payment of an Assessment for more then twenty (20) days may be removed by a majority vote of the Trustees at meeting, a quorum being present.
- SECTION 8. Organization Meetings. The first meeting of the members of the Board of Trustees following each annual meeting of the Members shall be held within ten (10) days thereafter at such time and place as shall be fixed by the Board.
- **SECTION 9. Regular Meetings.** Regular meetings of the Board of Trustees may be held at such time and place as shall be determined from time to time by a majority of the Trustees, but at least four (4) such meetings shall be held during each fiscal year with at least one (1) per quarter.
- SECTION 10. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held when called by written notice signed by the President or Secretary of the Association, or by any two (2) Trustees. The notice shall specify the time and place of the meeting and the nature of any special business to be considered.
- SECTION 11. Notice of Meetings; Waiver. Notice of the time and place of each meeting of the Trustees, whether regular or special, shall be given to each Trustee at least seventy-two (72) hours before the time set for the meeting.

Waiver of notice of meetings of the Trustees shall be deemed the equivalent of proper notice. Any Trustee may, in writing, waive notice of any meeting of the Board, either before or after the holding of such meeting. Such writing shall be entered into the minutes of the meeting. Attendance of any Trustee at any meeting without protesting, prior to or at the commencement of at the meeting, the lack of proper notice shall be deemed to be a waiver by him or her of notice of such meeting.

of Trustees, a majority of the Trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the votes of a majority of the Trustees present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall constitute the decision of the Board. A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business, notwithstanding the withdrawal of the Trustees, if any action taken is approved by at least a majority of the required quorum for that meeting. Notice of

adjournment of a meeting need not be given if the time and place to which it is adjourned are fixed and announced at such meeting. At such adjourned meeting at which a quorum is present, any business which might have been transacted at the meeting originally called may be transacted.

- SECTION 13. Conduct of Meetings. The President shall preside over all meetings of the Board of Trustees, and the Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meeting and record in the minute book all resolutions adopted, as well as a record of all transaction occurring thereat.
- SECTION 14. Open Meetings. All meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be open to all Members of the Association, but Members other than the Trustees may not participate in any discussion or deliberation unless expressly so authorized by a majority of a quorum of the Board.
- SECTION 15. Executive Session. The Board may, with approval of a majority of a quorum, adjourn a meeting and reconvene in executive session to discuss and vote upon personnel matters, litigation in which the Association is or may become involved, or orders of business of similar nature. The nature of any and all business to be considered in executive session shall first be announced in open session.
- SECTION 16. Action Without A Meeting. Any action which may be authorized or taken at a meeting of the Board of Trustees may be authorized or taken without a meeting with the affirmative vote or approval, and in writing or writings signed by all the Trustees. Any such writing shall be entered into the minute book of the Association. An explanation of the action taken shall be posted at a prominent place or places within the Properties within three (3) days after written consents of all the Board members have been obtained.
- **SECTION 17. Voting By Trustees.** A Trustee who is present at a meeting of the Board or any committee meeting when corporate action is taken shall be deemed to have assented to the action taken unless:
- a) He or she objects at the beginning of the meeting (or promptly upon arrival) to holding it or transacting business at the meeting;
- b) His or her dissent or abstention from the action taken is entered in the minutes of the meeting; or
- c) He or she delivers written notice of his or her dissent or abstention to the presiding officer of the meeting before its adjournment or to the Corporation immediately after adjournment of the meeting. This right of dissent or abstention shall not be available to a Trustee who votes in favor of the action taken.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

- SECTION 1. Officers. The officers of the Association shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Board of Trustees may elect such other officers, including one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers, as it shall deem desirable, such officers to have the authority and perform the duties prescribed from time to time by the Board. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, excepting the offices of President and Secretary. The President and Treasurer shall be elected from among members of the Board of Trustees.
- Association shall be elected annually by the Board of Trustees at the first meeting of the Board following each annual meeting of the Members, as herein set forth in Article III. A vacancy in any office arising because of death, resignation, removal or otherwise may be filled by the Board for the unexpired portion of the term.
- **SECTION 3. Removal.** Any officer may be removed by the Board of Trustees whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Association would be served thereby.
- SECTION 4. Powers and Duties. The officers of the Association shall each have such powers and duties as generally pertain to their respective offices, as well as such powers and duties as may from time to time be specifically conferred or imposed by the Board. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association. The Treasurer shall have the primary responsibility for the preparation of the budget and may delegate all or part of the preparation and notification duties to a finance, management agent or both.
- SECTION 5. Resignation. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Trustees, the President, or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect on the date of the receipt of such notice or at any later time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

ARTICLE V COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. General. Committees to perform such tasks and to serve for such periods as may be designated by a resolution adopted by a majority of the Trustees present at a meeting at which a quorum is present are hereby authorized. Such committees shall perform such duties and have such powers as may be provided in the resolution. Each committee shall be composed as required by law and operate in accordance with the terms of the resolution of the Board designating such committee or with rules adopted by the Board and to the full extent permitted by law. Meetings of a committee may be held through any communications equipment

if all persons participating can hear each other. Participation in a meeting pursuant to this division constitutes presence at the meeting.

- SECTION 2. Executive Committee. The Board of Trustees may, by resolution adopted or signed by all of the Trustees, appoint an Executive Committee to consist of three (3) Trustees. The Board may delegate any or all of its duties to such committee. Any resolution or writing appointing such committee must acknowledge the responsibility of all of the Trustees for the operation and administration of the Association.
- SECTION 3. Architectural Control Committee. The Board of Trustees may appoint an Architectural Control Committee which shall be responsible for plan approval in accordance with Article IX of the Declaration. In addition, the committee shall develop and promulgate architectural standards and guidelines with respect to those matters that are within the Association's authority to regulate. Pursuant to Section 9.2.1.1 of the Declaration, Declarant shall retain all architectural plan review and approval as set forth therein.

ARTICLE VI DETERMINATION AND PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENTS

- SECTION 1. Adoption of Budget. It shall be the duty of the Board to prepare and adopt a budget covering the estimated Common Expenses of the Association for the coming fiscal year. The budget shall also include a capital contribution or reserve in accordance with a capital budget separately prepared. After adoption of the budget, the Board shall cause the summary of the budget and the Assessments to be levied against each Lot for the following year to be delivered to each Owner. Such summary shall be delivered at least thirty (30) days prior to the start of the fiscal year. The budget and Assessments shall take effect on the first day of the fiscal year.
- SECTION 2. Capital Budget and Contribution. The Board shall annually prepare a capital budget, which shall take into account the number and nature of replaceable assets, the expected life of each asset, and the expected repair or replacement cost. The Board shall set the required capital contribution, if any, in an amount sufficient to permit meeting the projected capital needs of the Association, as shown on the capital budget, with respect to both amount and timing by annual assessments over the period of the budget. The capital contribution required shall be fixed by the Board and included within the budget and assessment, as provided in Section 1 of this Article. A copy of the capital budget shall be distributed to each Owner in the same manner as the operating budget.
- SECTION 3. Petition for Reconsideration of Budget Increase. If the Board receives a petition for reconsideration of budget increase as set forth in Article VII, Section 7.7 of the Declaration, then the Board shall forthwith call a special meeting of the Members. At such meeting, the Members in good standing, in person on by proxy, exercising at least sixty-six and two thirds (66 2/3%) percent of voting power of the Association, may vote to reduce the increase by any amount proposed in the petition, but not lower than the previous years budget.

- SECTION 4. Failure to Adopt Budget. The failure or delay of the Board to adopt a budget as provided herein shall not constitute a waiver or release of the obligation of an Owner to pay the Assessments. In such event, the Assessments based upon the budget last adopted shall continue until such time as the Board adopts a new budget.
- **SECTION 5.** Computation of Assessments. The Assessments for Common Expenses for each Lot shall be determined in accordance with the operating budget and the capital contribution budget as they apply to the various Lots. Unless otherwise determined by the Board, all Assessments shall be charged on an annual basis.
- determined by the Board, all Assessments shall be payable annually. Any installment of an Assessment shall become delinquent if not paid on the due date as established by the Board. With respect to each installment of an Assessment not paid within five (5) days after its due date, the Board may, at its election, require the Owner to pay a reasonable late charge, together with interest at the rate provided in Section 1343.03 of the Ohio Revised Code calculated from the date of delinquency to and including the date full payment is received by the Association. If any installment of an Assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after its due date, the Board may, at its election, declare all of the unpaid balance of the Assessment for the then current fiscal year, attributable to that Lot, to be immediately due and payable without further demand and may enforce collection of the full Assessment and all charges thereon in any manner authorized by law, the Declaration and these Code of Regulations.
- Assessment, the Board may authorize collection through any lawful means, including foreclosure of the lien. Interest and all costs of such collection, including but not limited to court costs, lien fees, attorney fees shall be included in the amount due from the Owner and may be collected. The Board may authorize the Association to bid its interest at any foreclosure sale and to acquire, hold, lease, mortgage and convey any Lot.

ARTICLE VII MISCELLANEOUS

- **SECTION 1. Fiscal Year.** The Association may adopt any fiscal year as determined by the Board.
- **SECTION 2.** Parliamentary Rules. Except as may be modified by Board resolution establishing modified procedures, Robert's Rules of Order (current edition) shall govern the conduct of Association proceedings when not in conflict with Ohio law, the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration, or this Code of Regulations.

SECTION 3. Conflicts. If there are conflicts or inconsistencies between the provisions of Ohio law, the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration, and these Code of Regulations, the provisions of Ohio law, the Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation, and this Code of Regulations (in that order) shall prevail.

SECTION 4. Books and Records.

Inspection by Members. The membership book, account books and minutes of the Association, the Board and any committee shall be made available for inspection and copying by any Member or by his or her duly appointed representative at any reasonable time and for a purpose reasonably related to his or her interest as a Member at the office of the Association or at such other place within Summit County, Ohio, as the Board shall prescribe.

- b. Rules for Inspection. The Board shall establish reasonable rules with respect to:
- i. notice to be given to the custodian of the records by the Members desiring to make the inspection;
- ii. hours and days of the week when such inspection may be made; and
 - iii. payment of the cost of reproducing copies requested by a Member.
- c. Inspection by Trustees. Every Trustee shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect all books, records, and documents of the Association and the physical properties owned or controlled by the Association. The right of inspection by a Trustee includes the right to make extracts and copies of documents at the expense of the Association.
- SECTION 5. Notices. Unless otherwise provided in this Code of Regulations, all notices, demands, bills, statements, or other communications under this Code of Regulations shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered personally or sent by telegram, telecopy, or electronic mail transmission or by United States mail, express mail, or courier service, with postage or fees prepaid:

if to a Member, at the address which the Member has designated in writing and filed with the Secretary or, if no such address has been designated, at the address of the residence of such Owner; or

if to the Association, the Board of Trustees, or the Managing Agent, at the principal office of the Association or the Managing Agent, if any, or at such other address as shall be designated by the Board with written notice to the Owners.

In computing the period of time for the giving of a notice required or permitted under the articles, the regulations, or the bylaws of the Association, or a resolution of its Members or Drectors, the day on which the notice is given shall be excluded, and the day when the act for which notice is given is to be done shall be included, unless the instrument calling for the notice otherwise provides. If notice is given by personal delivery or transmitted by telegram, telecopy, or electronic mail, the notice shall be deemed to have been given when delivered or transmitted. If notice is sent by United States mail, express mail, or courier service, the notice shall be deemed to have been given when deposited in the mail or with the courier service.

A written notice or report delivered as part of a newsletteror other publication regularly sent to the Members shall constitute a written notice or report if addressed or delivered to the Member's address shown in the Association's current list of members, or, in the case of Members who are residents of the same household and who have the same address in the Association's current list of Members, if addressed or delivered to one of such Members at the address appearing on the Association's current list of Members.

SECTION 6. Amendment. Except as otherwise provided by law or the Declaration, this Code of Regulations may be amended by a majority of the Owners. During such time as the Declarant has the right to appoint Trustees of the Association pursuant to Article XIII, Section 13.3 of the Declaration, the Declarant shall have the right to veto any amendment to this Code of Regulations which unreasonably impact Declarant's ability to sell Lots. Likewise, during such period, the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration shall have the right to veto any amendment, if either such agency is insuring or guaranteeing the mortgage on any Lot.

SECTION 7. Financial Review. A review of the accounts of the Association shall be made annually in the manner as the Board of Trustees may decide, provided, however, after having received the Board's report at the annual meeting, the Owners, by majority vote, may require the accounts of the Association to be audited as a Common Expense by a public accountant.

Adopted this _	day of	, 2003.		
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