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## DECLARATION OF COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR HAMPTON COVE SUBDIVISION

THIS DECLARATION made this 24th day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2005, by COUGHLIN PROPERTIES, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company.

#### WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Coughlin Properties, LLC, as owner of the Property (as hereinafter defined) and Developer (as hereinafter defined) of certain real property located in Hamilton County, Tennessee, and more particularly described in <u>Exhibit A</u> attached hereto and incorporated herein, the Property desires to create thereon a residential development known as Hampton Cove Subdivision (hereinafter the "Development"); and

WHEREAS, Developer desires to provide for the preservation of the land and home values when and as the Property is improved and desires to subject the Development (as hereinafter defined) to certain covenants, restrictions, easements, affirmative obligations, charges and liens, as hereinafter set forth, each and all of which are hereby declared to be for the benefit of the Development and each and every owner of any and all parts thereof; and

WHEREAS, Developer has deemed it desirable for the efficient preservation of the values and amenities in the Development, to create an entity to which may be delegated and assigned the power and authority of holding title to and maintaining and administering the Common Properties (as hereinafter defined) and administering and enforcing the covenants and restrictions governing the same and collecting and disbursing all assessments and charges necessary for such maintenance, administration and enforcement, as hereinafter created; and

WHEREAS, Developer has caused to be incorporated under the laws of the State of Tennessee, HAMPTON COVE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC., a Tennessee non-profit corporation, for the purpose of exercising the above functions and those which are more fully set out hereafter;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Developer subjects the Property and such additions thereto as may from time to time be made, to the terms of this Declaration and declares that the same is and shall be held, transferred, conveyed, sold, leased, occupied and used subject to the covenants, restrictions, conditions, easements, charges, assessments, affirmative obligations and liens hereinafter set forth and such shall all touch and concern and run with the Property and each Lot thereof.

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# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

The following words and terms, when used in this Declaration or any Supplemental Declaration (unless the context shall clearly indicate otherwise) shall have the following meanings:

- 1.01 <u>Architectural Review Committee</u>. "Architectural Review Committee" shall mean and refer to the committee formed and operated in the manner described in Section 4.01 hereof and shall mean Developer until Developer appoints the Architectural Review Committee.
- 1.02 <u>Association</u>. "Association" shall mean the HAMPTON COVE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC., a Tennessee non-profit corporation.
- 1.03 Board of Directors or Board. "Board of Directors" or "Board" shall mean the governing body of the Association established and elected pursuant to this Declaration.
- 1.04 <u>Builder</u>. "Builder" or "Builders" shall mean those contractors who have been approved by Developer pursuant to Section 3.37 of this Declaration.
- 1.05 Bylaws. "Bylaws" shall mean the Bylaws of the Association. The initial text of which is set forth in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- 1.06 <u>Common Expense</u>. "Common Expense" shall mean and include (a) expenses of administration, maintenance, repair or replacement of the Common Properties; (b) expenses agreed upon as Common Expense by the Association; (c) expenses declared Common Expense by the provisions of this Declaration; (d) expenses deemed to be a Common Expense by Developer; and (e) all other sums assessed by the Board of Directors pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration.
- land and any improvements thereon which are deeded or leased to the Developer or Association and designated in said deed or lease as "Common Properties" in any phase of Hampton Cove, the Development. The term "Common Properties" shall also include any personal property acquired by the Developer or Association if said property is designated as a "Common Property" or "Common Properties". All Common Properties are to be devoted to and intended for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners, persons occupying Homes or accommodations of Owners on a guest or tenant basis, and visiting members of the general public (to the extent permitted by the Developer or Board of Directors of the Association) subject to the fee schedules and operating rules adopted by the Developer or Association; provided, however, that any lands which are leased by the Developer or Association for use as Common Properties shall lose their character as Common Properties upon the expiration of such lease. The Common Properties may include but not be limited to streetlights, entrance and street signs, pavilions, parks, ponds, medians in roadways, maintenance easement areas, golf card paths, landscaping easement areas and walkways in any phase of the Development.
- 1.08 <u>Covenants</u>. "Covenants" shall mean the covenants, restrictions, conditions, easements, charges, assessments, affirmative obligations and liens set forth in this Declaration.

- Declaration. "Declaration" shall mean this Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions for the Hampton Cove Subdivision and any Supplemental Declaration filed pursuant to the terms hereof.
- Development. "Development" shall mean and refer to the Property described in Section 2.01 as well as the property that is a part of Hampton Cove as recorded in Book 7412, Page 174, Register's Office, Hamilton County, Tennessee, hereof as improved for use as a single family residential subdivision, and any and all additions thereto (including future phases of Hampton Cove), which are subjected to this Declaration or any Supplemental Declaration under the provisions hereof.
  - 1.11 Developer. "Developer" shall mean Coughlin Properties, LLC.
- Home. "Home" shall mean any building situated upon the Property designated and intended for use and occupancy by a single family.
- 1.13 First Mortgage. "First Mortgage" shall mean a recorded Mortgage with priority over other Mortgages.
- 1.14 First Mortgagee" shall mean a beneficiary, creditor or holder of a First Mortgage.
- Lot or Lots. "Lot" or "Lots" shall mean and refer to any improved or unimproved parcel of land located within the Property which is intended for use as a site for a single family detached Home as shown upon any recorded final subdivision map of any part of the Property with the exception of the Common Properties.
- Manager. "Manager" shall mean a person or firm appointed or employed by the Board to manage the daily affairs of the Association in accordance with instructions and directions of the Board.
  - 1.17 Member. "Member" or "Members" shall mean any or all Owner or Owners.
  - Mortgage. "Mortgage" shall mean a deed of trust as well as a Mortgage. 1.18
- Mortgagee" shall mean a beneficiary, creditor or holder of a deed of trust, as well as a holder of a Mortgage.
- Owner. "Owner" shall mean and refer to the Owner as shown by the real estate records in the office of the Register whether it be one or more persons, firms, associations, corporations, or other legal entities, of fee simple title to any Lot, situated upon the Property, but, notwithstanding any applicable theory of a Mortgage, shall not mean or refer to the Mortgagee or holder of a security deed, its successors, or assigns, unless and until such Mortgagee or holder of a security deed has acquired title pursuant to foreclosure or a proceeding or deed in lieu of foreclosure, nor shall the term "Owner" mean or refer to any lessee or tenant of an Owner. In the event that there is recorded in the Register's Office of Hamilton County, a long-term contract of sale covering any Lot within the Property, the Owner of such Lot shall be the purchaser under said contract and not the fee simple title holder. A long-term contract of sale shall be one where

the purchaser is required to make payments for the property for a period extending beyond twelve (12) months from the date of the contract, and where the purchaser does not receive title to the property until such payments are made although the purchaser is given the use of said property.

- Property. "Property" shall mean and refer to the real property described in Section 2.01 hereof, and additions thereto, which is subjected to this Declaration or any Supplemental Declaration under the provisions hereof.
- Record or To Record. "Record" or 'To Record" shall mean to record pursuant to the laws of the State of Tennessee relating to the recordation of deeds and other instruments conveying or affecting title to real property.
- 1.23 Recorder. "Recorder" shall mean and refer to the Register of Deeds of Hamilton County, Tennessee.
- Supplementary Declaration. "Supplementary Declaration" shall mean any 1.24 declaration filed subsequent in time to this Declaration in accordance with Section 2.03 (a) hereof.

### ARTICLE II PROPERTIES, COMMON PROPERTIES AND **IMPROVEMENTS THEREON**

- 2.01 Property. The Covenants set forth in this Declaration, as amended from time to time, are hereby imposed upon the real property located in Hamilton County, in the State of Tennessee and more particularly described in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated by reference, and additions or amendments thereto, which shall hereafter be held, transferred, sold, conveyed, used, leased, occupied and mortgaged or otherwise encumbered subject to the Declaration. Additionally, any easements on any real property retained by or granted to the Developer or the Association for the purpose of carrying out one or more of the functions of an Association including, but not limited to, exercising all the powers and privileges and performing all the duties and obligations set forth in this Declaration. Every person who is an Owner shall be a member of the Association as more particularly set forth in the By-Laws of the Association.
- Association. The Developer has caused, or may in the future cause, the Association to be formed and incorporated under the laws of the State of Tennessee for the purpose of carrying on one or more of the functions of the Association including, but not limited to, exercising all the powers and privileges and performing all the duties and obligations set forth in this Declaration. The initial Bylaws of the Association are set forth on Exhibit B and are incorporated herein. The Developer and every Owner of a fee simple interest in any Lot or Home which is subject to this Declaration shall be a Member of the Association, provided that any such person or entity who holds such title or interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation shall not be a Member of the Association. Membership shall be automatically transferred to the new Owner upon the conveyance of any Lot or Home and recording of the deed of conveyance in the Register's Office of Hamilton County, Tennessee. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot or Home which is subject

to assessment. The provisions of the Bylaws attached hereto shall set forth the purposes and authority of the Association.

Developer shall retain control of the Development and may exercise all the powers and privileges and perform all duties and obligations set out in this Declaration and the Bylaws until such time as Developer explicitly grants powers it would otherwise have to the Board or another committee.

- 2.03 Additions to Property. Additional lands may become subject to, but not limited to, this Declaration in the following manner:
- Additions. The Developer, its successors and assigns, shall have the right, without further consent of the Association or Owners, to bring within the plan and operation of this Declaration additional properties in future stages of the Development beyond those described in Exhibit A so long as they are contiguous with the existing portions of the development. For purposes of this paragraph, contiguity shall not be defeated or denied where the only impediment to actual "touching" is a separation caused by a road, right-of-way or easement, and such shall be deemed contiguous. The additions authorized under this Section shall be made by filing a Supplementary Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions with respect to the additional property which shall extend the operation and effect of the Covenants and Restrictions of this Declaration to such additional property after which it shall fall within the definition of Property as herein set forth.

The Supplementary Declaration may increase or decrease the minimum square foot requirements for a Home and contain such other complementary additions and/or modifications of the Covenants and Restrictions contained in this Declaration as may be necessary or convenient, in the sole judgment of the Developer, to reflect the different character, if any, of the added properties and as are not inconsistent with this Declaration, but such modifications shall have no effect on the Property as described in Section 2.01 above.

- Separate Associations. For any additional property subjected to this Declaration **(b)** pursuant to the provisions of this Section, there may be established by the Developer, an additional association limited to the owners and/or residents of such additional property in order to promote their social welfare, including their health, safety, education, culture, comfort and convenience, to elect representatives to the Board of the Association, to receive from the Association a portion, as determined by the Developer or the Board of Directors of the Association, of the annual assessments levied pursuant hereto and use such funds for its general purposes, and to make and enforce rules and regulations of supplementary covenants and restrictions, if any, applicable to such lands.
- Mergers. Upon a merger or consolidation of the Association with another association, its properties, rights and obligations may, by operation of law, be transferred to another surviving or consolidated association or, in the alternative, the properties, rights and obligations may, by operation of law, be added to the Properties of the Association as the surviving corporation pursuant to a merger. The surviving or consolidated association may administer the Covenants and Restrictions established by this Declaration.

Common Properties and Improvements Thereon. The Developer may install 2.05 initially one or more entrance signs to the Development. The signs shall become part of the Common Properties when the Developer conveys the sign to the Association at which time the Association shall become responsible for the operation, maintenance, repair and replacement of the signs. The Developer may also landscape the entrance areas (whether privately or publicly owned) and other areas where it may or may not have reserved an easement. These areas shall become Common Properties when conveyed to the Association and the Association shall then become responsible for maintenance of the landscaped areas. Additionally, the Developer may install an entrance gate, lake, pond, walking trail, street lights, street signs and/or certain other improvements which shall likewise become Common Properties when conveyed to the Association. The Developer and/or the Association may add additional Common Properties from time to time as they see fit. The Common Properties shall remain permanently as open space, except as improved, and there shall be no subdivision of the same, except as otherwise provided herein. Except as permitted by the Developer, no building, structure or facility shall be placed, installed, erected or constructed in or on the Common Properties unless it is purely incidental to one or more of the uses above specified. The Developer may reserve to itself or its designees the exclusive use of any portion of the Common Properties for the placement and use of a temporary or permanent structure for use as a sales office and as storage areas or construction yards as may be reasonably required, convenient or incidental to the sales of Lots and/or the construction improvements on the Common Properties.

#### ARTICLE III COVENANTS, USES AND RESTRICTIONS

Application. It is expressly stipulated that the Covenants and conditions set forth 3.01 in this Article III apply solely to the Property described in Exhibit A, which Property is intended for use as single-family residential Lots only. These Covenants are not intended to apply to any other lots, tracts or parcels of land in the area or vicinity owned by the Developer. Specifically, the Developer, its successors or assigns reserve the right to use or convey such other lots, tracts and parcels with different restrictions.

#### 3.02 Residential Use.

- All of the Lots in the Development shall be, and be known and described as, Α. residential lots, and no structure shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot other than as provided in these Covenants and in supplements hereto, or except as provided for in a deed of conveyance from the Developer.
- "Residential" refers to a mode of occupancy, as opposed to "business" or В. "commercial" or "mercantile" activity, and except where otherwise expressly provided, "residential" shall apply to temporary as well as permanent uses, and shall apply to vacant Lots as well as to buildings constructed thereon.
- No Lot may be used as a means of service to business establishments or adjacent property, including, but not limited to supplementary facilities or an intentional passageway or entrance into a business or another tract of land, whether or not a part of the Property, unless consented to in writing by the Developer or the Board.

- No Multi-Family Residences, Business. No Home shall be designed, patterned, constructed or maintained to serve or for the use of more than one single family, and no residence shall be used as a multiple family home at any time. Provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to prohibit the construction of attached single family residences in areas designated by the Developer for such construction. No trade or business may be conducted in or from any Home, except that an Owner or occupant residing in a Home may conduct business activities within the Home so long as: (a) the existence or operation of the business activity is not apparent or detectable by sight, sound or smell from outside the Home; (b) the business activity conforms to all zoning requirements for the Property; (c) the business activity does not involve persons coming onto the Property who do not reside in the Property or door-to-door solicitation of residents of the Property; and (d) the business activity is consistent with the residential character of the Property and does not constitute a nuisance, or a hazardous or offensive use, or threaten the security or safety of other residents of the Property, as may be determined in the sole discretion of the Developer or Board. 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: (1) such activity is engaged in full or part-time; (ii) such activity is intended to or does generate a profit; or (iii) a license is required therefor. Notwithstanding the above, the leasing of a Home shall not be considered a trade or business within the meaning of this section. This section shall not apply to any activity conducted by the Developer with respect. to its development and sale of the Property or its use of any Homes which it owns within the Property. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit the Developer or the Association from permitting, maintaining or operating concessions or vending machines on the Common Properties.
- 3.04 Minimum Square Footage. No single-family detached Home shall be erected or permitted to remain in the Property unless it has the minimum number of square feet of enclosed living area measured from the exterior walls, exclusive of open porches or screened porches, garages or basements, set forth in this Section. For the purposes of this Section, stated square footage shall mean the minimum floor area required, and floor area shall mean the finished and heated living area contained within the Home, exclusive of porches, decks, garages and steps. In the case of any question as to whether a sufficient number of square feet of enclosed living area have been provided, the decision of the Developer or the Architectural Review Committee shall be final. The minimum number of square feet required may vary from phase to phase. The minimum number of square feet required is as follows:
- (a) For Lots 1-12; 23-31; 33-34; 46-50; 54-60 and 62-90: Two Thousand Seven Hundred (2,700) square feet of living space;
- (b) For Lots 13-22; 51-53; 61 and 32: Two Thousand Two Hundred (2,200) square feet of living space for a single level Home and a minimum of Two Thousand Seven Hundred (2,700) square feet of living space if the Home is more than one level; and
- (c) For Lots 35-45 and 91-99: Three Thousand Two Hundred (3,200) square feet of living space.

- 3.05 Set-Backs. All Home setbacks are subject to the approval of the Architectural Review Committee. No provision of this paragraph shall be construed to permit any structure to be constructed and erected upon any Lot that does not conform to the zoning laws and regulations applicable thereto; provided, however, that for good cause shown, an Owner may petition the Architectural Review Committee for a variance from such set-back requirements. Such variances may be granted or rejected by the Architectural Review Committee in its sole and absolute discretion.
- 3.06 Rearrangement of Lot Lines. Not more than one Home shall be erected or maintained on any one Lot. With the written approval of the Developer or the Board, contiguous Lots may be combined if the Lots have the same Owner, for the purpose of erecting an approved Home thereon; however, the assessments provided for herein will continue to be based upon the number of original Lots purchased. Except as otherwise provided herein, Lots may not be resubdivided so as to create a smaller area than originally deeded to a Lot Owner and as shown on the subdivision plat.
- 3.07 Temporary Structures. No part of any Lot shall be used for residential purposes until a completed Home, conforming fully to the provisions of these Covenants, shall have been erected thereon. The intent of this section is to prevent the use thereon of a garage, incomplete structure, trailer, barn, tent, outbuilding or other structure as temporary living quarters before or pending the erection of a permanent building. No structure of temporary character, including trailers and similar structures, shall be erected or permitted to remain on any Lot. No house may be moved from another location to any Lot in this Development.

Neither the foregoing nor any other section of this Declaration shall prevent the Developer or any builder approved by the Developer from constructing a house for use as a model home that may contain office-type furniture and be used for conducting the business of either selling that house or other houses within the Development, nor shall the foregoing or any other section of the Declaration prevent the Developer from designating a Lot or Lots from time to time for the temporary placement of a trailer or other similar structure for use as an office and/or sales center by the Developer and/or approved builders at the sole discretion of the Developer.

- 3.08 Rainwater Drainage. Catch basins in drainage areas are for the purpose of natural flow of water only. No obstructions or debris shall be placed in these areas. No person, other than Developer or the Association, may obstruct or rechannel the drainage flows after location and installation of drainage swales, storm sewers or storm drains. Developer hereby reserves for itself and the Association a perpetual easement across the Property for the purpose of altering drainage and water flow. Silt fencing and/or straw shall be used during construction to prevent dirt runoff onto roads. Gravel drives shall be used during construction prior to the paving of the driveway...
- Utility Easement. A perpetual easement is reserved on each Lot, as shown on the 3.09 recorded plat, for the construction and maintenance of utilities such as electricity, gas, water, sewage, drainage, etc., and no structure of any kind shall be erected or maintained upon or over said easement.

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and may be approved by the Architectural Review Committee in accordance with Article IV of this Declaration.

- Driveways and Sidewalks. Driveways and sidewalks shall be considered and 3.13 treated as part of the landscaping. Each driveway shall be a minimum of one (1) foot from any property line. Each Home constructed upon a Lot must be served by a driveway and by walkways constructed of hard surface materials such as concrete, brick, exposed aggregate, or All other hard surface materials must be approved in writing by the Architectural Review Committee. Each and every Lot shall have a forty eight (48) inch wide sidewalk constructed of concrete and offset from the back of the curb three (3) feet. The sidewalk must be approved as a part of the architectural review process. This sidewalk must be from lot line to lot line on each Lot. Sidewalks shall be completed when house is completed, or within one (1) year from purchase of Lot whichever occurs first. The Architectural Review Committee may grant an extension if appropriate in its sole discretion.
- Curbs. No permanent cuts may be made in the curbs for any purpose other than driveways. Curb cuts shall be made with a concrete saw at the curb and along the gutter. Irregular cuts using sledge hammers and the like are prohibited. Driveways shall be added so as to form a smooth transitional surface with the remaining curb at locations where the approved driveway locations meet the street. Damaged curbs shall be replaced by the Owner of the adjoining Lot. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall permit any curb cuts where such cuts are prohibited by any applicable city, county or state regulation, ordinance or law.
- Signs. One iron arm sign offering the Lot and/or Home for sale and reflecting the name of the builder may be placed upon a Lot. Such sign shall have a top banner that will have the lot number, builder name and phone number. The bottom banner will have the real estate company information if a real estate company is used. Such signs must be in a form approved by the Architectural Review Committee. No other signs shall be erected or maintained on any Lot. except in accordance with approved standards for signs as set by the Developer or the Architectural Review Committee. Nothing in the foregoing shall be construed to prevent Developer from erecting and maintaining signs at the entrance of the Development as provided herein.
- 3.16 Service Area. Each Home shall provide an area or areas on the rear or side yard of the Lot to accommodate air conditioner compressors, garbage cans, the electrical service entrance, or other ancillary residential functions that by nature may present an unsightly appearance. Service areas shall be convenient to the utility services and screened from public view by an enclosure that is an integral part of the site development plan (the site development plan being more fully described in paragraph 4.01(C) hereof), using materials, colors or landscaping that are harmonious with the Home it serves.
- Garages. Each Home shall have at least a double car garage constructed at the 3.17 same time as the Dwelling. Garages may not be front loading. Detached garages will be allowed only with written approval from the Architectural Review Committee. No carports will The Architectural Review Committee may require specific types and/or modifications to the proposed garage doors. The inside walls and ceilings of garages must be finished and painted. Garage doors may not be allowed to stand open.

- Landscaping. A landscape plan drawn to a minimum scale of 1/8" = 1'-0" shall accompany every new home application (the new home application being more particularly described in paragraph 4.01(c) hereof) submitted to the Architectural Review Committee for approval. The Architectural Review Committee may require ornamental trees to be planted as a part of the landscaping plan. The type, size and placement shall be determined by the Architectural Review Committee. On a corner Lot, Owner may be required to place trees on each side of the Lot facing a street. If a Home has a rear exterior which faces Common Property, another Lot, golf course, or street, the Architectural Review Committee may require the placement of up to four (4) four inch (4") caliper trees in the rear of the Lot, or other acceptable landscape buffer to provide screening for the Home. Landscaping in accordance with the approved landscape plan must be substantially completed before the unit is occupied. Shrubbery plantings adjacent to roadways and sidewalks shall not impede the vision of vehicle operators. No artificial plantings will be allowed. Developer may limit the trees cut when clearing any Lot for construction.
- 3.19 Animals. No poultry, livestock or animals shall be allowed or maintained on any Lot at any time except that the keeping of dogs, cats or other household pets is permitted provided; however, that nothing contained herein shall permit the keeping of dogs, cats or other animals for commercial purposes. Pet owners shall not allow pets to roam unattended. The pet owner shall muzzle any pet which consistently barks. If barking persists the pet owner shall have the pet removed from the Development. If the pet owner refuses, it shall be deemed an "offensive activity." Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to permit the keeping of an unreasonable number of pets, or the keeping of any animal deemed to be a danger to other residents. Developer or the Board of Directors shall, in their sole discretion, have the authority to determine what constitutes an "unreasonable" number or a "dangerous" pet. No dog pens, kennels or such shall be allowed without the written consent of Developer or the Board.
- Zoning. Whether expressly stated so or not in any deed conveying any one or 3.20 more of the Lots, each conveyance shall be subject to existing governmental zoning and subdivision ordinances or regulations in effect thereon.
- 3.21 Gardens. No vegetable gardens shall be allowed within view of any street or adjacent property.
- Unsightly Conditions. All of the Lots must, from the date of purchase, be 3.22 maintained by the Owner and/or Builder in a neat and orderly condition (grass being cut when needed, as well as leaves, broken limbs, dead trees and other debris being removed when needed). Tree limbs, rocks and other debris must be kept out of the streets. In the event that an Owner of a Lot, including an Owner who is a Builder, fails, of his own volition, to maintain his Lot in a neat and orderly condition, Developer, or its duly appointed agent, or the Board, or its duly appointed agent, may enter upon said Lot without liability and proceed to put said Lot into an orderly condition and shall bill the Owner two hundred percent (200%) of the cost of such work. All Owners shall keep cars, trucks and delivery trucks off the curbs of the streets.
- Offensive Activity. No noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on any Lot, 3.23 nor shall anything be done thereon that may be or may become an annoyance, discomfort, embarrassment or nuisance to the Development.

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- No Detached Buildings. There shall be no detached garages, outbuildings or servants quarters without the prior written consent of the Architectural Review Committee.
- Sewage Disposal. Before any Home on any Lot shall be occupied, a connection with the sewer system meeting applicable governmental codes shall be made. There shall not be erected, permitted, maintained or operated on any Lot any privy, cesspool, vault or septic system without the written approval of the Developer or the Board.
- Permitted Entrances. In order to implement and effect insect, reptile and woods fire control, and to maintain unsightly Lots, the Developer or the Board, or their respective agents, may enter upon any Lot on which a Home has not been constructed and upon which no landscaping plan has been implemented, such entry to be made by personnel with tractors or such other suitable devices, for the purpose of mowing, removing, clearing, cutting or pruning underbrush, weeds or other unsightly growth, which in the opinion of the Developer or the Board detracts from the overall beauty, setting and safety of the Property or Lots. Such entrance for the purpose of mowing, removing, clearing, cutting or pruning shall not be deemed a trespass. The Developer and its agents or the Board and its agents may likewise enter upon a Lot to remove any trash which has collected on said Lot without such entrance and removal being deemed a trespass. The provisions of this Section shall not be construed as an obligation on the part of the Developer and its agents or the Board and its agents to mow, clear, cut or prune any Lots or to provide garbage or trash removal services. Expenses incurred for any of the foregoing shall be chargeable to and recoverable from the Owner of the Lot upon which such work is done.
- Tanks and Garbage Receptacles. No fuel tanks or similar storage receptacles may be exposed to view, and such tanks or receptacles may be installed only within a Home, within a screened area or buried underground. All garbage and trash containers must be placed in enclosed areas of the rear or side yard and must not be visible from adjoining Lots, Homes or from any street. Propane hookups are prohibited unless approved by Developer.
- Wells. No private wells may be drilled or maintained on any Lot without the prior written consent of the Architectural Review Committee.
- No Antennas. No television antenna, dish, radio receiver or sender or other 3.29 similar device shall be attached to or installed upon the exterior portion of any Home or other structure on the Property or any Lot within the Development without the prior written consent of the Architectural Review Committee; nor shall any radio, television nor any other form of electromagnetic radiation be permitted to originate from any Lot which may unreasonably interfere with the reception of television or radio signals upon any other Lot. Without limiting the applicability of the foregoing, the Architectural Review Committee may permit the installation of unobtrusive television reception devices if such devices are attached to the exterior of a Home and are attached in a location approved by the Architectural Review Committee which location shall not be in the public view and shall not be unsightly regardless of its location. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the provisions of this Section shall not prohibit the Developer from installing equipment necessary for a master antenna system, security system, cable television, mobile radio system or other similar systems within the Development.

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- Excavation. No Owner shall excavate or extract earth from any of the Lots subject to this Declaration for any business or commercial purpose. No elevation changes shall be permitted which would materially affect the surface grade of a Lot unless the prior written consent of the Developer or the Architectural Review Committee is obtained.
- 3.31 Sound Devices. No exterior speaker, horn, whistle, bell or other sound device which is unreasonably loud or annoying, except security devices used exclusively for security purposes, shall be located, used or placed upon Lots within the Development. The playing of loud music from any balconies or porches shall be offensive, obnoxious activity constituting a nuisance.
- 3.32 Laundry. No Owner, guest or tenant shall hang laundry from any area within or outside a Home if such laundry is within the public view, or hang laundry in public view to dry. such as on balcony or terrace railings.
- 3.33 Mailboxes. Each and every house shall have the same mailbox and post. These will be selected by the Developers and each Builder shall be made aware of the approved mailbox, and where it can be obtained.
- Duty to Rebuild or Clear and Landscape Upon Casualty or Destruction. In order 3.34 to preserve the aesthetic and economic value of all Lots within the Development, each Owner shall have the affirmative duty to rebuild, replace, repair or clear and landscape within a reasonable period of time, any building, structure, improvements, and significant vegetation which shall be damaged or destroyed by fire or other casualty. Variations and waivers of this provision may be made only upon Developer or the Board of Directors establishing that the overall purpose of these Covenants would be best effected by allowing such a variation. Variations to this section are to be strictly construed and the allowance of a variance by the Developer or the Board of Directors shall not be deemed to be a waiver of the binding effect of this section upon all other Owners.
- Vehicle Parking. Commercial vehicles, vehicles with commercial writing on their 3.35 exteriors, vehicles primarily used or designated for commercial purposes, tractors, mobile homes, recreational vehicles, trailers (either with or without wheels), campers, camper trailers, boats or other watercraft, boat trailers and the like shall be parked only in enclosed garages. Stored vehicles and vehicles which are either obviously inoperable or do not have current operating licenses shall not be permitted, except within enclosed garages. Vehicles of any type must not be parked on the street for a period exceeding twenty four (24) hours. Vehicles of any type also must not be parked on a sidewalk at any time. Notwithstanding the foregoing, service and delivery vehicles may be parked in the driveway of a Lot during daylight hours for such period of time as is reasonably necessary to provide service or make a delivery to a Lot. Any vehicle which is parked in violation of this paragraph may be towed by the Developer or the Association at the Owner's expense. This paragraph shall not apply to any commercial vehicles providing service or making deliveries to or on behalf of the Association or Developer or their agents. No more than two vehicles shall be parked in the driveway for a length of time exceeding ten consecutive days without moving.

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- 3.36 <u>Maintenance</u>. Each Lot Owner shall, at all times, maintain all structures located on such Lot, including driveways and permitted fences in good repair which shall include exterior painting as needed, and each Lot Owner shall keep all vegetation and landscaping in good and presentable condition.
- 3.37 Approved Builders. Only Builders who have been approved by Developer shall be permitted to construct Homes or additions to existing Homes in the Development. The Developer may maintain a list of approved Builders, which list shall be made available to Owners and prospective purchasers. The Developer may, from time to time, add or delete Builders on this list. The addition or deletion of Builders shall be at the sole discretion of the Developer. No Builder shall be permitted to construct a Home or addition to an existing Home on a Lot until the Builder has applied for and received written approval of the approved Builders status. This approval shall be at the sole discretion of the Developer. Each Builder must be a licensed general contractor in the State of Tennessee.
- 3.38 Occupancy Before Completion. No Home shall be occupied until the Home has been completed. The only exception may be considered in the case of landscaping etc., due to inclement weather or other excusable conditions. Any exception must be approved by the Architectural Review Committee.
- 3.39 Developer Reserves the Right. Notwithstanding any other provisions herein to the contrary, the Developer reserves unto itself, its successors and assigns, the following rights, privileges and powers: to subdivide Lots, to combine Lots or parts of Lots, to rearrange boundaries of Lots, to cause any part of any Lot to become a part of the Common Properties, and to cause portions of the Common Property Lots to become part of any of the Lots bordering them.
- 3.40 <u>Lawn Care</u>. All unimproved Lots (except those owned by the Developer) and all improved Lots must be kept fully seeded with grass (except where other provisions of this Declaration require sodding) and regularly cut.
- 3.41 <u>Fireplaces</u>. All fireplace inserts must be capped with a shroud at the point where the flue reaches the top of the chimney. The design of, materials, and color of the shroud must be approved in writing by the Developer or the Architectural Review Committee.
- 3.42 Additional Lot Damage. Any damage done to any adjacent or adjoining Lot or by a Builder employed to build improvements on any Lot will be repaired immediately at the expense of the Owner and/or the Builder. Temporary construction support must be provided for the curbs and sidewalks by the Owner or contractor during the time of construction. All construction debris shall be removed daily and the street must be kept clean during construction.
- 3.43 <u>Material Quality</u>. Only good quality materials and design will be accepted on any structure built on any Lot. Asbestos shingles are specifically prohibited. No concrete blocks shall be used above the finished ground elevation of any structure unless said blocks are covered with brick veneer, stone or other material acceptable to the Architectural Review Committee.
- 3.44 Air Conditioning and Heating Units. Air conditioning and heating units shall be architecturally screened or landscaped so as not to be visible from any street.

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- Sodding and Irrigation. Prior to occupancy of a Home, Lots 35-45 and 91-101 must be sodded on the entire Lot. For the remaining Lots, the front and side yards to the rear elevation of the Home must be sodded. Prior occupancy may be approved by the Architectural Review Committee if weather conditions prohibit sodding. All Lots must have a complete irrigation system capable of adequately maintaining all grass and landscaping areas. Sodding shall be installed in good condition and shall be of a warm-weather turf variety, either bermuda or zoyzia. Cool-weather fescue or blugrass varieties will not be allowed.
- Exterior Finish Materials. All exterior finish materials, including without limitation siding, roofing, gutters, windows and doors, and any finish applied to such materials, and including without limitation all paints or stains, mortar or cement, must be approved in writing by the Architectural Review Committee.
- 3.47 No Waterway Use or Dumping. No boat or rafts of any kind shall be permitted upon, nor shall any swimming be permitted in, any pond, lake, waterway, etc. on the Common Properties. No garbage, trash or other refuse shall be dumped in any pond, lake, waterway, etc. of the Development. Owners will be assessed a Five Hundred Dollar (\$500.00) fine for each violation of this provision in addition to assessments for the cost of removal. The Developer shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury to any person or property arising out of the authorized or unauthorized use of lakes, ponds or streams within the property.
- 3.48 Decks. All exterior wood decks and railings on Homes must be water sealed and/or stained in accordance with the requirements of the Architectural Review Committee. All decks must be enclosed to ground level with lattice, solid paneling or similar material.
- Swimming Pools. No above ground swimming pools will be permitted. All pools shall be inground and shall be fenced. Design, placement and construction details shall be submitted to the Architectural Review Committee for approval of inground swimming pools. Fencing must also be approved by the Architectural Review Committee.
- Spas and Hot Tubs. Outdoor Spas and hot tubs must be submitted for approval 3.50 by the Architectural Review Committee and must be screened from any street or adjacent property. If placed on decks, screening shall be placed around decking to conceal any motors, pipes, etc.
- Renting or Leasing. No Home may be rented or leased for a period of time that is 3.51 less than six (6) months. Every Owner shall cause all occupants of a leased Home to comply with these Covenants and Bylaws. Owner shall be responsible for all violations by such occupants.
- Playground Equipment. No playground equipment, swing sets, basketball backboard, or similar equipment shall be permitted on any Lot without the written approval of the Architectural Review Committee. All such equipment must be made of wood and blend with the natural surroundings. The Architectural Review Committee shall in its sole and absolute discretion determine whether or not any applications meet approval, and such approval shall be on a case-by-case basis and the approval of one application shall not be construed as the basis to approve other applications even if they are substantially similar in nature.

- Damaged Structure. Any damaged or destroyed structure shall be promptly repaired or rebuilt to original state. If damage is beyond repair, the owner or insurance company shall make the site safe, and remove all debris and bring the Lot back to the original state at their expense within six (6) months.
- 3.54 Modular, Manufactured or Trailer Homes. No modular, manufactured or trailer homes shall be allowed. Only on the job stick built homes shall be allowed.
- Construction Compliance. Should Contractor not comply with this Declaration. such costs associated with bringing the Home into compliance shall be a lien on the Lot and Articles V and VII hereof shall apply.
- Obligation to Commence and Complete Construction. Each Owner, excepting the 3.56 Developer, agrees that within twelve (12) months of the date on which they take title to a Lot. they will commence construction of a Home on that Lot. Once construction is commenced, each Owner shall continuously and diligently pursue such construction until complete, but in no case shall completion be more than 12 months from the date of commencement of construction. "Complete" shall mean that a final inspection and approval is granted by the governmental authority having the power to grant such approval, and shall also include completion of the landscaping in accordance with the landscape plan as required herein. Provided that for good cause shown, the Developer or the Board may grant an extension by written approval to an Owner who, in the opinion of the Developer or the Board in their sole and absolute discretion, has made a demonstrable good faith effort to comply with this provision.

An Owner who violates this requirement, and after receipt of notice of such violation from the Developer or the Board and the passage of a reasonable amount of time to commence construction, fails to commence, pursue or complete construction shall be liable for a fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each month said Owner is in violation of this covenant. Proceeds collected under this provision shall be used to pay the annual operating expenses of the Association.

Violations and Enforcement. In the event of the violation, or attempted violation, 3.57 of any one or more of the provisions of this Declaration, the Developer, its successors or assigns, including all parties hereinafter becoming Owners of any one or more of the Lots to which provisions of this Declaration apply, or the Board may bring an action or actions against the Owner in violation, or attempting violation, and the said Owner shall be further liable for such damages as may accrue, including any court costs and reasonable attorneys fees incident to any such proceeding, which costs and fees shall constitute liquidated damages. In the event of a violation of set-back lines, side, rear or front which may be minor in character, a waiver thereof may be made by the Developer, its successors or assigns, or the Board of Directors. Further, the Developer or the Board of Directors may grant variances of the restrictions set forth in this Declaration if such variances do not, in the sole discretion of the Developer or the Board of Directors, adversely affect the purposes sought to be obtained hereby.

By reason of the rights of enforcement of the provisions of this Section being given unto Owners of Lots (subject to rights of variances reserved by the Developer and the Board), it shall not be incumbent upon the Developer or the Board to enforce the provisions of these Covenants

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or to prosecute any violation thereof. Developer shall not be responsible or liable for any violation of these Covenants by any person other than itself.

#### ARTICLE IV ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

### 4.01 Architectural and Design Review.

- A. In order to preserve, to the extent possible, the natural beauty of the Property and its setting, to maintain a pleasant and desirable environment, to establish and preserve a harmonious design for the Development, and to promote and protect the value of the Property, the Developer or the Board may create a body of rules and regulations covering details of Homes, which shall be available to all Owners or prospective Owners of Lots.
- B. The Developer may appoint an Architectural Review Committee (or Developer may retain said power) that shall have sole architectural and design review authority for the Development until the Developer has sold all of its Lots or transferred governing authority to the Board in accordance with the Bylaws, provided, however, that prior to calling the meeting of the Association to elect the Board to succeed the Developer as provided in the Bylaws, the Developer may execute and record in the office of the Recorder a document stating that the Developer reserves unto itself, its successors or assigns, the architectural and design reviewing authority provided in this Article, and stating that said reservation, notice of which is thus provided, shall survive the election of the Board to succeed the Developer. Thereafter, the Developer or the Architectural Review Committee shall continue to exercise the rights thus reserved to it until such time as it shall execute and record in the office of the Recorder a document assigning these rights to the Board. Upon such occurrence, the Board shall establish an Architectural Review Committee as soon as is practicable. When such Committee has been established, the Developer shall transfer reviewing authority to it.
- C. No Home shall be erected, placed, added to, remodeled or altered and no trees or shrubs shall be cut or removed and no grading or other improvement shall be made to any Lot nor shall construction be permitted to commence on any Home, other building, structure, fence, exterior lighting, swimming pools, children's play areas, decorative appurtenances, or structures of any type by an Owner or Builder on any Lot, until said Owner or Builder shall submit and receive approval for a new home application or home modification application including:
- (i) A site development plan which in addition to other site plan details shall clearly show the proposed location of the Home on the Lot and the location of all improvements or proposed improvements on and to the Lot including but not limited to all driveways, sidewalks, parking areas, paties and decks.
- (ii) A detailed landscape plan, drawn at a scale not less than 1/8" = 1'-0", showing the location of all existing trees with a diameter of five (5) inches or more and indicating which of those trees, if any, are to be removed, and showing the location and type of all plantings proposed to be located on the Lot. The landscape plan shall indicate the location and materials of all pavings, patios, walks, and drives on the Lot. All of which shall be in strict compliance with the provisions of this Declaration.

The proposed building plans and specifications (including height and composition of roof, siding or other exterior materials and finishes) of any improvements proposed to be constructed or located upon any Lot. Said plans and specifications shall be in sufficient detail so as to enable the Architectural Review Committee to determine whether or not such improvements conform to the provisions of this Declaration, and whether such improvements are suitable and consistent with the intent of this Declaration. In such cases the determination of the Developer or the Architectural Review Committee shall be final.

The Architectural Review Committee shall approve or disapprove in writing such plans and shall establish an appropriate level for the Construction Compliance Escrow Fund prior to the commencement of any construction.

Every application shall be submitted to the Architectural Review Committee for approval at least fifteen (15) days prior to the proposed date of construction. In addition, any repainting of a substantial portion of the exterior of any structure in a manner not previously approved by the Architectural Review Committee shall be subject to prior approval of the Architectural Review Committee as provided in the preceding sentence.

The Architectural Review Committee shall initially be paid Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) with each plan submittal for the architectural and design review of a Home. This amount may be adjusted by Developer in its sole discretion.

The Architectural Review Committee shall give written approval or disapproval of the application within fifteen (15) days of submission. However, if written approval or disapproval of the plans is not given within fifteen (15) days of the submission, the plans shall be deemed to have been approved. The Architectural Review Committee may, by written notice given from time to time to the Owners of Lots, exempt certain matters of a non-essential nature from the review requirements subject to the terms and conditions and for the time periods established by the Architectural Review Committee.

In the event of the completion of any Home on any Lot, without any proceedings having been instituted in the courts of Hamilton County, Tennessee to enjoin the construction thereof. then said Home shall be conclusively presumed to have had such approval.

- The architectural and design review shall be directed towards preventing excessive or unsightly grading, indiscriminate clearing of the Property, removal of trees and vegetation which could cause disruption of natural water courses, insuring that the locations and configuration of structures are visually harmonious with the terrain and vegetation of the surrounding property and improvements thereon, and insuring that plans for landscaping provide visually pleasing settings for structures on the same Lot and on adjoining or nearby Lots.
- Approval Standards. Approval of any proposed building plan, location, specifications or construction schedule submitted under this Article will be withheld unless such plans, location and specifications comply with the applicable Covenants of this Declaration. Approval of the plans and specifications by the Architectural Review Committee is for the mutual benefit of all Owners and is not intended to be, and shall not be construed as, an approval or certification that the plans and specifications are technically sound or correct from an

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engineering or architectural viewpoint. Each Owner shall be individually responsible for the technical aspect of the plans and specifications.

4.03 Licensing. All Builders, contractors, landscape architects and others performing work on any Lot must be licensed as may be required by the State of Tennessee or any other governmental authority having jurisdiction in order to construct a Home on a Lot or to perform services for an Owner.

#### ARTICLE V **ASSESSMENTS**

- Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments. Each Owner by acceptance of a deed conveying a Lot except Developer, whether or not it shall be so expressed in any such deed or other conveyance, shall be deemed to covenant and agree to all of the terms and provisions of these Covenants and pay to the Developer or Association, annual assessments or special assessments for the purposes set forth in this Article, such assessments to be fixed, established and collected from time to time as hereinafter provided. The Owner of each Lot shall be personally liable, such liability to be joint and several if there are two or more Owners, to the Association or Developer for the payment of all assessments, whether annual or special, which may be levied while such party or parties are Owners of a Lot. The annual and special assessments, together with such interest thereon and costs of collection therefor as hereinafter provided, shall be a charge and continuing lien on the Lot and on all the improvements thereon against which each such assessment is made. Unpaid assessments shall bear interest from the due date to the date of payment at the rate set by the Developer or Board, and said rate can be changed from time to time so that the rate is reasonably related to the economic situation. In the event that two or more Lots are combined into a single Lot by an Owner, the assessments will continue to be based upon the number of original Lots, and if any original Lot is subdivided, the assessment on such original Lot shall be prorated between the Owners based upon the square footage owned by each Owner. Neither the liability for assessments, nor the amount of assessments, shall be reduced or avoided due to the fact that all or any portions of the Common Properties or other portions of the property are not completed. If Owner leases a Lot and/or Home, Owner remains primarily liable for the assessments.
- 5.02 Purpose of Annual Assessments. The annual assessments levied by the Developer or Association shall be used to provide services to the Owners, promote the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the Owners and for the improvement and maintenance of the Common Properties and for such other reasons consistent with these provisions, including but not limited to, construction of a clubhouse, pavilion and/or swimming pool.
- Amount of Annual Assessment. Until the transfer of governing authority from the 5.03 Developer to the Board takes place as described in the By-Laws, the amount of the annual assessments shall be set by the Developer at such amount as the Developer, in its sole discretion, deems appropriate to promote the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the Members (as they are defined in the Bylaws). Thereafter the amount of the annual assessments shall be set by the Board of Directors unless seventy-five percent (75%) of the Members who are in attendance or represented by proxy vote to increase or decrease the said annual assessment set by the Board. At any such meeting, the Developer shall have the number of votes as provided in the Bylaws.

- Special Assessments for Improvements and Additions. In addition to the annual assessments, the Developer or Association may levy special assessments for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction or reconstruction, unexpected repair or replacement of a described capital improvement upon the Common Properties, including the necessary fixtures and personal property related thereto, or the cost of any addition to the Common Properties, provided that any such assessment shall have the assent of seventy-five percent (75%) of the vote of the Members who are in attendance or represented at a duty called meeting of the Association, written notice of which shall have been sent to all Members at least thirty (30) days in advance setting forth the purpose of the meeting. (This does not apply until transfer from Developer to Board.) At any such meeting, the Developer shall have the number of votes provided in the Bylaws.
- Property Subject to Assessment. Only land within the Development which has been subdivided into Lots, and the plats thereof filed for public record, shall constitute a Lot for purposes of these assessments.
- 5.06 Exempt Property. No Owner may exempt himself from liability for any assessment levied against his Lot by waiver of the use or enjoyment of any of the Common Properties or by abandonment of his Lot in any other way.

The following property, individuals, partnerships or corporations, subject to this Declaration, shall be exempted from the assessment, charge and lien created herein:

- (a) The grantee of a utility easement.
- All properties dedicated and accepted by a local public authority and devoted to public use.
  - All Common Properties as defined in Article I hereof. (c)
- All properties exempted from taxation by the laws of the State of Tennessee upon the terms and to the extent of such legal exemptions. This exemption shall not include special exemptions, now in force or enacted hereinafter, based upon age, sex, income levels or similar classifications of the Owners.
- Developer-owned and Builder-owned Lots; provided however, the assessments will be due once Builder has transferred Lots to a new Owner or Developer has transferred a Lot to an Owner that is not a builder. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Builder will be responsible for assessments twenty-four (24) months from date he/she took title to the Lot.
  - Date of Commencement of Annual Assessments. 5.07
- The annual assessments provided for herein shall commence on the day set by Α. The annual assessment shall be due and payable upon Developer or the Developer. Association's request. The amount of the first annual assessment shall be pro-rated at the time of title transfer.

- The due date of any special assessment shall be fixed in the resolution authorizing such assessment.
- Lien. Recognizing that the necessity for providing proper operation and 5.08 management of the Property entails the continuing payment of costs and expenses therefor, the Developer and/or Association is hereby granted a lien upon each Lot and the improvements thereon as security for the payment of all assessments against said Lot, now or hereafter assessed, which lien shall also secure all costs and expenses and reasonable attorneys fees which may be incurred by the Association in enforcing the lien upon said Lot. The lien shall become effective on a Lot immediately upon the closing of the Lot. The lien granted to the Association may be foreclosed as other liens are foreclosed in the State of Tennessee. Failure by the Owner or Owners to pay any assessment, annual or special, on or before the due dates set by the Association for such payment shall constitute a default, and this lien may be foreclosed by the Association.
- 5.09 Lease. Sale or Mortgage. Whenever any Lot may be leased, sold or mortgaged by the Owner thereof, which lease, sale or mortgage shall be concluded only upon compliance with other provisions of this Declaration, the Association, upon written request of the Owner of such Lot, shall furnish to the proposed lessee, purchaser or mortgagee, a statement verifying the status of payment of any assessment which shall be due and payable to the Association by the Owner of such Lot; and such statement shall also include, if requested, whether there exists any matter in dispute between the Owners of such Lot and the Association under this Declaration. Such statement shall be executed by any officer of the Association, and any lessee, purchaser or mortgagee may rely upon such statement in concluding the proposed lease, purchase or mortgage transaction, and the Association shall be bound by such statement.

In the event that a Lot is to be leased, sold or mortgaged at the time when payment of any assessment against said Lot shall be in default, then the rent, proceeds of the sale or mortgage shall be applied by the lessee, purchaser or mortgagee first to the payment of any then delinquent assessment or installments thereof due to the Association before payment of any rent, proceeds of sale or Mortgage to the Owner of any Lot who is responsible for payment of such delinquent assessment.

In any voluntary conveyance of a Lot, the grantee(s) shall be jointly and severally liable with the grantor(s) for all unpaid assessment against the grantor(s) and the Lot made prior to the time of such voluntary conveyance, without prejudice to the rights of the grantee(s) to recover from grantor(s) the amounts paid by the grantee(s) therefor.

#### ARTICLE VI REGISTER OF OWNERS AND SUBORDINATION OF LIENS TO MORTGAGES

6.01 Register of Owners and Mortgages. The Association shall at all times maintain a register setting forth the names of the Owners, and, in the event of a sale or transfer of any Lot to a third party, the purchaser or transferee shall notify the Association in writing of his interest in such Lot, together with such recording information that shall be pertinent to identify the instrument by which such purchaser or transferee has acquired his interest in any Lot. Further the

Owner shall at all times notify the Association of any Mortgage and the name of the Mortgagee on any Lot, and the recording information which shall be pertinent to identify the Mortgage and Mortgagee. The Mortgagee may, if it so desires, notify the Association of the existence of any Mortgage held by it, and upon receipt of such notice, the Association shall register in its records all pertinent information pertaining to the same. The Association may rely on such register for the purpose of determining Owners of Lots and holders of Mortgages.

- 6.02 <u>Subordination of Lien to First Mortgages</u>. The liens provided for in this Declaration shall be subordinate to the lien of a First Mortgage on any Lot if, and only if, all assessments, whether annual or special, with respect to such Lot having a due date on or prior to the date such Mortgage is recorded have been paid. In the event any such First Mortgage (i.e., one who records a Mortgage on a Lot for which all assessments have been paid prior to recording) shall acquire title to any Lot by virtue of any foreclosure, deed in lieu of foreclosure, or judicial sale, such Mortgagee acquiring title shall only be liable and obliged for assessments, whether annual or special, as shall accrue and become due and payable for said Lot subsequent to the date of acquisition of such title. In the event of acquisition of title to a Lot by foreclosure, deed in lieu of foreclosure, or judicial sale, any assessment whether annual or special, as to which the party so acquiring title shall not be liable shall be absorbed and paid by all Owners as part of the Common Expense; provided, however, nothing contained herein shall be construed as releasing the party or parties liable for such delinquent assessments from the payment thereof or the enforcement of collection of such payment by means other than foreclosure.
- 6.03 <u>Common Properties and Deposits</u>. No First Mortgagee shall be obligated to construct any Common Properties and shall not be liable for any fees or deposits held hereunder unless the same are actually received by such First Mortgagee through foreclosure or any other lawful method.

#### ARTICLE VII REMEDIES ON DEFAULT

7.01 Scope. Each Owner shall comply with the provisions of this Declaration, the Bylaws and the Rules and Regulations of the Association as they presently exist or as they may be amended from time to time, and each Owner shall be responsible for the actions of his or her family members, servants, guests, occupants, invitees or agents.

### 7.02 Grounds For and Form of Relief.

(a) Failure to comply with any of the Covenants of the Declaration, the Bylaws or the Rules and Regulations promulgated by the Developer or Board which may be adopted pursuant thereto shall constitute a default and shall entitle Developer or the Association to seek relief which may include, without limitation an action to recover any unpaid assessment, together with interest as provided for herein, any sums due for damages, injunctive relief, foreclosure of lien or any combination thereof, and which relief may be sought by the Developer or the Association or, if appropriate and not in conflict with the provisions of this Declaration or the Bylaws, by an aggrieved Owner.

- (b). The Developer or Board of Directors shall have the power to impose reasonable fines which shall constitute an automatic and continuing lien upon a Lot of the violating Owner, to suspend an Owner's right to use the Common Properties, and to preclude Builders, contractors, subcontractors, agents and other invitees of an Owner or occupant from the Property for violation of any duty imposed under the Declaration or the By-Laws, provided, however, that nothing herein shall authorize the Developer, Association or the Board of Directors to limit an Owner's or occupant's ingress and egress to or from a Lot. In the event that any occupant of a Lot violates the Declaration or the By-Laws, and a fine is imposed, the fine shall first be assessed against the occupant residing therein provided, however, that if the fine is not paid by the occupant within the time period set by the Developer or Board of Directors, the Owner shall pay the fine upon notice from the Developer or Association. The failure of the Developer or Board of Directors to enforce any provision of the Declaration or By-Laws shall not be deemed a waiver of the right of the Developer or Board of Directors to do so thereafter.
- (c) Prior to imposition of any sanction hereunder for any reason other than nonpayment of assessments or other charges, the Developer or Board of Directors or its delegate shall serve the accused with written notice describing (a) the nature of the alleged violation, (b) the proposed sanction to be imposed, (c) a period of not less than ten (10) days within which the alleged violator may present a written request to the Developer or Board of Directors for a hearing, and (d) a statement that the proposed sanction shall be imposed as contained in the notice unless a challenge has been requested within ten (10) days of the notice.
- (d) If a hearing is requested within the allotted ten (10) day period, the hearing shall be held in executive session of the Developer or Board of Directors at the next regularly scheduled meeting or at a Special Meeting affording the accused a reasonable opportunity to be heard. Prior to the effectiveness of any sanction hereunder, proof of proper notice shall be placed in the minutes of the meeting. Such proof shall be deemed adequate if a copy of the notice, together with a statement of the date and manner of delivery, is entered by the officer, director, or agent who delivered such notice. The notice requirement shall be deemed satisfied if the accused appears at the meeting. The minutes of the meeting shall contain a written statement of the results of the hearing and the sanction imposed, if any. The Developer or Board of Directors may, but shall not be obligated, to suspend any proposed sanction if the violation is cured within the ten (10) day period. Any suspension shall not constitute a waiver of the rights to sanction future violations of the same or other provisions by any person.
- (e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, the Developer or Association may elect to enforce any provisions of the Declaration or the By-Laws by self-help (specifically including, but not limited to, the towing of vehicles that are in violation of parking rules and regulations) or by suit at law or in equity to enjoin any violation or to recover monetary darnages or both without the necessity of compliance with the procedure set forth above. In any such action, to the maximum extent permissible, the Owner or occupant responsible for the violation of which abatement is sought shall pay all costs, including reasonable attorney's fees actually incurred.
- 7.03 Recovery of Expenses. In any proceeding arising because of an alleged default by an Owner, the Developer or the Association, if successful, shall, in addition to the relief provided for in Section 7.02, be entitled to recover the costs of the proceeding and such reasonable

attorneys' fees as may be allowed by the court, but in no event shall the Owner be entitled to such attorneys' fees.

- Waiver. Developer or the Board may choose, at its option, not to enforce any 7.04 provision, covenant or condition herein. The failure of the Developer or the Association or an Owner to enforce any right, provision, covenant or condition which may be granted herein or the receipt or acceptance by the Association of any part payment of an assessment shall not constitute a waiver of any breach of a Covenant, nor shall same constitute a waiver to enforce such Covenant(s) in the future.
- Election of Remedies. All rights, remedies and privileges granted to the 7.05 Developer, the Association or an Owner or Owners pursuant to any term, provision, covenant or condition of this Declaration or the Bylaws shall be deemed to be cumulative and in addition to any and every other remedy given herein or otherwise existing, and the exercise of any one or more shall not be deemed to constitute an election of remedies, nor shall it preclude the party thus exercising the same from exercising such other and additional rights, remedies or privileges as may be available to any such party at law or in equity.

#### ARTICLE VIII **EMINENT DOMAIN**

- Board's Authority. If all or any part of the Common Properties (excluding 8.01 personalty) is taken or threatened to be taken by eminent domain, the Developer or the Board is authorized and directed to proceed as follows:
- To obtain any pay for such assistance from such attorneys, appraisers, architects, engineers, expert witnesses and other persons, as the Developer or the Board in its discretion deems necessary or advisable to aid and advise it in all matters relating to such taking and its effect, including but not limited to (i) determining whether or not to resist such proceedings or convey in lieu thereof, (ii) defending or instituting any necessary proceedings and appeals, (iii) making any settlements with respect to such taking or attempted taking and (iv) deciding if, how and when to restore the Common Properties.
- To negotiate with respect to any such taking, to grant permits, licenses and В. releases and to convey all or any portion of the Common Properties and to defend or institute, and appeal from, all proceedings as it may deem necessary and advisable in connection with the same.
- To have and exercise all such powers with respect to such taking or proposed C. taking and such restoration as those vested in boards of directors of corporations with respect to corporate property, including but not limited to, purchasing, improving, demolishing and selling real estate.
- 8.02 Notice to Owners and Mortgagees. Each Owner and each First Mortgagee on the records of the Association shall be given reasonable written advance notice of all final offers before acceptance, proposed conveyances, settlements and releases contemplated by the Developer or the Board, legal proceedings and final plans for restoration, and shall be given reasonable opportunity to be heard with respect to each of the same and to participate in and be

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represented by counsel in any litigation and all hearings, at such Owner's or Mortgagee's own expense.

- 8.03 Reimbursement of Expenses. The Developer and/or the Board shall be reimbursed for all attorneys', engineers', architects' and appraisers' fees, and other costs and expenses paid or incurred by it in preparation for, and in connection with, or as a result of, any such taking out of the compensation, if any. To the extent that the expenses exceed the compensation received, such expenses shall be deemed a Common Expense.
- 8.04 Subordination to First Mortgage on Common Properties. Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the terms and provisions of this Article VIII shall be subject and subordinate to the terms and provisions of any First Mortgage encumbering the Common Properties.

#### ARTICLE IX GENERAL PROVISIONS

- Duration. The Covenants of the Declaration shall run with and bind the land and 9.01 shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Developer, the Board, the Association or an Owner, their respective legal representatives, heirs, successors and assigns, in perpetuity, unless amended or terminated as provided herein.
- 9.02 Amendments. This Declaration may be amended, modified or revoked in any respect from time to time by the Developer, in his sole and absolute discretion, prior to the date that the governing authority for the Development is transferred from the Developer to the Board of the Association in accordance with the Bylaws. Thereafter, this Declaration may be amended in accordance with the following procedure:
- An amendment to this Declaration may be considered at any annual or special meeting of the Association; provided, however, that, if considered at an annual meeting, notice of consideration of the amendment and a general description of the terms of such amendment shall be included in the notice of the annual meeting provided for in the Bylaws, similar notice shall be included in the notice of the special meeting provided for in the Bylaws. Notice of any meeting to consider an amendment that would adversely affect Mortgagees' rights shall also be sent to each Mortgagee listed upon the register of the Association.
- At any such meeting of the members of the Association, the amendment must be approved by an affirmative seventy-five percent (75%) vote of those Owners who are in attendance or represented at the meeting. At any such meeting, the Developer shall have the number of votes as provided in the Bylaws.
- An amendment adopted shall become effective upon its recording with the C. Recorder, and the President of the Association and Secretary of the Association shall execute, acknowledge and record the amendment and the Secretary shall certify on its face that it has been adopted in accordance with the provisions of this Section; provided, that in the event of the disability or incapacity of either, the Vice-President of the Association shall be empowered to execute, acknowledge and record the amendment. The certificate shall be conclusive evidence to any person who relies thereon in good faith, including without limitation, any Mortgagee,

prospective purchaser, tenant, lienor or title insurance company that the amendment was adopted in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

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- 9.03 <u>Deeds conveying Home/Lot</u>. Upon conveyance of any Home and/or Lot, the conveying deed shall contain a reference to these Covenants and Restrictions.
- 9.04 Notices. Any notice required to be sent to any Owner or Mortgagee under the provisions of this Declaration shall be deemed to have been properly sent, and notice thereby given, when mailed, postpaid, to the last known address of the Owner or Mortgagee on their mailing. Notice to one of two or more co-owners of a Lot shall constitute notice to all co-owners. It shall be the obligation of every Owner to immediately notify the Secretary in writing of any change of address. Any notice required to be sent to the Board, the Association or any officer thereof, or the Developer under the provisions of this Declaration shall likewise be deemed to have been properly sent, and notice thereby given, when mailed, postpaid, to such entity or person at the following address:

Coughlin Properties, LLC Hampton Cove 8240 Mitchell Mill Road Ooltewah, Tennessee 37363

The address for the Board, the Association or any officer thereof, may be changed by the Secretary or President of the Association by executing, acknowledging and recording an amendment to this Declaration stating the new address or addresses. Likewise the Developer may change its address by executing, acknowledging and recording an amendment to this Declaration stating its new address.

9.05 <u>Severability</u>. Should any covenant or restriction herein contained, or any Article, Section, Subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or term of this Declaration be declared void, invalid, illegal or unenforceable, for any reason by the adjudication of any court or other tribunal having jurisdiction of the parties hereto and the subject matter hereof, such judgment shall in no

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way affect the other provisions hereof which are hereby declared to be severable, and which shall remain in full force and effect.

- 9.06 <u>Captions</u>. The captions herein are inserted only as a matter of convenience and are for reference and are in no way intended to define, limit or describe the scope of this Declaration nor any provision hereof.
- 9.07 <u>Use of Terms</u>. Any use herein of the masculine shall include the feminine, and the singular the plural, when such meaning is appropriate.
- 9.08 <u>Interpretation</u>. The provisions of this Declaration shall be liberally construed to effectuate their purpose. Failure to enforce any provision hereof shall not constitute a waiver of the right to enforce said provision or any other provision hereof.
- 9.09 <u>Law Governing</u>. This Declaration is made in the State of Tennessee, and any question pertaining to its validity, enforceability, construction or administration shall be determined in accordance with the laws of that State.
- 9.10 <u>Effective Date</u>. This Declaration shall become effective upon its recording in the office of the Register of Hamilton County, Tennessee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Developer has executed or caused to have executed by its duly authorized officers this Declaration on the date first above written.

COUGHLIN PROPERTIES, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company

Shane Coughlin, 🕻

STATE OF TENNESSEE COUNTY OF HAMILTON

Before me, a Notary Public of the State and County aforesaid, personally appeared Shane Coughlin, with whom I am personally acquainted (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence), and who, upon oath, acknowledged himself to be Chief Marcon Coughlin Properties, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company, the within named bargainor, a limited liability company, are that he as such officer executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing the name of the limited liability company by himself as such officer.

WITNESSETH my hand and seal, this 44 day of October 2005

Notary Public

My Commission Expires்∑