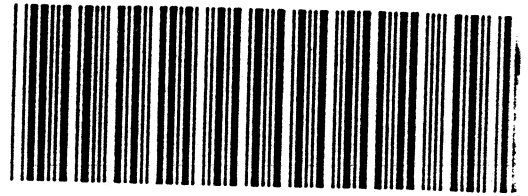


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**DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS****FOR****RAY RANCH ESTATES**

This Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions for Ray Ranch Estates (the "Declaration") is made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1994, by Jackson Properties RRE, Inc., an Arizona corporation (the "Declarant").

**ARTICLE 1****DEFINITIONS**

Unless otherwise defined, the following words and phrases when used in this Declaration shall have the meanings set forth in this Article.

1.1 **"Additional Property"** means (i) the real property, together with all Improvements located thereon, described on Exhibit B attached to this Declaration and (ii) any real property, together with the Improvements located thereon, situated within the vicinity of the Project.

1.2 **"Annual Assessment"** means the assessments levied against each Lot, and the Owner thereof, pursuant to Section 6.2 of this Declaration.

1.3 **"Architectural Committee"** means the committee of the Association to be created pursuant to Section 5.10 of this Declaration.

1.4 **"Architectural Committee Rules"** means the rules and guidelines adopted by the Architectural Committee pursuant to Section 5.10 of this Declaration, as amended or supplemented from time to time.

1.5 **"Areas of Association Responsibility"** means (i) all Common Area; (ii) all land, and the Improvements situated thereon, located within the boundaries of a Lot which the Association is obligated to maintain, repair and replace pursuant to the terms of this Declaration or the terms of another recorded document executed by the Association; and (iii) all real property, and the Improvements situated thereon, within the Project located within dedicated rights-of-way with respect to which the State of Arizona or any county or municipality has not accepted responsibility for the maintenance thereof, but only until such

time as the State of Arizona or any county or municipality has accepted all responsibility for the maintenance, repair and replacement of such areas.

1.6 "Articles" means the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, as amended from time to time.

1.7 "Assessment" means an Annual Assessment or Special Assessment.

1.8 "Assessment Lien" means the lien created and imposed by Article 6 of this Declaration.

1.9 "Assessment Period" means the period set forth in Section 6.5 of this Declaration.

1.10 "Association" means Ray Ranch Estates Homeowners Association, an Arizona nonprofit corporation, and its successors and assigns.

1.11 "Association Rules" means the rules adopted by the Board pursuant to Section 5.3 of this Declaration, as amended from time to time.

1.12 "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Association.

1.13 "Bylaws" means the Bylaws of the Association, as amended from time to time.

1.14 "Common Area" means Tracts A through C, inclusive, Ray Ranch Estates Phase I, according to the plat recorded in Book 372, page 50, records of Maricopa County, Arizona, and all land, together with all Improvements situated thereon which the Association at any time owns in fee or in which the Association has a leasehold interest for as long as the Association is the owner of the fee or leasehold interest.

1.15 "Common Expenses" means expenditures made by or financial liabilities of the Association, together with any allocations to reserves.

1.16 "Declarant" means Jackson Properties RRE, Inc., an Arizona corporation, its successors and any person or entity to whom it may expressly assign any or all of its rights under this Declaration by an instrument recorded with the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona.

1.17 "Declaration" means this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions, as amended from time to time.



1.18 **"Eligible Insurer or Guarantor"** means an insurer or governmental guarantor of a First Mortgage who has requested notice of certain matters from the Association in accordance with Section 9.1 of this Declaration.

1.19 **"Eligible Mortgage Holder"** means a First Mortgagee who has requested notice of certain matters from the Association in accordance with Section 9.1 of this Declaration.

1.20 **"First Mortgage"** means any mortgage or deed of trust on a Lot which has priority over all other mortgages and deeds of trust on the same Lot.

1.21 **"First Mortgagee"** means the holder or beneficiary of any First Mortgage.

1.22 **"Improvement"** means any building, fence, wall or other structure or any swimming pool, road, driveway, parking area or any trees, plants, shrubs, grass or other landscaping improvements of every type and kind.

1.23 **"Lessee"** means the lessee or tenant under a lease, oral or written, of any Lot including an assignee of a lease.

1.24 **"Lot"** means a portion of the Project intended for independent ownership and use and designated as a lot on the Plat and, where the context indicates or requires, shall include any Residential Unit, building, structure or other Improvements situated on the Lot.

1.25 **"Maintenance Standard"** means the standard of maintenance of Improvements established from time to time by the Board or, in the absence of any standard established by the Board, the standard of maintenance of Improvements generally prevailing throughout the Project.

1.26 **"Member"** means any Person who is a Member of the Association.

1.27 **"Owner"** means the record owner, whether one or more Persons, of beneficial or equitable title (and legal title if the same has merged with the beneficial or equitable title) to the fee simple interest of a Lot. Owner shall not include Persons having an interest in a Lot merely as security for the performance of an obligation or a Lessee. Owner shall include a purchaser under a contract for the conveyance of real property subject to the provisions of A.R.S. § 33-741 *et. seq.* Owner shall not include a purchaser under a purchase contract and receipt, escrow instructions or similar executory contracts which are intended to control the rights and obligations of the parties to the executory contracts pending the closing of a sale or purchase transaction. In the case of Lots the fee simple title to which is vested in a trustee pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes, Section 33-801, *et seq.*, the Trustor shall be deemed to be the Owner. In the case of the Lots the fee simple title

to which is vested in a trustee pursuant to a subdivision trust agreement or similar agreement, the beneficiary of any such trust who is entitled to possession of the trust property shall be deemed to be the Owner.

1.28        "**Person**" means a natural person, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, association, joint venture, government, governmental subdivision or agency, or other legal or commercial entity.

1.29        "**Plat**" means the plat of Ray Ranch Estates Phase I recorded in Book 372, page 50, records of Maricopa County, Arizona, and all amendments, supplements and corrections thereto, and any subdivision plat recorded against all or any part of the Additional Property, and all amendments, supplements and corrections thereto.

1.30        "**Property**" or "**Project**" means the real property described on Exhibit A attached to this Declaration together with all Improvements located thereon, and all real property, together with all Improvements located thereon, which is annexed and subjected to this Declaration by the Declarant pursuant to Section 2.2 of this Declaration.

1.31        "**Project Documents**" means this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws, the Association Rules and the Architectural Committee Rules.

1.32        "**Purchaser**" means any Person, other than the Declarant, who by means of a voluntary transfer becomes the Owner of a Lot, except for (i) a Person who purchases a Lot and then leases it to the Declarant for use as a model in connection with the sale or lease of other Lots or (ii) a Person who, in addition to purchasing a Lot, is assigned any or all of the Declarant's rights under this Declaration.

1.33        "**Recording**" means placing an instrument of public record in the office of the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona, and "**Recorded**" means having been so placed of public record.

1.34        "**Resident**" means each individual occupying or residing in any Residential Unit.

1.35        "**Residential Unit**" means any building, or portion of a building, situated upon a Lot and designed and intended for independent ownership and for use and occupancy as a residence.

1.36        "**Single Family**" means a group of one or more persons each related to the other by blood, marriage or legal adoption, or a group of not more than three (3) persons not all so related, who maintain a common household in a Residential Unit.

1.37        "**Special Assessment**" means any assessment levied and assessed pursuant to Section 6.4 of this Declaration.

1.38 "Visible From Neighboring Property" means, with respect to any given object, that such object is or would be visible to a person six feet tall, standing at ground level on any part of such neighboring property.

## ARTICLE 2

### PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT

2.1 Property Initially Subject to the Declaration. This Declaration is being recorded to establish a general plan for the development, sale, lease and use of the Project in order to protect and enhance the value and desirability of the Project. The Declarants declare that all of the property within the Project shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to this Declaration. By acceptance of a deed or by acquiring any interest in any of the property subject to this Declaration, each person or entity, for himself or itself, his heirs, personal representatives, successors, transferees and assigns, binds himself, his heirs, personal representatives, successors, transferees and assigns, to all of the provisions, restrictions, covenants, conditions, rules, and regulations now or hereafter imposed by this Declaration and any amendments thereof. In addition, each such person by so doing thereby acknowledges that this Declaration sets forth a general scheme for the development, sale, lease and use of the Property and hereby evidences his interest that all the restrictions, conditions, covenants, rules and regulations contained in this Declaration shall run with the land and be binding on all subsequent and future Owners, grantees, purchasers, assignees, lessees and transferees thereof. Furthermore, each such person fully understands and acknowledges that this Declaration shall be mutually beneficial, prohibitive and enforceable by the Association and all Owners. Declarant, its successors, assigns and grantees, covenants and agrees that the Lots and the membership in the Association and the other rights created by this Declaration shall not be separated or separately conveyed, and each shall be deemed to be conveyed or encumbered with its respective Lot even though the description in the instrument of conveyance or encumbrance may refer only to the Lot.

### 2.2 Annexation of Additional Property.

2.2.1 At any time on or before the date which is seven (7) years after the date of the Recording of this Declaration, the Declarant shall have the right to annex and subject to this Declaration all or any portion of the Additional Property without the consent of any other Owner or Person. The annexation of all or any portion of the Additional Property shall be effected by the Declarant recording with the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona, an amendment to this Declaration setting forth the legal description of the Additional Property being annexed, stating that such portion of the Additional Property is annexed and subjected to the Declaration and describing any portion of the Additional Property being annexed which will be Common Area. Unless a later effective date is set forth in the amendment annexing Additional Property, the annexation

shall become effective upon the Recording of the amendment. An amendment Recorded pursuant to this Section may divide the portion of the Additional Property being annexed into separate phases and provide for a separate effective date with respect to each phase. The voting rights of the Owners of Lots annexed pursuant to this Section shall be effective as of the date the amendment annexing such property is Recorded even if the annexation will not be effective until a later date. The Lot Owner's obligation to pay assessments shall commence as provided in Section 6.7 of this Declaration. If an amendment annexing a portion of the Additional Property divides the annexed portion of the Additional Property into phases, the Declarant shall have the right to amend any such amendment to change the description of the phases within the annexed property, except that Declarant may not change any phase in which a Lot has been conveyed to a Purchaser.

2.2.2 Declarant makes no assurances as to the exact number of Lots which shall be added to the Project by annexation or if all or any portion of the Additional Property will be annexed.

2.2.3 All taxes and other Assessments relating to all or any portion of the Additional Property annexed into the Project covering any period prior to the time when such portion of the Additional Property is annexed in accordance with this Section shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid by, the Declarant.

2.2.4 The Additional Property may be annexed as a whole, at one time or in one or more portions at different times, or it may never be annexed, and there are no limitations upon the order of annexation or the boundaries thereof. The property annexed by the Declarant pursuant to this Section 2.2 need not be contiguous with other property in the Project, and the exercise of the right of annexation as to any portion of the Property shall not bar the further exercise of the right of annexation as to any other portion of the Additional Property.

**2.3 Disclaimer of Representations.** Declarant makes no representations or warranties whatsoever that: (i) the Project will be completed in accordance with the plans for the Project as they exist on the date this Declaration is recorded; (ii) any Property subject to this Declaration will be committed to or developed for a particular use or for any use; or (iii) the use of any Property subject to this Declaration will not be changed in the future.

### ARTICLE 3

#### USE RESTRICTIONS

##### 3.1 Architectural Control.

3.1.1 No Improvement shall be constructed or installed on any Lot without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee. No addition, alteration, repair, change or other work which in any way alters the exterior appearance, including but without limitation, the exterior color scheme, of any Lot, or the Improvements located thereon, from their appearance on the date this Declaration is Recorded shall be made or done without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee. Any Owner desiring approval of the Architectural Committee for the construction, installation addition, alteration, repair, change or replacement of any Improvement which would alter the exterior appearance of his Lot, or the Improvements located thereon, shall submit to the Architectural Committee a written request for approval specifying in detail the nature and extent of the addition, alteration, repair, change or other work which the Owner desires to perform. Any Owner requesting the approval of the Architectural Committee shall also submit to the Architectural Committee any additional information, plans and specifications which the Architectural Committee may request. In the event that the Architectural Committee fails to approve or disapprove an application for approval within thirty (30) days after the application, together with any fee payable pursuant to Section 3.1.5 of this Declaration and all supporting information, plans and specifications requested by the Architectural Committee, have been submitted to the Architectural Committee, approval will not be required and this Section will be deemed to have been complied with by the Owner who had requested approval of such plans. The approval by the Architectural Committee of any construction, installation, addition, alteration, repair, change or other work pursuant to this Section shall not be deemed a waiver of the Architectural Committee's right to withhold approval of any similar construction, installation, addition, alteration, repair, change or other work subsequently submitted for approval. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Declaration to the contrary, approval of the Architectural Committee is not required for the installation of an in-ground swimming pool so long as any accompanying improvements or equipment are not Visible From Neighboring Property. Above ground swimming pools must be approved by the Architectural Committee.

3.1.2 Upon receipt of approval from the Architectural Committee for any construction, installation, addition, alteration, repair, change or other work, the Owner who had requested such approval shall proceed to perform, construct or make the addition, alteration, repair, change or other work approved by the Architectural Committee as soon as practicable and shall diligently pursue such work so that it is completed as soon as reasonably practicable and within such time as may be prescribed by the Architectural Committee.

3.1.3 Any change, deletion or addition to the plans and specifications approved by the Architectural Committee must be approved in writing by the Architectural Committee.

3.1.4 The Architectural Committee shall have the right to charge a fee for reviewing requests for approval of any construction, installation, alteration, addition, repair, change or other work pursuant to this Section, which fee shall be payable at the time the application for approval is submitted to the Architectural Committee.

3.1.5 All Improvements constructed on Lots shall be of new construction, and no buildings or other structures shall be removed from other locations on to any Lot.

3.1.6 The provisions of this Section do not apply to, and approval of the Architectural Committee shall not be required for, the construction, erection, installation, addition, alteration, repair, change or replacement of any improvements made by, or on behalf of, the Declarant.

3.1.7 The approval required of the Architectural Committee pursuant to this Section shall be in addition to, and not in lieu of, any approvals or permits which may be required under any federal, state or local law, statute, ordinance, rule or regulation.

3.1.8 The approval by the Architectural Committee of any construction, installation, addition, alteration, repair, change or other work pursuant to this Section shall not be deemed a warranty or representation by the Architectural Committee as to the quality of such construction, installation, addition, alteration, repair, change or other work or that such construction, installation, addition, alteration, repair, change or other work conforms to any applicable building codes or other federal, state or local law, statute, ordinance, rule or regulation.

**3.2 Temporary Occupancy and Temporary Buildings.** No trailer, basement of any incomplete building, tent, shack, garage or barn, and no temporary buildings or structures of any kind, shall be used at any time for a residence, either temporary or permanent. Temporary buildings, trailers or other structures used during the construction of Improvements approved by the Architectural Committee shall be removed immediately after the completion of construction, and in no event shall any such buildings, trailer or other structures be maintained or kept on any property for a period in excess of twelve months without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee.

**3.3 Nuisances; Construction Activities.** No rubbish or debris of any kind shall be placed or permitted to accumulate upon or adjacent to any Lot or other property, and no odors or loud noises shall be permitted to arise or emit therefrom, so as to render any such property or any portion thereof, or activity thereon, unsanitary, unsightly, offensive

or detrimental to any other property in the vicinity thereof or to the occupants of such other property. No other nuisance shall be permitted to exist or operate upon any Lot or other property so as to be offensive or detrimental to any other property in the vicinity thereof or to its occupants. Normal construction activities and parking in connection with the building of Improvements on a Lot or other property shall not be considered a nuisance or otherwise prohibited by this Declaration, but Lots and other property shall be kept in a neat and tidy condition during construction periods, trash and debris shall not be permitted to accumulate, and supplies of brick, block, lumber and other building materials will be piled only in such areas as may be approved in writing by the Architectural Committee. In addition, any construction equipment and building materials stored or kept on any Lot or other property during the construction of Improvements may be kept only in areas approved in writing by the Architectural Committee, which may also require screening of the storage areas. The Architectural Committee in its sole discretion shall have the right to determine the existence of any such nuisance. The provisions of this Section shall not apply to construction activities of the Declarant.

**3.4 Diseases and Insects.** No Person shall permit any thing or condition to exist upon any Lot or other property which shall induce, breed or harbor infectious plant diseases or noxious insects.

**3.5 Antennas.** No antenna or other device for the transmission or reception of television or radio signals or any other form of electromagnetic radiation including, without limitation, satellite or microwave dishes, shall be erected, used, or maintained on any Lot without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee.

**3.6 Mineral Exploration.** No Lot or other property shall be used in any manner to explore for or to remove any water, oil or other hydrocarbons, minerals of any kind, gravel, earth or any earth substance of any kind.

**3.7 Trash Containers and Collection.** No garbage or trash shall be placed or kept on any Lot or other property, except in covered containers of a type, size and style which are approved by the Architectural Committee. In no event shall such containers be maintained so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property except to make the same available for collection and then only for the shortest time reasonably necessary to effect such collection. All rubbish, trash, or garbage shall be removed from Lots and other property and shall not be allowed to accumulate thereon. No outdoor incinerators shall be kept or maintained on any Lot or other property.

**3.8 Clothes Drying Facilities.** No outside clotheslines or other outside facilities for drying or airing clothes shall be erected, placed or maintained on any Lot or other property so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property.

**3.9 Utility Service.** No lines, wires, or other devices for the communication or transmission of electric current or power, including telephone, television, and radio sig-

nals, shall be erected, placed or maintained anywhere in or upon any Lot or other property unless the same shall be contained in conduits or cables installed and maintained underground or concealed in, under or on buildings or other structures approved by the Architectural Committee. No provision of this Declaration shall be deemed to forbid the erection of temporary power or telephone structures incident to the construction of buildings or structures approved by the Architectural Committee.

**3.10 Overhead Encroachments.** No tree, shrub, or planting of any kind on any Lot or other property shall be allowed to overhang or otherwise to encroach upon any sidewalk, street, pedestrian way or other area from ground level to a height of eight (8) feet without the prior approval of the Architectural Committee.

**3.11 Residential Use.** All Residential Units shall be used, improved and devoted exclusively to residential use by a Single Family. No trade or business may be conducted on any Lot or in or from any Residential Unit, except that an Owner or other Resident of a Residential Unit may conduct a business activity within a Residential Unit so long as: (i) the existence or operation of the business activity is not apparent or detectable by sight, sound or smell from outside the Residential Unit; (ii) the business activity conforms to all applicable zoning ordinances or requirements for the Project; (iii) the business activity does not involve persons coming on to the Lot or the door-to-door solicitation of Owners or other Residents in the Project; and (iv) the business activity is consistent with the residential character of the Project and does not constitute a nuisance or a hazardous or offensive use or threaten security or safety of other Residents in the Project, as may be determined from time to time in the sole discretion of the Board. The terms "business" and "trade" as used in this Section shall be construed to have ordinary, generally accepted meanings, and shall include, without limitation, any occupation, work or activity undertaken on an ongoing basis which involves the provision of goods or services to persons other than the provider's family and for which the provider receives a fee, compensation or other form of consideration, regardless of whether: (i) such activity is engaged in full or part time; (ii) such activity is intended or does generate a profit; or (iii) a license is required for such activity. The leasing of a Residential Unit by the Owner thereof shall not be considered a trade or business within the meaning of this Section.

**3.12 Animals.** No animal, bird, fowl, poultry, reptile or livestock may be kept on any Lot, except for dogs, cats, parakeets or similar household birds may be kept on a Lot if they are kept, bred or raised thereon solely as domestic pets and not for commercial purposes. All dogs, cats or other pets permitted under this Section shall be confined to an Owner's Lot except that a dog or cat may be permitted to leave an Owner's Lot if such dog or cat is at all times kept on a leash not to exceed six feet (6') in length and is not permitted to enter upon any other Lot. No animal, bird, fowl, poultry or livestock shall be allowed to make an unreasonable amount of noise or to become a nuisance. No structure for the care, housing or confinement of any animal, bird, fowl, poultry, or livestock shall be maintained so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property. Upon the written request of any Owner, Lessee or Resident, the Architectural Committee shall conclusively determine, in its sole and



absolute discretion, whether, for the purposes of this Section, a particular animal, bird, fowl, poultry, or livestock is a nuisance or making an unreasonable amount of noise. Any decision rendered by the Architectural Committee shall be enforceable in the same manner as other restrictions set forth in this Declaration.

**3.13 Machinery and Equipment.** No machinery or equipment of any kind shall be placed, operated or maintained upon or adjacent to any Lot, except such machinery or equipment as is usual and customary in connection with the use, maintenance or construction (during the period of construction) of a building, appurtenant structures, or other Improvements or such machinery or equipment which Declarant or the Association may require for the operation and maintenance of the Project.

**3.14 Signs.** No signs whatsoever (including, but not limited to, commercial, political, "for sale", "for rent" and similar signs) which are Visible From Neighboring Property shall be erected or maintained on any Lot except:

3.14.1 Signs required by legal proceedings.

3.14.2 Residence identification signs provided the size, color, content and location of such signs have been approved in writing by the Architectural Committee.

3.14.3 One (1) "For Sale" sign provided the size, color, design, message content, location and type has been approved in writing by the Architectural Committee.

**3.15 Restriction on Further Subdivision, Property Restrictions and Rezoning.** No Lot shall be further subdivided or separated into smaller lots or parcels by any Owner other than the Declarant, and no portion less than all of any such Lot shall be conveyed or transferred by any Owner other than the Declarant, without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee. No further covenants, conditions, restrictions or easements shall be recorded by any Owner, Lessee, or other Person other than the Declarant against any Lot without the provisions thereof having been first approved in writing by the Architectural Committee. No application for rezoning, variances or use permits pertaining to any Lot shall be filed with any governmental authority by any Person other than the Declarant unless the application has been approved by the Architectural Committee and the proposed use otherwise complies with this Declaration.

**3.16 Trucks, Trailers, Campers and Boats.** No truck, mobile home, travel trailer, tent trailer, trailer, camper shell, detached camper, recreational vehicle, boat, boat trailer, or other similar equipment or vehicle may be parked, maintained, constructed, reconstructed or repaired on any Lot or Common Area or on any street so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee, except for: (i) the temporary parking of any such vehicle or equipment on a Lot

or on a street for a period of not more than forty-eight (48) hours within any seven (7) day period; (ii) temporary construction trailers or facilities maintained during, and used exclusively in connection with, the construction of any Improvement approved by the Architectural Committee; (iii) boats and vehicles parked in garages on Lots so long as such vehicles are in good operating condition and appearance and are not under repair; or (iv) motor vehicles not exceeding seven (7) feet in height and eighteen (18) feet in length which are not used for commercial purposes and which do not display any commercial name, phone number or message of any kind.

### **3.17 Motor Vehicles.**

3.17.1 Except for emergency vehicle repairs, no automobile or other motor vehicle shall be constructed, reconstructed or repaired upon a Lot or other property in the Project, and no inoperable vehicle may be stored or parked on any such Lot or other property so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property or to be visible from any Common Area or any street.

3.17.2 No automobile or other motor vehicle shall be parked on any road or street in the Project, except for automobiles or motor vehicles of guests of Owners which may be parked on a road or street in the Project for a period of not more than forty-eight (48) hours during any seven (7) day period.

**3.18 Towing of Vehicles.** The Board shall have the right to have any truck, mobile home, travel trailer, tent trailer, trailer, camper shell, detached camper, recreational vehicle, boat, boat trailer or similar equipment or vehicle or any automobile, motorcycle, motorbike, or other motor vehicle which is parked, kept, maintained, constructed, reconstructed or repaired in violation of the Project Documents towed away at the sole cost and expense of the owner of the vehicle or equipment. Any expense incurred by the Association in connection with the towing of any vehicle or equipment shall be paid to the Association upon demand by the owner of the vehicle or equipment. If the vehicle or equipment is owned by an Owner, any amounts payable to the Association shall be secured by the Assessment Lien, and the Association may enforce collection of suit amounts in the same manner provided for in their Declaration for the collection of Assessment.

**3.19 Variances.** The Architectural Committee may, at its option and in extenuating circumstances, grant variances from the restrictions set forth in this Article 3 if the Architectural Committee determines in its discretion that (i) a restriction would create an unreasonable hardship or burden on an Owner, Lessee or Resident or a change of circumstances since the recordation of this Declaration has rendered such restriction obsolete and (ii) that the activity permitted under the variance will not have any substantial adverse effect on the Owners, Lessees and Residents of the Project and is consistent with the high quality of life intended for residents of the Project.

**3.20 Drainage.** No Residential Unit, structure, building, landscaping, fence, wall or other Improvement shall be constructed, installed, placed or maintained in any manner that would obstruct, interfere with or change the direction or flow of water in accordance with the drainage plans for the Project, or any part thereof, or for any Lot as shown on the drainage plans on file with the county or municipality in which the Project is located.

**3.21 Garages and Driveways.** Garages shall be used only for the parking of vehicles and shall not be used or converted for living or recreational activities without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee.

**3.22 Rooftop Air Conditioners Prohibited.** No air conditioning units or appurtenant equipment may be mounted, installed or maintained on the roof of any Residential Unit or other building so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property.

**3.23 Basketball Goals and Backboards.** No basketball goal or backboard shall be constructed or installed on any Lot without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee.

## ARTICLE 4

### EASEMENTS

#### **4.1 Owners' Easements of Enjoyment.**

4.1.1 Subject to the rights and easements granted to the Declarant in Section 4.3 and 4.4 of this Declaration, every Member, and any person residing with such Member, shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Area which right shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot, subject to the following provisions:

(i) The right of the Association to dedicate, convey, transfer or encumber the Common Area as provided in Section 5.11 of this Declaration.

(ii) The right of the Association to regulate the use of the Common Area through the Association Rules and to prohibit access to such portions of the Common Area, such as landscaped areas, not intended for use by the Owners, Lessees or Residents.

(iii) The right of the Association to suspend the right of an Owner and such Owner's family, tenants and guests to use the Common Area if such Owner is more than fifteen (15) days delinquent in the payment of Assessments or other amounts

due to the Association or if the Owner has violated any other provisions of the Project Documents and has failed to cure such violation within fifteen (15) days after the Association notifies the Owner of the violation.

4.1.2 If a Lot is leased or rented by the Owner thereof, the Lessee and the members of the Lessee's family residing with such Lessee shall have the right to use the Common Area during the term of the lease, and the Owner of such Lot shall have no right to use the Common Area until the termination or expiration of such lease.

**4.2 Utility Easement.** There is hereby created an easement upon, across, over and under the Common Area and the Lots for reasonable ingress, egress, installation, replacing, repairing or maintaining of all utilities, including, but not limited to, gas, water, sewer, telephone, cable television and electricity. By virtue of this easement, it shall be expressly permissible for the providing utility company to erect and maintain the necessary equipment on the Common Area or Lots but no sewers, electrical lines, water lines, or other utility or service lines may be installed or located on the Common Area or Lots except as initially designed, approved and constructed by the Declarant or as approved by the Board.

**4.3 Declarant's Use for Sales and Leasing Purposes.** Declarant shall have the right and an easement to maintain sales or leasing offices, management offices and models throughout the Project and to maintain one or more advertising, identification or directional signs on the Common Area or on the Lots owned by Declarant while the Declarant is selling Lots. Declarant reserves the right to place models, management offices and sales and leasing offices on any Lots owned by Declarant and on any portion of the Common Area in such number, of such size and in such locations as Declarant deems appropriate.

**4.4 Declarant's Easements.**

4.4.1 Declarant shall have the right and an easement on and over the Areas of Association Responsibility to construct all Improvements the Declarant may deem necessary and to use the Areas of Association Responsibility and any Lots and other property owned by Declarant for construction or renovation related purposes including the storage of tools, machinery, equipment, building materials, appliances, supplies and fixtures, and the performance of work respecting the Project.

4.4.2 The Declarant shall have the right and an easement upon, over, and through the Areas of Association Responsibility as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose of discharging its obligations or exercising the rights granted to or reserved by the Declarant by this Declaration.

**4.5 Easement in Favor of Association.** The Lots are hereby made subject to the following easements in favor of the Association and its directors, officers, agents, employees and independent contractors:

4.5.1 For inspection of the Lots in order to verify the performance by Owners of all items of maintenance and repair for which they are responsible;

4.5.2 For inspection, maintenance, repair and replacement of the Areas of Association Responsibility accessible only from such Lots;

4.5.3 For correction of emergency conditions in one or more Lots;

4.5.4 For the purpose of enabling the Association, the Board, the Architectural Committee or any other committees appointed by the Board to exercise and discharge their respective rights, powers and duties under the Project Documents;

4.5.5 For inspection of the Lots in order to verify that the provisions of the Project Documents are being complied with by the Owners, their guests, tenants, invitees and the other occupants of the Lot.

## ARTICLE 5

### **THE ASSOCIATION; ORGANIZATION; MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS**

**5.1 Formation of Association.** The Association shall be a nonprofit Arizona corporation charged with the duties and invested with the powers prescribed by law and set forth in the Articles, Bylaws, and this Declaration. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between this Declaration and the Articles, Bylaws, Association Rules or Architectural Rules, this Declaration shall control.

**5.2 Board of Directors and Officers.** The affairs of the Association shall be conducted by the Board and such officers as the Board may elect or appoint in accordance with the Articles and the Bylaws. Unless the Project Documents specifically require the vote or written consent of the Members, approvals or actions to be given or taken by the Association shall be valid if given or taken by the Board. The Board shall have the power to levy reasonable fines against an Owner for a violation of the Project Documents by the Owner, a Lessee of the Owner or by any Resident of the Owner's Lot.

**5.3 The Association Rules.** The Board may, from time to time, and subject to the provisions of this Declaration, adopt, amend and repeal rules and regulations pertaining to: (i) the management, operation and use of the Areas of Association Responsibility including, but not limited to, any recreational facilities situated upon the Areas of Association Responsibility; (ii) minimum standards for any maintenance of Lots; or (iii) the health, safety or welfare of the Owners and Residents. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Declaration and the Association Rules, the provisions of this Declaration shall prevail. The Association Rules shall be enforceable in the same manner and to the same extent as the covenants, conditions and restrictions set forth in this Declaration.

**5.4 Personal Liability.** No member of the Board or of any committee of the Association, no officer of the Association, and no manager or other employee of the Association shall be personally liable to any Member, or to any other person or entity, including the Association, for any damage, loss or prejudice suffered or claimed on account of any act, omission, error, or negligence of the Association, the Board, the manager, any representative or employee of the Association, or any committee, committee member or officer of the Association; provided, however, the limitations set forth in this Section shall not apply to any person who has failed to act in good faith or has engaged in wilful or intentional misconduct.

**5.5 Implied Rights.** The Association may exercise any right or privilege given to the Association expressly by the Project Documents and every other right or privilege reasonably to be implied from the existence of any right or privilege given to the Association by the Project Documents or reasonably necessary to effectuate any such right or privilege.

**5.6 Identity of Members.** Membership in the Association shall be limited to Owners of Lots. An Owner of a Lot shall automatically, upon becoming the Owner thereof, be a member of the Association and shall remain a member of the Association until such time as his ownership ceases for any reason, at which time his membership in the Association shall automatically cease.

**5.7 Classes of Members and Voting Rights.** The Association shall have the following two classes of voting membership:

(i) **Class A.** Class A members are all Owners, with the exception of the Declarant until the termination of the Class B membership, of Lots. Each Class A member shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot owned. Upon the termination of the Class B membership, the Declarant shall be a Class a member so long as the Declarant owns any Lot.

(ii) **Class B.** The Class B member shall be the Declarant. The Class B member shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned. The Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership on the earlier of (i) the date on which the votes entitled to be cast by the Class A members equals or exceeds the votes entitled to be cast by the Class B member; (ii) the date which is seven (7) years after the recording of this Declaration; or (iii) when the Declarant notifies the Association in writing that it relinquishes its Class B membership.

**5.8 Voting Procedures.** No change in the ownership of a Lot shall be effective for voting purposes unless and until the Board is given actual written notice of such change and is provided satisfactory proof thereof. The vote for each such Lot must be cast as a unit, and fractional votes shall not be allowed. In the event that a Lot is owned by more than one person or entity and such Owners are unable to agree among themselves as

to how their vote or votes shall be cast, they shall lose their right to vote on the matter in question. If any Member casts a vote representing a certain Lot, it will thereafter be conclusively presumed for all purposes that he was acting with the authority and consent of all other Owners of the same Lot unless objection thereto is made at the time the vote is cast. In the event more than one vote is cast by a Class A Member for a particular Lot, none of the votes shall be counted and all of the votes shall be deemed void.

**5.9 Transfer of Membership.** The rights and obligations of any Member other than the Declarant shall not be assigned, transferred, pledged, conveyed or alienated in any way except upon transfer of ownership of an Owner's Lot, and then only to the transferee of ownership to the Lot. A transfer of ownership to a Lot may be effected by deed, intestate succession, testamentary disposition, foreclosure of a mortgage of record, or such other legal process as now in effect or as may hereafter be established under or pursuant to the laws of the State of Arizona. Any attempt to make a prohibited transfer shall be void. Any transfer of ownership to a Lot shall operate to transfer the Membership appurtenant to said Lot to the new Owner thereof. Each Purchaser of a Lot shall notify the Association of his purchase within ten (10) days after he becomes the Owner of a Lot.

**5.10 Architectural Committee.** The Association shall have an Architectural Committee to perform the functions of the Architectural Committee set forth in this Declaration. The Architectural Committee shall be a Committee of the Board. The Architectural Committee shall consist of such number of regular members and alternate members as may be provided for in the Bylaws. So long as the Declarant owns any Lot, the Declarant shall have the sole right to appoint and remove the members of the Architectural Committee. At such time as the Declarant no longer owns any Lot, the members of the Architectural Committee shall be appointed by the Board. The Declarant may at any time voluntarily surrender its right to appoint and remove the members of the Architectural Committee, and in that event the Declarant may require, for so long as the Declarant owns any Lot, that specified actions of the Architectural Committee, as described in a recorded instrument executed by the Declarant, be approved by the Declarant before they become effective. The Architectural Committee may promulgate architectural guidelines, standards and procedures to be used in rendering its decisions. Such guidelines, standards and procedures may include, without limitation, provisions regarding: (i) the size of Residential Units; (ii) architectural design, with particular regard to the harmony of the design with the surrounding structures and typography; (iii) placement of Residential Units and other buildings; (iv) landscaping design, content and conformance with the character of the Property and permitted and prohibited plants; (v) requirements concerning exterior color schemes, exterior finishes and materials; (vi) signage; and (vii) perimeter and screen wall design and appearance. The decision of the Architectural Committee shall be final on all matters submitted to it pursuant to this Declaration. The Architectural Committee may establish a reasonable processing fee to defer the costs of the Association in considering any requests for approvals submitted to the Architectural Committee, which fee shall be paid at the time the request for approval is submitted.

**5.11 Conveyance or Encumbrance of Common Area.** The Common Area shall not be mortgaged, transferred, dedicated or encumbered without the prior written consent or affirmative vote of the Class B member of the Association and the affirmative vote or written consent of the Owners representing at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes entitled to be cast by Class A members of the Association.

**5.12 Suspension of Voting Rights.** If any Owner fails to pay any Assessments or other amounts due to the Association under the Project Documents within fifteen (15) days after such payment is due or if any Owner violates any other provision of the Project Documents and such violation is not cured within fifteen (15) days after the Association notifies the Owner of the violation, the Board of Directors shall have the right to suspend such Owner's right to vote until such time as all payments, including interest and attorneys' fees, are brought current, and until any other infractions or violations of the Project Documents are corrected.

## ARTICLE 6

### COVENANT FOR ASSESSMENTS AND CREATION OF LIEN

**6.1 Creation of Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments.** The Declarant, for each Lot owned by it, hereby covenants and agrees, and each Owner, other than the Declarant, by becoming the Owner of a Lot, is deemed to covenant and agree, to pay Assessments to the Association in accordance with this Declaration. All Assessments shall be established and collected as provided in this Declaration. The Assessments, together with interest, late charges and all costs, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred by the Association in collecting or attempting to collect delinquent Assessments, whether or not suit is filed, shall be a charge on the Lot and shall be a continuing lien upon the Lot against which each such Assessment is made. Each Assessment, together with interest and all costs, including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred by the Association in collecting or attempting to collect delinquent Assessments, whether or not suit is filed, shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the Owner of the Lot at the time when the Assessment became due. The personal obligation for delinquent Assessments shall not pass to the successors in title of the Owner unless expressly assumed by them.

### **6.2 Annual Assessments.**

**6.2.1** In order to provide for the operation and management of the Association and to provide funds for the Association to pay all Common Expenses and to perform its duties and obligations under the Project Documents, including the establishment of replacement and maintenance reserves, the Board, for each Assessment Period shall assess against each Lot an Annual Assessment.

**6.2.2** The Board shall give notice of the Annual Assessment to each Owner at least thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of each Assessment Period, but



the failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity of the Annual Assessment established by the Board nor relieve any Owner from its obligation to pay the Annual Assessment. If the Board determines during any Assessment Period that the funds budgeted for that Assessment Period are, or will, become inadequate to meet all Common Expenses for any reason, including, without limitation, nonpayment of Assessment by Members, it may increase the Annual Assessment for that Assessment Period and the revised Annual Assessment shall commence on the date designated by the Board.

6.2.3 The maximum Annual Assessment for each fiscal year of the Association shall be as follows:

(i) Until January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to a Purchaser, the maximum Annual Assessment for each Lot shall be \$240.00.

(ii) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to a Purchaser, the Board may, without a vote of the members, increase the maximum Annual Assessment during each fiscal year of the Association by the greater of (a) 5% of the maximum Annual Assessment for the immediately preceding fiscal year or (b) an amount based upon the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) U.S. City Average (1982-84=100), issued by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (the "Consumer Price Index"), which amount shall be computed in the last month of each fiscal year in accordance with the following formula:

X = Consumer Price Index for September of the calendar year immediately preceding the year in which the Annual Assessments commenced.

Y = Consumer Price Index for September of the year immediately preceding the calendar year for which the maximum Annual Assessment is to be determined.

$\frac{Y-X}{X}$  multiplied by the maximum Annual Assessment for the then current fiscal year equals the amount by which the maximum Annual Assessment may be increased.

In the event the Consumer Price Index ceases to be published, then the index which shall be used for computing the increase in the maximum Annual Assessment permitted under this Subsection shall be the substitute recommended by the United States government for the

Consumer Price Index or, in the event no such successor index is recommended by the United States government, the index selected by the Board.

(iii) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to a Purchaser, the maximum Annual Assessment may be increased by an amount greater than the maximum increase allowed pursuant to (ii) above, only by a vote of Members entitled to cast at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes entitled to be cast by Members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose.

**6.3 Rate of Assessment.** The amount of the Annual Assessment for each Lot other than Lots owned by the Declarant shall be the amount obtained by dividing the total budget of the Association for the Assessment Period for which the Annual Assessment is being levied by the total number of Lots subject to the Assessment at the time the Annual Assessment is levied by the Board. The Annual Assessment for Lots owned by the Declarant shall be an amount equal to twenty-five percent (25%) of the Annual Assessment levied against Lots owned by Persons other than the Declarant. If a Lot ceases to qualify for the reduced twenty-five percent (25%) rate of assessment during the period to which an Annual Assessment is attributable, the Annual Assessment shall be prorated between the applicable rates on the basis of the number of days in the Assessment Period that the Lot qualified for each rate.

**6.4 Obligation of Declarant for Deficiencies.** So long as there is a Class B membership in the Association, Declarant shall pay and contribute to the Association, within thirty (30) days after the end of each fiscal year of the Association, or at such other times as may be requested by the Board, such funds as may be necessary, when added to the Annual Assessments levied by the Association, to pay all Common Expenses of the Association as they become due.

**6.5 Special Assessments.** The Association may levy against each Lot which is then subject to assessment, in any Assessment Period, a Special Assessment for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of an Improvement upon the Common Area, including fixtures and personal property related thereto, provided that any Special Assessment shall have the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes entitled to be cast by Members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose.

**6.6 Assessment Period.** The period for which the Annual Assessment is to be levied (the "Assessment Period") shall be the calendar year, except that the first Assessment Period, and the obligation of the Owners to pay Annual Assessments shall commence upon the conveyance of the first Lot to a Purchaser and terminate on December

31 of such year. The Board in its sole discretion from time to time may change the Assessment Period.

**6.7 Commencement Date of Assessment Obligation.** All Lots described on Exhibit A to this Declaration shall be subject to assessment upon the conveyance of the first Lot to a Purchaser. All Lots annexed pursuant to Section 2.2 of this Declaration shall be subject to assessment upon the conveyance to a Purchaser of the first Lot within the annexed property. If the amendment to this Declaration which annexes all or any part of the Additional Property divides the property being annexed into phases, then the Lots within each phase will be subject to assessment when the first Lot in the phase is conveyed to a Purchaser.

**6.8 Rules Regarding Billing and Collection Procedures.** Annual Assessments shall be collected on a quarterly basis or such other basis as may be selected by the Board. Special Assessments may be collected as specified by the Board. The Board shall have the right to adopt rules and regulations setting forth procedures for the purpose of making Assessments and for the billing and collection of the Assessments provided that the procedures are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Declaration. The failure of the Association to send a bill to a Member shall not relieve any Member of his liability for any Assessment or charge under this Declaration, but the Assessment Lien therefor shall not be foreclosed until the Member has been given not less than thirty (30) days written notice prior to such foreclosure that the Assessment or any installation thereof is or will be due and of the amount owing. Such notice may be given at any time prior to or after delinquency of such payment. The Association shall be under no duty to refund any payments received by it even though the ownership of a Lot changes during an Assessment Period, but successor Owners of Lots shall be given credit for prepayments, on a prorated basis, made by prior Owners.

**6.9 Effect of Nonpayment of Assessments; Remedies of the Association.**

6.9.1 Any Assessment, or any installment of an Assessment, not paid within five (5) days after the Assessment, or the installment of the Assessment, first became due shall bear interest from the due date at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum or the prevailing VA/FHA interest rate for new home loans, whichever is higher. In addition, the Board of Directors may establish a late fee to be charged to any Owner who has not paid any Assessment, or any installment of an Assessment, within five days after such payment was due.

6.9.2 The Association shall have a lien on each Lot for: (i) all Assessments levied against the Lot; (ii) all interest, lien fees, late charges and other fees and charges assessed against the Lot or payable by the Owner of the Lot; (iii) all fines levied against the Owner of the Lot; (iv) all attorney fees, court costs, title report fees, costs and fees charged by any collection agency either to the Association or to an Owner and any other fees or costs incurred by the Association in attempting to collect Assessments or other

amounts due to the Association by the Owner of a Lot; (v) any amounts payable by a Declarant or a Developer pursuant to Section 6.4 of this Declaration; and (vi) any amounts payable to the Association pursuant to Section 7.3 or 7.4 of this Declaration. The Recording of this Declaration constitutes record notice and perfection of the Assessment Lien. The Association may, at its option, record a Notice of Lien setting forth the name of the delinquent owner as shown in the records of the Association, the legal description or street address of the Lot against which the Notice of Lien is recorded and the amount claimed to be past due as of the date of the recording of the Notice, including interest, lien recording fees and reasonable attorneys' fees. Before recording any Notice of Lien against a Lot, the Association shall make a written demand to the defaulting Owner for payment of the delinquent Assessments, together with interest, late charges and reasonable attorneys' fees, if any. The demand shall state the date and amount of the delinquency. Each default shall constitute a separate basis for a demand, but any number of defaults may be included within the single demand. If the delinquency is not paid within ten (10) days after delivery of the demand, the Association may proceed with recording a Notice of Lien against the Lot.

6.9.3 The Assessment Lien shall have priority over all liens or claims except for: (i) tax liens for real property taxes; (ii) assessments in favor of any municipal or other governmental body; and (iii) the lien of any first mortgage or first deed of trust. Any First Mortgagee or any other Person acquiring title or coming into possession of a Lot through foreclosure of the First Mortgage, purchase at a foreclosure sale or trustee sale, or through any equivalent proceedings, such as, but not limited to, the taking of a deed in lieu of foreclosure shall acquire title free and clear of any claims for unpaid assessments and charges against the Lot which became payable prior to the acquisition of such Lot by the First Mortgagee or other Person. Any Assessments and charges against the Lot which accrue prior to such sale or transfer shall remain the obligation of the defaulting Owner of the Lot.

6.9.4 The Association shall not be obligated to release the Assessment Lien until all delinquent Assessments, interest, lien fees, fines, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, collection costs and all other sums payable to the Association by the Owner of the Lot have been paid in full.

6.9.5 The Association shall have the right, at its option, to enforce collection of any delinquent Assessments together with interest, lien fees, reasonable attorneys' fees and any other sums due to the Association in any manner allowed by law including, but not limited to, (i) bringing an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the delinquent Assessments and such action may be brought without waiving the Assessment Lien securing the delinquent Assessments or (ii) bringing an action to foreclose the Assessment Lien against the Lot in the manner provided by law for the foreclosure of a realty mortgage. The Association shall have the power to bid in at any foreclosure sale and to purchase, acquire, hold, lease, mortgage and convey any and all Lots purchased at such sale.

**6.10 Evidence of Payment of Assessments.** Upon receipt of a written request by a Member or any other Person, the Association, within a reasonable period of time thereafter, shall issue to such Member or other Person a written certificate stating that all Assessments, interest, and other fees and charges have been paid with respect to any specified Lot as of the date of such certificate, or if all Assessments have not been paid, the amount of such Assessments, interest, fees and charges due and payable as of such date. The Association may make a reasonable charge for the issuance of such certificates, which charges must be paid at the time the request for any such certificate is made. Any such certificate, when duly issued as herein provided, shall be conclusive and binding with respect to any matters therein stated as against any bona fide Purchaser of, or lender on, the Lot in question.

**6.11 Purposes for which Association's Funds May Be Used.** The Association shall apply all funds and property collected and received by it (including the Assessments, fees, loan proceeds, surplus funds and all funds and property received by it from any other source) for the common good and benefit of the Project and the Owners and Residents by devoting said funds and property, among other things, to the acquisition, construction, alteration, maintenance, provision and operation, by any manner or method whatsoever, of any and all land, properties, improvements, facilities, services, projects, programs, studies and systems, within or without the Project, which may be necessary, desirable or beneficial to the general common interests of the Project, the Owners and the Residents. The following are some, but not all, of the areas in which the Association may seek to aid, promote and provide for such common benefit: social interaction among Members and Residents, maintenance of landscaping on Common Areas and public right-of-way and drainage areas within the Project, recreation, liability insurance, communications, ownership and operation of vehicle storage areas, education, transportation, health, utilities, public services, safety and indemnification of officers and directors of the Association. The Association may also expend its funds under the laws of the State of Arizona or such municipality's charter.

**6.12 Surplus Funds.** The Association shall not be obligated to spend in any year all the Assessments and other sums received by it in such year, and may carry forward as surplus any balances remaining. The Association shall not be obligated to reduce the amount of the Annual Assessment in the succeeding year if a surplus exists from a prior year, and the Association may carry forward from year to year such surplus as the Board in its discretion may determine to be desirable for the greater financial security of the Association and the accomplishment of its purposes.

**6.13 Working Capital Fund.** To insure that the Association shall have adequate funds to meet its expenses or to purchase necessary equipment or services, each Purchaser of a Lot from the Declarant shall pay to the Association immediately upon becoming the Owner of the Lot the sum of \$100.00. Funds paid to the Association pursuant to this Section may be used by the Association for payment of operating expenses or any other purpose permitted under the Project Documents. Payments made pursuant to this

Section shall be nonrefundable and shall not be considered as an advance payment of any Assessments levied by the Association pursuant to this Declaration.

#? 6.14 Transfer Fee. Each Purchaser of a Lot shall pay to the Association immediately upon becoming the Owner of the Lot a transfer fee in such amount as is established from time to time by the Board, but no transfer fee shall be payable with respect to the transfer of a Lot by the Declarant to a Purchaser.

## ARTICLE 7

### MAINTENANCE

7.1 Areas of Association Responsibility. The Association, or its duly delegated representative, shall manage, maintain, repair and replace the Areas of Association Responsibility, and all Improvements located thereon, except for any part of the Areas of Association Responsibility which any governmental entity is maintaining or is obligated to maintain. The Board shall be the sole judge as to the appropriate maintenance, repair and replacement of all Areas of Association Responsibility.

7.2 Lots. Each Owner of a Lot shall be responsible for maintaining, repairing or replacing his Lot, and all buildings, Residential Units, landscaping or other Improvements situated thereon, except for any portion of the Lot which is an Area of Association Responsibility. All buildings, Residential Units, landscaping and other Improvements shall at all times be kept in good condition and repair. All grass, hedges, shrubs, vines and plants of any type on a Lot shall be irrigated, mowed, trimmed and cut at regular intervals so as to be maintained in a neat and attractive manner. Trees, shrubs, vines, plants and grass which die shall be promptly removed and replaced with living foliage of like kind, unless different foliage is approved in writing by the Architectural Committee. No yard equipment, wood piles or storage areas may be maintained so as to be Visible From Neighboring Property or streets. All Lots upon which no Residential Units, buildings or other structures, landscaping or Improvements have been constructed shall be maintained in a weed free and attractive manner.

7.3 Assessment of Certain Costs of Maintenance and Repair. In the event that the need for maintenance or repair of an Area of Association Responsibility is caused through the willful or negligent act of any Owner, his family, tenants, guests or invitees, the cost of such maintenance or repairs shall be paid by such Owner to the Association upon demand and payment of such amounts shall be secured by the Assessment Lien.

7.4 Improper Maintenance and Use of Lots. In the event any portion of any Lot is so maintained as to present a public or private nuisance, or as to substantially detract from the appearance or quality of the surrounding Lots or other areas of the Project

which are substantially affected thereby or related thereto, or in the event any portion of a Lot is being used in a manner which violates this Declaration; or in the event the Owner of any Lot is failing to perform any of its obligations under the Project Documents, the Board may make a finding to such effect, specifying the particular condition or conditions which exist, and pursuant thereto give notice thereof to the offending Owner that unless corrective action is taken within fourteen (14) days, the Board may cause such action to be taken at said Owner's cost. If at the expiration of said fourteen day period of time the requisite corrective action has not been taken, the Board shall be authorized and empowered to cause such action to be taken and the cost thereof shall be paid by such Owner to the Association upon demand and payment of such amounts shall be secured by the Assessment Lien.

## **7.5 Boundary Walls.**

7.5.1 Each wall or fence which is located between two Lots shall constitute a boundary wall and, to the extent not inconsistent with this Section 7.5, the general rules of law regarding boundary walls shall apply.

7.5.2 The Owners of contiguous Lots who have a boundary wall shall both equally have the right to use such wall provided that such use by one Owner does not interfere with the use and enjoyment of same by the other Owner;

7.5.3 In the event that any boundary wall is damaged or destroyed through the act of an Owner, it shall be the obligation of such Owner to rebuild and repair the boundary wall without cost to the other Owner or Owners;

7.5.4 In the event any such boundary wall is damaged or destroyed by some cause other than the act of one of the adjoining Owners, his agents, tenants, licensees, guests or family (including ordinary wear and tear and deterioration from lapse of time), then, in such event, both such adjoining Owners shall proceed forthwith to rebuild or repair the same to as good condition as formerly at their joint and equal expense;

7.5.5 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section, an Owner who, by his negligent or willful act, causes any boundary wall to be exposed to the elements shall bear the whole cost of furnishing the necessary protection against such elements;

7.5.6 The right of any Owner to contribution from any other Owner under this Section shall be appurtenant to the land and shall pass to such Owner's successors in title;

7.5.7 In addition to meeting the other requirements of this Declaration and of any other building code or similar regulations or ordinances, any Owner proposing to modify, make additions to or rebuild a boundary wall shall first obtain the written consent of the adjoining Owners;

7.5.8 In the event any boundary wall encroaches upon a Lot, a valid easement for such encroachment and for the maintenance of the boundary wall shall and does exist in favor of the Owners of the Lots which share such boundary wall.

7.5.9 To the extent necessary in order for an Owner to construct a swimming pool or other Improvements in the back yard of his Lot, an Owner may remove all or a part of a boundary wall provided the Owner gives reasonable notice to the adjoining Owner that all or a part of the boundary wall will be removed. Any Owner removing all or a part of a boundary wall pursuant to this Subsection shall rebuild and restore the boundary wall to its prior condition at such Owner's sole cost and expense within a reasonable time after entry through the boundary wall is no longer necessary in connection with the construction of Improvements in the back yard of such Owner's Lot.

**7.6 Maintenance of Walls other than Boundary Walls.**

7.6.1 Walls (other than boundary walls) located on a Lot shall be maintained, repaired and replaced by the Owner of the Lot.

7.6.2 Any wall which is placed on the boundary line between a Lot and the Common Area shall be maintained, repaired and replaced by the Owner of the Lot, except that the Association shall be responsible for the repair and maintenance of the side of the wall which faces the Common Area. In the event any such wall encroaches upon the Common Area of a Lot, an easement for such encroachment shall exist in favor of the Association or the Owner of the Lot, as the case may be.

7.6.3 Any wall which is placed on the boundary line between a Lot and public right-of-way shall be maintained, repaired and replaced by the Association except that the Owner of the Lot shall be responsible for the repair and replacement of the surface of the wall which faces the Lot.

**7.7 Installation of Landscaping.** Within sixty (60) days after acquiring a Lot from Declarant, each Owner shall install grass, trees, plants and other landscaping improvements (together with any sprinkler system or drip irrigation system sufficient to adequately water the grass, trees, plants or other landscaping improvement) on (i) that part of the Lot which is between the street or public right-of-way adjacent to the Lot and the exterior walls of the Residential Unit situated on the Lot except for any side or back yard of the Lot which is completely enclosed by a wall or fence and (ii) any public right-of-way areas (other than sidewalks or bicycle paths) lying between the front or side boundaries of such Lot and any adjacent street, except for any part of such area which is an Area of Association Responsibility. All such landscaping must be installed in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the Architectural Committee pursuant to Section 3.1 of this Declaration.



## ARTICLE 8

### INSURANCE

8.1 **Scope of Coverage.** Commencing not later than the time of the first conveyance of a Lot to a Purchaser, the Association shall maintain, to the extent reasonably available, the following insurance coverage:

8.1.1 Comprehensive general liability insurance, including medical payments insurance, in an amount determined by the Board, but not less than \$1,000,000. Such insurance shall cover all occurrences commonly insured against for death, bodily injury and property damage arising out of or in connection with the use, ownership or maintenance of the Areas of Association Responsibility and all other portions of the Project which the Association is obligated to maintain under this Declaration, and shall also include hired automobile and non-owned automobile coverages with cost liability endorsements to cover liabilities of the Owners as a group to an Owner;

8.1.2 Property insurance on all Areas of Association Responsibility insuring against all risk of direct physical loss, insured against in an amount equal to the maximum insurable replacement value of the Areas of Association Responsibility, as determined by the Board; provided, however, that the total amount of insurance after application of any deductibles shall not be less than one hundred percent (100%) of the current replacement cost of the insured property, exclusive of land, excavations, foundations and other items normally excluded from a property policy.

8.1.3 Workmen's compensation insurance to the extent necessary to meet the requirements of the laws of Arizona;

8.1.4 Such other insurance as the Association shall determine from time to time to be appropriate to protect the Association or the Owners;

8.1.5 The insurance policies purchased by the Association shall, to the extent reasonably available, contain the following provisions: (i) that there shall be no subrogation with respect to the Association, its agents, servants, and employees, with respect to Owners and members of their household; (ii) no act or omission by any Owner, unless acting within the scope of his authority on behalf of the Association, will void the policy or be a condition to recovery on the policy; (iii) that the coverage afforded by such policy shall not be brought into contribution or proration with any insurance which may be purchased by Owners or their mortgagees or beneficiaries under deeds of trust; (iv) a "severability of interest" endorsement which shall preclude the insurer from denying the claim of an Owner because of the negligent acts of the Association or other Owners; (v) statement of the name of the insured as the Association; and (vi) for policies of hazard insurance, a standard mortgagee clause providing that the insurance carrier shall notify the

first mortgagee named in the policy at least ten (10) days in advance of the effective date of any substantial modification, reduction or cancellation of the policy;

**8.2 Certificates of Insurance.** An insurer that has issued an insurance policy under this Article shall issue a certificate or a memorandum of insurance to the Association and, upon request, to any Owner, mortgagee or beneficiary under a deed of trust. Any insurance obtained pursuant to this Article may not be cancelled until thirty (30) days after notice of the proposed cancellation has been mailed to the Association, each Owner and each mortgagee or beneficiary under a deed of trust to whom certificates of insurance have been issued.

**8.3 Payment of Premiums.** The premiums for any insurance obtained by the Association pursuant to Section 8.1 of this Declaration shall be included in the budget of the Association and shall be paid by the Association.

**8.4 Payment of Insurance Proceeds.** With respect to any loss to any Area of Common Responsibility covered by property insurance obtained by the Association in accordance with this Article, the loss shall be adjusted with the Association, and the insurance proceeds shall be payable to the Association and not to any mortgagee or beneficiary under a deed of trust. Subject to the provisions of Section 8.5 of this Declaration, the proceeds shall be disbursed for the repair or restoration of the damage to the Area of Association Responsibility.

**8.5 Repair and Replacement of Damaged or Destroyed Property.** Any portion of the Areas of Association Responsibility which is damaged or destroyed shall be repaired or replaced promptly by the Association unless (i) repair or replacement would be illegal under any state or local health or safety statute or ordinance, or (ii) Owners representing at least eighty percent (80%) of the total authorized votes in the Association vote not to rebuild. The cost of repair or replacement in excess of insurance proceeds and reserves shall be paid by the Association. If all of the Areas of Association Responsibility are not repaired or replaced, insurance proceeds attributable to the damaged Areas of Association Responsibility shall be used to restore the damaged area to a condition which is not in violation of any state or local health or safety statute or ordinance and the remainder of the proceeds shall either (i) be retained by the Association as an additional capital reserve, or (ii) be used for payment of operating expenses of the Association if such action is approved by the affirmative vote or written consent, or any combination thereof, of Members representing more than fifty percent (50%) of the votes in the Association.

## ARTICLE 9

### RIGHTS OF FIRST MORTGAGEES

**9.1 Notification to First Mortgagees.** Upon receipt by the Association of a written request from a First Mortgagee or insurer or governmental guarantor of a First Mortgage informing the Association of its correct name and mailing address and the Lot number or address to which the request relates, the Association shall provide such Eligible Mortgage Holder or Eligible Insurer Or Guarantor with timely written notice of the following:

9.1.1 Any condemnation loss or any casualty loss which affects a material portion of the Project or any Lot on which there is a First Mortgage held, insured or guaranteed by such Eligible Mortgage Holder or Eligible Insurer Or Guarantor;

9.1.2 Any delinquency in the payment of Assessments or charges owed by an owner of a Lot subject to a First Mortgage held, insured or guaranteed by such Eligible Mortgage Holder or Eligible Insurer Or Guarantor or any other default in the performance by the Owner of any obligation under the Project Documents, which delinquency remains uncured for the period of sixty (60) days;

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

9.1.4 Any proposed action which will require the consent of a specified percentage of Eligible Mortgage Holders as set forth in Section 9.2 or 9.3 of this Declaration.

**9.2 Approval Required to Terminate Project.** Any termination of the legal status of the Project for reasons other than the substantial destruction or a substantial taking in condemnation of the Project shall not be effective unless approved by Eligible Mortgage Holders holding First Mortgages on Lots the Owners of which have at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the votes in the Association allocated to Owners of all Lots subject to First Mortgages held by Eligible Mortgage Holders.

**9.3 Approval Required for Amendment to Declaration, Articles or Bylaws.**

9.3.1 The approval of Eligible Mortgage Holders holding First Mortgages on Lots the Owners of which have at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the votes in the Association allocated to Owners of all Lots subject to First Mortgages held by Eligible Mortgage Holders shall be required to add or amend any material provisions of the Declaration, Articles or Bylaws which establish, provide for, govern or regulate any of the following:

- (i) Voting rights;
- (ii) Assessments, assessment liens or subordination of assessment liens;
- (iii) Reserves for maintenance, repair and replacement of Common Areas;
- (iv) Insurance or fidelity bonds;
- (v) Responsibility for maintenance and repairs;
- (vi) Expansion or contraction of the Project, or the addition, annexation or withdrawal of property to or from the Project;
- (vii) Boundaries of any Lot;
- (viii) Reallocation of interests in the Common Areas or the rights to their use;
- (ix) Convertability of Lots into Common Areas or of Common Areas into Lots;
- (x) Leasing of Lots;
- (xi) Imposition of any restrictions on an Owner's right to sell or transfer his Lot;
- (xii) A decision by the Association to establish self management when professional management had been required previously by an Eligible Mortgage Holder;
- (xiii) Restoration or repair of the Project (after a hazard damage or partial condemnation) in a manner other than that specified in the Project Documents;
- (xiv) Any action to terminate the legal status of the Project after substantial destruction or condemnation occurs;
- (xv) Any provisions which expressly benefit First Mortgagees, Eligible Mortgage Holders or Eligible Insurers Or Guarantors.

9.3.2 Any addition or amendment to the Declaration, Articles or Bylaws shall not be considered material if it is for the purpose of correcting technical errors or for clarification only.

**9.4 First Mortgagee's Right of Inspection of Records.** Any First Mortgagee will, upon written request, be entitled to: (i) inspect the books and records of the Association during normal business hours; (ii) receive within ninety (90) days following the end of any fiscal year of the Association, a financial statement of the Association for the immediately preceding fiscal year of the Association, free of charge to the requesting party; and (iii) receive written notice of all meetings of the Members of the Association and be permitted to designate a representative to attend all such meetings.

**9.5 Limitation on Partition and Subdivision.** No Lot shall be partitioned or subdivided without the prior written approval of the holder of any first Mortgage on such Lot.

**9.6 Prior Written Approval of First Mortgagees.** Unless at least two-thirds (2/3) of the First Mortgagees (based upon one vote for each First Mortgage owned) or Owners (other than the sponsor, developer or builder) of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Lots have given their prior written approval, the Association shall not be entitled to:

9.6.1 Seek to abandon, partition, subdivide, sell or transfer the Common Area owned, directly or indirectly, by the Association for the benefit of the Lots. The granting of easements for public utilities or for other public purposes consistent with the intended use of such Common Area shall not be deemed a transfer within the meaning of this Subsection;

9.6.2 Change the method of determining the obligations, assessments, dues or other charges which may be levied against an Owner;

9.6.3 Change, waive or abandon any scheme or regulations, or enforcement thereof, pertaining to the architectural design or the exterior appearance of Lots or the maintenance of the Common Area;

9.6.4 Fail to maintain fire and extended coverage on insurance common area on current replacement cost basis in an amount of at least 100 percent of insurable value;

9.6.5 Use hazard insurance proceeds for losses to any Common Area, other than the repair, replacement or reconstruction of such Common Area.

**9.7      No Priority over First Mortgagees.** No provision of this Declaration gives or shall be construed as giving any owner or other Person priority over any rights of a First Mortgagee of a Lot in the case of the distribution to such Owner of insurance proceeds or condemnation awards for losses to or taking of the Common Area.

**9.8      Failure of First Mortgagees to Respond.** Any First Mortgagee who receives a written request from the Board to respond to or consent to any action requiring the consent of the First Mortgagee shall be deemed to have approved such action if the Association has not received a negative response from such First Mortgagee within thirty (30) days of the date of the Association's request.

**9.9      Conflicting Provisions.** In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the provisions of this Article and any other provision of the Project Documents, the provisions of this Article shall prevail; provided, however, that in the event of any conflict or inconsistency between the different Sections of this Article or between the provisions of this Article and any other provisions of the Project Documents with respect to the number or percentage of Owners, First Mortgagees, Eligible Mortgage Holders or Eligible Insurers Or Guarantors that must consent to (i) an amendment of the Declaration, Articles or Bylaws, (ii) a termination of the Project, or (iii) certain actions of the Association as specified in Section 9.2, 9.3 and 9.6 of this Declaration, the provision requiring the consent of the greatest number or percentage of Owners, First Mortgagees, Eligible Mortgage Holders or Eligible Insurers Or Guarantors shall prevail; provided, however, that so long as there is a Class B membership in the Association, the Declarant, without the consent of any Owner or First Mortgagee being required, shall have the right to amend this Declaration, the Articles of the Bylaws in order to conform this Declaration, the Articles or the Bylaws to the requirements or guidelines of the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the Federal Housing Administration, the Veterans Administration or any federal, state or local governmental agency whose approval of the Project, the Plat or the Project Documents is required or requested by the Declarant.

## ARTICLE 10

### GENERAL PROVISIONS

**10.1      Enforcement.** The Association or any Owner shall have the right to enforce the Project Documents in any manner provided for by law or in equity. The failure of the Association or an Owner to take enforcement action with respect to a violation of the Project Documents shall not constitute or be deemed a waiver of the right of the Association or any Owner to enforce the Project Documents in the future.

**10.2      Term: Method of Termination.** This Declaration shall continue in full force and effect for a term of twenty (20) years from the date this Declaration is recorded. After which time, this Declaration shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years each. This Declaration may be terminated at any time if such termination is approved by the affirmative vote or written consent, or any combination thereof, of the Owners representing ninety percent (90%) or more of the votes in each class of membership and by the holders of First Mortgages on Lots, the Owners of which have seventy-five percent (75%) or more of the votes in the Association. If the necessary votes and consents are obtained, the Board shall cause to be recorded with the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona, a Certificate of Termination, duly signed by the President or Vice President and attested by the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Association, with their signatures acknowledged. Thereupon this Declaration shall have no further force and effect, and the Association shall be dissolved pursuant to the terms set forth in its Articles.

**10.3      Amendments.**

**10.3.1**      Except for amendments made pursuant to Subsection 2.2 or 10.3.2 of this Declaration, the Declaration may only be amended by the written approval or the affirmative vote, or any combination thereof, of Owners of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Lots.

**10.3.2**      The Board may amend this Declaration or the Plat, without obtaining the approval or consent of any Owner or First Mortgagee, in order to conform this Declaration or the Plat to the requirements or guidelines of the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the Federal Housing Administration, the Veterans Administration or any federal, state or local governmental agency whose approval of the Project, the Plat or the Project Documents is required by law or requested by the Declarant or the Board.

**10.3.3**      So long as the Declarant owns any Lot, any amendment to this Declaration must be approved in writing by the Declarant.

**10.3.4**      So long as there is a Class B membership in the Association, any amendment to this Declaration must have the prior written approval of the Veterans Administration or the Federal Housing Administration.

**10.3.5**      Any amendment approved pursuant to Subsection 10.3.1 of this Declaration or by the Board pursuant to Subsection 10.3.2 of this Declaration shall be signed by the President or Vice President of the Association and shall be recorded with the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona. Any such amendment shall certify that the amendment has been approved as required by this Section. Unless a later effective date is provided for in the amendment, any such amendment shall be effective upon the Recording of the amendment.

**10.4 Interpretation.** Except for judicial construction, the Association shall have the exclusive right to construe and interpret the provisions of this Declaration. In the absence of any adjudication to the contrary by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Association's construction or interpretation of the provisions hereof shall be final, conclusive and binding as to all persons and property benefitted or bound by this Declaration. In the event of any conflict between this Declaration and the Articles, Bylaws, Association Rules or Architectural Committee Rules, this Declaration shall control. In the event of any conflict between the Articles and the Bylaws, the Articles shall control. In the event of any conflict between the Bylaws and the Association Rules or the Architectural Committee Rules, the Bylaws shall control.

**10.5 Severability.** Any determination by any court of competent jurisdiction that any provision of this Declaration is invalid or unenforceable shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any of the other provisions hereof.

**10.6 Rule Against Perpetuities.** If any interest purported to be created by this Declaration is challenged under the Rule against Perpetuities or any related rule, the interest shall be construed as becoming void and of no effect as of the end of the applicable period of perpetuities computed from the date when the period of perpetuities starts to run on the challenged interest; the "lives in being" for computing the period of perpetuities shall be (i) those which would be used in determining the validity of the challenged interest, plus (ii) those of the issue of the Board who are living at the time the period of perpetuities starts to run on the challenged interest.

**10.7 Change of Circumstances.** Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Declaration, no change of conditions or circumstances shall operate to extinguish, terminate or modify any of the provisions of this Declaration.

**10.8 Notice of Violation.** The Association shall have the right to record a written notice of a violation by any Owner or Resident of any restriction or other provision of the Project Documents. The notice shall be executed by an officer of the Association and shall contain substantially the following information: (i) the name of the Owner or Resident violating, or responsible for the violation of, the Project Documents; (ii) the legal description of the Lot against which the notice is being Recorded; (iii) a brief description of the nature of the violation; (iv) a statement that the notice is being Recorded by the Association pursuant to this Declaration; and (v) a statement of the specific steps which must be taken by the Owner or occupant to cure the violation. Recordation of a notice of violation shall serve as notice to the Owner and Resident, and any subsequent purchaser of the Lot, that there is such a violation. If, after the recordation of such notice, it is determined by the Association that the violation referred to in the notice does not exist or that the violation referred to in the notice has been cured, the Association shall Record a notice of compliance with shall state the legal description of the Lot against which the notice of violation was Recorded, and the recording data of the notice of violation, and shall state that the violation referred to in the notice of violation has been cured or that the violation did not exist.



Failure by the Association to Record a notice of violation shall not constitute a waiver of any such violation, constitute any evidence that no violation exists with respect to a particular Lot or constitute a waiver of any right of the Association to enforce the Project Documents.

#### **10.9      Laws, Ordinances and Regulations.**

10.9.1      The covenants, conditions and restrictions set forth in this Declaration and the provisions requiring Owners and other persons to obtain the approval of the Board or the Architectural Committee with respect to certain actions are independent of the obligation of the Owners and other persons to comply with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations, and compliance with this Declaration shall not relieve an Owner or any other person from the obligation to also comply with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations.

10.9.2      Any violation of any state, municipal, or local law, ordinance or regulation pertaining to the ownership, occupation or use of any property within the Property is hereby declared to be a violation of this Declaration and subject to any or all of the enforcement procedures set forth herein.

**10.10      References to this Declaration in Deeds.** Deeds to and instruments affecting any Lot or any other part of the Project may contain the covenants, conditions and restrictions herein set forth by reference to this Declaration; but regardless of whether any such reference is made in any Deed or instrument, each and all of the provisions of this Declaration shall be binding upon the grantee-Owner or other person claiming through any instrument and his heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

**10.11      Gender and Number.** Wherever the context of this Declaration so requires, words used in the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter genders; words used in the neuter gender shall include the masculine and feminine genders; words in the singular shall include the plural; and words in the plural shall include the singular.

**10.12      Captions and Titles.** All captions, titles or headings of the Articles and Sections in this Declaration are for the purpose of reference and convenience only and are not to be deemed to limit, modify or otherwise affect any of the provisions hereof or to be used in determining the intent of context thereof.

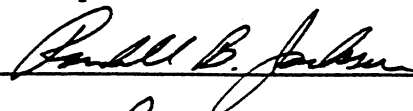
**10.13      Notices.** If notice of any action or proposed action by the Board or any committee or of any meeting is required by applicable law, this Declaration or resolution of the Board to be given to any Owner, Lessee or Resident then, unless otherwise specified herein or in the resolution of the Board, such notice requirement shall be deemed satisfied if notice of such action or meeting is published once in any newspaper in general circulation within Maricopa County. This Section shall not be construed to require that any notice be given if not otherwise required and shall not prohibit satisfaction of any notice requirement in any other manner.

**10.14      FHA/VA Approval.** So long as there is a Class B membership in the Association, the following actions shall require the prior written approval of the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration: annexation of additional properties, dedication of common areas, an amendment to this Declaration.

**10.15      No Absolute Liability.** No provision of the Project Documents shall be interpreted or construed as imposing on Owners absolute liability for damage to the Common Area or the Lots. Owners shall only be responsible for damage to the Common Area or Lots caused by the Owners' negligence or intentional acts.

**10.16      References to VA and FHA.** In various places throughout the Project Documents, references are made to the Department of Veterans Affairs ("VA") and the Fair Housing Administration ("FHA") and, in particular, to various consents or approvals required of either or both of such agencies. Such references are included so as to cause the Project Documents to meet certain requirements of such agencies should Declarant request approval of the Project by either or both of those agencies. However, Declarant shall have no obligation to request approval of the Project by either or both of such agencies. Unless and until the VA or the FHA have approved the Project as acceptable for insured or guaranteed loans and at any time during which such approval, once given, has been revoked, withdrawn, cancelled or suspended and there are no outstanding mortgages or deeds of trust recorded against a Lot to secure payment of an insured or guaranteed loan by either of such agencies, all references herein to required approvals or consents of such agencies shall be deemed null and void and of no force and effect.

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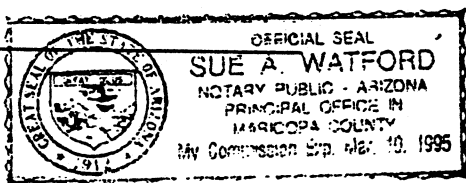
By:   
Its: PRESIDENT

State of Arizona            )  
                                  ) ss.  
County of Maricopa        )

Acknowledged before me this 9th day of March, 1994, by  
Randall B. Jackson, the President of Jackson Properties RRE,  
Inc., an Arizona corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

Sue A. Watford  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



**EXHIBIT A****DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY SUBJECT TO DECLARATION**

Lots 1 through 106, inclusive, and Tracts A, B and C, inclusive, Ray Ranch Estates Phase I, according to the plat recorded in Book 372, page 50, records of Maricopa County, Arizona.

# CONSENT OF LIENHOLDER

The undersigned, as the beneficiary under various Deeds of Trust and Assignments of Rents recorded against the real property described on Exhibit "A" attached to the foregoing Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Ray Ranch Estates, hereby agrees to be bound by the terms of such Declaration and agrees that such Deeds of Trust and Assignments of Rents be subordinate to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Ray Ranch Estates which shall survive any trustee's sale held pursuant to the Deed of Trust and Assignment of Rents or any foreclosure of the Deed of Trust and Assignment of Rents.

Dated this 9th day of March, 1994.

**HILTON FINANCIAL CORPORATION,**  
an Arizona corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_

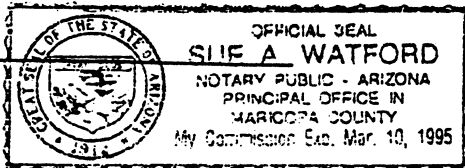
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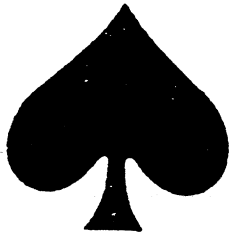
STATE OF ARIZONA     )  
                                  ) ss.  
County of Maricopa     )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 9th day of March, 1994, by Jack W. Hilton, the President of Hilton Financial Corporation, an Arizona corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

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ALLEN  
CONSULTING  
ENGINEERS, INC.

GREGORY L. ALLEN, P.E., L.S.  
BRENT E. ALLEN, P.E.

266 W. 3rd Place  
Mesa, Arizona 85201  
Office: 844-1666

RAY RANCH ESTATES

PHASE II LEGAL DESCRIPTION

A portion of South half of Section 21, Township 1 South, Range 4 East of the Gila and Salt River Base and Meridian, Maricopa County, Arizona, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the South Quarter Corner of said Section 21;

Thence North  $00^{\circ} 19' 56''$  East, along the North-South mid-section line, a distance of 837.12 feet;

Thence North  $15^{\circ} 56' 40''$  East, a distance of 972.68 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Thence North  $15^{\circ} 56' 40''$  East, a distance of 942.77 feet;

Thence South  $89^{\circ} 48' 36''$  East, along the East-West mid-section line, a distance of 2082.86 feet to the beginning of a 1040.00 foot radius non-tangent curve, concave to the Northwest, a radial to said beginning bears North  $70^{\circ} 21' 23''$  West;

Thence Southwesterly, along said curve, through a central angle of  $19^{\circ} 02' 25''$  an arc distance of 345.61 feet;

Thence tangent to said curve South  $38^{\circ} 41' 02''$  West, a distance of 360.21 feet to the beginning of a 485.00 foot radius tangent curve, concave to the Northwest;

Thence Southwesterly, along said curve, through a central angle of  $16^{\circ} 53' 36''$  an arc distance of 143.00 feet;

Thence tangent to said curve, South  $55^{\circ} 34' 38''$  West, a distance of 187.51 feet to the beginning of a 1135.00 foot radius tangent curve, concave to the Southeast;

Thence Southwesterly, along said curve, through a central angle of  $04^{\circ} 34' 58''$  an arc distance of 90.78 feet;

Thence tangent to said curve, South  $50^{\circ} 59' 40''$  West, a distance of 108.90 feet;

Thence North  $89^{\circ} 48' 36''$  West, a distance of 1341.15 feet;

Thence North  $74^{\circ} 03' 13''$  West, a distance of 60.00 feet;

Thence South  $15^{\circ} 56' 47''$  West, a distance of 49.44 feet;

Thence North  $74^{\circ} 03' 13''$  West, a distance of 125.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. (Area = 39.4075 Acres)





WHEN RECORDED, RETURN TO:

Jackson Properties, RRE, Inc.  
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Mesa, AZ 85202

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**AMENDMENT TO  
DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS  
FOR  
RAY RANCH ESTATES**

This Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Ray Ranch Estates (this "Amendment") is made as of this 2nd day of November, 1994, by Ray Ranch Estates Homeowners Association, an Arizona nonprofit corporation (the "Association").

**RECITALS**

A. A Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Ray Ranch (the "Declaration") was recorded on March 11, 1994 at Recording No. 94-0199263, records of Maricopa County, Arizona, to establish a general plan of development for the real property located within the subdivision known as Ray Ranch Estates.

B. Capitalized terms used in this Amendment without definition shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Declaration.

C. Section 10.3.1 of the Declaration provides that the Declaration may be amended by the written approval or the affirmative vote, or any combination thereof, of Owners of not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the Lots. Section 10.3.3 of the Declaration provides that so long as the Declarant owns any Lot, any amendment to the Declaration must be approved in writing by the Declarant.

D. The Declarant holds more than seventy-five percent (75%) of the votes in the Association. The amendment to the Declaration set forth in this Amendment has been approved by the Declarant.

**NOW, THEREFORE, the Declaration is amended as follows:**

1. Section 6.14 is amended to read as follows:

6.14 **Transfer Fee.** Each Purchaser of a Lot shall pay the Association immediately upon becoming the owner of the Lot a transfer fee in such amount as is established from time to time by the Board.

2. Except as expressly amended by this Amendment, the Declaration shall remain in full force and effect. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between this Amendment and the Declaration, this Amendment shall control.

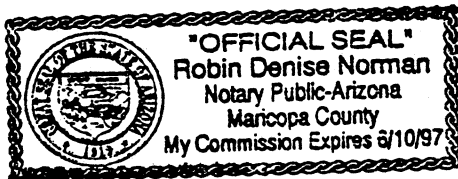
**RAY RANCH ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION**, an Arizona nonprofit corporation

By: *Randall B. Jackson*

Its: *PRESIDENT*

STATE OF ARIZONA     )  
  ) ss.  
County of Maricopa     )

Acknowledged before me this 2nd day of NOVEMBER, 1994, by RANDALL B. JACKSON, the PRESIDENT of Ray Ranch Estates Homeowners Association, an Arizona nonprofit corporation, on behalf of the corporation.



*Robin Denise Norman*  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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## DECLARANT APPROVAL:

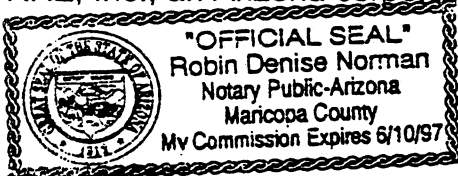
JACKSON PROPERTIES RRE, INC.,  
an Arizona corporation

By: *Randall B. Jackson*

Its: PRESIDENT

STATE OF ARIZONA     )  
                                      ) ss.  
County of Maricopa     )

Acknowledged before me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 1994,  
by RANDALL B. JACKSON, the PRESIDENT of Jackson Properties  
RRE, Inc., an Arizona corporation, on behalf of the corporation.



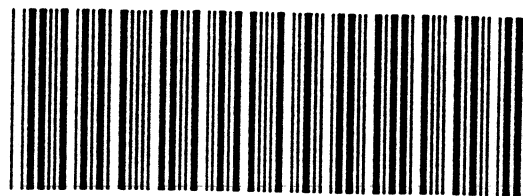
*Robin Denise Norman*  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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**AMENDMENT TO  
DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS  
FOR  
RAY RANCH ESTATES**

This Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Ray Ranch Estates (this "Amendment") is made as of this 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, 1995, by Jackson Properties R.R.E., Inc., an Arizona corporation ("Declarant").

**RECITALS**

A. A Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Ray Ranch Estates was recorded at Recording No. 94-0199263, records of Maricopa County, Arizona, to establish a general plan of development for the real property located within the subdivision known as Ray Ranch Estates. The Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Ray Ranch Estates was amended by the instrument recorded at Recording No. 94-0799096, records of Maricopa County, Arizona. The Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Ray Ranch Estates, as previously amended, shall be referred to in this Amendment as the "Declaration".

B. Capitalized terms used in this Amendment without definition shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Declaration.

C. Section 2.2 of the Declaration reserved to the Declarant the right to annex and subject to the Declaration all or any portion of the Additional Property without the consent of any other Owner or Person. Section 2.2 of the Declaration provides that the Declarant may annex all or any portion of the Additional Property by the recording of an Amendment to the Declaration setting forth the legal description of the Additional Property to be annexed, stating that such Additional Property is annexed and subjected to the Declaration and describing any portion of the Additional Property being annexed which will be Common Area.

D. The Declarant desires to annex and subject to the Declaration that portion of the Additional Property which is legally described as Lots 107 through 207, inclusive, and Tract A, Ray Ranch Estates Phase 2, according to the plat recorded in Book 391, page 43, records of Maricopa County, Arizona ("Phase 2").

AMENDMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 2.2 of the Declaration, the Declarant amends the Declaration as follows:

1. The foregoing Recitals, including any and all defined terms set forth therein, are hereby incorporated into this Amendment.
2. Phase 2 is hereby annexed and subjected to the Declaration. In accordance with the provisions of Section 2.2 of the Declaration, the annexation of Phase 2 shall be effective upon the recording of this Amendment with the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona.
3. Tract A of Phase 2 shall be Common Area to be owned and maintained by the Association in accordance with the terms of the Declaration.
4. Except as amended by this Amendment, the Declaration shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect. In the event of any conflict or inconsistency between this Amendment and the Declaration, this Amendment shall control.

JACKSON PROPERTIES R.R.E., INC., an  
Arizona corporation

By: Melodie Ono Jackson

Its: Vice-President

State of Arizona       )  
                                  ) ss.  
County of Maricopa    )

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of MAY, 1995, by Melodie Ono Jackson, the Vice President of Jackson Properties R.R.E., Inc., an Arizona corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

Jackie Storey  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

3-1-98