COUNTY OF CLAYTON STATE OF GEORGIA

DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS

FOR

TAYLOR'S TRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

THIS DECLARATION is made on the date hereinafter set forth by Bee Homes, Inc., a Georgia corporation ("Declarant").

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WHEREAS, Declarant desires to subject the real property described in this Declaration to the provisions of this Declaration to create a residential community of single-family housing.

WHEREAS, Declarant is the owner of the real property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference and hereby subjects said real property to this Declaration; and

WHEREAS, it is to the benefit, interest and advantage of Declarant and to each and every person who shall hereafter purchase any lot in said subdivision that certain Protective Covenants governing and regulating the use and occupancy of same be established, set forth and declared to be covenants running with the land.

NOW, THEREFORE, Declarant hereby declares that the real property described in this Declaration and any additional property that is hereafter subjected to this Declaration by Supplementary Declaration, including the improvements constructed or to be constructed thereon, is hereby subjected to the provisions of this Declaration for the sole purpose of assenting to the submission of real property described herein, and such real property shall be held, sold, transferred, conveyed, used, occupied, and mortgaged or otherwise encumbered subject to the covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, assessments, and liens hereinafter set forth, which are for the purpose of protecting the value and desirability of, and which shall run with the title to, the real property made subject hereto, and shall be binding on all persons or entities having any right, title, or interest in all or any portion of the real property made subject hereto, their respective heirs, legal representatives, successors, successors-in-title, and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of each and every owner of all or any portion thereof..

- 1. Taylor's Trace shall include common areas. The Developer shall maintain the common areas until all lots have been sold. It shall then become the responsibility of Taylor's Trace Homeowners Association, Inc. through dues assessed each homeowner, to maintain the common areas in good repair. Dues will only be assessed on sold lots. All guests using the common areas must be accompanied by a homeowner. The Developer shall have continual use of the property until all lots are sold. The Developer shall not be obligated to pay any dues to the homeowners association.
- 2. All lot owners agree that they will be bound by the within restrictions and that upon sale of the property, they will notify subsequent purchasers of these restrictions at the time of the sale of property. This Agreement by the present owners shall be binding upon their heirs, successors and assigns.
- The invalidation of any, of one or more of these restrictions shall not affect the validity of any other of said restrictions.
- 4. The Association, BEE Homes, Inc., ("hereinafter the Declarant"), the Architectural Control Committee ("ACC"), and any owner of any lot shall have the right to enforce these restrictions as to any other owner or occupant by suit for injunction or damages or both.
- 5. Notices provided for is this Declaration shall be in writing and shall be addressed to any owner at his lot or such other address as provided. Notices to the Association shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the President of the Association at his/her residence address. Notices addressed as above shall be deemed delivered upon mailing by United States registered or certified mail, or when personally delivered.
- 6. The lots to which these covenants are applicable shall be used for residential purposes and only single family dwellings with a minimum of 1800 single story and 2200 square feet two-story of heated living, excluding finished basement area, if any shall be erected, maintained or permitted to remain on any lot or building plot. No concrete block or cinder block shall be used as a building material for the exposed exterior surface of any dwelling. Setbacks shall be determined by the Architectural Control Committee, and may very from that shown on the final subdivision plat of survey. All roofs must have a minimum 8:12 roof pitch pursuant to the Clayton County, Georgia Zoning Ordinance.
- 7. No activity which may create erosion or siltation problems shall be undertaken on any lot without prior written approval of the Architectural Control Committee of plans and specifications for the prevention and control of such erosion or siltation.
- 8. No signs shall be installed, altered or maintained on any lot or structure visible from the exterior except: (a) signs required by legal proceedings; (b) not more than one "For Sale" sign no more than four square feet in area. "For Rent" signs are not allowed; (c) directional signs for vehicle or pedestrian safety;
- (d) all signs shall be removed after transaction is completed; (e) BEE Homes Inc., hereinafter the Developer, reserves the right to install and maintain any size sign for use in marketing the subdivision to prospective buyers.

- 9. Before any house or other structure may be occupied as a residence it must be completely finished on the exterior. All soil must be stabilized in any disturbed areas. The driveway must be concrete or asphalt.
- 10. All dwellings shall include an enclosed two or more vehicle garage, which must be interior finished and painted and shall have an operating garage door.

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- 11. All exterior paint colors and exterior materials must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee, including the roof color.
- 12. No building shall be erected, placed or altered on any lot until the construction plans and specifications and a plan showing the locations of the structure have been approved by the Architectural Control Committee as to quality of workmanship and materials, harmony of external design with existing structures, and as to locations with respect to topography and finish grade elevation.
- 13. No yard or portion thereof may fenced without prior approval from the Architectural Control Committee.
- 14. No animals, livestock or. poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any lot, except that a reasonable number of dogs, cats or other household pets may be kept provided they are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purpose, are not allowed to roam free, nor do they create a nuisance for the neighbors.
- 15. No noxious activities shall be carried on upon any lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or becomes an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood.
- 16. It shall be the responsibility of each lot owner to prevent the development of any unclean, unsightly, or unkempt conditions of buildings or grounds on such lot, which shall tend to substantially decrease the beauty of the neighborhood as a whole or of the specific area.
- 17. All government building codes, health regulations zoning restrictions and other requirements applicable to the properties shall be observed. In the event of any conflict between any provisions of any such governmental code, regulations, restrictions or requirement and-any provision of this Declaration, the more restrictive shall apply.
- 18. All vacant lots shall be maintained by the owner.
- 19. No mobile homes, trailers, modular homes, construction trailers or "moved in" homes may be placed on any lot or building plat at any time.
- 20. No boats, trailers, motor homes, non-operation vehicles and/or recreational vehicles may be kept in view on the property.
- 20. A detached accessory structure may be placed on a lot only after approval in writing as to quality, design, material and location on the lot by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 21. Outside clotheslines will not be permitted.

Outside storage of personal property shall not be allowed unless screened by enclosures, fences or other devices for which plans and specifications have been approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee. 24. No profession or home business or industry shall be conducted on any lot. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, the Declarant herein, hereby executes this instrument by an through its duly authorized officers and under seal thisday of	signals or the like shall be installed or mainta exposed to view from any other parcel ex-	r the transmission or reception of television or ra- tined on the exterior of any structure or on any pa- except in accordance with plans and specification. At a committee. To the extent this prohibition is so installed or maintained without prior approva-	ions not
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By:(SEAL) Earl Edmondson, President [CORPORATE SEAL] Signed, sealed, and delivered this day of, 2005 in the presence of: Witness Notary Public		DECLARANT:	
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this		[CORPORATE SEAL]	
Witness Notary Public	this day of, 2005		
Notary Public	in the presence of:		
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Exhibit "A"

Legal Description

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 170 of the 12th District, Clayton County, Georgia, containing 5.848 acres as per survey for Craig Jackson by Delta Surveyors, Inc., dated 8/4/03 and being more particularly described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part of this description.

AND
All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in band Lot 1/U or the 12LH
District, Clayton County, Georgia, containing 5.648 acres as per survey for
Craig Jackson by Delta Surveyors, Inc., Registered Land Surveyors, dated
8/4/03 and being more particularly described as follows:

To arrive at the point of beginning commence at a point located on the westerly right of way line of Doublebridge Road (50'r/w) 114.7 feet southerly along said right of way from its intersection with the North line of Land Lot 170; thence North 83 degrees 10 minutes 34 seconds East, 11.08 feet to an iron pin and the True Point of Beginning; thence South 00 degrees 47 minuts 13 seconds West, 380.93 feet to a point; thence southerly along a curve to the right an arc distance of 57.66 feet (said arc having a radius of 507.25 feet and being subtended by a chord bearing South 03 degrees 02 minutes 39 seconds West. a chord distance of 57.63 feet); Thence North 78 degrees 22 minutes 16 seconds West, 600.04 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar found; thence North 00 degrees 11 minutes 06 seconds West, 397.99 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar found; thence South 80 degrees 21 minutes 54 seconds East, 336.50 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar found: thence North 85 degrees 55 minutes 03 seconds East a distance 39.89 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar found; thence South 83 degrees 10 minutes 34 seconds East. 227.38 feet to a 1/2 inch rebar and the point of beginning.

Together with any and all property lying between the easterly boundary of the above described property and the westerly right of way line of Doublebridge Road.

AND

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 170 of the 12th District of Clayton County, Georgia, containing 2 acres as shown by plat of survey made for Walter Watkins by W.R. Franks, Registered Land Surveyor, dated October 17, 1977, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin on the westerly line of the 80 foot right of way of Double Bridge Road 557.5 feet southerly along said eight of way line from then orth line of said Land lot 170 and running thence southerly and southwesterly along said right of wya line a distance of 159.75 feet to an iron pin; thence North 72 degrees 23 minutes 22 seconds West, 533.4 feet to an iron pin; thence North 2 degrees 16 minutes East 159.48 feet to an iron pin; thence South 72 degrees 23 minutes 22 seconds East 578 feet to the point of beginning Being the same property conveyed in Deed Book 885, page 416.

Exhibit "B"

BYLAWS

OF

TAYLOR'S TRACE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Article I. General

Section 1. Applicability. These Bylaws provide for the self-government of Taylor's Trace Homeowners Association, Inc., in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation filed with the Secretary of State and the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions for Taylor's Trace, recorded in the Clayton County, Georgia land records ("Declaration").

Section 2. Name. The name of the corporation is Taylor's Trace Homeowners Association, Inc., ("Association").

Section 3. <u>Definitions</u>. The terms used herein shall have their generally accepted meanings or such meanings as are specified in the Declaration.

An Owner of a Lot shall automatically Section 4. Membership. become a member of the Association upon taking title to the Lot and shall remain a member for the entire period of ownership. As may be more fully provided below, a spouse or domestic partner of a member may exercise the powers and privileges of the member. If title to a Lot is held by more than one (1) Person, the membership shall be shared in the same proportion as the title, but there shall be only one Membership does not include membership and one (1) vote per Lot. Persons who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation, and the giving of a security interest shall not terminate the Owner's membership. Membership shall be appurtenant to the Lot and shall be transferred automatically by conveyance of that Lot and may be transferred only in connection with the transfer of title.

event an Owner In the Section 5. Entity Members. corporation, limited liability company, partnership, trust, or other legal entity not being a natural person or persons, then any natural person who is an officer, director, or other designated agent of such corporation, manager or member of such limited liability company, partner of such partnership, beneficiary or other designated agent of such trust, or agent of such other legal entity shall be eligible to represent such entity in the affairs of the Association. Such person's relationship with the Association shall terminate automatically upon the termination of such person's relationship with the entity which is the Owner, which will create a vacancy in any elected or appointed position within the Association in which such person may have been serving, to be filled by the Board.

Each Lot shall be entitled to one equally Section 6. Voting. weighted vote, which vote may be cast by the Owner, the Owner's spouse or domestic partner, or by a lawful proxy as provided below. than one (1) Person owns a Lot, the vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they determine between or among themselves, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot. only one (1) co-owner attempts to cast the vote for a Lot, it shall be conclusively presumed that such co-owner is authorized on behalf of all co-owners to cast the vote for such Lot. In the event of disagreement among co-owners and an attempt by two (2) or more of them to cast such vote, such Persons shall not be recognized and such vote or votes shall No Owner shall be eligible to vote, either in person not be counted. or by proxy, or to be elected to the Board, if that Owner is shown on the books or management accounts of the Association to be more than thirty (30) days delinquent in any payment due the Association or if the Owner has had its voting rights suspended for the infraction of any provision of the Declaration, these Bylaws, or any rule of the If the voting rights of an Owner have been suspended, Association. that Owner shall not be counted as an eligible vote for purposes of establishing a Majority or a quorum or for purposes of amending these Bylaws or the Declaration.

"majority" shall mean those votes, Owners, or other group as the context may indicate totaling more than fifty (50%) percent of the total number of eligible votes, Owners, or other group, respectively. Unless otherwise specifically stated, the words "majority vote" mean more than fifty (50%) percent of those voting in person or by proxy. Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Declaration or these Bylaws, all decisions shall be by majority vote.

the Association shall have The Purpose. Section 8. responsibility of administering the Property, establishing the means and methods of collecting the contributions to the Common Expenses, arranging for the management of the Property and performing all of the other acts that may be required to be performed by the Association pursuant to the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code and the Declaration. Except as to those matters which the Declaration or the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code specifically require to be performed by the vote of the Association membership, the administration of the foregoing responsibilities shall be performed by the Board of Directors as more particularly set forth below.

Section 9. Electronic Documents and Signatures.

(a) <u>Documents</u>. Whenever these Bylaws require that a document, record or instrument be "written" or "in writing," the requirement is deemed satisfied by an Electronic Document. "Electronic Document"

means information created, transmitted, received, or stored by electronic means and retrievable in human perceivable form, such as email, web pages, electronic documents, facsimile transmissions, etc. Records, documents and instruments shall not be denied effect or validity solely on the grounds that they are electronic.

- (b) <u>Signatures</u>. Whenever these Bylaws require a signature, an electronic signature satisfies that requirement only if: (1) the signature is easily recognizable as a Secure Electronic Signature which is capable of verification, under the sole control of the signatory, and attached to the electronic document in such a way that the document cannot be modified without invalidating the signature; or (2) the Board reasonably believes that the signatory affixed the signature with the intent to sign the Electronic Document, and that the Electronic Document has not been modified since the signature was affixed.
- Verification and Liability for Falsification. require reasonable verification of any electronic signature, document, record or instrument. Pending verification, the Board may refuse to accept any electronic signature, document, record or instrument which, in the Board's sole discretion, is not clearly Neither the Board nor the Association shall be liable to authentic. any Member or any other Person for accepting or acting in reliance upon an electronic signature or Electronic Document which the Board Any Member or Person who reasonably believes to be authentic. negligently, recklessly or intentionally submits any falsified Electronic Document or unauthorized electronic signature shall fully indemnify the Association for actual damages, reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses incurred as a result of such acts.

Article II. Meetings of Members

Section 1. <u>Annual Meetings</u>. The regular annual meeting of the members shall be held during November or December of each year with the date, hour, and place to be set by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the members may be called for any purpose at any time by the President, the Secretary, or by request of any two (2) or more Board members, or upon written petition of twenty-five (25%) percent of the Lot Owners. Any such written petition by the members must be submitted to the Association's Secretary. The Secretary shall then verify that the required number of members have joined in the petition and shall submit all proper petitions to the Association's President. The President shall then promptly call a special meeting for the purpose stated in the petition, and the Secretary shall send notice of the meeting in accordance with

these Bylaws.

Secretary to mail or deliver to each Owner of Lots of record or to the Lots a notice of each annual or special meeting of the Association at least twenty-one (21) days prior to each annual meeting and at least seven (7) days prior to each special meeting. The notice shall state the purpose of any special meeting; as well as the time and place where it is to be held. The notice of an annual meeting shall state the time and place of the meeting. If any Owner wishes notice to be given at an address other than his or her Lot, the Owner shall designate such other address by written notice to the Secretary. The mailing or delivering of a meeting notice as provided in this Section shall constitute proper service of notice.

Section 4. Waiver of Notice. Waiver of notice of a meeting of the Owners shall be deemed the equivalent of proper notice. Any Owner may, in writing, waive notice of any Association meeting, either before or after such meeting. Attendance at a meeting by an Owner, whether in person or represented by proxy, shall be deemed waiver by such Owner of notice of the time, date, and place thereof unless such Owner specifically objects to lack of proper notice at the time the meeting is called to order. Attendance at a special meeting shall also be deemed waiver of notice of all business transacted at such meeting unless objection to lack of notice is raised before the business, of which proper notice was not given, is put to a vote.

Section 5. Quorum. Except as may be provided elsewhere, the presence, in person or by proxy at the beginning of the meeting, of Owners entitled to cast one third (1/3) of the eligible vote of the Association shall constitute a quorum. Once a quorum is established for a meeting, it shall conclusively be presumed to exist until the meeting is adjourned and shall not need to be reestablished. Owners whose voting rights have been suspended pursuant hereto shall not be counted as eligible votes toward the quorum requirement.

Section 6. Adjournment. Any meeting of the Owners may be adjourned for periods not exceeding ten (10) days by vote of the Owners holding the Majority of the votes represented at such meeting, regardless of whether a quorum is present. Any business which could be transacted properly at the original session of the meeting may be transacted at a reconvened session, and no additional notice of such reconvened session shall be required.

Section 7. Proxy. Any member entitled to vote may do so by written proxy duly executed by the member setting forth the meeting at which the proxy is valid. To be valid, a proxy must be signed, dated, and filed with the Secretary prior to the opening of the meeting for

which it is to be used. Proxies may be delivered to the Board by personal delivery, U.S. Mail, facsimile transmission, email, or other electronic means to any Board member or the property manager. Proxies may be revoked only by written notice delivered to the Association, except that the presence in person by the proxy giver at a meeting for which the proxy is given shall automatically invalidate the proxy for that meeting. A proxy holder may not appoint a substitute proxy holder unless expressly authorized to do so in the proxy.

Section 8. Action Taken Without a Meeting. In the Board's discretion, any action that may be taken by the Association members at any annual, regular, or special meeting may be taken without a meeting if the Board delivers a ballot or consent form to every member entitled to vote on the matter. The Board may deliver ballots and consent forms by personal delivery, U.S. Mail, facsimile transmission, email, or other electronic means. Owners shall deliver their vote by ballot or consent form by whatever means is specified by the Board.

(a) <u>Ballot</u>. A ballot shall set forth each proposed action and provide an opportunity to vote for or against each proposed action. Approval by ballot shall be valid only when the number of votes cast by ballot equals or exceeds the quorum required to be present at a meeting authorizing the action, and the number of approvals equals or exceeds the number of votes that would be required to approve the matter at a meeting at which the total number of votes cast was the same as the number of votes cast by ballot.

All solicitations for votes by ballot shall: a) indicate the number of responses needed to meet the quorum requirements; b) state the percentage of approvals necessary to approve each matter other than election of directors; and c) specify the time by which a ballot must be received by the corporation in order to be counted. A ballot may not be revoked. The Association shall maintain such ballots in its file for at least three (3) years.

when the number of consents received equals or exceeds the requisite majority of the voting power for such action. Executed consents shall be included in the minutes or filed with the Association's records. If an action of the members is approved by consent hereunder, the Board shall issue notice of such approval to all members who did not sign consents. Membership approval shall be effective ten (10) days after notice is issued; provided, however, if the consent is to an amendment to the Declaration or Bylaws which must be recorded, the effective date shall be no earlier than the date of recording of such amendment.

Section 9. Order of Business. At all meetings of the Association, Roberts Rules of Order (latest edition) shall govern when

not in conflict with the Declaration, these Bylaws or the Articles of Incorporation.

Article III. Board of Directors

A. Composition and Selection.

Section 1. <u>Composition</u>. The affairs of the Association shall be governed by a Board of Directors composed of five (5) persons. The directors shall be Owners of Lots or spouse or domestic partners of such Owners; provided, however, no Owner and his or her spouse or domestic partner or co-Owner may serve on the Board at the same time.

Those directors serving on the date Section 2. Term of Office. these amended and restated Bylaws are recorded in the Clayton County, Georgia land records shall remain in office until the terms for which they were elected expire. Successor directors shall be elected by the vote of those members present or represented by proxy, at the annual or other meeting of the membership of the Association, a quorum being At the first election of directors of the Association present. following the date these amended and restated Bylaws are recorded in the Clayton County, Georgia land records, the terms of successor directors shall be staggered on a one (1), two (2), and three (3) year One (1) director shall be elected for one (1) year, two (2) directors shall be elected for two (2) years, and two (2) directors shall be elected for three (3) years. At the expiration of the term of office of each member of the Board of Directors, and at each annual meeting thereafter, a successor shall be elected to serve for a term of three (3) years. The members of the Board of Directors shall hold office until their respective successors shall have been elected by the Association.

Section 3. Removal of Members of the Board of Directors. At any valid regular or special Association meeting, any one or more Board members may be removed with or without cause by a Majority of the Association members and a successor may then and there be elected to fill the vacancy created. Moreover, any director who has had three (3) consecutive unexcused absences from regularly scheduled Board meetings or is more than sixty (60) days past due in the payment of any assessment may be removed by the vote of a Majority of the other directors. Any director whose removal has been proposed shall be given at least ten (10) days notice of the calling of the meeting to consider his or her removal and the purpose thereof and shall be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting.

Section 4. <u>Vacancies</u>. Vacancies in the Board caused by any reason, except the removal of a director by vote of the membership,

shall be filled by a vote of the Majority of the remaining directors, even though less than a quorum, at any Board meeting. The successor selected shall hold office for the remainder of the term of the director being replaced.

Section 5. Compensation. Directors shall not be compensated for services as such unless and only to the extent that compensation is authorized by a Majority vote of the members. Directors may be reimbursed for the expenses incurred in carrying out their duties as directors upon Board approval of such expenses. Directors also may be given nominal gifts or tokens of appreciation by the Association for recognition of services performed not to exceed a value of \$100.00 per calendar year. For purposes hereof, reasonable food and beverages purchased for Board meetings shall not be considered compensation.

Section 6. Director Conflicts of Interest. Nothing herein shall prohibit a director from entering into a contract and being compensated for services or supplies furnished to the Association in a capacity other than as director, provided that the director's interest is disclosed to the Board and the contract is approved by a Majority of the directors who are at a meeting of the Board of Directors at which a quorum is present, excluding the director with whom the contract is made. The interested director shall not count for purposes of establishing a quorum of the Board. The interested director shall be entitled to be present at the meeting at which the proposed contract is discussed, but the director must leave the room during the discussion on such matter.

Nomination for election to the Board Nomination. Section 7. shall be made by a Nominating Committee which shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall consist of at least one (1) member of the Board of Directors and at least two (2) other members of the Association who are not Board members, at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting to serve a term of one (1) year. The members of the Nominating Committee shall be announced at the annual meeting. Nominating Committee may nominate any number of qualified individuals, but not less than the number of directors to be elected. nominations shall be made at least fourteen (14) days prior to the Nominations shall also be allowed from the floor at annual meeting. the meeting. Each candidate shall be given a reasonable opportunity to communicate his or her qualifications to the membership prior to the No member shall be nominated for election to the Board of Directors, nor permitted to run for election, if more than thirty (30) days past due in the payment of any assessment. Failure to comply with this Section shall in no way invalidate the election of directors who. were not nominated in accordance with the provisions hereof.

Section 8. Elections. All Association members eligible to vote

shall be entitled to cast their entire vote for each directorship to be filled. There shall be no cumulative voting. The directorships for which elections are held shall be filled by that number of candidates receiving the most votes. Voting for election of Board members shall be by secret written ballot (unless dispensed by unanimous consent at the meeting at which such voting is conducted).

B. Meetings.

Section 9. Regular Meetings. Regular Board meetings may be held at such time and place as determined by the Board, but at least once every three (3) months. The newly elected Board shall meet within ten (10) days after each annual Association meeting.

Section 10. Special Meetings. Special Board meetings may be called by the President on three (3) days' notice to each director given by mail, in person, by telephone, or by facsimile transmission, which notice shall state the time, place, and purpose of the meeting. Special Board meetings shall be called by the President, Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer in like manner and on like notice on the written request of at least two (2) directors.

Section 11. <u>Waiver of Notice</u>. Any director at any time, in writing, may waive notice of any Board meeting, and such waiver shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Attendance by a director at any Board meeting shall also constitute a waiver of notice by him or her of the time and place of such meeting. If all directors are present at any Board meeting, no notice shall be required and any business may be transacted at such meeting.

Section 12. Conduct of Meetings. The President shall preside over all Board meetings, and the Secretary shall keep a minute book recording therein all resolutions adopted by the Board and a record of all transactions and proceedings occurring at such meetings. The presence of directors entitled to cast one-half of the votes of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. One or more directors who participate in a meeting by means of telephone or electronic communication shall be deemed present and in attendance for all purposes at such meeting, provided all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other.

Section 13. Open Meetings. Board meetings need not be open to all members. However, if the Board permits members to attend Board meetings, then members other than directors may not participate in any discussion or deliberation unless expressly so authorized by the Board. Notwithstanding the above, the Board may 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,

and orders of business of a similar nature. The nature of any and all business to be considered in executive session shall first be announced in open session. The Board may order the removal of any meeting guest who, in the Board's opinion, either disrupts the conduct of business at the meeting or fails to leave the meeting upon request after an announcement of reconvening in executive session.

Section 14. Action Without a Meeting. Any Board action required or permitted to be taken at any meeting may be taken without a meeting if a Majority of the directors consent in writing to such action. The written consents must describe the action taken and be signed by no fewer than a Majority of the directors. The written consents shall be filed with the minutes of the Board.

C. Powers and Duties.

manage the affairs of the Association and shall have all the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the Property and may do all such acts and things as are not by the Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws directed to be done and exercised exclusively by the members. In addition to the duties imposed by these Bylaws, the Board of Directors shall have the power to and shall be responsible for the following, in way of explanation, but not limitation:

- (a) preparation and adoption of an annual budget, in which there shall be established the contribution of each Owner to the Common Expenses;
- (b) making assessments to defray the Common Expenses, establishing the means and methods of collecting such assessments, and establishing the period of the installment payments of the annual assessment;
- (c) providing for the operation, care, upkeep, and maintenance of all of the Area of Common Responsibility as defined in Paragraph 14 of the Declaration;
- (d) designating, hiring, and dismissing the personnel necessary for the operation of the Association and the maintenance, repair, and replacement of the Common Property, Association property, and the Area of Common Responsibility and, where appropriate, providing for the compensation of such personnel and for the purchase of equipment, supplies, and material to be used by such personnel in the performance of their duties;
 - (e) collecting the assessments, depositing the proceeds thereof

in a financial depository or institution which it shall approve, or otherwise investing the proceeds in accordance with any limitations set forth in O.C.G.A. Section 14-3-302, and using the proceeds to administer the Association;

- (f) making and amending rules and regulations and imposing sanctions for violation thereof, including reasonable monetary fines;
- (g) opening of bank or other financial accounts on behalf of the Association and designating the signatories required;
- (h) making or contracting for the making of repairs, additions, and improvements to, or alterations of the Common Property in accordance with the other provisions of the Declaration and these Bylaws, after damage or destruction by fire or other casualty;
- (i) enforcing by legal means the provisions of the Declaration, these Bylaws, and the rules and regulations adopted by it, and bringing any proceedings which may be instituted on behalf of or against the Owners concerning the Association;
- (j) obtaining and carrying insurance against casualties and liabilities, as provided in the Declaration, and paying the premium cost thereof;
- (k) paying the costs of all services rendered to the Association or its members and not directly chargeable to specific Owners;
- (1) keeping books with detailed accounts of the receipts and expenditures affecting the Association and its administration, specifying the maintenance and repair expenses and any other expenses incurred; and
- (m) contracting with any Person for the performance of various duties and functions. The Board shall have the power to enter into common management agreements with trusts, condominium associations, or other associations or corporations. Any and all functions of the Association shall be fully transferable by the Board, in whole or in part, to any other entity.
- Section 16. Management Agent. The Association may, but shall not be required to, hire a professional management agent or agents, at a compensation established by the Board, to perform such duties and services as the Board of Directors shall authorize. The Board shall use reasonable efforts in any management contract to provide for termination of such contract with or without cause and without penalty, upon no more than thirty (30) days written notice, and for a term not in excess of one (1) year.

Section 17. Borrowing. The Board shall have the power to borrow money for the purpose of maintenance, repair, restoration or improvement of the Area of Common Responsibility and facilities without the approval of the members of the Association. The Board also shall be authorized to borrow money for other purposes (including, but not limited to modifying, improving or adding amenities to the Property), but, in such case, if the total amount of such borrowing exceeds or would exceed ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars outstanding debt at any one time, such borrowing must first be approved by members holding a Majority of the total eligible Association vote.

Section 18. Liability and Indemnification of Officers The Association shall indemnify every officer, director and committee member against any and all expenses, including attorney's fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon such person in connection with any action, suit, or other proceeding (including settlement of any such action, suit, or proceeding, if approved by the then Board of Directors) to which he or she may be made a party by reason of being or having been an officer, director or committee member, whether or not such person holds such position at the time such expenses are incurred. The officers, directors and committee members shall not be liable for any mistake of judgment, negligent or otherwise, or for injury or damage caused by any such person in the performance of his or her duties, except for his or her own individual willful misfeasance or The officers and directors shall have no personal malfeasance. liability with respect to any contract or other commitment made by them, in good faith, on behalf of the Association (except to the extent may also be members directors that such officers or Association), and the Association shall indemnify and forever hold each such officer and director free and harmless against any and all liability to others on account of any such contract or commitment. right to indemnification provided for herein shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which any officer, director or committee member, or former officer, director or committee member, may be entitled. Association shall, as a Common Expense, maintain adequate general liability and, if obtainable, officers' and directors' liability insurance to fund this obligation, and the insurance shall be written as provided in the Declaration.

D. Committees.

Section 19. <u>Nominating Committee</u>. Pursuant to Section 7 of this Article, there shall be a Nominating Committee composed of at least three (3) members appointed in the manner and to perform the functions specified in Section 7 of this Article.

Section 20. Architectural Control Committee. The Board may

establish an Architectural Control Committee for the purpose of establishing and maintaining architectural standards in the Property as provided in the Declaration.

Section 21. Other Committees. There shall be such other committees as the Board shall determine with the powers and duties that the Board shall authorize.

Section 22. Service on Committees. Unless otherwise provided in these Bylaws or in the resolution authorizing a particular committee, the members of any committee shall be appointed by the President and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. Any committee member may be removed with or without cause at any time and with or without a successor being named.

Article IV. Officers

principal officers of The Section 1. Designation. Association shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The President, Vice President and Secretary must be Board members. The Treasurer shall be elected by the Board, but need not be The Board may appoint one or more Assistant a Board member. Treasurers, Assistant Secretaries, and such other subordinate officers as in its judgment may be necessary. Any assistant or subordinate officers shall not be required to be Board members. Except for the offices of Secretary and Treasurer, which may be held by the same person, no person may hold more than one (1) office.

- Section 2. <u>Election of Officers</u>. The Association officers shall be elected annually by the Board at the first meeting of the Board following each annual meeting of the members and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board and until a successor is elected.
- Section 3. Removal of Officers. Upon the affirmative vote of a Majority of the Board members, any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, and a successor may be elected.
- Section 4. <u>Vacancies</u>. 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 5. President. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association and shall preside at all Association and Board meetings. The President shall have all the general powers and duties which are incident to the office of the president of a corporation organized under the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code, including, but not limited to, the power to appoint committees from

among the members from time to time as he or she may in his or her discretion decide is appropriate to assist in the conduct of the affairs of the Association.

Section 6. <u>Vice President</u>. The Vice President shall act in the President's absence and shall have all powers, duties, and responsibilities provided for the President when so acting.

Section 7. Secretary. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all Association and Board meetings and shall have charge of such books and papers as the Board may direct, and shall, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of the secretary of a corporation organized under Georgia law.

shall have Treasurer The Section 8. Treasurer. responsibility for the Association's funds and securities and shall be responsible for keeping full and accurate financial records and books of account showing all receipts and disbursements, for preparing all required financial statements and tax returns, and for the deposit of all monies and other valuable effects in the name of the Association or the managing agent in such depositories as may from time to time be The Treasurer shall be responsible for the designated by the Board. preparation of the budget as provided in the Declaration. Treasurer may delegate all or a part of the preparation notification duties associated with the above responsibilities to a management agent.

Section 9. Other Officers. Other offices may be created by the Board, and the Board members which hold such offices shall have such titles and duties as are defined by the Board.

Section 10. Agreements, Contracts, Deeds, Leases, Etc. All agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, checks, promissory notes, and other instruments of the Association shall be executed by at least two (2) officers or by such other person or persons as may be designated by Board resolution.

Article V. Rule Making and Enforcement

Section 1. Authority and Enforcement. The Property shall be used only for those uses and purposes set out in the Declaration. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to make, modify, repeal and enforce reasonable rules and regulations governing the conduct, use, and enjoyment of Lots and the Common Property; provided, copies of all such rules and regulations shall be furnished to all Owners and Occupants. Any rule or regulation may be repealed by the affirmative vote or written consent of a Majority of the total Association vote at an annual or special meeting of the membership.

Every Owner and Occupant shall comply with the Declaration, Bylaws and rules and regulations of the Association, and any lack of compliance shall entitle the Association and, in an appropriate case, one or more aggrieved Lot Owners, to take action to enforce the terms of the Declaration, Bylaws or rules and regulations.

The Board shall have the power to impose reasonable fines, which shall constitute a lien upon the Owner's Lot, and to suspend an Owner's right to vote or to use the Common Property for violation of any duty imposed under the Declaration, these Bylaws, or any Association rules and regulations; provided, however, nothing herein shall authorize the Association or the Board to deny ingress and egress to or from a Lot. If any Occupant violates the Declaration, Bylaws or Association rules and a fine is imposed, the fine may be imposed against the Owner and/or Occupant, subject to Section 2 below. The failure of the Board to enforce any provision of the Declaration, Bylaws, or any rule or regulation shall not be deemed a waiver of the right of the Board to do so thereafter.

Section 2. Fining and Suspension Procedure. The Board shall not impose a fine or suspend the right to vote or to use the Common Property, unless and until the Association has sent or delivered written notice to the violator as provided in subsection (a) below. However, compliance with this Section 2 shall not be required for the following: (i) late charges on delinquent assessments, (ii) suspension of voting rights if an Owner is shown on the Association's records to be more than thirty (30) days delinquent in any payment due the Association, in which case suspension of the right to vote shall be automatic, or (iii) suspension of common utility services, which shall be governed by Paragraph 7(c)(v) of the Declaration.

(a) <u>Notice</u>. If any provision of the Declaration or Bylaws or any Association rule is violated, the Board shall send the violator written notice identifying the violation and fine(s) and/or suspension(s) being imposed and advising the violator of the right to

request a hearing before the Board to contest the violation or the fine(s) and/or suspension(s) or to request reconsideration of the fine(s) and/or suspensions. Fines and suspensions may be effective or commence upon the sending of such notice or such later date specified in such notice, notwithstanding the violator's right to request a hearing before the Board to challenge the fine(s) and/or suspension(s). In the event of a continuing violation, each day the violation continues or occurs again constitutes a separate offense, and fines may be imposed on a per diem basis without further notice to the violator.

(b) <u>Hearing</u>. If a written request for hearing is received from the violator within ten (10) days of the date of the violation notice provided above, then the Board shall schedule and hold in executive session a hearing affording the violator a reasonable opportunity to be heard. The minutes of the meeting shall contain a written statement of the results of the hearing. The Board may establish rules of conduct for such hearing, which may include limits on time and on the number of participants who may be present at one time. Failure to request a timely hearing as provided herein shall result in loss of the right to challenge and request reconsideration of the fines.

anything to the contrary herein contained, the Association, acting through the Board, may elect to enforce any provision of the Declaration, the Bylaws, or the rules and regulations by self-help (specifically including, but not limited to, the towing of vehicles that are in violation of parking rules and regulations or performing maintenance on any Lot upon a failure by the Lot Owner to do so) or by suit at law or in equity to enjoin any violation or to recover monetary damages or both without the necessity for compliance with the procedure set forth in Section 2 of this Article. In any such action, to the maximum extent permissible, the Owner or Occupant responsible for the violation for which abatement is sought shall pay all costs, including reasonable attorney's fees actually incurred.

The Association or its duly authorized agent shall have the power to enter a Lot or upon any portion of the Common Property to abate or remove, using such force as may be reasonably necessary, any structure, thing or condition which violates the Declaration, the Bylaws, or the rules and regulations. Except in emergency situations or situations involving repeat violations for which notice hereunder already has been given, or as otherwise specified in the Declaration, entry onto a Lot to abate or remove a violation shall be made only after ten (10) days written notice to the violating Lot Owner. All costs of self-help or of otherwise enforcing the Declaration, Bylaws or Association rules, including reasonable attorney's fees, shall be assessed against the violating Lot Owner. Additionally, the Association shall have the authority to record in the Clayton County land records a notice of

violation identifying an uncured violation of the Declaration, Bylaws or rules and regulations regarding the Lot.

Article VI. Miscellaneous

Section 1. Notices.

- (a) Method of Giving Notice. Unless otherwise prohibited in these Bylaws, all notices, demands, bills, statements, or other communications shall be in writing and shall be given:
 - (1) Personal delivery to the addressee; or
 - (2) Via United States mail, first class, postage prepaid;

or

- (3) Via electronic mail; or
- (4) Via facsimile; or
- (5) Via a secure web site, provided that notice shall be deemed given via web site only upon proof that the addressee has retrieved the message.
- (b) Addressee. Notice sent by one of the methods described in Section 1, Subparagraph (a) shall be deemed to have been duly given:
 - (1) If to a Lot Owner, at the address, electronic mail address or facsimile number which the Owner has designated in writing and filed with the Secretary, or if no such address has been designated, at the address of the Lot of such Owner;
 - (2) If to an Occupant, to the electronic mail address or facsimile number which the Occupant has designated in writing, or if no such address has been designated, at the address of the Lot occupied; or
 - (3) If to the Association, the Board or the managing agent, at the postal address, facsimile or electronic mail address of the principal office of the Association or the managing agent, if any, or at such other address as shall be designated in writing and filed with the Secretary.
- Section 2. <u>Severability</u>. The invalidity of any part of these Bylaws shall not impair or affect in any manner the validity, enforceability, or effect of the balance of these Bylaws or the Declaration.
- Section 3. <u>Captions</u>. The captions herein are inserted only as a matter of convenience and for reference and in no way define, limit, or describe the scope of these Bylaws or the intent of any provision

thereof.

Section 4. <u>Gender and Grammar</u>. The use of the masculine gender in these Bylaws shall be deemed to include the feminine gender, and the use of the singular shall be deemed to include the plural whenever the context so requires.

Section 5. <u>Fiscal Year</u>. The fiscal year of the Association may be set by Board resolution or, in the absence thereof, shall be the calendar year.

Section 6. <u>Financial Review</u>. A financial review of the accounts of the Association shall be performed annually in the manner provided by the Board. However, after having received the Board's financial review at the annual meeting, the Owners may, by a Majority of the Association vote, require that the Association accounts be audited as a Common Expense by an independent accountant.

The duties and powers of the Association Section 7. Conflicts. shall be those set forth in the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code, the Declaration, these Bylaws, and the Articles of Incorporation, together those reasonably implied to affect the purposes If there are conflicts or inconsistencies between such, Association. then the provisions of the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code (as may be applicable), the Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws, in that order, shall prevail, and each Owner of a Lot, by acceptance of a deed or other conveyance therefor, covenants to vote in remove such conflicts willsuch amendments as of favor inconsistencies.

Amendment. Except where a higher vote is required for Section 8. action under a particular provision of the Declaration or Bylaws, these Bylaws may be amended by the affirmative vote, written consent, or any combination of affirmative vote and written consent of the members holding sixty-six and two-thirds (66-2/3%) percent of the total eligible vote of the Association. Notice of a meeting, if any, at eligible vote of the Association. which an amendment will be considered shall state that fact and the No amendment shall become subject matter of the proposed amendment. effective until it is certified by the President and Secretary of the Association and filed in the Clayton County, Georgia land records. amendment covered by Paragraph 20 of the Declaration shall not be effective until the requirements of that Paragraph are met. amendment duly certified and recorded (containing any additional signatures required by the Declaration) shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly adopted in accordance with the Declaration and Bylaws. Owners whose voting rights have been suspended pursuant to the Declaration or these Bylaws shall not be counted as eligible votes toward the amendment requirement.

If legal action is not instituted to challenge the validity of an amendment within one (1) year of the recording of the amendment in the Clayton County, Georgia land records, then such amendment shall be presumed to be validly adopted.

Section 9. Books and Records.

- (a) All members of the Association and any institutional holder of a first Mortgage shall be entitled to inspect the following records at a reasonable time and location specified by the Association, upon written request at least five (5) business days before the date on which the member wishes to inspect and copy:
 - (i) its Articles or restated Articles of Incorporation and all amendments to them currently in effect;
- (ii) its Bylaws or restated Bylaws and all amendments to them currently in effect;
 - (iii) resolutions adopted by either its members or Board of Directors increasing or decreasing the number of directors or the classification of directors, or relating to the characteristics, qualifications, rights, limitations, and obligations of members or any class or category of members;
 - (iv) resolutions adopted by either its members or Board of Directors relating to the characteristics, qualification, rights, limitations, and obligations of members or any class or category of members;
 - (v) the minutes of all meetings of members and records of all actions approved by the members for the past three (3) years;
 - (vi) all written communications to members generally within the past three (3) years, including the financial statements furnished for the past three (3) years;
 - (vii) a list of the names and business or home addresses of its current directors and officers; and
 - (viii) its most recent annual report delivered to the

Secretary of State.

- (b) A member may inspect and copy the following records upon written notice at least five (5) business days before the date on which the member wishes to inspect and copy only if the member's demand is made in good faith and for a proper purpose that is reasonably relevant to the member's legitimate interest as a member; the member describes with reasonable particularity the purpose and the records the member desires to inspect; the records are directly connected with this purpose; and the records are to be used only for the stated purpose:
 - (i) excerpts from minutes of any Board meeting, records of any action of a committee of the Board while acting in place of the Board on behalf of the Association, minutes of any meeting of the members, and records of action taken by the members or the Board without a meeting, to the extent not subject to inspection under subsection 9(a);
 - (ii) accounting records of the Association; and
 - (iii) the membership list only if for a purpose related to the member's interest as a member. Without the consent of the Board, a membership list or any part thereof may not be: used to solicit money or property unless such money or property will be used solely to solicit the votes of the members in an election to be held by the Association; used for any commercial purpose; or sold to or purchased by any person.

The Association may impose a reasonable charge, covering the cost of labor and material, for copies of any documents provided to the Member.

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