



5. "Residential Lot" means a platted lot intended to be used for the construction of a Residential Dwelling Unit.

6. "Articles" means the Articles of Incorporation of the Association.

7. "Board" or "Board of Directors" means the Board of Directors of the Association.

8. "Bylaws" means the Bylaws of the Association.

9. "Declaration" means this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions applicable to the Property.

10. "VA" means the Veterans Administration and its successors and assigns.

11. "FHA" means the Federal Housing Administration and its successors and assigns.

12. "Mortgagee" means any institutional holder of a first mortgage encumbering a portion of the Property as security for the performance of any obligation, including a bank, savings and loan association, insurance company, any real estate or mortgage investment trust, and insurers or guarantors of mortgages, including, without limitation, the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Government National Mortgage Association, the VA, the FHA or any lender generally recognized as an institutional type lender.

13. "Unit" used without qualifying language includes Residential Lots and Residential Dwelling Units.

14. "Initial Maximum Annual Assessment" shall be the annual assessment for the calendar year during which the first Residential Lot is conveyed to an Owner which shall not exceed \$120.00.

15. "Surface Water or Stormwater Management System" means a system which is designed and constructed or implemented to control discharges which are necessitated by rainfall events incorporating methods to collect, convey, store, absorb, inhibit, treat, use or reuse water to prevent or reduce flooding, overdrainage, environmental degradation and water pollution or otherwise affect the quantity and quality of discharges from the system, as permitted pursuant to Chapters 40C-4, 40C-40 or 40C-42, .A.C.

16. "Declarant" means Developer, its successors and assigns with respect to the Property and any Owner who acquires an interest in more than one Residential Lot for the purpose of the development of the

Property or the construction of Residential Dwelling Units.

ARTICLE II  
Membership and Voting Rights

1. Right to Membership. Every Owner of a Residential Lot which is subject to this Declaration shall be a member of the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Residential Lot.

2. Classes of Membership. The Association shall have two classes of voting membership:

(a) Class A. Class A members shall be all Owners, with the exception of the Declarant. Each Class A member shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Residential Lot owned.

(b) Class B. The Class B members shall be the Declarant who shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Residential Lot owned. The Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership on the happening of any of the following events, which ever first occurs:

(1) the number of votes assigned to Class A members equals the number of votes assigned to Class B members;

(2) within six (6) months from that time at which all the Residential Dwelling Units that are subject to this Declaration have been completed, some have been conveyed to purchasers and no Residential Dwelling Units are under construction or offered for sale by the Declarant in the ordinary course of business; or

(3) ten (10) years from the date of recording this Declaration.

3. Multiple Owners. When any Residential Lot is owned of record in the name of two (2) or more persons or entities, whether fiduciaries or in any other manner of joint or common ownership, only one of such persons, who shall be designated by such joint owners, shall become the member entitled to vote. Such vote shall be exercised as they among themselves determine but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any such Residential Lot. Where a partnership, corporation or other entity is a Class A member, such Class A member shall designate one representative of such partnership or such corporation or other entity to be the member entitled to vote.

ARTICLE III  
Covenant of Maintenance Assessments

1. Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments. Each Owner of any Residential Lot by acceptance of a deed therefor, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association annual assessments or charges and special assessments, such assessments to be established and collected as hereinafter provided. The annual and special assessments, together with interest, costs, late charges and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the Residential Lot against which each such assessment is made. Each such assessment, together with interest, costs, late charges and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the Owner of such Residential Lot at the time when the assessment fell due. In the case of co-Owners, each co-Owner shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire amount of the assessment. The personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to an Owner's successor in title unless expressly assumed by such successor in title.

2. Purpose of Annual Assessments. The annual assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively to promote the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the residents in the Property and for the improvement, maintenance and operation of the Common Areas as described by Exhibit B. In addition, the assessments shall be used for the maintenance and repair of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management Systems including, but not limited to, work within retention areas, drainage structures and drainage easements.

3. Maximum Annual Assessment.

(a) During the calendar year when the first Residential Lot is conveyed to an Owner, the maximum annual assessment shall be the Initial Maximum Annual Assessment.

(b) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Residential Lot to any Owner, the maximum annual assessment may be increased each year not more than five percent (5%) above the maximum assessment for the previous year without a vote of the membership.

(c) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Residential Lot to any Owner, the maximum annual assessment may be increased above five percent (5%) by a vote of two-thirds (2/3rd) of each class of members who are voting in person or by proxy, at a meeting duly called for this purpose.

(d) The Board shall fix the annual assessment at an amount not in excess of the maximum.

(e) The Board, in determining the common expenses, may establish and maintain a reserve fund for the periodic maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Areas or for such other purposes as the Board deems prudent for the operation of the Association.

4. Special Assessments. In addition to the annual assessments authorized above, the Board may levy, in any assessment year, a special assessment applicable to that year provided that any such assessment shall have the assent of two-thirds (2/3rds) of the votes of each class of members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for this purpose.

In addition, the Board may assess a special assessment against an Owner for the cost to repair any damage or injury to the Common Areas caused by the Owner's negligence or for such other amount as determined by the Board due to an Owner's failure to comply with the provisions of this Declaration as hereinafter provided..

5. Notice and Quorum for Any Action Authorized under Paragraphs 3 and 4. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any action authorized under paragraphs 3 and 4 shall be sent to all members not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days in advance of the meeting. At such meeting, the presence of members or of proxies entitled to cast a majority of the votes of each class of membership shall constitute a quorum.

6. Uniform Rate of Assessment. Both annual and special assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Residential Lots (except special assessments specifically assessed against an Owner for costs incurred solely on account of his negligence or failure to comply herewith). Notwithstanding this or any other provision of this Declaration, Declarant shall not be required to pay annual or special assessments on any Residential Lot owned by Declarant until such time as such Residential Lot has been conveyed to an Owner.

7. Date of Commencement of Assessments; Due Dates. The annual assessments provided for herein shall commence as to all Residential Lots conveyed to an Owner on the first day of the month following the conveyance of the first Residential Lot to an Owner. The first annual assessment shall be adjusted according to the number of months remaining in the calendar year. The annual assessment shall be payable at the times and in the manner determined by the Board. The Association shall, upon demand, and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the assessments on a specified Residential Lot have been paid. A properly executed

certificate of the Association as to the status of assessments on a Residential Lot is binding upon the Association as of the date of its issuance.

8. Effect of Nonpayment of Assessments; Remedies of the Association. Any assessment not paid by its due date shall be subject to a late charge of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the payment due and shall bear interest from the due date at the rate of fifteen percent (15%) per annum. The Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same or foreclose the lien against the Residential Lot. No Owner may escape liability for the assessments provided for herein by abandonment of his Residential Lot. The Board may suspend the voting rights and right to use the Common Areas of a member during any period in which such member shall be in default of any assessment levied by the Association.

9. Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages. The lien of the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage. Sale or transfer of any Residential Lot shall not affect the assessment lien. However, the sale or transfer of any Residential Lot pursuant to mortgage foreclosure or any proceeding in lieu thereof shall extinguish the lien of such assessments as to payments which became due prior to such sale or transfer. No sale or transfer shall relieve such Residential Lot from liability for any assessment thereafter becoming due or from the lien thereof. Any such delinquent assessments which were extinguished pursuant to the foregoing may be reallocated and assessed against the remaining Residential Lots as a common expense or special assessment.

#### ARTICLE V Architectural Control

1. Design Criteria. It is the Declarant's intent to create maintain a subdivision in harmony with its surroundings and the natural elements of the Property. The Residential Dwelling Units constructed or to be constructed on the Property have been or will be designed to be compatible with each other and to establish a level of construction standards. No owner is permitted to make any changes to the exterior of any Residential Dwelling Unit or other improvement on the Property without the prior approval of the Architectural Control Committee of the Association (hereinafter referred to as the "ARC").

2. Necessity of Architectural Review and Approval. No building, fence, wall or other structure, which is visible from outside any Residential Dwelling Unit, shall be commenced, erected or maintained upon the Property, nor shall any exterior addition to or change in alteration, including, without limitation, a change in the exterior color, be made until the plans and specifications showing the nature,

kind, shape, height, materials and location of the same shall have been submitted to and approved in writing as to harmony of external design and location in relation to surrounding structures and topography by the ARC. In the event the ARC fails to approve or disapprove such design and location within thirty (30) days after the plans and specifications have been submitted to them, approval will not be required and this Article will be deemed to have been fully complied with.

3. Architectural Control Committee. The ARC shall be appointed by a majority vote of the Board at a meeting duly called for such purpose or by resolution executed by a majority of the members of the Board. The majority of the ARC shall constitute a quorum to transact business at any meeting.

4. Provisions Inoperative as to Declarant. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Declaration, any development of the Property or construction of Residential Dwelling Units by Declarant shall not be subject to review and approval by the ARC.

ARTICLE VI  
Use of Property

In order to provide for congenial occupancy of the Property and for the protection of the value of the Residential Dwelling Units, the use of the Property shall be in accordance with the following provisions so long as the Property is subject to this Declaration.

1. Common Areas. The Common Areas shall be used only for the purposes for which they are intended in the furnishing of services and facilities for the enjoyment of the Owners. There shall be no obstruction or alteration of, nor shall anything be stored, altered or constructed in, or removed from, the Common Areas without the prior written consent of the Board.

2. Insurance. No use shall be made of the Common Areas which will increase the rate of insurance upon the Property without the prior consent of the Board. No Owner shall permit anything to be done or kept on the Common Areas which will result in cancellation of insurance on any part of the Common Areas or which will be in violation of any law. No waste shall be committed in the Common Areas.

3. Nuisances. No obnoxious or offensive activity shall be allowed upon the Common Areas, nor any use or practice which is the source of annoyance or nuisance to Owners or guests or which interferes with the peaceful possession and proper use of the Common Areas by Owners. The Board shall have the power to adopt reasonable rules and regulations governing the use of the Common Areas and the personal conduct of the members and their guests thereon, and to establish fines for the

infraction thereof as hereinafter provided. In addition, the Board may also suspend the right of a member to use the Common Areas, after notice and hearing for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days, as a result of such members infraction of such published rules and regulations.

4. Lawful Use. No immoral, improper, offensive or unlawful use shall be made of the Common Areas or any part thereof and all valid laws, zoning ordinances and regulations of all governmental bodies having jurisdiction thereof shall be observed. The responsibility of meeting the requirements of governmental bodies pertaining to maintenance, replacement, modification or repair of the Common Areas shall be the same as is elsewhere herein specified.

5. Surface Water or Stormwater Management System. The Association shall be responsible for the maintenance, operation and repair of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System. Maintenance of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System(s) shall mean the exercise of practices which allow the systems to provide drainage, water storage, conveyance or other surface water or stormwater management capabilities as permitted by the St. Johns River Water Management District. The Association shall be responsible for such maintenance and operation. Any repair or reconstruction of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System shall be as permitted, or if modified, as approved by the St. Johns River Water Management District.

#### ARTICLE VII Lakes

1. Water Level and Use. With respect to the lakes now existing or which may hereafter be erected within the Property, only the Association shall have the right to remove any water from such lakes for the purpose of irrigation or other use or to place any matter or object in such lakes. The Association shall have the sole and absolute right to control the water level of all lakes and to control the growth and eradication of plants, fowl, reptiles, animals, fish and fungi in and on such lakes and to fill any lake and no Owner shall deposit any fill in such lake. No dock, moorings, pilings, boat shelters or other structure shall be erected on or over the lakes without the approval of the ARC. No gas or diesel driven boat shall be permitted to be operated on any lake. Canoes and small, noncombustion powered boats will be permitted. All permitted boats shall be stored, screened from public view, and shall be stored either within existing structures on the Owner's Residential Lot, in designated areas within the planned development or behind landscaping approved by the ARC.

2. Lake Embankments. The lake embankments shall be maintained by the Owner owning the lake bottom. The embankments shall be maintained by each applicable Owner so that the grass, planting or other lateral



