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**DECLARATION
OF
COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS
FOR
WATERFORD**

THIS DECLARATION is made this the 17 day of June, 2005, by **W M W DEVELOPMENT, LLC**, a North Carolina limited liability company having an office in Alamance County, North Carolina, hereinafter referred to as "Declarant."

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Declarant is the owner of certain property in the City of Burlington, Boone Station Township, Alamance County, North Carolina, which is more particularly described as follows:

- a) The real property shown on the plat entitled "FINAL PLAT-SHEET 1 OF 5 WATERFORD SUBDIVISION-PHASE 1, LOTS 1-2, 6-10, 35-49, AND, 63-66, FORMERLY KNOWN AS LAKE McEWEN SUBDIVISION" recorded in Plat Book 69, Page 465 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Alamance County, North Carolina AND NOT INCLUDING LOT ONE (1) CONTAINING 1.970 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, and LOT THIRTY-SEVEN (37) as shown upon said plat IT BEING THE EXPRESS INTENT OF DECLARANT THAT SUCH EXCLUDED LOTS NOT BE MADE SUBJECT TO THIS DECLARATION.

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- b) The real property on that plat entitled "FINAL PLAT –SHEET 2 OF 5 WATERFORD SUBDIVISION-PHASE 1, LOTS 24-34, 51-63 AND 71-74, FORMERLY KNOWN AS LAKE McEWEN SUBDIVISION" recorded in Plat Book 69, Page 466 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Alamance County, North Carolina.
- c) The real property on that plat entitled "FINAL PLAT – SHEET 3 OF 5 WATERFORD AT THE LAKE SUBDIVISION-PHASE 1, LOTS 11-23, 50 AND 67-70, FORMERLY KNOWN AS LAKE McEWEN SUBDIVISION" recorded in Plat Book 69, Page 467 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Alamance County, North Carolina.
- d) Reference is also made to those curve and line tables set forth on that plat entitled "FINAL PLAT – SHEET 4 OF 5 WATERFORD AT THE LAKE SUBDIVISION-PHASE 1, CURVE AND LINE TABLES, FORMERLY KNOWN AS LAKE McEWEN SUBDIVISION" recorded in Plat Book 69, Page 468 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Alamance County, North Carolina.
- e) Reference is further made to those property corner coordinate tables set forth on that Plat entitled "FINAL PLAT – SHEET 5 OF 5 WATERFORD AT THE LAKE SUBDIVISION-PHASE 1, PROPERTY CORNER COORDINATE TABLES, FORMERLY KNOWN AS LAKE MCEWEN SUBDIVISION" recorded in Plat Book 69, Page 469 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Alamance County, North Carolina.

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Declarant to develop Waterford as a residential community consisting of single family detached residences and hereby to cause the above-described property and future phases of Waterford to be subjected to this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions.

NOW, THEREFORE, Declarant hereby declares that all of the property described above shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to the following easements, restrictions, covenants and conditions, which are for the purpose of protecting the value and desirability of, and which shall run with, such real property and be binding on all parties having any right, title or interest in the described properties or any part thereof, their heirs, successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of each owner thereof. It is the intent of Declarant that the provisions of this Declaration in all respects conform and comply to the requirements set forth in the North Carolina Planned Community Act. To the extent any provision contained herein does not conform or comply with the North Carolina Planned Community Act, the provisions of the Act shall control.

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1. "Additional Property" shall mean and refer to the property described in **Schedule "A,"** attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, together with any other property located adjacent to the Properties. For the purpose of determining whether property is adjacent to the Properties, the rights of way of public roads and utilities, as well as rivers and streams, shall be deemed not to separate otherwise adjacent property.

SECTION 2. "Appropriate Local Governmental Authority" shall mean and refer to the City of Burlington or other appropriate local governmental authority having jurisdiction over the Properties.

SECTION 3. "Association" shall mean and refer to Waterford Community Association, Inc., its successors and assigns.

SECTION 4. "Common Elements" or "Common Area" shall mean all real property owned by the Association (whether owned in fee or by way of license or easement) or leased by the Association, other than a Lot. The Common Elements to be owned by the Association at the time of the conveyance of the first Lot is described as follows:

Recreation Facility Lot

That certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the City of Burlington, Boone Station Township, Alamance County, North Carolina, adjoining the 120 foot right of way of the Highway 70 Western Loop Bypass (University Drive), the lands now or formerly of Frank M. Rich, Jr. as described in Deed Book 522, Page 667, Lot 36 as shown upon the plat hereinafter referenced, the 50 foot right of way of Tremore Club Drive, the 78 foot right of way of Dunleigh Drive, and being LOT TWO (2) as shown upon the plat hereinafter referenced and also being labeled "RECREATION FACILITY LOT" upon that plat entitled "FINAL PLAT-SHEET 1 OF 5 WATERFORD SUBDIVISION-PHASE 1, LOTS 1-2, 6-10, 35-49, AND, 63-66, FORMERLY KNOWN AS LAKE McEWEN SUBDIVISION" recorded in Plat Book 69, Page 465 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Alamance County, North Carolina.

Declarant reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to convey or cause to be conveyed to the Association from time to time and without the consent of the Association or its Members, additional property to the Association, which property may include any portion of the Properties, including any Additional Property annexed by Declarant pursuant to Article XI, Section 4 hereof. The Association shall accept any such conveyance of property and thereafter such property shall be held and maintained by the Association as Common Elements. Declarant may construct or cause to be constructed **(BUT SHALL NOT BE OBLIGATED TO CONSTRUCT)** walkways and recreational facilities on any such Common Elements. Other improvements, which may include, but shall not be limited to, roadways, retention or detention

ponds or erosion control devices, may be located on any such Common Elements. Declarant presently contemplates the construction of recreational improvements and amenities within the above-described Common Elements lying within Phase 1 of Waterford. Except as otherwise provided in Section 47F-3-113 of the Planned Community Act, the Association shall be required to promptly repair and replace any portion of the Common Elements for which the Association is required to maintain casualty insurance pursuant to the Bylaws of the Association which is damaged or destroyed. All Common Elements shall be conveyed to the Association in their "as is" condition without any express or implied warranty. DECLARANT HEREBY DISCLAIMS ALL IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMON ELEMENTS.

The Association also may acquire additional Common Elements with the consent of the Members of the Association entitled to cast at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of each class of Members of the Association, who are voting, in person or by proxy, at a meeting duly called for such purpose; provided, however, during Declarant's Development Period no such action shall be effective without Declarant's consent and approval. For such a conveyance to be effective, the deed or instrument conveying to the Association additional Common Elements must: (1) be executed on behalf of the Association by its duly authorized officers; (2) contain an attestation by the officers executing the instrument on behalf of the Association that the requisite owner and Declarant approval has been obtained and is evidenced by written acknowledgments signed by the owners approving the amendment and if required, Declarant, and that such acknowledgments are made a part of the minute book of the Association; and (3) be properly recorded in the Alamance County Registry.

SECTION 5. "Conservation Area" shall mean and refer to those tracts or areas designated as "Delineated Wetland Areas", "Stream Conservation Areas" or with words of similar import any plat or map of the Properties.

SECTION 6. "Declarant" shall mean and refer to W M W Development, LLC, as well as its successors and assigns, pursuant to an express assignment or conveyance of any special declarant rights hereunder to such successor or assign, all of which rights, including Declarant's voting, architectural review, easement and development rights, shall be assignable and may be apportioned on a lot-by-lot basis.

SECTION 7. "Declarant's Development Period" shall mean and refer to the period of time commencing on the date this Declaration is recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, Alamance County, North Carolina, and continuing for so long as Declarant shall have the right to annex any portion of the Additional Property pursuant to the provisions of Article XI, Section 4 hereof or Declarant or any affiliate of Declarant shall own any portion of the Properties.

SECTION 8. "Lot" shall mean and refer to any separately numbered plot of land shown upon any now or subsequently recorded subdivision plat of the Properties intended for single family detached residential purposes and shall include any improvements constructed thereon and "Lots" shall refer to all such lots collectively. The term "Lot" shall exclude any real property designated as Common Area. Those Lots adjoining Waterford Lake are "Waterfront Lots" and those Lots not adjoining Waterford Lake are "Standard Lots". Declarant hereby reserves the right

to reconfigure, from time to time and without the consent of the Owners or the Members of the Association, the boundaries of any Lot or Lots owned by Declarant and to thereby create additional Lots, eliminate existing Lots or create additional Common Elements; provided, however, in no event shall the Properties contain a greater number of Lots than the number from time to time permitted by the Appropriate Local Governmental Authority, nor shall any Lot within the Properties contain fewer square feet than the minimum number of square feet from time to time required by the Appropriate Local Governmental Authority. If Declarant elects to exercise its right to revise the boundaries of one or more Lots owned by Declarant, Declarant shall record a revised plat of the affected Lot or Lots. Upon the recording by Declarant of such a revised plat, each lot shown on the previously recorded plat or plats, the boundaries of which are revised by the revised plat, shall cease to be a "Lot" as defined in this Declaration and each newly configured lot shown on the revised plat shall be a "Lot" as defined in this Declaration. Any easements reserved pursuant to the provisions of Article VIII, Section 1 hereof shall apply to the Lots as reconfigured provided that no previously existing easements areas are in actual use for the purposes stated in said section.

SECTION 9. "Master Plan" shall mean and refer to the plan(s) for the Properties and the Additional Property now or hereafter approved by the Appropriate Local Governmental Authority, as such plan(s) may be from time to time amended and approved.

SECTION 10. "Member" shall mean and refer to every person or entity who holds Membership with voting rights in the Association.

SECTION 11. "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record Owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of a fee simple title to any Lot which is a part of the Properties, as hereinafter defined, including contract sellers, but excluding those having such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation.

SECTION 12. "Period of Declarant Control" shall mean and refer to the period of time commencing on the date this Declaration is recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, Alamance County, North Carolina, and continuing until the earlier of: (i) twenty (20) years from the date this Declaration is recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, Alamance County, North Carolina; or (ii) such time as seventy-five percent (75%) of the lots shown on the Master Plan have been conveyed by Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant to an Owner other than Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant; provided, however, if after the expiration of such period of time, the Master Plan is amended to add additional lots and fewer than seventy-five percent (75%) of the lots shown on the Master Plan have been conveyed by Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant to an Owner other than Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant, such period of time shall be reinstated and shall continue until the earlier of: (i) twenty (20) years from the date this Declaration is recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, Alamance County, North Carolina; or (ii) such time as seventy-five percent (75%) of the lots shown on the Master Plan have been conveyed by Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant to an Owner other than Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant.

SECTION 13. "Planned Community Act" shall mean and refer to the provisions of Chapter 47F of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

SECTION 14. "Properties" shall mean and refer to all of the real property hereby or hereafter made subject to the terms, covenants and conditions of this Declaration, as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE II

PROPERTY RIGHTS

SECTION 1. RECREATIONAL AMENITIES WHICH MAY BE LOCATED IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS. Declarant hereafter may construct or cause to be constructed (**BUT SHALL NOT BE OBLIGATED TO CONSTRUCT**) walkways and other recreational facilities on a portion of the Common Elements.

During Declarant's Development Period, Declarant or its affiliate shall have the right to require the exclusive (or, at the discretion of Declarant or its affiliate, non-exclusive) use of all or certain portions of any Common Elements for events promoting the sale of lots or homes in Waterford; provided, however, no such use by Declarant or its affiliate shall unreasonably interfere with or obstruct ingress, egress and regress to or from the Lots.

Pursuant to rules and regulations from time to time promulgated by the Association, upon request and after such notice as the rules and regulations may require, the Association, in the sole discretion of the Association's Executive Board or its designee, may allow a Member of the Association exclusive use of all or certain portions of any Common Elements for private events for a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) hours. Such rules and regulations may require that fees and/or deposits be paid to the Association in connection with such exclusive private use. Any damage to the Common Elements or any improvements located thereon during any such private event and any liability incurred by the Association as a result thereof not covered by insurance maintained by the Association (including any deductible) shall be the personal obligation of the Member or Members (joint and several) reserving the Common Elements and if not paid within thirty (30) days of written demand therefore shall be deemed to be assessments as set forth in Article IV hereof.

SECTION 2. MAINTENANCE OF WATERSHED IMPROVEMENTS. The Association shall maintain any lake and any retention or detention ponds, rip rap and other drainage or erosion control devices located on the Common Elements now or hereafter conveyed to the Association by Declarant that are required to be maintained by the governmental office(s) having jurisdiction for watershed protection as directed by such governmental office(s). In the event the Association is dissolved or otherwise defaults on its obligation to maintain any such drainage or erosion control device, Declarant, for each Lot owned within the Properties, hereby covenants and each Owner for any Lot, by acceptance of a deed therefore, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay a pro rata share of the cost of the maintenance of such pond or erosion control device.

SECTION 3. MAINTENANCE OF CONSERVATION AREAS. Those Conservation Areas located upon the Common Elements shall be maintained in perpetuity by the Master Association in their natural or mitigated condition. In the event the Master Association is

dissolved or otherwise defaults on its obligation to maintain the Conservation Areas located upon the Common Elements, Declarant, for each Lot owned within the Properties, hereby covenants and each Owner for any Lot, by acceptance of a deed therefore, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay a pro rata share of the cost of the maintenance of such Conservation Areas. Those Conservation Areas located upon a Lot shall be maintained in perpetuity by the Lot Owner in their natural or mitigated condition. This Section, the provisions of Article VI, Section 13, as well as the amendment provisions in Article XI, Section 3 are intended to ensure continued compliance with the mitigation condition of a Clean Water Act authorization issued by the United States of America, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Wilmington District, Action ID, and therefore may be enforced by the United States of America. In the event of a conflict between this Section 3 relating to conservation areas and Article II, Section 2 hereof relating to watershed improvements, this Section 3 shall control.

SECTION 4. RULES AND REGULATIONS. The Executive Board of the Association may establish reasonable rules and regulations concerning the use of the Common Elements and improvements located thereon. The Association may impose reasonable monetary fines and other sanctions for the violation established rules and regulations and for the violation of any of the covenants and conditions contained in this Declaration, which monetary fines and sanctions shall be assessed and collected pursuant to the provisions of Articles IV and XI hereof. Copies of such rules and regulations and the amendments thereto shall be furnished by the Association to all owners prior to the effective date thereof. All such rules and regulations shall be binding upon the owners, their families, tenants, guests, invitees and agents until and unless such regulation, rule or requirement shall be specifically overruled, canceled, or modified by the Executive Board of the Association or by the Members of the Association entitled to cast at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of the Association, who are voting, in person or by proxy, at a meeting duly called for such purpose; provided, however, during any Period of Declarant Control, Declarant must also consent to such action.

SECTION 5. OWNERS EASEMENTS OF ENJOYMENT OF COMMON ELEMENTS. Every Owner shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Elements which shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot, subject to the following provisions:

- (a) the easements herein reserved by Declarant or created in favor of the Association, including, without limitation the easements set forth in Article VIII hereof;
- (b) the right of the Association to permit the use of and to charge reasonable admission and other fees for the use of any recreational facility situated upon the Common Elements;
- (c) the right of the Association to suspend the voting rights by the Owner(s) of any Lot for any period during which any assessment against such Lot remains unpaid and for any period during which such Lot or any Owner or occupant thereof is in violation of the terms of this Declaration or the published rules and regulations of the Association and for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days after any such violation;

(d) the right of the Association to dedicate or transfer non-exclusive easements on, over and upon all or any part of the Common Elements for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the Association's Executive Board; provided, however, no such dedication or transfer shall be effective unless an instrument executed on behalf of the Association by its duly authorized officers, agreeing to such dedication or transfer, has been recorded;

(e) the right of the Association, pursuant to Section 47F-3-112 of the Planned Community Act and with the consent of the Members entitled to cast at least eighty percent (80%) of the votes of the Association (including two-thirds of the votes of the Members present at a meeting of the Members held in accordance with the Bylaws of the Association, such vote including at least a majority of the votes of the Members present other than Declarant), to dedicate or transfer fee title to all or any part of the Common Elements for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the Members consenting to such dedication or transfer; provided, however, during Declarant's Development Period, Declarant must also consent to such action and, further provided that no such dedication or transfer shall interfere with or obstruct utility service to, or ingress, egress and regress to or from, the Lots or any remaining Common Elements or cause any Lot or any remaining Common Elements to fail to comply with applicable laws, regulations or ordinances;

(f) the right of the Association to impose rules and regulations for the use and enjoyment of the Common Elements and improvements thereon, which regulations may further restrict the use of the Common Elements, and specifically including the right to make permanent and temporary assignments of parking spaces and to establish rules and regulations concerning parking and vehicular traffic flow on and along the streets and roadways, whether public or private, within or abutting the Properties which rules and regulations may restrict or prohibit on-street parking and may be enforced by towing at the expense of the vehicle's owner, by reasonable fine levied against the vehicle's owner and/or any Owner of a Lot to which such violation reasonably may be attributed, or by any other reasonable method of enforcement established by the Association's Executive Board;

(g) the right of the Association to borrow money for the purpose of improving the Common Elements and facilities thereon and, with the assent of the Members entitled to cast at least eighty percent (80%) of the votes of the Association (including two-thirds of the votes of the Members present at a meeting of the Members held in accordance with the Bylaws of the Association, such vote including at least a majority of the votes of the Members present other than Declarant), mortgage, pledge, deed in trust, or hypothecate any or all of the Common Elements as security for money borrowed or debts incurred (any such mortgage shall be effective if it is executed on behalf of the Association by its duly authorized officers and recites that the requisite consent of Members has been obtained and documented in the Minute Book of the Association); provided, however, during Declarant's Development Period, Declarant must also consent to such action, and further provided that no such mortgage, encumbrance or hypothecation or foreclosure of the lien thereby created shall interfere with or obstruct utility service to, or ingress, egress and regress to or from, the Lots or any remaining Common Elements or cause any Lot or any remaining Common Elements to fail to comply with applicable laws, regulations or ordinances; and

(h) the right of the Association to convey to Declarant portions of the Common Elements for the purpose of correcting erroneous conveyances of Common Elements or eliminating unintentional encroachments of dwellings or other improvements onto portions of the Common Elements or for the purpose of enhancing the utility of the Common Elements to be retained by the Association; provided, however, no such conveyance shall interfere with or obstruct utility service to, or ingress, egress and regress to or from, the Lots or any remaining Common Elements or cause any Lot or any remaining Common Elements to fail to comply with applicable laws, regulations or ordinances.

SECTION 6. DELEGATION OF USE. Any Owner may delegate, in accordance with the By-Laws, his rights of enjoyment of the Common Elements and facilities to the members of his family, his tenants or contract purchasers who reside on the Lot of such Owner.

SECTION 7. LEASES OF LOTS. Any Lease Agreement between an Owner and a lessee for the lease of such Owner's Lot shall provide that the terms of the Lease shall be subject in all respects to the provisions of this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, the Articles of Incorporation and By-Laws of the Association and that any failure by the lessee to comply with the terms of such document shall be a default under the terms of the lease. All leases of Lots shall be in writing and shall have a term of not less than six (6) months. Other than the foregoing, there is no restriction on the right of any Owner to lease his Lot.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP. Every person or entity who or which is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot which is subject by covenants of record to assessment by the Association, including Declarant and any affiliated entity shall be a voting Member of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities that hold an interest in a Lot merely as security for the performance of an obligation. Such Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment by the Association. Except as otherwise provided in Section 2 below, on all matters which the Membership shall be entitled to vote, the Member(s) owning each Lot shall be entitled to one (1) vote. When more than one person holds an interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be Members. The vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one vote be cast with respect to any Lot.

SECTION 2. CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP. The Association shall have two classes of voting membership:

Class A: The Class A Members shall be every person or entity who or which is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot which is subject by covenants of record to assessment by the Association, except for Declarant or any affiliated entity during any Period of Declarant Control. In the event that a Lot is owned by more than one Class A Member, the Owners of such Lot, collectively,

shall be allocated not more than one (1) vote and the vote allocated to such Lot shall be cast as such Owners may agree between or among themselves.

Class B: Declarant shall be the Class B Member and Declarant shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each lot shown on the Master Plan as developed or to be developed as a part of Waterford which has not been conveyed by Declarant or any affiliated entity to a Class A Member. The Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership on the happening of either of the following events, whichever occurs earlier:

(a) when the total votes outstanding in the Class A membership equal or exceed the total votes outstanding in the Class B membership; however, the Class B membership shall be reinstated if thereafter, and before the time stated in subparagraph (b) below, the Master Plan is amended to add additional lots developed or to be developed as a part of Waterford sufficient to give the Class B membership a total number of votes (with the Class B membership entitled to three (3) votes for each lot shown on the Master Plan as developed or to be developed as a part of Waterford which has not been conveyed by Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant to a Class A Member) greater than those of the Class A membership; or,

(b) twenty (20) years from the date this Declaration is recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds, Alamance County, North Carolina.

SECTION 3. DECLARANT RIGHT TO REPRESENTATION ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE ASSOCIATION. During any Period of Declarant Control, Declarant shall have the right to designate and select all of the Members of each Executive Board of the Association. Whenever Declarant shall be entitled to designate and select any person or persons to serve on any Executive Board of the Association, the manner in which such person or persons shall be designated shall be as provided in the Articles of Incorporation and/or Bylaws of the Association, and Declarant shall have the right to remove any person or persons selected by it to act and serve on said Executive Board and to replace such person or persons with another person or other persons to act and serve in the place of any member or members of the Executive Board so removed for the remainder of the unexpired term of any member or members of the Executive Board so removed. Any Executive Board member designated and selected by Declarant need not be a resident of the Properties. Except as otherwise provided in the Bylaws with respect to the filling of vacancies, any members of the Executive Board which Declarant is not entitled to designate or select shall be elected by the Members of the Association.

ARTICLE IV

COVENANT FOR MAINTENANCE AND ASSESSMENTS

SECTION 1. CREATION OF THE LIEN AND PERSONAL OBLIGATION OF ASSESSMENTS. The Declarant, for each Lot owned within the Properties, hereby covenants, and each Owner for any Lot, by acceptance of a deed therefore, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay: (a) to the Association: (i) annual and other assessments and charges provided for herein, together with interest, and late

fees, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees; (ii) special assessments for capital improvements, such assessments to be established and collected as hereinafter provided; and (b) to the appropriate governmental taxing authority: (i) a pro rata share of ad valorem taxes levied against the Common Elements; and (ii) a pro rata share of assessments for public improvements to or for the benefit of the Common Elements if the Association shall default in the payment of either or both for a period of six (6) months. All assessments and charges provided for herein, together with interest, and late fees, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the property against which each such assessment is made when a claim of lien is filed of record in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court, Alamance County, North Carolina. Each such assessment and charge, together with interest, any late fees, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the Owner of such property at the time when the assessment fell due. The personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to his successors in title unless expressly assumed by them.

SECTION 2. PURPOSE OF ASSESSMENTS.

(a) The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively to promote the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Properties and in particular for the acquisition, improvement and maintenance of properties, services and facilities devoted to this purpose and related to the use and enjoyment of the Common Elements or the Lots, including but not limited to, the costs of repairs, replacements and additions, the cost of labor, equipment, materials, management and supervision, the payment of any taxes and assessments assessed against the Common Elements including, without limitation, any recreational facilities constructed thereon, the payment of assessments assessed against the Common Elements and any improvements thereupon; the maintenance of open spaces and streets within the Common Elements which have not been accepted for dedication by a public authority, roadway medians and islands (including medians and islands located in dedicated rights-of-way within the Properties), drives and parking areas within the Common Elements; the procurement and maintenance of insurance in accordance with the By-Laws; the maintenance of dams and ponds, including retention or detention ponds, or other bodies of water, if any, located within the Common Elements; the erection, maintenance and repair of signs, entranceways, landscaping and lighting within the Common Elements, the landscaping, easements, sign easements, road medians and islands; the cost of operating, maintaining and repairing any street or signage lights erected by the Association or the Declarant in the rights-of-way of streets (whether public or private) or in any other easement provided therefore within the Properties; the payment of charges for garbage collection and municipal water and sewer services furnished to the Common Elements; certain maintenance of that portion of yards of any Lots lying within a landscaping or sign easement; the employment of attorneys and other agents to represent the Association when necessary; the provision of adequate reserves for the replacement of capital improvements including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, paving, and any other major expense for which the Association is responsible; and such other needs as may arise.

(b) The Association may establish and maintain an adequate reserve fund for the periodic maintenance, repair and replacement of improvements to the Common Elements and those other portions of the Properties which the Association may be obligated to maintain. Such reserve fund is to be established out of regular assessments for common expense.

(c) All monies collected by the Association shall be treated as the separate property of the Association, and such monies may be applied by the Association to the payment of any expense of operating and managing the Properties, or to the proper undertaking of all acts and duties imposed upon it by virtue of this Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the Association. As monies for any assessment are paid to the Association by any Owner, the same may be commingled with monies paid to the Association by the other Owners. Although all funds and Common surplus, including other assets of the Association, and any increments thereto or profits derived therefrom shall be held for the benefit of the Members of the Association, no Member of the Association shall have the right to assign, hypothecate, pledge or in any manner transfer his Membership interest therein, except as an appurtenance to his Lot. When any Owner shall cease to be a Member of the Association by reason of his divestment of ownership of his Lot, by whatever means, the Association shall not be required to account to such Owner for any share of the fund or assets of the Association, or which may have been paid to the Association by such Owner, as all monies which any Owner has paid to the Association shall be and constitute an asset of the Association which may be used in the operation and management of the Properties.

SECTION 3. ADOPTION OF BUDGET AND FIXING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS; MAXIMUM ANNUAL ASSESSMENT.

(a) At least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period, the Executive Board shall establish an annual budget and fix the amount of the annual assessments in advance for the following year. Within thirty (30) days of the adoption of any proposed budget, the Executive Board shall provide to all of the Owners a summary of the budget and a notice of the meeting to consider ratification of the budget, including a statement that the budget may be ratified without a quorum. The Executive Board shall set a date for a meeting of the Owners to consider ratification of the budget, such meeting to be held not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days after mailing of the summary and notice. There shall be no requirement that a quorum be present at the meeting. The budget is ratified unless at that meeting the Owners of a majority of the Lots reject the budget. In the event the proposed budget is rejected, the periodic budget last ratified by the Owners shall be continued until such time as the Owners ratify a subsequent budget proposed by the Executive Board.

(b) Until December 31 of the year of the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum annual assessment shall be Five Hundred Forty and No/100 Dollars (\$540.00) per Lot, and may be collected in monthly installments of Forty-Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$45.00) per Lot. The maximum annual Assessment for the calendar year immediately following the year in which conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner is made and for each calendar year thereafter may be increased without limit by a vote of the Members entitled to cast at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of each class of Members who are voting, in person or by proxy, at a meeting duly called for this purpose; provided, however, during any Period of Declarant Control, Declarant must also consent to such action.

(c) The Executive Board may fix the annual assessment at an amount not in excess of the maximum, subject to the provisions of Section 6 of this Article.

SECTION 4. SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS. In addition to the annual assessments authorized above, the Association may levy, in any calendar year, a special assessment for the purpose of defraying in whole or in part the costs of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement upon the Common Elements, including fixtures and personal property related thereto, provided that any such assessment shall have the assent of the Members entitled to cast at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of the Class A and Class B Members who are voting, in person or by proxy, at a meeting duly called for this purpose; provided, however, during the Declarant's Development Period, Declarant must also consent to such action.

SECTION 5. NOTICE AND QUORUM FOR ANY ACTION AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTIONS 3 AND 4. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any action authorized under Section 3 or 4 of this Article shall be sent to all Members not less than fifteen (15) days nor more than sixty (60) days in advance of the meeting. At the first such meeting called, the presence of Members or of proxies entitled to cast twenty percent (20%) of all the votes of the Class A and Class B Members shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not present, another meeting may be called subject to the same notice requirement, and the required quorum at the subsequent meeting shall be one-half (1/2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the preceding meeting.

SECTION 6. RATE OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT. Both annual and special assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Lots, and may be collected on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis; provided, however, that so long any Lot is owned by Declarant there shall be no annual or special assessments due as to such Lot.

SECTION 7. DATE AND COMMENCEMENT OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS: DUE DATES. Subject to the limitations in Article IV, Section 6 hereof, the annual assessments provided for herein shall commence as to a Lot on the first day of the month following the date such Lot is made subject to this Declaration. The first annual assessment shall be adjusted according to the number of months remaining in the calendar year. The due dates shall be established by the Executive Board. The Association shall, upon demand, and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the assessments on a specified Lot have been paid. In the event of a sale of a Lot by Declarant to a third party, the first annual assessment shall be paid by the buyer at closing and shall be calculated on a prorated basis based upon the number of days remaining in the calendar year of closing.

SECTION 8. WORKING CAPITAL ASSESSMENTS. In addition to the annual assessments authorized above, at the time of the closing of the first sale of each Lot to a purchaser other than Declarant, the purchaser(s) thereof shall pay to the Association an amount equal to two-twelfths (2/12ths) of the then current annual assessment for such Lot established by the Association. Such funds shall be used by the Association to establish a Working Capital Fund, the purpose of which is to help insure that the Association will have sufficient monies available to meet its initial operational needs, unforeseen expenditures or long-term capital improvements and repairs to the Common Elements. No such payments made into the Working

Capital Fund shall be considered advance or current payment of regular assessments. All monies paid into the Working Capital Fund shall be held and administered by the Association in accordance with the terms of the Declaration and these Bylaws.

SECTION 9. EFFECT OF NONPAYMENT OF ASSESSMENTS: REMEDIES OF THE ASSOCIATION. Any assessment not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall bear interest from the due date at a rate from time-to-time established by the Association not to exceed eighteen percent (18%) per annum. In addition, the Association may charge a reasonable late fee, the amount of which shall be established from time to time by the Executive Board of the Association, for assessments not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date and after notice and an opportunity to be heard, the Association may suspend privileges or services provided by the Association (except rights of access to Lots during any period that assessments or other amounts due and owing to the Association remain unpaid for a period of thirty (30) days or longer, which suspension may continue without further hearing until the delinquency is cured. The Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same or foreclose the lien created herein against the property in the same manner as prescribed by the laws of the State of North Carolina for the foreclosure of a mortgage or deed of trust on real estate under power of sale, and interest, any late fees, costs and reasonable attorneys' fees for representation of the Association in such action or foreclosure shall be added to the amount of such assessment. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessment provided for herein by nonuse of the Common Elements or abandonment of his Lot nor shall damage to or destruction of any improvements on any Lot by fire or other casualty result in any abatement or diminution of the assessments provided for herein.

SECTION 10. EFFECT OF DEFAULT IN PAYMENT OF AD VALOREM TAXES OR ASSESSMENTS FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS BY ASSOCIATION. Upon default by the Association in the payment to the governmental authority entitled thereto of any ad valorem taxes levied against the Common Elements or assessments for public improvements to the Common Elements, which default shall continue for a period of six (6) months, each Owner of a Lot in the development shall become personally obligated to pay to the taxing or assessing governmental authority a portion of such unpaid taxes or assessments in an amount determined by dividing the total taxes and/or assessments due the governmental authority by the total number of Lots in the development. If such sum is not paid by the Owner within thirty (30) days following receipt of notice of the amount due, then such sum shall become a continuing lien on the Lot of the then Owner, his heirs, devisees, personal representatives and assigns, and the taxing or assessing governmental authority may either bring an action at law or may elect to foreclose the lien against the Lot of the Owner.

SECTION 11. SUBORDINATION OF THE LIEN FOR ASSESSMENTS TO THE LIEN OF FIRST MORTGAGES. The lien to secure payment of assessments shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage or deed of trust. When the holder of a first mortgage or first deed of trust of record, or other purchaser of a lot obtains title to the lot as a result of foreclosure of a first mortgage or first deed of trust or deed in lieu of foreclosure, such purchaser and its heirs, successors, and assigns, shall not be liable for the assessments against such Lot which become due prior to the acquisition of title to such Lot by such purchaser. Such unpaid assessments shall be deemed to be common expenses collectible from all Owners including such

purchaser, its heirs, successors, and assigns. Such sale or transfer of any Lot which is subject to any such first mortgage or deed of trust, pursuant to a foreclosure thereof or any proceeding in lieu of foreclosure thereof, shall extinguish the lien of such assessments as to the payment thereof which become due prior to such sale or transfer; provided, however, no such sale or transfer shall relieve such Lot or the Owner thereof from liability for any assessments thereafter becoming due or from the lien thereof.

SECTION 12. EXEMPT PROPERTY. All property dedicated to, and accepted by, a public authority and all properties owned by a charitable or non-profit organization exempt from taxation by the laws of the State of North Carolina shall be exempt from the assessments created herein. However, no land or improvements devoted to dwelling use shall be exempt from said assessments.

ARTICLE V

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

SECTION 1. IMPROVEMENTS. No improvements, alteration, repair, change in paint color, excavation, change in grade, planting, landscaping, exterior decoration (including, without limitation, yard ornaments, figurines, statues, bird baths, houses and feeders, flags and similar items) or other work which in any way alters the exterior of any Lot or the improvements located thereon from their natural or improved state existing on the date such Lot was first conveyed in fee by the Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant to an Owner other than Declarant or an affiliate of Declarant, shall be commenced, erected or maintained upon any Lot and no building, fence wall, residence or other structure shall be commenced, erected, maintained, improved, altered or removed (all or any of the foregoing hereinafter referred to as a "Modification"), until the plans and specifications showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials and location of the same shall have been submitted to and approved in writing as to harmony of external design and location in relation to surrounding structures and topography by the Executive Board of the Association or by the appropriate architectural committee. Proposed Modifications to Lots shall be reviewed by an architectural control committee composed of three (3) or more representatives appointed by a majority vote of those certain members of the Executive Board elected by the Members. Notwithstanding the foregoing, landscaping improvements consisting of plant materials native to the area and commonly used in residential landscaping which do not interfere with the sight lines of motorists at intersections of the streets and/or driveways located within the Properties shall not require approval by the Executive Board of the Association or the Architectural Control Committee. In addition, temporary seasonal exterior decorations shall not require the prior approval of the Executive Board or the Architectural Control Committee, but if any such decorations are determined, in the sole discretion of the appropriate Architectural Control Committee, to be distasteful or otherwise disruptive of the aesthetics or visual harmony of the community, the appropriate Architectural Control Committee may require that such decorations promptly and permanently be removed. In the event that an Owner neglects or fails to remove any such decorations at the request of the Architectural Control Committee, the Association may provide such removal. In order to enable the Association to accomplish the foregoing, there is hereby reserved to the Association the right to unobstructed access over and upon each Lot at all reasonable times for such purpose and the cost of such removal shall be

added to and become a part of the assessment to which such Lot is subject. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein contained shall prevent or interfere with the right of Declarant or any affiliate of Declarant to improve and develop the Properties, including the Lots, as Declarant or such affiliate chooses, so long as said development follows the general plan of development of the Properties from time to time approved by the Appropriate Local Governmental Authority. Accordingly, nothing herein shall require that either Declarant or any affiliate of Declarant seek or obtain the approval of the Architectural Control Committee for improvements erected on the Properties by or at the direction of Declarant or any such affiliate. In addition, for so long as Declarant or any affiliated entity owns any Lot or has the right to annex any Additional Property pursuant to Section 4(b), Article XI hereof, Declarant or its affiliate may approve any plans and specifications rejected by any Architectural Control Committee for the construction or alteration of improvements on any Lot provided the construction or alteration approved by Declarant or its affiliate comport with the general scheme of development from time to time approved by the Appropriate Local Governmental Authority. Such approval by Declarant or its affiliate shall operate and have the same effect as approval by the Executive Board or the Architectural Control Committee.

SECTION 2. PROCEDURES.

(a) Any person desiring to make any improvement, alteration or change described in Section 1 above shall submit the plans and specifications therefore, showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials and location of the same, to the appropriate Architectural Control Committee which shall evaluate such plans and specification in light of the purposes of this Article. The Architectural Control Committee shall have a period of thirty (30) days from receipt of a request for approval of plans and specifications within which to approve or disapprove them. In the event of disapproval, reasons shall be provided in writing for such disapproval.

(b) Upon approval by the appropriate Architectural Control Committee of any plans and specifications submitted pursuant to this Declaration, a copy of such plans and specifications, as approved, shall be deposited for permanent record with the Association and a copy of such plans and specifications bearing such approval, in writing, shall be returned to the applicant submitting the same. Approval for use in connection with any Lot of any plans and specifications shall not be deemed a waiver of the Architectural Control Committee's right, in its discretion, to disapprove similar plans and specifications or any of the features or elements included therein if such plans, specifications, features or elements are subsequently submitted for use in connection with any other Lot. Approval of any such plans and specifications relating to any Lot, however, shall be final as to that Lot and such approval may not be reviewed or rescinded thereafter, provided that there has been adherence to, and compliance with, such plans and specifications, as approved, and any conditions attached to any such approval. As a condition to the granting of approval of any request made under this Article, the Association may require that the Owner(s) requesting such change be liable for any cost of maintaining, repairing and insuring the approved alteration. If such condition is imposed, the Owner(s) shall evidence consent thereto by a written document in recordable form satisfactory to the Association. Thereafter, the Owner(s), and any subsequent Owner(s) of the Lot, by acceptance of a deed therefore, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed, are deemed to covenant and agree

that the cost of maintaining, repairing and insuring such alteration shall be a part of the annual assessment or charge set forth herein, and subject to the lien rights described herein.

(c) Neither Declarant, nor any other member of the Association's Executive Board or Architectural Control Committee, shall be responsible or liable in any way for any defects in any plans or specification approved by them, nor for any structural defects in any work done according to such plans and specifications. Further, neither Declarant, nor any member of the Association's Executive Board or Architectural Control Committee, shall be liable in damages to anyone by reason of mistake in judgment, negligence, misfeasance, malfeasance or nonfeasance arising out of or in connection with the approval or disapproval or failure to approve or disapprove any such plans or specification or the exercise of any other power or right provided for in this Declaration. Every Person who submits plans or specifications for approval agrees, by submission of such plans and specifications, and every owner of any Lot agrees, that he or she will not bring any action or suit against Declarant, or any member of the Association's Executive Board or Architectural Control Committee, to recover any such damage.

ARTICLE VI

MAINTENANCE

SECTION 1. MAINTENANCE TO BE PERFORMED BY THE ASSOCIATION. The Association shall maintain the Common Elements.

SECTION 2. MAINTENANCE TO BE PERFORMED BY MEMBERS. Each Member, shall be responsible for the exterior maintenance of his or her dwelling, including, without limitation, the following: painting, replacement and care of roofs, gutters, downspouts, and exterior building surfaces, and each Member shall be responsible for maintenance of lawn, trees, shrubs, landscaping, driveways, steps, walks and other exterior improvements. Each Member shall be liable and responsible for the maintenance, repair and replacement, as the case may be, of all utility lines, fixtures and/or their connections required to provide water, light, power, telephone, sewage and sanitary service to such Member's Lot which are not publicly maintained.

In the event that a Member neglects or fails to maintain his or her improved Lot as provided herein and/or the exterior of his or her dwelling in a manner consistent with other improved Lots and dwellings within the Properties or fails to maintain his or her improved Lot in a safe condition and free of debris, the Association may provide such exterior maintenance; provided, however, that the Association shall first give written notice to the Member of the specific items of exterior maintenance or repair the Association intends to perform and the Member shall have twenty (20) days from the date of mailing of said notice within which to perform such exterior maintenance himself or herself. The determination as to whether a Member has neglected or failed to maintain his or her Lot and/or dwelling in a manner consistent with other Lots and dwellings within the Properties shall be made by the Executive Board of the Association, in its sole discretion. In the event the Association performs such exterior maintenance, repair or replacement, the cost of such maintenance, replacement or repairs shall be added to and become a part of the assessment to which such Lot is subject. In order to enable the

Association to accomplish the foregoing, there is hereby reserved to the Association the right to unobstructed access over and upon each Lot at all reasonable times to perform maintenance as provided in this Article.

ARTICLE VII

RESTRICTIONS

SECTION 1. LAND USE. No Lot shall be used except for single-family residential purposes; provided, however, Declarant, or any affiliated entity may use any Lot owned or leased by Declarant or any affiliated entity as a temporary sales office and/or model for the purposes of carrying on business related to the development, improvement and sale of the Properties or the Additional Property. No building shall be erected, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot other than one detached single-family dwelling not to exceed 2½ stories in height, an optional attached private garage for not more than three (3) cars and one (1) permanent accessory building incidental to the residential use of the Lot. By way of illustration and not of limitation, any such accessory building must be erected on a permanent foundation and must be constructed on the Lot (as opposed to a pre-fabricated building).

SECTION 2. SIZE OF DWELLING. No single-family dwelling shall be erected or allowed to remain on any Lot which has a heated living area above grade of less than three thousand (3,000) square feet if situated upon a Waterfront Lot or less than two thousand five hundred (2,500) square feet if situated on a Standard Lot.

SECTION 3. SETBACK REQUIREMENTS. Any single-family dwelling erected upon any lot shall comply with the setbacks shown upon the applicable plat. With regard to any Lot or Lots which may be re-subdivided or re-combined in compliance with Section 9 of this Article, the setback requirements hereby established shall apply to such Lot or Lots as re-subdivided or re-combined.

SECTION 4. NUISANCE. No noxious or offensive activity shall be conducted upon any Lot or the Common Elements nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or may become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood. In the event that any Lot Owner or any other person conducts obnoxious or offensive activity upon any Lot or does anything thereon which may be or may become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood, a written complaint can be filed by a Lot Owner with the Association. If after investigation the Complaint is deemed legitimate by the Association, the Association will make a written request to the owner of the Lot upon which the activity is being conducted that the obnoxious or offensive activity be stopped immediately. If the activity continues for two days after this written notice is issued by the Association, any complaining Lot Owner can pursue judicial relief against the offending Lot Owner or the offending person. All Lot Owners expressly waive any claims against Declarant related to any obnoxious or offensive activity conducted upon any Lot or relating to anything done upon any Lot which may be or may become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood, except to the extent that the alleged obnoxious or offensive activity is conducted by the Declarant or the Declarant's agent. No Lot or other area within Properties shall be used as a dumping ground for rubbish or as a site for the accumulation of unsightly materials

