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**DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS
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FOR
LAVEEN RANCH**

This Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements for Laveen Ranch (this "*Declaration*") is made Sept. 22 2004 by K. HOVNANIAN GREAT WESTERN HOMES, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company ("*Declarant*").

RECITALS:

A. Declarant is the owner and developer of certain real property in the City of Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, which is more particularly described in Exhibit A attached hereto and by reference incorporated herein (the "*Property*").

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B. Declarant has formed, or intends to form, Laveen Ranch Homeowners Association as an Arizona nonprofit corporation, for the purpose of the efficient preservation of the values and amenities of the Property and to which shall be delegated certain powers of administering and maintaining the Common Area, enforcing this Declaration, and collecting and disbursing the Assessments created herein.

C. Declarant desires to establish for its own benefit and for the mutual benefit of all future Owners, or other holders of interests in any portion of the Property, certain mutually beneficial covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements and obligations with respect to the proper development, use and maintenance of the Property.

D. Declarant desires and intends that the Owners, Mortgagees, trustees and other persons who may acquire any interest in the Property, shall at all times enjoy the benefits of, and shall hold their interest subject to the rights, privileges, easements, covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements and obligations set forth in this Declaration, all of which are declared to be in furtherance of a plan to promote and protect the value, desirability and attractiveness of the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, DECLARANT hereby declares, covenants and agrees as follows:

DECLARATION:

1. Definitions.

1.1 "Additional Property" shall mean any real property located adjacent to or near the Property.

1.2 "Annual Assessment" shall mean the annual charge levied and assessed against each Lot, Dwelling Unit and Owner pursuant to Section 6 of this Declaration.

1.3 "Architectural Committee" shall mean the committee created pursuant to Section 7 hereof.

1.4 "Architectural Committee Rules" shall mean the rules, if any, adopted by the Architectural Committee, as defined in Section 7.4 hereof.

1.5 "Articles" shall mean the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, as such may be amended from time to time.

1.6 "Assessment" shall mean Annual Assessments, Special Assessments, Enforcement Assessments, Maintenance Charges, Special Use Fees, security fees, or any other assessments, fees, fines or charges assessed hereunder.

1.7 "Association" shall mean and refer to LAVEEN RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, an Arizona nonprofit corporation, ^{Unofficial Document} its successors and assigns.

1.8 "Association Property" shall mean the Common Area, along with any other part or parts of the Property, together with any buildings, structures and improvements thereon, and other real property, held by Declarant or by a trustee, for conveyance to the Association as may be provided for herein, or that the Association now or hereafter owns in fee or in which the Association now or hereafter has a leasehold or easement interest, for as long as the Association is the owner of the fee, leasehold or easement interest, or such property is so held by Declarant for conveyance to the Association. Except as otherwise provided in this Declaration, all Association Property shall be maintained by the Association for the benefit of all the Owners. From time to time Declarant may convey easements, leaseholds or other property within the Property to the Association and such property shall automatically be deemed accepted by the Association.

1.9 "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Association.

1.10 "Bylaws" shall mean the Bylaws of the Association, as such may be amended from time to time.

1.11 "Collection Costs" shall mean all costs, fees, charges and expenditures including, without limitation, attorneys' fees (whether a legal action is filed), court costs, filing fees and recording fees incurred by the Association in collecting and/or enforcing payment of

Assessments, monetary penalties, late fees, demand fees, interest or other amounts payable to the Association pursuant to this Declaration.

1.12 "Common Area" shall mean all areas (including the improvements thereon) owned, or to be owned, by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners and/or Residents of the Property. The Common Area to be owned by the Association at the time of the First Conveyance is described as follows:

Tracts A through P, inclusive, of LAVEEN RANCH, according to the final plat recorded in Book 698 of Maps, Page 30, Official Records of the Maricopa County Recorder, Maricopa County, Arizona.

1.13 "Covenants" shall mean the covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, obligations, assessments, charges, servitudes, liens and reservations set forth herein.

1.14 "Declarant" shall mean K. Hovnanian Great Western Homes, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company, or any designee, successor or assignee thereof, but only to the extent designated by Declarant in writing as a designee, successor or assignee, and an assignment of Declarant's rights is executed and Recorded.

1.15 "Declaration" shall mean the covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements and obligations set forth in this document, as such may be amended from time to time.

1.16 "Detached Structure" shall mean a detached garage, gazebo, guest quarters or similar structures approved in writing by the Architectural Committee in compliance with the guidelines established for such structures either in this Declaration or in any Rules established by the Architectural Committee, as further defined in Section 8.1.1 below.

1.17 "Dwelling Unit" shall mean any building or portion of a building situated upon a Lot, which building or portion of a building is designed and intended for use and occupancy as a residence.

1.18 "Enforcement Assessment" shall mean an assessment levied pursuant to Section 6.5 of this Declaration.

1.19 "Exempt Property" shall mean the following parts of the Property:

1.19.1 All land and improvements owned by, or dedicated to and accepted by, the United States, the State of Arizona, Maricopa County, the City of Phoenix or any other municipality or political subdivision thereof, for as long as any such governmental entity or political subdivision is the owner thereof, or for so long as such dedication remains effective; provided, however, that any such land shall be Exempt Property only while it is being used by such governmental entity owner for governmental or public purposes;

1.19.2 All Association Property, for as long as the Association is the owner thereof (or of the interest therein that makes such land Association Property); and

1.19.3 Each portion of any and all residential areas designated in a recorded subdivision plat, deed, Tract Declaration or other declaration as an area to be used in common by the Owners and Residents.

All Exempt Property shall be exempted from Assessments and Membership in the Association and its associated privileges and responsibilities, but shall nevertheless be subject to all other provisions of this Declaration. The Board may restrict or prohibit the use of the Common Area (except any easements, rights-of-way, utility improvements and landscaping, drainage and flood control areas) by the Owners of Exempt Property, except for Declarant, its affiliates, subcontractors, employees, agents, guests and invitees. This subsection may not be amended without the approval of any and all Owners of Exempt Property affected by the amendment.

1.20 "First Conveyance" shall mean the first Lot sold and conveyed by the Recording of a deed, from Declarant to a Purchaser.

1.21 "First Mortgage" shall mean a Mortgage Recorded against a Lot which has priority over all other Mortgages Recorded against that Lot.

1.22 "First Mortgagee" shall mean such a beneficiary or mortgagee under a First Mortgage.

1.23 "Lot" shall mean any Unofficial Document numbered parcel of real property shown upon any recorded plat of the Property together with any improvements constructed thereon, with the exception of the areas designated as lettered tracts and areas dedicated to the public.

1.24 "Maintenance Charge" shall mean any and all costs assessed pursuant to Section 6 of this Declaration.

1.25 "Maximum Annual Assessment" shall have the meaning given that term in Section 6.3 of this Declaration.

1.26 "Member" shall mean any Person who is a Member of the Association as provided in Section 5.1.

1.27 "Membership" shall mean a membership in the Association.

1.28 "Mortgage" shall mean a deed of trust or a mortgage Recorded against a Lot.

1.29 "Mortgagee" shall mean a beneficiary under a deed of trust, or a mortgagee under a mortgage, Recorded against a Lot.

1.30 "Occupant" shall mean any Person in actual legal possession of any Lot.

1.31 "Owner" shall mean the record owner, whether one or more Persons, of equitable or beneficial title in fee simple (or legal title if same have merged) of any Lot, and shall include the Purchaser under a recorded agreement for sale of any Lot. The foregoing does not include a Person who holds an interest in any Lot merely as security for the performance of an obligation. Except as stated otherwise herein, Owner(s) shall not include a lessee or tenant of a Lot. Owners shall include Declarant so long as Declarant owns any Lot within the Property.

1.32 "Party Walls and Fences" shall mean a wall and/or fence constructed on or immediately adjacent to the common boundary of Lots, the Common Area or other areas in the Property.

1.33 "Person" shall mean a natural person, corporation, limited liability company, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, association, joint venture, governmental entity, governmental subdivision or agency, or other legal or commercial entity.

1.34 "Property" shall mean the real property described on Exhibit A, together with all improvements located thereon, and all real property, together with all improvements located thereon, which is annexed and subjected to this Declaration pursuant to Section 2.2, but excluding any real property, together with all improvements thereon, which is withdrawn pursuant to Section 2.3.

1.35 "Purchaser" shall mean any Person, other than the Declarant, who by means of a voluntary transfer becomes the Owner of a Lot, except for: (a) any 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 (b) any Person who, in addition to purchasing a Lot, is assigned or has acquired any or all of the Declarant's rights under this Declaration.

1.36 "Recorded," "Recordation" and/or "Recording" shall mean placing or the placement of an instrument of public record in the office of the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona, as applicable.

1.37 "Resident" shall mean:

1.37.1 Each buyer under a recorded contract (as defined in Arizona Revised Statutes Section 33-741) covering any part of the Property, and each Owner, tenant or lessee on any part of the Property;

1.37.2 Members of the immediate family of each Owner, lessee, tenant or buyer referred to in Section 1.37.1 actually living in the same household with such Owner, lessee, tenant or buyer on any part of the Property; and

1.37.3 Subject to the Rules as the Association may hereafter specify (including the imposition of special nonresident fees for the use of Association Property if the Association shall so direct), the onsite employees, guests or invitees of any Owner, lessee, tenant or buyer, if and to the extent the Board so directs, in its absolute discretion, by resolution.

1.38 "Rules" and/or "Association Rules" shall mean the rules and regulations adopted by the Board, if any, as such may be amended from time to time, as further described in Section 4.5.

1.39 "Special Assessment" shall mean any assessment levied and assessed pursuant to Section 6.4.

1.40 "Special Use Fees" shall mean special fees authorized by this Declaration which an Owner, Resident or any other person is obligated to pay to the Association over, above and in addition to any Assessments imposed or payable hereunder. The amount of any Special Use Fees shall be determined by the Board, in its absolute discretion, provided all such fees must be fair and reasonable.

1.41 "Supplemental Declaration" shall mean any declaration of additional covenants or provisions applicable to the Property which are consistent with this Declaration and which have been approved in writing by Declarant.

1.42 "Visible from Neighboring Property" shall mean, with respect to any given object, visible to a person six feet tall, standing on any part of neighboring property at an elevation no greater than ground level where the object is located (assuming the ground level where the person is standing is at the same height as the ground level where the object is located).

2. Property Subject to this Declaration.

2.1 General Declaration. Unofficial Document Declarant hereby declares that the Property is and shall be held, conveyed, hypothecated, encumbered, leased, occupied, built upon or otherwise used, improved or transferred, in whole or in part, subject to this Declaration, as amended from time to time; provided, however, Property which is not part of a Lot and which is dedicated or transferred to a public authority or utility pursuant to Section 4.8 shall not be subject to this Declaration while owned by the public authority or utility. This Declaration is declared and agreed to be in furtherance of Declarant's general plan for, and improvement and sale of, the Property and is established for the purpose of enhancing and perfecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of the Property. This Declaration shall run with all of the Property for all purposes and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Declarant, the Association, all Owners, Members and their respective successors in interest. Nothing in this Declaration shall be construed to prevent Declarant from modifying Declarant's general plan or development plan for the Property, or any portions thereof, provided Declarant obtains the consent of the Owner of the property that is the subject of the modification.

2.2 Annexation of Additional Property. Declarant may, without obligation to do so, annex Additional Property into the Property and subject such Additional Property to the terms and conditions of this Declaration, by Recording one or more Supplemental Declarations which may incorporate this Declaration and establish such additional covenants, conditions, restriction, Assessments, charges, servitudes, liens, reservations and easements with respect to such real property as Declarant may from time to time deem appropriate.

2.3 Withdrawal of Property. At any time that Declarant owns any portion of the Property, Declarant has the right to withdraw property from the Property without the consent of any other Owner or Person (other than the Owner of such property, if other than the Declarant). The withdrawal of all or any portion of the Property shall be effected by the Declarant Recording a written instrument setting forth the legal description of the property being withdrawn. Upon the withdrawal of any property from the Property pursuant to this Section 2.3, such property shall no longer be subject to any of the covenants, conditions and restrictions set forth in this Declaration.

3. Property Rights.

3.1 Owners' Easements of Enjoyment. Every Owner shall have a non-exclusive right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Area, which shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot, subject to the following provisions:

3.1.1 The right of the Association to charge reasonable admission and other fees for the use of any recreational or storage facilities or areas situated upon the Common Area;

3.1.2 The right of the Association to suspend the voting rights and the right to use the Common Area by an Owner for any period during which any Assessments against the Owner's Lot remains unpaid;

3.1.3 The right of the Board to impose a monetary penalty (in such amount as the Board may determine in its sole discretion) Unofficial Document against a Member for any unsatisfied, unresolved, or non-complied with infraction or violation of this Declaration, the Bylaws or the Rules after notice to such Member and an opportunity to be heard. The Board may also impose a late fee on any monetary penalty not paid within 15 days after its due date, such late fee not to exceed the maximum amount allowed under ARS Section 33-1803. Charges for penalties are enforceable in the same manner as unpaid Assessments.

3.1.4 The right of the Association to suspend the right to use the Common Area for a period initially not to exceed sixty (60) days for any infraction of the Association Rules, and consecutive thirty (30) day periods for so long as the infraction continues;

3.1.5 The right of the Association to limit the number of guests of Members using the Common Area;

3.1.6 The right of the Association to change and regulate the use of the Common Area in accordance with Section 4.7;

3.1.7 The right of the Association to change the size, shape or location of the Common Area, and to exchange the Common Area for other property or interests which become Common Area in accordance with Section 4.8 hereof; and

3.1.8 The right of the Association, in accordance with its Articles and Bylaws, to borrow money for the purpose of improving the Common Area and facilities, and in aid thereof, to mortgage said Property in accordance with Section 8.2.5 hereof. The rights of such mortgagee in said Property shall be subordinate to the rights of the Owners hereunder.

3.2 Easements and Encroachments. Each Lot, the Common Area and all other areas in the Property shall be subject to an easement of not more than five feet for encroachments of walls, ledges, roofs, air conditioners and other structures created by construction, settling and overhangs as originally or subsequently designed and constructed by Declarant or its affiliates and contractors. If any such improvement on the Common Area encroaches upon any Lot or other area, or if any such improvement on any Lot or other area encroaches upon any portion of the Common Area, or if any such improvement on any Lot or other area encroaches upon another Lot or other area, a valid easement for said encroachment and for the maintenance thereof shall exist. If any structure on any Lot, the Common Area or other area is repaired, altered or reconstructed in accordance with the original plans and specifications or subsequent plans and specifications of Declarant or its affiliates, similar encroachments shall be permitted and a valid easement for said encroachments and for the maintenance thereof shall exist.

3.3 Rights of Ingress and Egress. Every Owner shall have an unrestricted right of ingress and egress to its Lot which right shall be perpetual, shall be appurtenant to, and shall pass with title to such Lot. There are hereby created easements for ingress and egress for pedestrian traffic over, through and across sidewalks, paths, walks and lanes that from time to time may exist upon the Common Area. There is also created an easement for ingress and egress for pedestrian and vehicular traffic over, through and across all ^{Unofficial Document} streets, driveways and parking areas as from time to time may be paved and intended for such purposes. Such easements shall run in favor of and be for the benefit of the Owners. Any Owner may, in accordance with and subject to this Declaration, the Rules and the limitations contained therein, delegate its right of ingress and egress to the members of its family, its guests and its tenants (including its tenant's family and guests). There is also created an easement upon, across and over the Common Area and, to the extent there are any, all private streets, private roadways, private driveways and private parking areas within the Property for pedestrian and vehicular ingress and egress, including without limitation, for police, fire, medical and other emergency vehicles and personnel.

3.4 Delegation of Use. Any Owner may delegate, in accordance with and subject to any restrictions contained in the Bylaws, the Owner's right of enjoyment to the Common Area and improvements thereon to the Owner's tenants, Occupants or guests.

3.5 Title to Common Area. Declarant covenants that it shall convey fee simple title to the Common Area to the Association, free of all encumbrances except current real and personal property taxes and other easements, conditions, reservations and restrictions then of record. The conveyance shall be made to the Association prior to the First Conveyance.

4. The Association.

4.1 Association Bound. Upon acceptance by the Arizona Corporation Commission of the Articles of Incorporation of the Association and upon the Recordation of this Declaration, this Declaration shall be binding upon and shall benefit the Association.

4.2 The Association. The Association is an Arizona nonprofit corporation charged with the duties and invested with the powers prescribed by law and set forth in the Articles, Bylaws and this Declaration. Neither the Articles nor Bylaws shall, for any reason, be amended or otherwise modified or interpreted so as to be inconsistent with this Declaration.

4.3 The Board of Directors and Officers. A Board of Directors and such officers as are provided for in the Articles and Bylaws shall conduct the affairs of the Association as the Board may elect or appoint, in accordance with the Articles and Bylaws.

4.4 Powers and Duties of the Association. The Association shall have such rights, duties and powers as set forth herein and in the Articles and Bylaws.

4.5 Rules. By action of the Board, the Association may, from time to time and subject to the provisions of this Declaration, adopt, amend and repeal the Rules, pertaining to: (a) the management, operation and use of the Common Area including, without limitation, any recreational facilities situated on the Common Area; (b) traffic and parking restrictions including, without limitation, speed limits on private streets, if any, within the Property; (c) minimum standards for any maintenance of Common Area and the Lots; Unofficial Document or (d) any other subject within the jurisdiction of the Association. The Rules shall restrict and govern the use of the Property provided, however, that the Rules shall not discriminate among Owners and shall not be inconsistent with this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws or the laws of the State of Arizona. A copy of the Rules, as they may from time to time be adopted, amended or repealed, shall be mailed or otherwise delivered to each Owner. The Rules shall have the same force and effect as if they were set forth herein and were a part of this Declaration.

4.6 Personal Liability. The Articles shall specify such limitations on the personal liability of members of the Board as shall be applicable.

4.7 Procedure for Change of Use of Common Area. Upon: (a) the adoption of a resolution by the Board stating that the then current use of a specified part of the Common Area is no longer in the best interests of the Owners and Members, and (b) the approval of such resolution by Members casting a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by Members who are present in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such purpose and who are entitled to use such Common Area under the terms of this Declaration, the Board shall have the power and right to change the use thereof (and in connection therewith to take whatever actions are required to accommodate the new use), provided such new use: (i) also shall be for the common benefit of the Owners and Members, and (ii) shall be consistent with any recorded tract declaration, deed restrictions or zoning regulations. Alternatively, the Board, upon satisfaction of Section 4.7 (a) above, may in lieu of calling a meeting

notify in writing all Members of the proposed transaction and of their right to object thereto, and if no more than ten percent (10%) of the Class A Memberships eligible to vote object in writing within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice, the proposed transaction shall be deemed approved by the Members and a meeting of the Members shall not be necessary.

4.8 Procedure for Transfers of Common Area. The Association shall have the right to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Area: (a) if the transfer or dedication does not have a substantial adverse effect on the enjoyment of the Common Area by the Owners and Members, or (bi) if required by a recorded subdivision plat, a zoning stipulation or an agreement with the City of Phoenix effective prior to the date hereof. Except as authorized in (a) or (b) above, no such dedication or transfer shall be effective without the approval of the Owners representing two-thirds (2/3) of the votes in each class of Members, voting in person or by proxy at a meeting called for such purpose. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence or any other provision of this Declaration to the contrary, the Association has the right, without the consent of the Owners or any other Person (except Declarant, whose consent shall be required so long as Declarant owns any part of the Property or of the Additional Property), to dedicate portions of the Common Area to the public, or grant easements over, under or through portions of the Common Area to the public, to any municipal or other governmental agency or entity, or to any public, quasi-public or private utility company, for use as right-of-way, for utilities, for public landscape purposes and the like, as may be required or requested by the City of Phoenix or any municipal or other governmental agency or entity having jurisdiction, or by a public, quasi-public or private utility company, in connection with or at the time of the development of portions of the Property or of portions of the Additional Property.

4.9 Procedure for Other ^{Unofficial Document} Changes to Common Area. The Association shall have the right to change the size, shape or location of the Common Area or to exchange the Common Area for other property or interests which become Common Area upon: (a) the adoption of a resolution by the Board stating that ownership and/or use of the relevant Common Area is no longer in the best interests of the Owners and Members, and that the change desired shall be for their benefit and shall not substantially adversely affect them, and (b) the approval of such resolution by Members casting a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by Members who are present in person or by proxy, at a meeting called for such purpose. Alternatively, the Board, upon satisfaction of Subsection (a) above, may notify in writing all Members of the proposed transaction and of their right to object thereto and, if no more than ten percent (10%) of the Class A Members eligible to vote object in writing within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice, the proposed transaction shall be deemed approved by the Members and a meeting of the Members shall not be necessary.

4.10 Easements. In addition to the easements specifically granted or reserved herein, the Association is authorized and empowered to grant upon, across or under the Association Property such permits, licenses, easements and rights-of-way for sewer lines, water lines, underground conduits, storm drains, television cable security lines, roadways and other similar public or private purposes, as may be reasonably necessary and appropriate, as determined by the Board.

5. Membership and Voting Rights.

5.1 Membership. Every Owner of a Lot shall be a Member of the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot.

5.2 Voting Rights. The Association shall have two (2) classes of voting Membership:

5.2.1 Class A. "Class A" Members shall be all Owners, with the exception of the Declarant. Each Owner shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot owned. 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 the Owners of such Lot determine among themselves, but in no event shall more than one vote be cast with respect to any Lot.

5.2.2 Class B. The "Class B" Member shall be the Declarant, and shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned. The Class B Membership shall cease and be converted to Class A on the happening of the following events, whichever first occurs: (a) when the votes entitled to be cast by the Class A Members exceed the votes entitled to be cast by the Class B Members; (b) when Declarant notifies the Association in writing that it relinquishes its Class B memberships; or (c) December 31, 2024.

6. Covenant for Maintenance Assessments.

6.1 Creation of Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments. The Declarant, for each Lot, 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. A Lot owned by the Association shall not be subject to Assessments. All Assessments, together with interest and all costs, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, incurred by the Association in collecting or attempting to collect delinquent Assessments, whether suit is filed, shall be a charge on the Lot and shall be a continuing lien thereon as well as the personal obligation of the Person who was the Owner of the Lot at the time when the Assessments fell due. The personal obligation for delinquent Assessments shall not pass to any such Owner's successors in title, unless expressly assumed.

6.2 Annual Assessments. To provide for the operation and management of the Association and to provide funds for the Association to pay for the improvement, maintenance and replacement of the Common Area, and to perform the Association's duties and obligations under this Declaration, the Articles and the Bylaws, including, without limitation, the establishment of reasonable reserves for replacements, maintenance and contingencies, the Board, for each fiscal year, shall assess an Annual Assessment against each Lot (except for Exempt Property), which shall be determined in accordance with Section 6.3.

6.3 Maximum Annual Assessment. The Annual Assessments provided for herein shall not at any time exceed the Maximum Annual Assessment, as determined in accordance with this

Section 6.3. The "*Maximum Annual Assessment*" for each fiscal year of the Association shall be as follows:

6.3.1 Prior to the fiscal year ending December 31, 2005, the Annual Assessment shall be _____ Dollars (\$_____.00) per Lot. The Annual Assessment shall be payable in monthly installments of \$_____.00.

6.3.2 Following the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006, the Maximum Annual Assessment for any fiscal year shall be equal to the Maximum Annual Assessment for the immediately preceding fiscal year increased at a rate equal to the greater of: (a) the percentage increase for the applicable fiscal year over the immediately preceding fiscal year in the Consumer Price Index -- All Urban Consumers -- All Items (1982-1984 Average = 100 Base) published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor (or its successor governmental agency), or, if such index is no longer published by said Bureau or successor agency, in the index most similar in composition to such index; or (b) ten percent (10%). The foregoing notwithstanding, the Board has no obligation to increase the Annual Assessment to the amount of the Maximum Annual Assessment.

6.3.3 In addition to Section 6.3.2 above, the Maximum Annual Assessment during each fiscal year of the Association shall be automatically increased by the amounts of any increases in water or other utility charges or any increases to insurance rates charged to the Association;

6.3.4 From and after January 1, 2006, the Maximum Annual Assessment may be increased above the amount indicated in Sections 6.3.2 and 6.3.3 above by the approval of Members casting a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by Members who are present in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for such;

6.3.5 The Board of Directors may fix the rate at an amount not in excess of the maximum rate set forth in Section 6.3.2 above; and

6.3.6 In no event shall the Annual Assessment be increased by an amount that is more than twenty percent (20%) greater than the immediately prior year's Annual Assessment without the approval of the majority of the Members of the Association.

6.4 Special Assessments for Capital Improvements. In addition to the Annual Assessments authorized above, the Association may levy, in any Assessment year, a Special Assessment applicable to that year for the exclusive purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement upon the Common Area, including fixtures and personal property related thereto; provided, however, that any such Special Assessment must be approved at a meeting duly called for such purpose by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes represented at that meeting, in person or by proxy, in each class of Members.

6.5 Enforcement Assessment. The Association may impose against an owner as an Enforcement Assessment the following expenses: (a) any Collection Costs incurred by the Association in attempting to collect Assessments or other amounts payable to the Association by the

Owner; and (b) any monetary penalties levied against the Owner. The Enforcement Assessment shall be automatically imposed against an Owner at such time as the Collection Costs or other amounts are incurred by the Association or, in the case of a monetary penalty, the date the monetary penalty is imposed on the Owner by the Board.

6.6 Notice and Quorum for an Action Authorized Under Sections 6.3 and 6.4. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any action authorized under Sections 6.3 and 6.4 above, shall be sent to all Members not fewer 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 (whether by person or by valid proxy) entitled to cast a majority of the votes of each class of 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 (½) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the preceding meeting.

6.7 Uniform Rate of Assessments. Except as provided herein, the Annual Assessment must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Lots and may be collected on a monthly basis, as designated by the Board. Anything in this Declaration to the contrary notwithstanding, Declarant shall pay twenty-five percent (25%) of the Assessment for each Lot that Declarant owns in equal monthly installments in the same manner established for payment of the amount by other Lot Owners, except that Declarant shall pay and be liable for the full Assessment amount for any Lots owned by Declarant that are being used by Declarant as model homes or otherwise being used and occupied for residential purposes, but not sooner than the First Conveyance. Notwithstanding the above, any homebuilder in the business of constructing residential improvements on Lots and who buys Lots from Declarant for such purpose shall pay one hundred percent (100%) of the Assessment for each Lot such builder owns or leases that is not being occupied for residential purposes. Any Owner renting or leasing to Declarant a Lot that is not being occupied for residential purposes, shall pay one hundred percent (100%) of the Assessment for such Lot.

6.8 Date of Commencement of Annual Assessment(s): Due Date. The Annual Assessments provided for herein shall commence as of the date of the First Conveyance. The first Annual Assessment shall be adjusted according to the number of months remaining in the calendar year. The Board of Directors shall fix the amount of the Annual Assessment against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each Assessment period. The Board of Directors shall give written notice of the Annual Assessment. 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. A properly executed certificate from the Association as to the status of any Assessment on a Lot is binding upon the Association as to the matters described therein.

6.9 Effect of Non-Payment 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 the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum or such higher rate that is equivalent to the maximum rate allowed by law. In addition, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the Board may establish a late fee to be charged to any Owner who has not paid any Assessment, or any installment of an Assessment,

within thirty (30) days after such payment was due. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the Assessment provided for herein by non-use of the Common Area or abandonment of such Owner's Lot.

6.9.1 Enforcement by Suit. In accordance with applicable law, the Board may cause a suit at law to be commenced and maintained in the name of the Association against an Owner to enforce each such Assessment obligation. Any judgment rendered in any such action shall include the amount of the delinquency together with interest thereon at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum or such higher rate that is equivalent to the maximum rate allowed by law, from the date of delinquency, court costs, and reasonable attorneys' fees in such amount as the court may adjudge against the delinquent Owner, and all other Collection Costs.

6.9.2 Enforcement by Lien. In accordance with applicable law, the Association shall have a lien on each Lot for all Assessments levied against the Lot and for all other fees and charges payable to the Association by the Owner of the Lot pursuant to this Declaration. 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. The Assessment Lien shall have priority over all liens or claims except for: (a) tax liens for real property taxes; (b) assessments in favor of any municipal or other governmental body; and (c) the lien of any First Mortgage. The Association shall not be obligated to release any Recorded notice of lien until all delinquent Assessments, interest, lien fees, ^{Unofficial Document} Collection Costs and all other sums payable to the Association by the Owner of the Lot have been paid in full.

To the extent permitted by law, any such lien may be foreclosed by appropriate action in court in the manner provided by law for the foreclosure of a realty mortgage or by the exercise of a power of sale in the manner provided by law under a trust deed, as set forth by the laws of the State of Arizona, as the same may be changed or amended. The lien provided for herein shall be in favor of the Association and shall be for the benefit of all Owners except for the defaulting Owner. The Association shall have the power to bid at any foreclosure or trustee's sale and to purchase, acquire, hold, lease, mortgage and convey any such Lot. In the event of such foreclosure or trustee's sale, reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, trustee's fees, title search fees, interest and all other Collection Costs shall be allowed to the extent permitted by law. Each Owner, by becoming an Owner of a Lot, hereby expressly waives any objection to the enforcement and foreclosure of any such lien in this manner.

6.10 Subordination of the Lien to First Mortgages. The lien of the Assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any First Mortgage. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the Assessment's lien. However, the sale or transfer of any Lot due to the foreclosure of a First Mortgage, or trustee's sale of a First Mortgage, or any proceeding in lieu thereof, shall extinguish the lien of such Assessment as to payments that become due prior to such sale or transfer.

No such sale or transfer of a Lot shall relieve the subsequent Owner of the Lot from liability for any Assessments thereafter becoming due or from the lien thereof.

7. Architectural Committee. The Association shall establish an Architectural Committee which shall consist of at least three (3) persons, none of whom shall be required to be an architect, officer or Director of the Association or to meet any other particular qualifications other than as provided in Section 7.1 below.

7.1 Membership. Declarant shall appoint all of the original members of the Architectural Committee and all replacements thereof until the first anniversary of the First Conveyance. Thereafter, Declarant shall have the right to appoint a majority of the members of the Architectural Committee until the earlier of: (a) when the votes entitled to be cast by Class A members exceed the votes entitled to be cast by the Class B members; (b) when Declarant notifies the Association in writing that it relinquishes its Class B Membership, or (c) December 31, 2024. Thereafter, the Board shall have the power to appoint all the members of the Architectural Committee. Members appointed to the Architectural Committee need not be Members of the Association.

7.2 Duties of Architectural Committee. It shall be the duty of the Architectural Committee to consider and act upon any and all proposals or plans submitted pursuant to the terms of the Declaration, to ensure that all improvements constructed on the Property by anyone other than Declarant conform to plans approved by the Architectural Committee, to adopt Architectural Committee Rules and to perform other duties imposed upon it by the Declaration.

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7.3 Meetings. The Architectural Committee shall meet from time to time as necessary to perform its duties hereunder. The vote or written consent of a majority of the members of the Architectural Committee, at a meeting or otherwise, shall constitute the act of the Architectural Committee unless the unanimous decision of the Architectural Committee is required by any other provision of the Declaration. The Architectural Committee shall keep and maintain a written record of all actions taken by it at such meetings or otherwise. Members of the Architectural Committee shall not receive any compensation for services rendered.

7.4 Architectural Committee Rules. The Architectural Committee may, from time to time, and in its sole and absolute discretion, adopt, amend and repeal by unanimous vote or written consent, rules and regulations to be known as "*Architectural Committee Rules.*" The Architectural Committee Rules shall interpret and implement the Declaration by setting forth the standards and procedures for Architectural Committee review, the guidelines for design and placement of improvements, as well as all other duties of the Architectural Committee as particularly set forth in Section 7.2 above.

7.5 Waiver. The approval by the Architectural Committee of any plans, drawings or specifications for any work done or proposed, or for any other matter requiring the approval of the Architectural Committee, shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of any right to withhold approval of any similar plan, drawing, specification or matter subsequently submitted for approval.

7.6 Liability. Neither the Architectural Committee nor any member thereof shall be liable to the Association, any Owner or to any other party, for any damage, loss or prejudice suffered or claimed on account of: (a) the approval or disapproval of any plans, drawings or specifications; or (b) the construction or performance of any work, whether pursuant to approved plans, drawings and specifications.

7.7 Appeal. If plans and specifications submitted to the Architectural Committee are disapproved, the party or parties making such submission may appeal in writing to the Board within thirty (30) days following the final decision of the Architectural Committee. The Board shall submit such request to the Architectural Committee for review, whose recommendations shall be submitted to the Board. Within forty-five (45) days following receipt of the request for appeal, the Board shall render its written decision. Failure of the Board to render a decision within said seventy-five (75) day period shall be deemed a decision in favor of the appellant.

8. Use Restrictions.

8.1 Permitted Uses and Restrictions - Residential. The permitted uses, easements and restrictions for all Property covered by this Declaration shall be as follows:

8.1.1 Single Family Residential Use. All Lots shall be used, improved and devoted exclusively to single family residential use. No gainful occupation, profession, trade or other non-residential use shall be conducted thereon excepted as provided for in Section 8.1.2 below. Nothing herein shall be deemed to prevent the leasing of any Lot with the improvements thereon to a single family from time to time by the Owner of, subject to all of the provisions of this Declaration. No structure whatsoever shall be erected, placed or permitted to remain on any Lot without the expressed written approval of the Architectural Committee. The Architectural Committee shall consider requests for construction of a Detached Structure. Written approval by the Architectural Committee of any Detached Structure must be obtained prior to the construction of any Detached Structure. All Detached Structures, if permitted by the Architectural Committee, must comply with the guidelines established for Detached Structures either in this Declaration or in any rules established by the Architectural Committee and/or the City of Phoenix. Anything in this Declaration to the contrary notwithstanding, Declarant or any entity related to Declarant (a "*Related Entity*") shall have the right to use any Lot owned or leased by Declarant or a Related Entity for purposes related to the development and marketing of the Property and/or other property owned by Declarant or a Related Entity, and the sale of Lots and/or Dwelling Units on the Property or other property owned by Declarant or a Related Entity, including, without limitation, the right to place a temporary structure (*e.g.*, a temporary sales or construction trailer), store construction materials and construct and use model homes on any such Lots.

8.1.2 Trade or Business. No trade or business may be conducted on any Lot or in or from any Dwelling Unit, except that an Owner or Resident may conduct a business activity in a Dwelling Unit so long as: (a) the existence or operation of the business activity is not apparent or detectable by sight, sound or smell from outside the Dwelling Unit; (b) the business activity is a legal activity and conforms to all applicable zoning ordinances or requirements for the Property; (c) the

business activity does not involve persons, clients or customers coming to the Lot or Dwelling Unit or the door-to-door solicitation of Owners or other Residents at the Property; (d) the use of the Dwelling Unit for trade or business in no way destroys or is incompatible with the residential character of the Dwelling Unit or the Property; (e) the trade or business must be conducted only inside the Dwelling Unit and may not involve the viewing, purchasing or taking delivery of goods or merchandise at, to, from or in any Dwelling Unit; (f) the trade or business shall be conducted by a Resident or Residents of the Dwelling Unit; (g) no more than twenty percent (20%) of the total floor area of the Dwelling Unit may be used for trade or business; (h) the Dwelling Unit used for trade or business shall not be used as a storage facility for a business conducted elsewhere; (i) a trade or business must not utilize flammable liquids or hazardous materials in quantities not customary to a residential use; (j) a trade or business must not utilize large vehicles not customary to a residential use; and (k) the use of the Dwelling Unit for a trade or business must not violate any other provision of the Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws or the Rules. The terms "business" and "trade" as used in this Section 8.1.2 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: (x) such activity is engaged in full or part time; (y) such activity is intended to or does generate a profit; or (z) a license is required for such activity. The leasing of a Dwelling Unit by the Owner thereof shall not be considered a trade or business within the meaning of this Section 8.1.2. Nothing in this Section 8.1.2 shall be construed as preventing Declarant from using any Lot owned or leased by Declarant for the purposes set forth in this Declaration, the Articles or the Bylaws.

8.1.3 Antennas. Unofficial Document No antenna or other device for the transmission or reception of television or radio signals or any other form of electromagnetic radiation shall be erected, used or maintained so as to be Visible from Neighboring Property, unless approved by the Architectural Committee. Satellite dishes must be installed below the fence line, so as not to be Visible from Neighboring Property.

8.1.4 Utility Service. All lines, wires or other devices for the communication or transmission of electric current or power, including, without limitation, telephone, television and radio signals, 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. Temporary power or telephone structures incident to construction activities approved by the Architectural Committee are permitted.

8.1.5 Improvements and Alterations. No improvement, alteration, repair, excavation or other work which in any way alters the exterior appearance of the Property or the improvements located thereon from its natural or improved state existing on the date such Property was first conveyed by Declarant to a home buyer shall be made without the prior approval of the Architectural Committee, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Declaration. No building, fence, wall or other structure shall be erected, maintained, improved, altered, made or done (including choice of exterior color scheme and building materials) without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee or any subcommittee thereof. Pursuant to its Rule making power, the

Architectural Committee shall establish a procedure for the preparation, submission and determination of applications for any such alteration or improvement. The Architectural Committee shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to refuse to approve any plans, specifications or grading plans, which are not suitable or desirable, for aesthetic or other reasons, and in so passing upon such plans, specifications and grading plans, and without any limitation of the foregoing, it shall have the right to take into consideration the suitability of the proposed building or other structure, the building materials used and the site upon which it is proposed to be erected, and the harmony thereof with the surroundings and the effect of the building or other structure as planned, and the appearance thereof from adjacent or neighboring Property. No changes or deviation in or from such plans and specifications once approved shall be made without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee.

8.1.6 Installation and Maintenance of Lawns and Plantings. Within ninety (90) days after acquiring a Lot upon which a Dwelling Unit has been constructed, the Owner of such Lot, excluding Declarant, shall, at its own expense, install trees, plants and other landscaping improvements, together with any sprinkling system or drip irrigation system sufficient to water adequately the trees, plants or other landscaping improvements, on (a) 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 Dwelling 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 (b) 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 part of the Common Area. All such landscaping must be installed in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the Architectural Committee pursuant to Section 7 of this Declaration. Each Owner shall maintain diligently, at its own expense, the landscaping on its Lot, keeping the Lot free of weeds and debris. Lawns shall be neatly mowed and trimmed. Other vegetation, including, without limitation, trees, plants and flowers, shall be neatly trimmed, and all dead vegetation shall be removed and replaced.

8.1.7 Repair of Buildings. No Dwelling Unit or any other improvement upon any Property shall be permitted to fall into disrepair, and each such Dwelling Unit or improvement shall at all times be kept in good condition and repair and adequately painted or otherwise finished.

8.1.8 Trash Containers and Collection. No garbage or trash shall be placed or kept on any Property except in covered sanitary containers. Such containers shall not be Visible from Neighboring Property except on days of collection. All rubbish, trash and garbage shall be removed from each Lot and shall not be allowed to accumulate thereon. No incinerators shall be kept or maintained on any Lot.

8.1.9 Overhangs. No tree, shrub or planting of any kind on any Property shall be allowed to overhang or otherwise to encroach upon any Common Area from ground level to a height of twelve (12) feet, without the prior approval of the Architectural Committee.

8.1.10 Machinery and Equipment. No machinery or equipment of any kind shall be placed, operated or maintained upon the Property except usual and customary equipment and machinery used in connection with the use, maintenance or construction of permitted improvements, and except that which Declarant or the Association may require for the operation and maintenance of the Common Area. Slides, playground equipment, basketball poles and hoops, outdoor decks, gazebos and other such equipment or structures shall be allowed provided they are approved by the Architectural Committee.

8.1.11 Restriction on Further Subdivision. No Lot shall be further subdivided or separated into smaller Lots or parcels by any Owner, and no portion less than all of any such Lot, shall be conveyed or transferred by any Owner, without the prior written approval of the Board. No Lot may be converted into a condominium or cooperative or other similar type of entity without the prior written approval of the Board. No further covenants, conditions, restrictions or easements shall be recorded against any Lot without the written consent of the Board being evidenced on the recorded instrument containing such restrictions, and without such approval such restrictions shall be null and void. No application for rezoning, variances or use permits shall be filed without the written approval of the Board and then only if such proposed use is in compliance with this Declaration.

8.1.12 Signs. For a period of one (1) year after the last Dwelling Unit in Laveen Ranch is sold and has closed escrow, or, until January 1, 2008, whichever occurs earlier, no sign, banner, or any other type of advertising, including signs stating "For Rent", "For Lease", "For Lease to Own", or "For Sale" (other than a name address sign, not exceeding nine (9) inches high by 30 inches wide) shall be permitted on any ^{Unofficial Document} ~~lot~~ ^{lot}, provided, however, that (i) the Declarant or its designee or assignee may erect any sign of any size during construction; and (ii) Members may display political signs but not earlier than 45 days prior to the applicable election or seven days following such election. The Association may regulate the number and size of political signs in accordance with applicable law, including without limitation, Arizona Revised Statute Section 33-1808. These restrictions shall not apply to the Association in furtherance of its powers and purposes herein set forth.

8.1.13 Utility Easements. There is hereby created a blanket easement upon, across, over and under the Common Area for ingress, egress, installation, replacing, repairing and maintaining all utility and service lines and systems, including, without limitation, water, sewer, gas, telephone, electricity, television cable or communication lines and systems, and similar utility facilities. By virtue of this easement, it shall be expressly permissible for the providing utility or service company to install and maintain facilities and equipment, and to affix and maintain wires, circuits and conduits on, in and under roofs and exterior walls. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this paragraph, no sewers, electrical lines, water lines or other utilities or service lines may be installed or relocated except as initially developed and approved by the Declarant or thereafter approved by the Board. This easement shall in no way affect any other recorded easements. This easement shall be limited to improvements as originally constructed, and no common utility shall be permitted to pass over any improvements on the Lots, and no connection line shall be permitted to pass over any improvement on the Lot other than the one it serves.

8.1.14 Animals. No animal or fowl, other than a reasonable number of generally recognized house or yard pets, shall be (a) maintained on any Lot covered by this Declaration and then only if they are kept, bred or raised thereon solely as domestic pets and not for commercial purposes; or (b) permitted to make an unreasonable amount of noise, or create a nuisance. No structure for the care, housing or confinement of any animal or fowl, shall be maintained so as to be Visible from Neighboring Property.

8.1.15 Temporary Occupancy. No temporary building, structure or vehicle of any kind shall be used as a residence, either temporary or permanent. Temporary buildings or structures used during construction periods shall be removed immediately after completion of such construction.

8.1.16 Trailers, Boats, Aircraft, and Motor Vehicles. Except as otherwise provided by law, no motor vehicle classified by manufacturer rating as exceeding one (1) ton, mobile home, trailer, camper shell, boat, boat trailer, hang glider or other similar equipment or vehicle may be parked, stored, maintained, constructed, reconstructed or repaired on any Lot, street or Common Area on the Property Visible from Neighboring Property, provided, however, the provisions of this Section 8.1.16 do not preclude the parking in garages or on driveways of (a) pickup trucks of not more than one (1) ton capacity (with or without camper shells) providing the height of such pickup truck and camper shall not exceed seven (7) feet, or (b) mini motor homes or other recreation vehicles which do not exceed seven (7) feet in height or eighteen (18) feet in length, if those vehicles described in (a) and (b) are used on a regular and recurring basis for basic transportation. No automobile, motorcycle, motor bike, motorized hang glider or other motor vehicle shall be constructed, reconstructed or repaired on any ^{Unofficial Document} ~~Lot, street~~ or Common Area within the Property and no inoperable vehicle may be stored or parked so as to be Visible from Neighboring Property, except in the event of an emergency.

8.1.17 Nuisances/Construction Activities. No rubbish or debris of any kind shall be placed or permitted to accumulate upon or adjacent to a Lot, and no odors or loud noises shall be permitted to arise or emit therefrom, so as to create a nuisance, render any such Property or any portion thereof or activity thereon unsanitary, unsightly, offensive or detrimental to the Lot or person in the vicinity thereof. Without limiting the generality of any of the foregoing provisions, no speakers, horns, whistles, bells or other sound devices, except security devices used exclusively for security purposes, shall be located, used, or placed on any such Property. No motorcycles or motor driven vehicles (except lawn maintenance equipment) shall be operated on any walkways or sidewalks within the Property. The Board in its sole discretion shall have the right to determine the existence of any violation of this Section 8.1.17 and its determination shall be final and enforceable as provided herein. Normal construction activities shall not be considered a nuisance or otherwise prohibited by this Declaration, but Lots shall be kept in a neat and tidy condition during construction periods. Supplies or building materials and construction equipment shall be stored only in such areas and in such manner as may be approved by the Architectural Committee or the Declarant.

8.1.18 Clothes Drying Facilities. Outside clotheslines or other outside facilities for drying or airing clothes shall not be erected, placed or maintained on any Property

unless they are erected, placed or maintained exclusively within a fenced service yard and are not Visible from Neighboring Property.

8.1.19 Mineral Exploration. No 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.

8.1.20 Diseases and Insects. No Owner or Resident shall permit any thing or condition to exist upon the Property that shall induce, breed or harbor infectious plant diseases or noxious insects.

8.1.21 Party Walls and Fences. The rights and duties of each Owner with respect to Party Walls and Fences shall be as follows:

8.1.21.1 Owners of contiguous Lots who have a party wall or party fence shall both equally have the right to use such wall or fence, provided that such use does not interfere with the use and enjoyment thereof by the other Owner.

8.1.21.2 If any party wall or party fence is damaged or destroyed through the act of an Owner, its agents, guests or family members, it shall be the obligation of such Owner to rebuild and repair the party wall or party fence without cost to the other adjoining Owner or Owners. Any dispute over an Owner's liability shall be resolved as provided in Section 8.1.21.5 below.

8.1.21.3 ^{Unofficial Document} If any party wall or party fence is destroyed or damaged (including deterioration from ordinary wear and tear and lapse of time), other than by the act of an adjoining Owner, its agents, guests or family members, it shall be the joint obligation of all Owners whose Lots adjoin such wall or fence to rebuild and repair such wall or fence, such expense to be divided among the Owners on a pro rata basis in accordance with the length of the frontage of their respective Lots on the party wall or party fence.

8.1.21.4 Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, there shall be no impairment of the structural integrity of any party wall or party fence without the prior written consent of the Board.

8.1.21.5 If a dispute arises between Owners about the construction, repair or rebuilding of a party wall or party fence or the sharing of the cost thereof, such adjoining Owners shall submit the dispute to the Board, the decision of which shall be final and enforceable.

8.1.21.6 Each Owner shall permit the Owners of adjoining Lots, or their representatives, when reasonably required to enter its Lot for the purpose of repairing or maintaining a party wall or fence or for the purpose of performing installation, alterations or repairs to the Property of such adjoining Owners, provided that requests for entry are made in advance and that such entry is at a time reasonably convenient to the Owner. In case of an emergency, such right

of entry shall be immediate. An adjoining Owner making entry pursuant to the terms of this subsection shall not be deemed guilty of trespass by reason of such entry.

8.1.21.7 Surfaces of party walls or party fences that are generally accessible or viewable from only the adjoining Property, may be planted against, painted, maintained and used by the adjoining Owners. If such surfaces are viewable from public streets or the Common Area, the color scheme shall not be changed without the written consent of the Architectural Committee.

8.1.21.8 The Owner of a Lot having a wall adjacent to the Common Area that separates the Lot from the Common Area, shall be considered to have a party wall with the Association and the provisions of this Section 8.1.21 shall apply as though the Common Area were an adjacent Lot.

8.1.21.9 The Owners with a wall adjacent to a street, or adjoining property, other than Lots or Common Area within the Property, shall be solely responsible for repair and maintenance of such walls, and if repair is necessary, the repaired wall must match the size, color and texture of the existing adjacent walls within the Property.

8.1.22 Drainage Easement. There is hereby created a blanket easement for drainage of groundwater on, over and across the Common Area. No Owner shall obstruct, divert, alter or interfere with the easement. Each Owner shall, at its own expense, maintain the drainage ways and channels on its Lot in proper condition free from obstruction.

8.1.23 Parking. Unofficial Document It is the intent of the Declarant to limit on street parking as much as possible. Vehicles of all Owners, Residents, guests and invitees are to be kept in garages, carports, residential driveways and other parking areas designated by the Association.

8.1.24 Right of Entry. During reasonable hours and upon reasonable notice to the Owner or Resident of a Lot, any Member or authorized representative of the Architectural Committee or the Board shall have the right to enter upon and inspect any Lot or improvements thereon, except for the interior portions of any completed improvements, to determine if the improvements are in compliance with this Declaration. Any such persons shall not be deemed guilty of trespass by reason of such entry.

8.1.25 Health, Safety and Welfare. If uses, activities and facilities are deemed by the Board to be a nuisance or to affect adversely the health, safety or welfare of Owners or Residents, the Board may make rules restricting or regulating their presence as part of the Association Rules or may direct the Architectural Committee to make Rules governing their presence on Lots as part of the Architectural Committee Rules.

The Association shall strive to maintain the residential areas of the Property as a safe residential environment. HOWEVER, NEITHER THE BOARD, THE ASSOCIATION NOR DECLARANT SHALL BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE BY REASON OF FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE SECURITY OR FOR THE INEFFECTIVENESS OF SECURITY

MEASURES UNDERTAKEN. ALL OWNERS, RESIDENTS, TENANTS AND THEIR GUESTS AND INVITEES, AS APPLICABLE, ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE BOARD, THE ASSOCIATION AND THE DECLARANT, AND COMMITTEES ESTABLISHED BY ANY OF THE FOREGOING ENTITIES, ARE NOT INSURERS AND THAT EACH OWNER, RESIDENT, TENANT, GUEST AND INVITEE ASSUMES ALL RISK OF LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PERSONS, TO PROPERTY, TO LOTS, TO RESIDENCES AND TO THE CONTENTS OF LOTS AND RESIDENCES AND FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE DECLARANT HAS MADE NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES NOR HAS ANY OWNER, RESIDENT, TENANT, GUEST OR INVITEE RELIED UPON ANY REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE, RELATIVE TO ANY SECURITY MEASURES THAT MAY BE RECOMMENDED OR TAKEN.

8.1.26 Declarant's Exemption. Nothing contained in this Declaration shall be construed to prevent the erection or maintenance by Declarant, or its duly authorized agents, of improvements or signs necessary or convenient to the development or sale of Lots within the Property.

8.1.27 Storage Sheds. Storage sheds shall not exceed six (6) feet in height and shall not be visible from the street or adjoining property. The storage shed shall be the same color as the house body or a neutral beige or eggshell color.

8.1.28 Model Homes. The provisions of this Declaration which prohibit nonresidential use of Lots and regulate parking^{Unofficial Document} ices shall not prohibit the construction and maintenance of model homes, sales offices, administrative offices and parking areas incidental thereto by Declarant and their designees engaged in the construction or marketing of Dwelling Units in the Property.

8.1.29 Leases. Any agreement for the lease of all or any portion of a Lot must be in writing and must be expressly subject to this Declaration. Any violation of this Declaration, shall be deemed a default under the Lease. An Owner shall notify the Association regarding the existence of all Leases. Such Owner shall remain liable for compliance with the Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws and any other set of Rules, regulations and guidelines regarding the Property and shall be responsible for any violations thereof by its tenant or its tenant's family guests and invitees.

8.1.30 Construction. All Dwelling Units on the Property must be constructed by Declarant or its designees. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Declaration, this Section 8.1.30 can be amended, changed, waived or terminated only by Declarant by executing an instrument in recordable form that is Recorded.

8.1.31 No Modification by Private Agreement. No private agreement of any Owner(s) shall modify or abrogate any of these Covenants or the obligations, rights and duties of the Owners hereunder.

8.2 Permitted Uses and Restrictions - Common Area. The permitted uses and restrictions for the Common Area shall be as follows:

8.2.1 Permitted Uses. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Common Area shall be used in general for the exclusive benefit of the Owners, for the furnishing of services and facilities for which the same are reasonably intended and for the enjoyment to be derived from such reasonable and proper use, without hindering the exercise of or encroaching upon the right of any other Owner to utilize the Common Area, provided that no unlawful use shall be permitted.

8.2.2 Restricted Uses.

8.2.2.1 The Common Area shall not be used by Owners for storage of supplies, material or personal property of any kind; and

8.2.2.2 Except as otherwise provided herein, no activity shall be carried on nor condition maintained by any Owner upon the Common Area that spoils the appearance of the Property or hinders or encroaches upon the right of any other Owner to utilize the Common Area as reasonably intended.

8.2.3 Maintenance by Association. Without the Owners' approval, the Association shall, as to the Common Area conveyed, leased or transferred to it or area otherwise placed under its jurisdiction, in the discretion of the Board:

8.2.3.1 Maintain the planting. For this purpose, Declarant and the Association shall have the right, at any time, to ^{Unofficial Document} plant, replace, maintain and cultivate landscaping, shrubs, trees and plantings on any Common Area and on such easements over an Owner's Lot as may have been granted to Declarant or the Association, regardless of whether any Owner or the Association is responsible hereunder for maintenance of such areas. No Owner shall remove, alter, injure or interfere in any way with any landscaping, shrubs, trees, grass or plantings placed upon any Common Area or front yard without the prior written consent of Declarant or the Association. Declarant and the Association shall have the right to enter upon or cross over any Lot, at any reasonable time, for the purpose of planting, replacing, maintaining or cultivating such landscaping, shrubs, trees, grass or plantings and shall not be liable for trespass for so doing;

8.2.3.2 Reconstruct, repair, replace or refinish any improvement or portion thereof upon the Common Area or the above described easement areas (to the extent that such work is not the responsibility of any governmental entity or public utility);

8.2.3.3 Construct, reconstruct, repair, replace or refinish any road improvement or surface upon any portion of such area used as a road, street, walk and parking area (to the extent that such work is not done by a governmental entity or utility, if any such entity is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of such area);

8.2.3.4 Replace injured and diseased trees or other vegetation in any such area, and plant trees, shrubs and ground cover to the extent that the Board deems necessary or advisable;

8.2.3.5 Place and maintain upon the Common Area such signs, markers and lights as the Board may deem appropriate for the proper identification, use and regulation thereof, subject to the approval of the Architectural Committee;

8.2.3.6 Remove all papers, debris, filth and refuse from the Common Area and wash or sweep paved areas as required; clean and re-lamp lighting fixtures as needed;

8.2.3.7 Repaint striping, markers, directional signs and similar identification or safety devices as necessary;

8.2.3.8 Pay all real property taxes and assessments on the Common Area;

8.2.3.9 Pay all electrical, water, gas and other utility charges or fees for services furnished to the Common Area;

8.2.3.10 Pay for and keep in force, at the Association's expense, insurance against liability incurred as a result of death or injury to persons or damage to property on the Common Area;

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8.2.3.11 Do all such other and further acts that the Board deems necessary to preserve and protect the Common Area and the beauty thereof, in accordance with the general purposes specified in this Declaration; and

8.2.3.12 Be the sole judge as to the appropriate maintenance within the Common Area and individual front yards.

Nothing herein shall be construed so as to preclude the Association from delegating its powers set forth above to a project manager or agent or to other persons, firms or corporations.

8.2.4 Damage or Destruction of Common Area by Owners. If any Common Area is damaged or destroyed by an Owner or any of its guests, tenants, licensees or agents, such Owner does hereby authorize the Association to repair such damaged area, and the Association shall so repair such damaged area in a good workmanlike manner in conformity with the original plans and specifications of the area involved, or as the area may have been modified or altered subsequently by the Association, in the discretion of the Association. The amount necessary for such repairs shall be paid by such Owner, to the Association, and the Association may enforce collection of such amounts in the same manner as provided elsewhere in this Declaration for collection and enforcement of Assessments, including, without limitation, Section 9.3 hereof.

8.2.5 Mortgage or Conveyance of Common Area. The Common Area shall not be mortgaged or conveyed without the prior consent of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes in each class of Members, following the First Conveyance.

9. Insurance.

9.1 Scope of Coverage. Commencing not later than the time of the First Conveyance, the Association shall maintain adequate insurance for the Common Area, including liability in an amount no less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000), as well as directors' and officers' liability. Each Owner shall be responsible for coverage on its Lot and any improvement thereon, including, without limitation, the Dwelling Unit.

9.2 Certificate of Insurance. An insurer that has issued an insurance policy under this Section 9 shall issue certificates or memorandums of insurance to the Association and, upon request, to any Owner or Mortgagee. Any insurance obtained pursuant to this Section 9 shall not be canceled until thirty (30) days after notice of the proposed cancellation has been mailed to the Association, each Owner and each Mortgagee under a deed of trust to whom certificates or memorandums of insurance have been issued.

9.3 Repair and Replacement of Damaged or Destroyed Property. Any portion of the Common Area damaged or destroyed shall be repaired or replaced promptly by the Association unless (a) repair or replacement would be illegal under any state or local health or safety statute or ordinance or (b) Owners owning at least eighty percent (80%) of the Lots vote not to rebuild. The cost of repair or replacement in excess of ^{insurance} proceeds and reserves shall be paid by the Association. If the proceeds attributable to the damaged Common Area shall be used to restore the damaged area to a condition that is not in violation of any state or local health or safety statute or ordinance, then any such proceeds in excess of the amount used to restore such damage shall be distributed to the Owners on the basis of an equal share for each Lot.

10. General Provisions.

10.1 The Declaration. By acceptance of a deed or by acquiring any ownership interest in any portion of the Property, each Owner, its heirs, representatives, successors, transferees and assigns, binds itself, its heirs, representatives, successors, transferees and assigns, to restrictions, covenants, conditions, rules and regulations now or hereafter imposed by this Declaration and any amendments thereof. In addition, each Owner by so doing hereby acknowledges that this Declaration sets forth a general scheme for the improvement and development of the Property and thereby evidences its interest that all the restrictions, conditions, covenants, rules and regulations contained herein shall run with the land and be binding on all subsequent and future Owners, grantees, purchasers, transferees and assignees thereof. Furthermore, each such Owner fully understands and acknowledges that this Declaration shall be mutually beneficial, prohibitive and enforceable by the various future Owners.

10.2 Enforcement. The Association, or any Owner, shall have the right to enforce, by any proceeding at law or in equity, the provisions of this Declaration. Failure by the Association or by any Owner to enforce any covenant or restriction herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter. If any portion of any Lot is maintained so as to: (a) present a public or private nuisance, (b) substantially detract from or affect the appearance or quality of any surrounding Lot or the Property, or (c) is used in a manner which violates this Declaration, or if the Owner or Resident of any Lot fails to perform its obligation under this Declaration or the Architectural Committee Rules, the Association or any Owner may give notice to the violating Owner that corrective action must be completed within fourteen (14) days of the receipt of such notice. If the violating Owner fails to take corrective action within said period of time, the Association, or the notifying Owner, may take, at the violating Owner's cost, appropriate corrective action to remedy such nuisance, detraction, violation or failure of performance including, without limitation, appropriate legal action. Charges incurred by the Association or the notifying Owner, as applicable, shall be paid by the violating Owner on demand together with interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum or such higher rate that is equivalent to the maximum rate allowed by law accruing from the date said charges are incurred until paid in full. Any sum not paid hereunder by the violating Owner shall be treated as an Assessment and collected in accordance with the procedures provided in Section 6.

10.3 Severability. Invalidation of any one of these covenants or restrictions by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any other provisions, all of which shall remain in full force and effect.

10.4 Term; Method of Termination. Unless terminated in accordance with this Section 10.4, this Declaration (as amended from time to time) shall continue in full force and effect for a term of thirty (30) 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 Members holding ninety percent (90%) or more of the votes in the Association. If the necessary votes and consents are obtained, the Board shall cause to be Recorded a certificate of

termination, duly signed by the president or vice president and attested by the 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 applicable law.

10.5 Amendments.

10.5.1 This Declaration may be amended at any time and from time to time during the original term of this Declaration or any extensions thereof, but, except for amendments made pursuant to Sections 10.5.2 or 10.5.3 of this Declaration, this Declaration may only be amended by the written approval or the affirmative vote, or any combination thereof, of Members owning not fewer than two-thirds (2/3) of the Lots in the Property.

10.5.2 Either the Board or the Declarant may amend this Declaration, without obtaining the approval or consent of any Owner, Mortgagee or other Person, to conform this Declaration 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 Property or the Declaration, the Articles or the Bylaws is required by law or requested by the Declarant.

10.5.3 So long as the Declarant owns at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Lots in the Property, the Declarant may amend this Declaration without the consent or approval of any other Owner or other Person.

10.5.4 So long as the Declarant or any affiliate of Declarant owns any Lot or other portion of the Property, or any portion of the ^{Unofficial Document} Additional Property, no amendment to this Declaration shall be effective unless approved in writing by the Declarant (or unless the Declarant expressly waives in writing its right to approve such amendments).

10.5.5 Any amendment approved pursuant to Section 10.5.1 of this Declaration or by the Board pursuant to Section 10.5.2 of this Declaration must be signed by the president or vice president of the Association and must be Recorded. Any such amendment must certify that the amendment has been approved as required by this Section. Any amendment made by the Declarant pursuant to Sections 10.5.2 or 10.5.3 of this Declaration must be executed by the Declarant and must be Recorded.

10.6 Notices. Notices provided for in this Declaration shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the last known address of the each Owner in the files of the Association. Notices shall be deemed delivered when mailed by United States First Class, Registered or Certified Mail addressed to the Owner at such address or when delivered in person to such Owner.

10.7 Condemnation. The Association, upon receipt of notice of intention or notice of proceedings whereby all or any part of the Property is to be taken by any governmental body by exercise of the power of condemnation or eminent domain, shall immediately notify all Owners and First Mortgagees. The Association shall represent the Owners in any condemnation or eminent domain proceeding for the acquisition of any part of the Common Area, and every Owner appoints

the Association its attorney-in-fact for this purpose. The entire award made as compensation for such taking of Common Area, including, without limitation, any amount awarded as severance damages, or the entire amount received and paid in anticipation and settlement for such taking, after deducting from such award, in each case, reasonable and necessary costs and expenses, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, appraisers' fees and court costs (which net amount shall hereinafter be referred to as the "*Award*"), shall be paid to the Association as trustee for the use and benefit of any Owners and their First Mortgagees as their interests may appear. The Association shall, as it is practicable, cause the Award to be utilized for the purpose of repairing and restoring the Property, including, if the Association deems it necessary or desirable, the replacement of any improvements so taken or conveyed.

If any Lot or portion thereof is taken by condemnation or eminent domain, the Owner of such Lot shall be entitled to receive the award for such taking, and after acceptance thereof said Owner and all of said Owner's Mortgagees shall be divested of all interest in the Property if such Owner shall be required to vacate the Lot as a result of such taking. The remaining Owners shall decide by majority vote whether to rebuild or repair the Property or take other action. The remaining portion of the Property shall be resurveyed, if necessary, and the Declaration shall be amended to reflect such taking. If more than one Lot is taken at the same time, the Association shall participate in the negotiations and shall propose the method of division of the proceeds of condemnation if the Lots are not valued separately by the condemning authority or by the court. Condemnation proceeds for the Common Area shall be apportioned among the Owners in a fair and equitable manner as determined by the Association. If any Owner disagrees with the proposed allocation, such Owner may have the matter submitted to arbitration under the rules of the American Arbitration Association.

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10.8 Waiver; Remedies Cumulative. No failure or delay on the part of any person in exercising any right, power or privilege hereunder and no course of dealing between or among the persons subject hereto shall operate as a waiver of any provision hereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right, power or privilege hereunder preclude any other right, power or privilege. The rights and remedies herein expressly provided are cumulative and not exclusive of any rights or remedies which any person subject hereto would otherwise have. No notice to or demand upon any person in any case shall entitle such person to any other or further notice or demand in similar or other circumstances or constitute a waiver of rights to any other or further action in any circumstances.

10.9 Interpretation. Except for judicial construction, the Association has 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 benefited or bound by this Declaration.

10.10 Perpetuities. If any of the covenants, conditions, restrictions or other provisions of this Declaration are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction (upheld on appeal) to be unlawful, void or voidable for violation of the rule against perpetuities, then the covenants, conditions,

restrictions or other provisions so determined to be unlawful, void or voidable shall continue only until twenty-one (21) years after the death of the last survivor of the now living descendants of the person holding the office of President of the United States on the date this Declaration is Recorded.

10.11 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.

10.12 Rules and Regulations. In addition to the right to adopt rules and regulations on the matters expressly mentioned elsewhere in this Declaration, the Association has the right to adopt, as part of the Association Rules, additional rules and regulations about other aspects of the Association's rights, activities and duties, provided such additional rules and regulations do not conflict with the provisions of this Declaration, the Articles and the Bylaws.

10.13 Laws, Ordinances and Regulations.

10.13.1 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 also to comply with all applicable laws, ordinances and regulations.

10.13.2 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 in violation of this Declaration and subject to any or all of the enforcement proceedings set forth herein.

10.14 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 whether any such reference is made in any deed or instrument, each and all of the provisions of this Declaration are and shall be binding upon the grantee-Owner or other Person claiming through any instrument and its heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

10.15 Gender and Number. Wherever the context of this Declaration so requires, any word used in the masculine, feminine or neuter genders includes each of the other genders, words in the singular include the plural, and words in the plural include the singular.

10.16 Captions and Title; Section References; Exhibits. 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 meaning or intent thereof. References in this Declaration to numbered articles, sections or subsections, or to lettered exhibits, shall be deemed to be references to those paragraphs or exhibits so numbered or lettered in this Declaration, unless the context otherwise

requires. Any exhibits referred to in this Declaration are hereby incorporated herein by reference and fully made a part hereof.

10.17 Indemnification. The Association shall indemnify each and every officer and director of the Association, each and every member of the Architectural Committee, and each and every member of any committee appointed by the Board (including, for purposes of this Section 10.17, former officers and directors of the Association, former members of the Architectural Committee, and former members of committees appointed by the Board) (collectively, "*Association Officials*" and individually an "*Association Official*") against any and all expenses, including, without limitation, attorneys' fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon an Association Official in connection with any action, suit or other proceeding (including settlement of any suit or proceeding, if approved by the Board serving at the time of such settlement) to which he or she may be a party by reason of being or having been an Association Official, except for his or her own individual willful misfeasance, malfeasance, misconduct or bad faith. No Association Official shall have any personal liability with respect to any contract or other commitment made by them or action taken by them, in good faith, on behalf of the Association (except indirectly to the extent that such Association Official may also be a Member of the Association and therefore subject to Assessments hereunder to fund a liability of the Association), and the Association shall indemnify and forever hold each such Association Official free and harmless from and against any and all liability to others on account of any such contract, commitment or action. Any right to indemnification provided for herein is not exclusive of any other rights to which any Association Official may be entitled. If the Board deems it appropriate, in its sole discretion, the Association may advance funds to or for the benefit of any Association Official who may be entitled to indemnification hereunder to enable such Association Official to meet on-going costs and expenses of defending himself or herself in any ~~Unofficial Document~~ proceeding brought against such Association Official by reason of his or her being, or having been, an Association Official. In the event it is ultimately determined that an Association Official to whom, or for whose benefit, funds were advanced pursuant to the preceding sentence does not qualify for indemnification pursuant to this Section 10.17 or otherwise under the Articles, Bylaws or applicable law, such Association Official must promptly upon demand repay to the Association the total of such funds advanced by the Association to him or her, or for his or her benefit, with interest (should the Board so elect) at a rate not to exceed ten percent (10%) per annum from the date(s) advanced until paid.

10.18 Number of Days. In computing the number of days for purposes of any provision of this Declaration or the Articles or Bylaws, all days shall be counted including Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, but if the final day of any time period falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, then the final day shall be deemed to be the next day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday.

10.19 Disclaimer of Representations. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the Declarant nor any affiliate of Declarant makes any warranties or representations whatsoever that the plans presently envisioned for the complete development of the Property can or shall be carried out, or that any real property now owned or hereafter acquired by the Declarant or by any affiliate of Declarant is or shall be subjected to this Declaration, or that any such real property (whether it has been subjected to this Declaration) is or shall be committed to or developed for a particular (or any) use, or

that if such real property is once used for a particular use, such use shall continue in effect. While neither the Declarant nor any affiliate of Declarant believes that any of the restrictive covenants contained in this Declaration is or may be invalid or unenforceable for any reason or to any extent, neither the Declarant nor any affiliate of Declarant makes any warranty or representation about the present or future validity or enforceability of any such restrictive covenant. Any Owner acquiring a Lot in reliance on one or more of such restrictive covenants assumes all risks of the validity and enforceability thereof and by accepting a deed to the Lot agrees to hold the Declarant and all affiliates of Declarant harmless therefrom.

10.20 Amendments Affecting Declarant Rights. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Declaration to the contrary, no provision of this Declaration (including but not limited to, this Section) which grants to or confers upon the Declarant or upon any affiliates of Declarant any rights, privileges, easements, benefits or exemptions (except for rights, privileges, easements, benefits or exemptions granted to or conferred upon Owners generally) may be modified, amended or revoked in any way, so long as the Declarant, any affiliate of Declarant or a trustee for the benefit of the Declarant or any affiliate of Declarant owns any portion of the Property, without the express written consent of the Declarant.

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10.21 Prior Approval. If any First Mortgage insured by the FHA, or guaranteed by the VA, is legitimately recorded against any Lot at the time of the following described actions, and the extent that it is required by any regulation governing FHA/VA Mortgages, as long as there is a Class B Membership, the following actions shall require the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration or the Veterans Administration: (a) annexation of additional properties to the Property (except to the extent such annexation involves only minor adjustments to boundaries of the Property); (b) dedication or mortgaging of Common Area; (c) dissolution, merger or consolidation of the Association; and (d) amendment of this Declaration, the Articles or the Bylaws (except to make clerical or technical corrections).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, K. HOVNANIAN GREAT WESTERN HOMES, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company, as Declarant, has caused its company name to be signed and its company seal to be affixed by the undersigned officer thereunto duly authorized this 22nd day of September, 2004.

DECLARANT:

K. HOVNANIAN GREAT WESTERN HOMES, LLC
an Arizona limited liability company

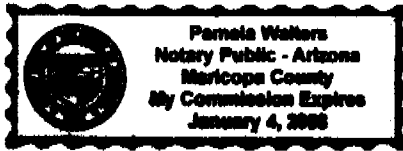
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By:  _____

Its: PRESIDENT _____

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss.
 County of Maricopa)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 22nd day of September, 2004, by Scott W. Smith, the President of K. Hovnanian Great Western Homes, LLC, an Arizona limited liability company, on behalf of the company.



Pamela Walters
 Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

January 04, 2008

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EXHIBIT A

(Legal Description of the Property)

Lots 47 through 308, inclusive, together with Tracts E through N, inclusive, of LAVEEN RANCH, according to the final plat recorded in Book 698 of Maps, Page 30, Official Records of the Maricopa County Recorder, Maricopa County, Arizona.