## Creedmoor Commons Condominiums Association, Inc.

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DECLARATION FOR CREEDMOOR COMMONS CONDOMINIUMS

PURSUANT TO

CHAPTER 47C OF THE NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTES
THE NORTH CAROLINA CONDOMINIUM ACT
(Wake County Register of Deeds Unit Ownership File No. 2001) 272

HOMES BY EDD K. ROBERTS, INC., a North Carolina Corporation with its principal place of business located at 3924 Browning Place, Raleigh, NC 27609 (hereinafter defined as "Declarant"), does hereby make, declare and establish this Declaration of Condominium as, and for, the plan of ownership of Creedmoor Commons Condominiums, being the property and improvements hereinafter described.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Declarant is the Owner of certain real property in Wake County, North Carolina, more particularly described and defined in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof (hereinafter called "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Declarant is constructing on the Property, a non-residential condominium development consisting of four (4) buildings containing five or more office units per building established in accordance with the provisions of the North Carolina Condominium Act (Chapter 47C, North Carolina General Statutes), and wishes to sell and convey said Units to purchasers subject to the covenants, conditions and restrictions herein reserved.

NOW, THEREFORE, Declarant hereby declares that all of the Property described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto shall be held, sold, and conveyed subject to the following easements, restrictions, covenants, uses, limitations, and obligations in furtherance of a plan for the division of the Property into Condominium Units and which shall be deemed to run with the land and be binding on all parties having any right, title, or interest in the land or any part thereof, their heirs, successors and assigns.

#### 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF CONDOMINIUM OWNERSHIP

1.01 <u>Submission</u>. Declarant does hereby submit that Property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and the improvements and appurtenances thereto to the form of Condominium ownership pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 47C of the General Statutes of North Carolina (North Carolina Condominium Act) as the same now exists or may be hereafter amended, and hereby declares that the Property shall be subject to the uses,

restrictions, covenants, easements, limitations, obligations, and governing authority set forth in the Declaration of Condominium and as the same may be hereafter amended.

- $1.02~\underline{\text{Name}}$  . The Property and improvements thereof shall be known as CREEDMOOR COMMONS CONDOMINIUMS (hereinafter referred to as "Condominium").
- 1.03 <u>Division of Property into Separately Owned Units</u>. Declarant, pursuant to the North Carolina Condominium Act (Chapter 47C, North Carolina General Statutes), and to establish a plan of condominium ownership for the Condominium, does hereby divide the Property into four (4) buildings containing five or more Units per building and does hereby designate all Units for separate ownership, subject, however to the provisions of this Declaration. Phase One of said Condominiums has been built. Phase Two "Need not be built."
- 1.04 No units in this Condominium shall be used for residential purposes. The Condominium accordingly is exempt from the public offering requirements of G.S. 47C-4-101 et seq.

### 2. <u>DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS</u>

2.01 <u>Property</u>. The legal description of the Property on which the buildings and improvements are to be located is set forth in Exhibit "A" to this Declaration.

The Unit designation of each Condominium Unit, location, floor plan and typical description are set forth in the Plans (as hereafter defined) for this condominium filed in the Wake County Register of Deeds in the file number reference at the top of the first page of this Declaration, and in any Amendments thereto that may be filed in said Registry.

2.02 Other Descriptions. Actual building locations, Limited Common Areas, utility lines, ground elevations, building elevations, and other land and construction information shall be found on the architect's drawings in the Condominium Unit Ownership File which number is referenced at the top of the first page of this Declaration recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Wake County, North Carolina.

The Condominium is not subject to any code, real estate use law, ordinance, charter provision, or regulation (i) prohibiting the Condominium form of ownership, or (ii) imposing conditions or requirements upon a Condominium which are not imposed upon substantially similar developments under a different form of ownership. This statement is made pursuant to G.S. 47C-1-106 of the

Act for the purpose of providing marketable title to the Units in the Condominium.

#### 3. DEFINITIONS

THE FOLLOWING SHALL BE DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO THIS DECLARATION:

- 3.01 <u>"Allocated Interest"</u> means the undivided interests in the Common Elements, the Common Expense Liability and the votes in the Association allocated to each Unit.
- 3.02 <u>"Association"</u> or <u>"Unit Owners' Association"</u> means that non-profit corporation, the name of which shall be Creedmoor Commons Condominiums Association, Inc. and which shall manage the Common Elements of the Condominium as specified in this Declaration and its corporate Bylaws.
- 3.03 "Board of Directors" or "Board" means those persons elected or appointed and acting collectively as the directors of the Association, and on behalf of the Association, as prescribed in its Bylaws.
- 3.04 "Building" means a structure constructed or erected on the Property which contains two or more Condominium Units.
- 3.05 "Bylaws" means the Bylaws of the Association as they now or hereafter exist.
- 3.06 "Common Elements" shall mean and comprise all portions of the Condominium except the Units, but excluding any plumbing, electrical, heating or air-conditioning equipment serving only an individual Unit, and excluding all outdoor light fixtures affixed to the exterior walls of a Unit. Water lines and sewer lines which serve the Condominium and are located outside of public street rights-of-way and city utility easements are common elements.
- 3.07 "Common Expenses" means expenditures made by, or financial liabilities of, the Association, together with any allocations to reserves, including, but not limited to:
- (1) All sums lawfully assessed against the Unit Owners by the Association;
- (2) Expenses of administration, maintenance, repair, or replacement of the Common Elements;
- (3) Expenses agreed upon as Common Expenses by the Association;

- (4) Expenses declared to be Common Expenses by the provisions of the North Carolina Condominium Act, by the Declaration or by the Bylaws;
- (5) Hazard, and such other insurance premiums as the Declaration and/or Bylaws may require the Association to purchase;
- (6) Taxes, public assessments, and governmental liens levied against the Common Elements and not assessed against the Units;
- (7) Maintenance and operating expenses for the exterior lights serving the parking lot for the condominium units.
- (8) Any utilities which are Common Expenses as determined by the Association.
- 3.08 <u>"Common Expense Liability"</u> means the liability for Common Expenses allocated to each Unit.
- 3.09 "Common Profits" means the balance of all income, rents, profits, and revenues from the Common Elements remaining after the deduction of the Common Expenses or reserves therefor;
- 3.10 "Common Surplus" means all funds and other assets of the Association, including excess receipts of the Association from assessments, rents, profits and revenues from whatever source in excess of the Common Expenses.
- 3.11 <u>"Condominium"</u> shall mean all Condominium Units, the Common Elements an any Limited Common Elements, as said terms are hereinafter defined, and all appurtenances, all comprising the Property located on Exhibit "A" attached hereto.
- 3.12 "Condominium Unit" or "Unit" as the term is used herein shall mean and comprise each of the separate numerically identified Units which are designated in Exhibit "B" attached hereto and which shall be the physical portion of the Condominium designated on that Exhibit for separate ownership or occupancy. Mechanical equipment, stairways and appurtenances located within any Unit and designated to serve only that Unit, such as appliances, heating and air-conditioning units, cabinets, fixtures and the like, shall be part of the Unit. Additionally, all outdoor light fixtures affixed to the exterior walls of a unit shall be part of the Unit. Exterior lighting and wiring serving the parking lot shall be common property.

- 3.13 "Declarant" means Homes by Edd K. Roberts, Inc., and its successors and assigns to whom any of its rights hereunder are expressly transferred, in whole or in part, or who succeeds to any Special Declarant Right;
- 3.14 "Declarant Control Period" or "Period of Declarant Control" means the period commencing on the date hereof and continuing until the earlier of (i) two years after Declarant has ceased to offer Units for sale in the ordinary course of business, or (ii) the date one-hundred twenty (120) days after the Declarant has conveyed eighty percent (80%) of the Units to Unit Owners other than a Declarant.
- 3.15 "Declaration" means this instrument, as amended and duly recorded, by which the Property is submitted to the provisions of the North Carolina Condominium Act, and as it, from time to time, may be amended.
- 3.16 "Development Rights" means the rights reserved by Declarant in this Declaration to add real estate to this Condominium, to create Units, Common Elements or Limited Common Elements within the Condominium, to subdivide one or more Units, to withdraw real estate from the Condominium, and any other rights as may be provided in the North Carolina Condominium Act.
- 3.17 <u>"Lessee"</u> means any person entitled to present possession of a leased Unit, whether lessee, sublessee or assignee.
- 3.18 "Limited Common Elements". Those Common Elements allocated for the exclusive use of one but fewer than all of the Units by this Declaration including but not limited to the following:
- (a) any chute, flue, duct, wire, conduit, bearing wall, bearing column, or any other fixture lying partially within and partially outside of the designated boundaries of a Unit and serving only that Unit. If such structures serve more than one Unit, or the Common Elements, they are Common Elements. Subject to the preceding sentence, all spaces, interior partitions, and other fixtures and improvements entirely within the boundaries of a Unit are a part of the Unit.
- (b) Any shutters, awnings, window boxes, doorsteps, stoops, decks, porches, balconies, patios, and all exterior doors and windows or other fixtures designed to serve a single Unit but located outside the Unit's boundaries, are a part of the Unit.

The cost of maintenance and repair of the Limited Common Elements shall be the responsibility of the Owner, or if more than one, Owners of the Unit or Units to which it is allocated on an equal basis.

A Limited Common Element may not be altered or reallocated without the unanimous consent of all Unit Owners whose Units are affected. Any Unit Owners who reallocate a Limited Common Element as among themselves shall first seek and obtain approval from the Board of Directors. Any reallocation of a Limited Common Element, upon approval by the Board, shall be evidenced by an amendment to this Declaration executed by the Unit Owners affected, which amendment shall be recorded before it shall become effective. The Unit Owners affected by the reallocation shall pay the cost and expense of preparation of the amendment and the recording thereof; however, the form and substance of the amendment shall be first approved by the Board of Directors or the counsel for the Association.

Common Elements not designated or allocated as Limited Common Elements may not be so allocated to Unit Owners except upon written unanimous consent of all Unit Owners in the Condominium. Any such allocation shall be evidenced by an amendment as set forth above.

- 3.19 "Majority" or "Majority of Unit Owners" means the Owners of more than fifty percent (50%) of the aggregate allocated interests in the Common Elements, as established by this Declaration, assembled at a duly called meeting of the members of the Association.
  - 3.20 "Mortgage" means a mortgage or deed of trust.
- 3.21 "Mortgagee" means a mortgagee or the owner and holder of a promissory note or other evidence of indebtedness and deed of trust or mortgage which described a Unit or Units as the security property.
- 3.22 "North Carolina Condominium Act" means the provisions of Chapter 47C of the North Carolina General Statutes as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended, or any new enactment in substitution or replacement thereof as the same by law may be applied to this Condominium.
- 3.23 "Person" means any natural person, corporation, partnership, Association, business trust, estate, trust, joint venture, government or any subdivision or agency thereof, or other legal or commercial entity.
- 3.24 "Plans" means the plats and plans of the Buildings and Property filed with this Declaration and located in the Condominium File in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Wake County, showing thereon graphically all particulars of the buildings and the Units. "Plans" also include subsequent amendments thereto.

- 3.25 "Property" means the real estate described on Exhibit A, together with all buildings and improvements now or hereafter constructed or located thereon, and all rights, privileges, easements and appurtenances belongings to or in any way pertaining to said real estate.
- 3.26 <u>"Special Declarant Rights"</u> means those rights, including Development Rights reserved for the benefit of the Declarant, permitted by the North Carolina Condominium Act and specified in Article Six (6) herein.
- 3.27 "Unit Boundaries" means the boundaries of each Unit, both as to vertical and horizontal planes, as shown on the Plans, and constituting the walls, floors and ceiling of the Unit.
- 3.28 "Unit Designation" means the identifying number, letter, symbol or combination thereof designating a Condominium Unit and set forth in this Declaration and the Plans, or in any amendments thereto.
- 3.29 "Unit Owner" or "Owner" means Declarant or any other person, or any combination thereof, who owns a Condominium Unit, but excludes any person having an interest in a Unit solely for security purposes.

## 4. OWNERSHIP OF CONDOMINIUM UNITS AND APPURTENANT ALLOCATED INTEREST IN COMMON ELEMENTS

- 4.01 Ownership Interest. Each Condominium Unit shall be held, conveyed and treated as an individual property capable of independent use and fee simple ownership, and the Owner of each Unit shall also own, as an appurtenance to the ownership of each Condominium Unit, an undivided allocated interest in the Common Elements equal to his percentage ownership of the Condominium Units computed by area. The undivided allocated interest appurtenant to each Condominium Unit shall be as set out in Exhibit "B" attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 4.02 Change in Allocated Interests. Except such reallocations as may be required by law, as may arise in the case of condemnation as set forth in Article 37 herein, as may result from a casualty loss as specified in Article 21 hereof, as may occur because of exercise of Development Rights reserved by Declarant herein, or as permitted by this Declaration, the Allocated Interests in the Common Elements assigned to each Condominium Unit shall not be changed except with the unanimous consent of all of the Unit Owners of all of the Condominium Units.

4.03 No Division of Common Elements. The Common Elements are not subject to partition, and any purported conveyance, encumbrance, judicial sale, or other voluntary or involuntary transfer of an undivided interest in the Common Elements by an Owner made without the Condominium Unit to which that interest is allocated is void.

### 5. <u>SPECIAL DECLARANT RIGHTS RESERVED</u>

- 5.01 The Declarant reserves the following Special Declarant Rights with Respect to the Condominium:
- (A) The right to complete the Condominium in accordance with the Plans filed contemporaneously with this Declaration and as a part of the Unit Ownership File identified on page 1 hereof. Furthermore, before the sale and transfer of any Units, the Declarant reserves the right to change the boundaries and dimensions of the Units, and to change the number of Units, provided that the Declarant has prepared and filed an Amendment to this Declaration and amended plats of the Units affected by such changes.
- (B) Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 47C-2-110(c) the Declarant reserves the right to subdivide or convert a Unit previously created into two or more Units, into common elements, or into both.
- (C) Declarant may maintain models, management offices, and sales offices for management of the Condominium or sales of Units as follows:
- (1) Any Unit or number of Units may be used as models and/or management or sales offices.
- (2) Declarant shall have the right to relocate, from time to time, and to discontinue and re-establish, from time to time, within the condominium, until all of the Units have been conveyed to a Unit Owner other than Declarant, any one or more of such offices or models. Declarant also shall have the right to change the use or combination of uses of such offices or models, provided that such offices or models shall be used only for sale or management offices or models.
- (3) Declarant may also maintain signs on the Common Elements advertising the Condominium until all of the Units have been conveyed to Unit Owners other than a Declarant. Declarant shall remove all such signs not later than thirty (30) days after all of the Units have been conveyed to a Unit Owner other than Declarant and shall repair or pay for the repair of all damage done by removal of such signs.

- (4) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Declaration or of the Bylaws, the Association may maintain an office in the Condominium for management of the Condominium both before and after the sale of all Units to someone other than the Declarant, and both during and after the Declarant Control Period.
- (D) The Declarant shall have the right of access, ingress and egress through the Common Elements for the purpose of discharging Declarant's obligations and all portions thereof, as now or hereafter constituted, or exercising Special Declarant rights.
- (E) The Declarant shall have the right to elect or name persons to the Board of Directors and to name and appoint officers of the Association and to otherwise control the activities of the Board and Association and during Declarant Control Period and until the rights of Declarant terminate, all as specified in the Bylaws or this Declaration.

# 6. SUBDIVIDING AND RELOCATING BOUNDARIES OF ADJOINING CONDOMINIUM UNITS; SEPARATE CONVEYANCE OF APPURTENANT COMMON ELEMENTS PROHIBITED

6.01(A) Recombination of Condominiums. One or more Units may be subdivided or recombined by the Owners thereof subject to the restrictions of all relevant codes, ordinances, and regulations of all regulator and governmental bodies having jurisdiction over the Condominium.

The Association, at the expense of the Unit Owners, shall prepare, execute, and record an amendment to the Declaration, including the Plans, subdividing or recombining said Units.

The amendment to the Declaration must be executed by the Owners of the Units to be recombined, assign identifying numbers to each of the Units created, and reallocate the interests formerly allocated to the recombined Units to the new units in any reasonable manner prescribed by the Owners of the subdivided or recombined Units.

6.01(B) Relocation of Unit Boundaries. The boundaries of Units may be relocated by the affected Unit Owners upon application to, and approval by, the Board of Directors. Any such application must be in such form and contain such data as the Board may require detailing the relocation of the Boundaries of the affected Units and the reallocation of their respective Allocated Interest. Such application shall be accompanied by a plat prepared by an engineer or architect registered under N.C.G.S. Chapter 83 or 89C showing the relocation. The Board in its discretion may determine the relocation to be unreasonable. If the Board shall approve the application, or if within thirty (30)

days after filing the application with the Board, the Board has not denied the application as being unreasonable, then the Board, at the expense of the Owners affected, shall have prepared an amendment to the Declaration including plats and plans necessary to show the altered boundaries between the adjoining units and their dimensions and identifying numbers and such other information as the applicable statute (presently G.S. 47C-2-112) shall require, and the same be filed of record at which time the relocation shall be effective.

- 6.01(C) The Allocated Interest in the Common Elements declared to be appurtenant to each Condominium Unit shall not be conveyed, devised, encumbered or otherwise dealt with separately from said Condominium Unit, and the Allocated Interest in Common Elements appurtenant to each Condominium Unit shall be deemed conveyed, devised, encumbered or otherwise included with the Condominium Unit even though such undivided interest is not expressly mentioned or described in the instrument conveying, devising, encumbering, or otherwise dealing with such Condominium Unit.
- 6.02 <u>Instrument of Conveyance</u>. Any conveyance, mortgage or other instrument which purports to grant any title, right, interest or lien in, to or upon a Condominium Unit, shall be null, void and of no effect insofar as the same purports to affect any interest in a Condominium Unit and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in Common Elements, unless the same purports to convey, devise, encumber or otherwise trade or deal with the entire Condominium Unit as then constituted. Any instrument conveying, devising, encumbering, or otherwise dealing with any Condominium Unit, without limitation or exception, shall be deemed or construed to affect the entire Condominium Unit as then constituted and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in the Common Elements.
- 6.03 <u>Joint Ownership Not Prohibited</u>. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting or preventing ownership of any Condominium Unit and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in the Common Elements by more than one person as tenants in common, joint tenants, or as tenants by the entirety.

### THE CONDOMINIUM SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS

The Condominium Units, Common Elements and Limited Common Elements shall be; and the same are hereby declared to be subject to the restrictions, easements, conditions and covenants prescribed and established herein governing the use of said condominium Units, Common Elements and Limited Common Elements and setting forth the obligations and responsibilities incident to ownership of each Condominium Unit and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in the Common Elements, and said condominium Units, Com-

mon Elements, and said Condominium Units, Common Elements and Limited Common Elements are further declared to be subject to the restrictions, easements, conditions and limitations now of record affecting the land and improvements of the condominium.

## 8. PERPETUAL NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT IN COMMON ELEMENTS

- 8.01 <u>Common Elements</u>. The Common Elements shall be, and the same are hereby declared to be, subject to a perpetual non-exclusive easement in favor of all of the Owners of the Condominium Units in the Condominium, for their use and the use of their employees, servants, guests, invitees and lessees, for all proper and normal purposes, including, but not limited to the right of access, ingress and egress to and from all public streets, and public walkways and over walkways and parking areas within the Common Elements, and for the furnishing of services and facilities for which the same are reasonably intended, for the enjoyment of said Owners of Condominium Units.
- 8.02 <u>Rules and Regulations</u>. Notwithstanding anything provided in this Article seemingly to the contrary, the Association shall have the exclusive right to establish the rules and regulations pursuant to which the Owner of any condominium Unit, his employees, servants, invitees and lessees, may be entitled to use the Common Elements, including the right to make permanent and temporary assignments of parking spaces.
- Utilities. Each Unit Owner shall have an easement in common with the Owners of all other Units to use all chutes, flues, pipes, wires, ducts, cables, conduits, and public utilities serving his Unit. Each Unit shall be subject to an easement in favor of the Owners of all other Units to use the chutes, flues, pipes, ducts, cables, wires, conduits, public utility lines, and other Common Elements serving such other Units and located in such Unit. The Board of Directors, or its agents, shall have a right of access to each Unit from time to time during reasonable hours as may be necessary to inspect the same, to remove violations therefrom, and to maintain, repair, or replace the Common Elements contained therein or accessible therefrom, and to make emergency repairs therein necessary to prevent damage to the Common Elements or to another Unit or Units. Unit Owner specifically shall have an easement of access through all other Units as may be reasonably necessary to maintain, repair and place all components of mechanical systems serving his Unit and to maintain, repair, and replace those portions of his Unit or Limited Common Elements within this sphere of responsibility.

8.04 <u>Structural</u>. Every portion of a Unit, such as a bearing column, and a bearing wall, which contributes to the structural support of the Building shall be burdened with an easement of structural support for the benefit of all other Units and for the Common Elements.

## 9. EASEMENT FOR UNINTENTIONAL AND NON-NEGLIGENT ENCROACHMENTS

- 9.01 Present Encroachment. In the event that any Condominium Unit shall encroach upon any Common Element, or any other condominium Unit or Units, for any reason not caused by the purposeful or negligent act of the Condominium Unit Owner, or agent of such Owner, then an easement appurtenant to such Condominium Unit shall exist for the continuance of such encroachment upon the Common Elements or upon a Condominium Unit for so long as such encroachment shall naturally exist; and, in the event that any portion of the Common Elements shall encroach upon any Condominium Unit then an easement appurtenant to such Common Elements for the continuance of such encroachment upon a Unit shall exist for so long as such encroachment shall naturally exist.
- 9.02 Encroachments on Reconstruction. If any Condominium Unit or Common Elements shall be partially or totally destroyed as a result of fire or other casualty, or as a result of condemnation or eminent domain proceedings, and if upon reconstruction of such Unit or Common Elements, there exist encroachments or portions of the Common Elements upon any condominium Unit, or of any Condominium Unit upon any other Condominium Unit or upon any portion of the Common Elements, then such encroachments shall be permitted and a valid easement for the maintenance thereof shall exist so long as such encroachments shall naturally remain.

## 10. <u>RESTRAINT UPON SEPARATION AND PARTITION</u> <u>OF COMMON ELEMENTS</u>

Recognizing that the proper use of a Condominium Unit by an Owner or Owners is dependent upon the use and enjoyment of the Common Elements in common with the Owners of all other Condominium Units, and that it is in the interest of all Owners that the ownership of the Common Elements be retained in common by the Owners, it is hereby declared that the proportionally undivided interest in the Common Elements appurtenant to each Condominium Unit shall remain undivided and no Unit Owner shall bring or have any right to bring any action for partition or division.

#### 11.

## CONVEYANCE OR ENCUMBRANCE OF COMMON ELEMENTS BY ASSOCIATION

- 11.01 Conveyance or Encumbrance Permitted. Portions of the Common Elements may be conveyed or subjected to a security interest by the Association if persons entitled to cast at least eighty percent (80%) of the votes in the Association, including eighty percent (80%) of the votes allocated to Units not owned by a Declarant, agree to that action; provided, that all the Owners of Units to which any Limited Common Element is allocated must agree in order to convey that Limited Common Element or subject it to a security interest. Distribution of proceeds of the sale of a Limited Common Element shall be as provided by agreement between the Unit Owners to which it is allocated and the Association. Proceeds of the sale or financing of a Common Element (other than a Limited Common Element) shall be an asset of the Association.
- 11.02 Agreement Required. An agreement to convey Common Elements or subject them to a security interest must be evidenced by the execution of an agreement, or ratification thereof, in the same manner as a deed, by the requisite number of Unit Owners. The agreement must specify a date after which the agreement will be void unless recorded before that date. The agreement and all ratification thereof must be recorded in the county in which the Condominium is situate, and will be effective only upon recordation.
- 11.03 <u>Contract Voidable</u>. The Association, on behalf of the Unit Owners, may contract to convey Common Elements, or subject them to a security interest, but the contract is not enforceable against the Association until approved pursuant to Sections 11.01 and 11.02 above. Thereafter, the Association has the powers necessary and appropriate to effect the conveyance or encumbrance, including the power to execute deeds or other instruments.
- 11.04 Other Conveyance Void. Any purported conveyance, encumbrance, judicial sale or other voluntary transfer of Common Elements, unless made pursuant to this Section, is void.
- 11.05 <u>No Limitation of Access or Support</u>. A conveyance or encumbrance of Common Elements pursuant to this section shall not deprive any Unit of its rights of access and support.

### 12. <u>ADMINISTRATION OF THE CONDOMINIUM</u>

- 12.01 <u>Association</u>. To efficiently and effectively provide for the administration of the condominium by the Owners of the Condominium Units, a non-profit North Carolina corporation (the "Association" as defined above), has been organized (or will be organized before sale of any Unit by Declarant), and said Association shall administer the operation and management of the Condominium and undertake and perform all acts and duties incident thereto in accordance with the terms of its Articles of Incorporation and ByLaw.
- 12.02 Members. The Owner or Owners of each Condominium Unit shall automatically become members of said Association upon her, his, their or its acquisition of an ownership interest in title to any condominium Unit and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in the Common Elements, and the membership of such Owners or Owner shall terminate automatically upon such Owner or Owners being divested of such ownership interest in the title to such Condominium Unit, regardless of the means by which such ownership may be divested. No person holding any lien, mortgage or other encumbrance upon any Condominium Unit shall be entitled, by virtue of such lien, mortgage or other encumbrance, to membership in said Association or to any of the rights or privileges of such membership.
- 12.03 <u>Authority</u>. In the administration of the operation and management of the Condominium, the Association shall have, and is hereby granted, the authority and power to enforce the provisions of this Declaration of Condominium, to levy and collect assessments in the manner hereinafter provide, to adopt, amend, promulgate and enforce such rules and regulations governing the use of the Condominium Units and Common Elements as the Board of Directors of said Association may deem to be in the best interest of the Association.
- 12.04 Records Inspection. The Association shall make available at its office, or through its managing office, during normal business hours, and upon request, copies of the Declaration, Bylaws, and Rules and Regulations of the Association to Unit Owners, mortgage lenders, or any Unit insurers, guarantors of such mortgage loans and holders of such mortgage loans, and shall make available during such time books, records and financial statements for inspection by those persons. The Association may make a reasonable charge for such copies.

### 13. OCCUPANCY AND USE RESTRICTIONS

- 13.01 Zoning. Each Condominium Unit is hereby restricted to use by the owner thereof, his employees, servants, guests, invitees and lessees, for those uses and purposes permitted in the zoning district in which the Condominium is located, excluding those uses permitted therein only upon obtaining a special use permit or variance. Provided, however, with the prior written consent of the Association, a Unit Owner may seek a variance or special use permit and upon obtaining the same may engage in those uses of the Unit permitted by such variance or special use permit subject to the further restrictions of this Article. Upon obtaining a special use permit or variance, the Unit Owner shall file a certified copy thereof with the Secretary of the Association.
- 13.02 <u>Additional Use Restrictions</u>. In additional to the restrictions set forth in Section 13.01 above, the following restrictions shall also apply to the Condominium:
- a. No portion of the Property may be used for any residential purpose.
- b. A Unit Owner may lease his entire Unit or less than the entire Unit but all leases and subleases must be in writing and be for a term of 30 days or more. Any lease agreement shall provide: (i) that the terms of the lease shall be subject to the provisions of this Declaration, the Bylaws, and the Association's rules and regulations and (ii) that any failure of a lessee or sublessee to comply with the terms of such documents shall be a condition of default under such lease. All leases and subleases must be filed with the Association, or such information from such leases or subleases as may be prescribed by the Board shall be filed with the Association.
- 13.03 <u>Use of Common Elements</u>. The use of the common Elements, including the Limited Common Elements, by the Owner or Owners of all Condominium Units, and all other parties authorized to use the same, shall be at all times subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as may be hereafter prescribed and established by the Association.
- 13.04 Offensive Uses Prohibited. No immoral, improper, offensive or unlawful use shall be made of any Condominium Unit or of the Common Elements, nor any part hereof, and all laws, zoning ordinances and regulations of all governmental authorities having jurisdiction of the Condominium shall be observed. No Owner of any Condominium Unit shall permit or suffer anything to be done or kept in his Condominium Unit, or in the Common Elements, which is a hazardous waste or material or which will increase the rate

of insurance on the Condominium or cause cancellation of a policy of insurance therein, or which will obstruct or interfere with the rights of other occupants of the Condominium or annoy them by unreasonable noises, nor shall any Owner undertake any use or practice which shall create and constitute a nuisance to any other Owner of a Condominium Unit, or which interferes with the peaceful possession and proper use of any other condominium Unit or the Common Elements.

#### 14. RIGHT OF ENTRY INTO CONDOMINIUM UNITS

- 14.01 Emergencies. In case of emergency originating in, or threatening, any Condominium Unit, regardless of whether the Owner is present at the time of such emergency, the Board of Directors of the Association, or any other person authorized by it, or the Managing Agent, shall have the right to enter such Condominium Unit for the purpose of remedying or abating the cause of such emergency, and such right of entry shall be immediate.
- 14.02 To Repair Common Elements. Whenever it may be necessary to enter any Condominium Unit for the purpose of performing any maintenance, alteration, replacement or repair to any portion of the Common Elements, the Owner of each Condominium Unit shall permit other Owners or their representative, or the duly constituted and authorized Agent of the Association, to enter such Condominium Unit for such purpose, provided that the entry shall be made only at reasonable times and with reasonable advance notice.

## 25. RIGHT OF OWNERS TO ALTER AND MODIFY CONDOMINIUM UNITS; NO RIGHT TO ALTER COMMON ELEMENTS

- 15.01 <u>Interior Alterations</u>. A Unit Owner may make any interior improvements or interior alterations to his Unit that do not impair the structural integrity or mechanical systems or lessen the support of any portion of the Condominium without permission of the Association or any other person.
- 15.02 Alteration by Owner of Adjoining Units. A Unit Owner may, after acquiring an adjoining Unit, remove or alter any intervening partition between the Units or create apertures through such partition, even if the partition is a Common Element, so long as such removal, alteration or aperture construction does not impair the structural integrity or mechanical systems or lessen the support of any portion of the Condominium. Removal or alteration of partitions or creations of apertures shall not be a

change or alteration of boundaries of the Units affected. However, a Unit Owner must first obtain permission of the Association as specified below.

- 15.03 <u>Structural Alterations</u>. No Owner of a Condominium Unit shall cause, or permit to be made, any alteration or removal of any part of the Condominium Unit or Common Elements which would impair the structural integrity or mechanical systems of the Condominiums without first having obtained permission of the Association as set forth below.
- 15.04 Exterior Changes. No Owner shall cause any improvements or changes to be made on the exterior of the Condominium (including painting or other decoration, or the installation of electrical wiring, television or radio antennae or any other objects, machines or air conditioning units which may protrude through the walls or roof of the Condominium) or in any manner alter the appearance of the exterior portion of any Building without first having obtained permission of the Association as set forth below.
- 15.05 Common Elements Changes. No Unit Owner or occupant, except Declarant during the Declarant Control Period, shall cause any object to be fixed to the Common Elements or to any Limited Common Element (including the location or construction of fences and the planting or growing of flowers, trees, shrubs, or any other vegetation) or in any manner change the appearance of the Common Elements or Limited Common Elements without the written permission of the Association being first had and obtained.
- 15.06 <u>Permission of Board</u>. The permission required of the Association in this Section 15 shall be by written consent of the Association upon approval by a majority of the Board of Directors. The Board is authorized to appoint a Committee for the purpose of reviewing the alterations, removals and aperture construction and making recommendations to the Board.
- 15.07 <u>Standards</u>. The Board of Directors (or any committee appointed for such purpose by the Board) in approving or disapproving any proposed change or alteration in the Condominium or any addition or change in the Common Area shall consider such standards or criteria established by regulation, but if no regulation is issued, then shall consider that any such change or alteration shall not affect the structural or mechanical integrity of the Condominium, shall be harmonious with the appearance of the Condominium, and in congruity with the existing exterior appearance of the buildings and Common Elements, including style, color, materials, quality, texture, design, arrangement, non-obstruction of air, light, walk or drive areas and similarity with existing plantings or proposed planting plans.

#### 16.

## RIGHT OF ASSOCIATION TO ALTER AND IMPROVE COMMON ELEMENTS AND ASSESSMENT THEREFOR

The Association shall have the right to make or cause to be made such alterations or improvements to the Common Elements which do not prejudice the rights of the Owner of any Condominium Unit in the use and enjoyment of his Condominium Unit, provided the making of such alterations and improvements are approved by the Board of Directors of the Association, and the cost of such alterations or improvement shall be common expenses to be assessed and collected from all of the Owners of Condominium Units. However, where any alterations and improvements to the Common Elements are exclusively or substantially for the benefit of the Owner or Owners of a certain Condominium Unit or Units requesting the same, then the cost of such alterations or improvements shall be assessed against and collected solely from the Owner or Owner of the Condominium Unit or Units exclusively or substantially benefited, the assessment to be levied in such proportion as may be determined by the Board of Directors of the Association.

### 17. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR BY OWNERS OF CONDOMINIUM UNITS

17.01 General. Every Owner shall perform promptly all maintenance and repair work within his Condominium Unit, which, if omitted, would affect the Condominium, either in its entirety or in a part belonging to other Owners, every Owner being expressly responsible for the damages and liability which his failure to do so may engender. The Owner of each Condominium Unit shall be liable and responsible for the maintenance, repair, and replacement, as the case may be, of all electrical, plumbing and sewer systems within the Condominium Unit together with the heating and air conditioning systems serving only his Unit (whether located within or adjacent to such Unit) including any fixtures and/or their connections required to provide heat, air conditioning, water, light, power, telephone, sewage and sanitary service to his Condominium Unit. Such Owner shall further be responsible and liable for the maintenance, repair and replacement of all walls, all ceilings, and floors within his Unit including painting, decorating, carpeting and furnishings, and all other accessories which such Owner may desire to place or maintain in his Condominium Unit.

This description of the maintenance area shall in no way limit the definition of "Condominium Unit", and each Owner is expressly responsible for all maintenance within his defined Unit.

17.02 <u>Insured Loss</u>. Whenever the maintenance, repair and replacement of any item for which the Owner of a Condominium Unit is obligated to maintain, replace or repair at his own expense is

occasioned by any loss or damage which may be covered by any insurance maintained in force by the Association, the proceeds of the insurance received by the Association shall be used for the purpose of making such maintenance, repair or replacement, except that the Owner of such Condominium Unit shall be, in said instance, required to pay such portion of the costs of such maintenance, repair and replacement as shall, by reason of applicability of any deductible provision of such insurance, exceed the amount of the insurance proceeds applicable to such maintenance, use, repair or replacement. If not promptly paid, the Association may assess the Owner therefor and the same shall become a lien against the Unit of the Owner as provided herein.

## 18. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF COMMON ELEMENTS BY THE ASSOCIATION

- 18.01 General. The Association, at its expense, shall be responsible for the maintenance, repair and replacement of all of the Common Elements, including, but not limited to, those portions thereof which contribute to the support of the Buildings, all conduits, ducts, plumbing, wiring, all water lines and sewer lines outside of public rights of way and governmental easements, and other facilities located in the Common Elements for the furnishing or utility and other services to the Condominium Units and said Common Elements, such exterior painting as may be needed as a result of normal wear and tear, and all landscaping walks, driveways and parking areas, and roofs. Should any incidental damage be caused to any Condominium Unit by virtue of any work which may be done or caused to be done by the Association in the maintenance, repair or replacement of any Common Elements, the Association shall, at its expense, repair such incidental damage.
- Insured Loss. Whenever the maintenance, repair and replacement of any item which the Association is obligated to maintain, replace or repair at its expense is occasioned by any act of a Condominium Unit Owner, his immediate employees, servants, guests, invitees or lessees, and such loss or damage may be covered by any insurance maintained in force by the Association, the proceeds of the insurance received by the Association shall be used for the purpose of making such maintenance, repair or replacement, except that the Unit Owner who is responsible for the act causing the damage (whether done by himself or by his employees, servants, guests, invitees or lessees) shall be required to pay such portion of the cost of such maintenance, repair and replacement as shall, by reason of the applicability of any deductible provision of such insurance, exceed the amount of the insurance proceeds applicable to such maintenance, repair or replacement. If not promptly paid, the Association may assess the Owner thereof and the same shall become a lien against the Unit of the Owner as provided herein.

18.03 <u>Uninsured Loss</u>. Whenever the maintenance, repair and replacement of any item which the Association is obligated to maintain, replace or repair at its expense is occasioned by any act of the Condominium Unit Owner, his immediate employees, servants, guests, invitees or lessees, and such loss or damage is not covered by any insurance maintained by the Association, then the Owner shall pay the cost thereof; and, if not promptly paid upon request, the Association may assess the Owner thereof.

#### 19. CLAIMS AGAINST OWNERS OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS OR LESS

In cases where a claim against an Owner is five hundred dollars or less, the owner, or the Association may request the Board of Directors to appoint an adjudicatory panel to determine whether the Unit Owner is responsible for damages to any Common Element or whether the Association is responsible for any damages to a Unit. Within twenty (20) days of the request, the affected Owner and the Association shall each appoint a member of the Association and the Owner and Association shall each agree upon a third member of the Association, which three people shall constitute the adjudicatory panel. Within thirty (30) days of the request, the panel shall set a date and time at which the parties may be heard and give notice thereof to the parties, such hearing to be held on no less than ten (10) days notice. At the hearing the parties may present such evidence and witnesses and provide such argument as they deem appropriate. Within ten (10) days of the hearing date, the parties shall be notified by the panel of its decision.

If the decision is adverse to the Unit Owner, the liability of such Owner shall be assessed against the Owner's Unit and be secured by a lien in favor of the Association as provided herein. If the decision is adverse to the Association, then any liability of the Association may be offset by the Unit Owner against sums then and later owing the Association by the Unit Owner.

#### 20. AUTHORITY TO PURCHASE INSURANCE

Insurance policies upon the condominium (other than title insurance) shall be purchased by the Association in the name of the Managing Agent or Board of Directors of the Association, as Trustees for the Condominium Unit Owners and their respective mortgagees as their interest may appear, and shall provide for the issuance of certificates or mortgage endorsements to the holders of first mortgages on the Condominium Units or any of them; and, if the companies writing such policies will agree, the policies shall provide that the insurer waives its rights of subrogation as to any claims against Condominium Unit Owners, the

Association and their respective servants, agents and guests. Each Condominium Unit Owner may obtain insurance, at his own expense, affording coverage upon his Condominium Unit, his personal property and for his personal liability and as may be permitted or required by law, but all such insurance shall contain the same waiver of subrogation as that referred to as above if the same is available.

## 21. INSURANCE COVERAGE TO BE MAINTAINED; USE AND DISTRIBUTION OF INSURANCE PROCEEDS

- 21.01 <u>Insurance Required</u>. This following insurance coverage, unless denoted to be optional, shall be maintained in full force and effect by the Association covering the operation and management of the Condominium, meaning the Condominium Units and Common Elements, to wit:
- (A) Casualty. Casualty insurance covering the Common Elements and the Units including the Buildings and all improvements upon the land and all personal property owned by the Association shall be procured in an amount equal to the insurable replacement value thereof (exclusive of excavations, foundations, streets, and parking facilities and other items normally excluded from such coverage) as determined annually by the insurance company affording such coverage; and provided that such policies may be written on a co-insurance basis of not less than eighty percent (80%). Such coverage shall afford protection against: (a) loss or damage by fire and other hazards covered by the standard extended coverage endorsement; (b) such other risks as from time to time customarily shall be covered with respect to Buildings similar in construction, location and use, including, but not limited to, vandalism and malicious mischief. This insurance need not include improvements and betterments installed by Unit Owners as their sole and separate property.
- (B) <u>Public Liability and Property Damage</u>. Public liability and property damage insurance in such amounts and in such forms as shall be required by the Association insuring against death, bodily injury and property damage arising out of the use, ownership or maintenance of the Common Elements.
- All liability insurance shall contain cross-liability endorsements to cover liabilities of the Condominium Unit Owners as a group to a Condominium Unit Owner.
- (C) <u>Board and Officers</u>. Fidelity coverage on each officer and each of the members of the Board of Directors of the Association shall be maintained by the Association in commercial blanket form covering each director and officer of the Association, any employee or agent of the Association and any other per-

son handling or responsible for handling funds of the Association in the face amount of at least the greater of (i) one and one-half (1 1/2) times the estimated annual operating expenses and reserves of the Association, or (ii) the sum of three months' aggregate assessments on all units plus the Associations' reserve funds. Such bonds or policies shall contain an appropriate endorsement to cover persons who serve without compensation. The premiums on such bonds shall be a Common Expense.

- 21.02 <u>Premiums</u>. Premiums upon insurance policies purchased by the Association shall be paid by the Association as common expenses to be assessed and collected from all of the Owners of Condominium Units.
- 21.03 <u>Insurance Proceeds</u>. All insurance policies purchased by the Association shall be for the benefit of the Association and the Condominium Unit Owners and their mortgagees, as their respective interest may appear, and shall provide that all proceeds payable as a result of casualty losses shall be paid to the Association. Any loss covered under Section 21.01(A) and (B) shall be adjusted by the Association. Unit Owners and Lienholders are not entitled to receive payment of any portion of the proceeds unless there is a surplus after the restoration or repair, or if the Condominium is terminated.
- 21.04 <u>Non-availability</u>. If for any reason the Association is unable to obtain the insurance coverage required under 21.01(A) or (B) above, written notice of such unavailability shall be hand-delivered or mailed to all Unit Owners.
- 21.05 <u>Policy Requirements</u>. The policies required in Section 21.01(A) and (B) must provide that:
- (A) Each Unit Owner is an insured person under the policy with respect to liability arising out of his interest in the Common Elements or Membership in the Association;
- (B) The insurer waives its right to subrogation under the policy against any Unit Owner or members of his household;
- (C) No act or omission by any Unit Owner, unless acting within the scope of his authority on behalf of the Association, will preclude recovery under the policy.
- (D) If, at any time of a loss under the policy, there is other insurance in the name of a Unit Owner covering the same risk covered by the policy, the Association's policy provides primary insurance; and,

- (E) The policy may not be cancelled, nor may the insurer refuse to renew the policy until after thirty (30) days after the notice of such cancellation or non-renewal has been mailed to the Association, each Unit Owner and each mortgagee or beneficiary under a mortgage or deed of trust to whom certificates have been issued at their last known address.
- 21.06 <u>Restoration</u>. Any portion of the Condominium which is damaged or destroyed, and for which insurance proceeds have been paid to the Association shall be repaired, replaced or restored promptly by the Association, and the insurance proceeds held by it used to defray the cost thereof, unless:
- (A) The Condominium is terminated as by law provided; or
- (B) Repair, replacement or restoration would be illegal under any State or local health or safety statute, code or ordinance; or
- (C) The Unit Owners decide not to rebuild by a vote of eighty percent (80%), including 100% of the votes of any Unit Owners of Units not to be rebuilt or Owners assigned to Limited Common Elements not be rebuilt.
- 21.07 <u>Excess Cost</u>. The cost of repair, replacement, or restoration in excess of the insurance proceeds and reserves is a Common Expense.
- 21.08 Proceeds Distribution on Unreconstructed Units or Elements. If the entire Condominium is not repaired or replaced, (1) the insurance proceeds attributable to the damaged Common Element shall be used to restore the damaged area to a condition compatible with the remainder of the Condominium, (2) the insurance proceeds attributable to Units and Limited Common Elements which are not rebuilt shall be distributed to the Owners of those Units and the Owners of the Units to which those Limited Common Elements were allocated or to Lienholders, as their interest may appear, and (3) the remainder of the proceeds shall be distributed to all the Unit Owners or lienholders, as their interest may appear, in proportion to their Common Element interest.
- 21.09 Allocated Interest Reallocation on Nonreconstruction. If the Unit Owners vote not to rebuild any unit, the Unit's Allocated Interest is automatically reallocated upon the vote not to reconstruct as if the Unit had been condemned. In such case the Association promptly shall prepare, execute, and record an amendment to the Declaration reflecting the reallocations.

21.10 Notwithstanding this Article 21, the provisions of Article 25 govern the distribution of insurance proceeds if the Condominium is terminated.

## ASSOCIATION TO MAINTAIN REGISTER OF OWNERS AND MORTGAGEES

- 22.01 Owner Register. The Association shall at all times maintain a Register setting forth the names of the Owners of all of the Condominium Units. In the event of the sale or transfer of any Condominium Unit to a third party, the purchase or transferee shall notify the Association in writing of his interest in such Condominium Unit, together with such recording information as shall be pertinent to identify the instrument by which such purchaser or transferee has acquired his interest in any Condominium Unit.
- 22.02 Mortgagee Register. The Owner of each Condominium Unit shall also notify the Association of the names of: the parties holding any mortgage(s) or Deed(s) of Trust (herein called "Mortgage") covering the Owner's Unit(s) and the recording information which shall be pertinent to identify the same. The holder of any mortgage or mortgages upon any Condominium Unit, if it so desires, may notify the Association of the existence of any mortgage or mortgages upon any Condominium Unit, and, upon receipt of such notice, the Association shall register in its records all pertinent information relating thereto.

### 23. ASSESSMENTS; LIABILITY, LIEN AND ENFORCEMENT

23.01 Authority to Assess Owners. The Association is given the authority to administer the operation and management of the Condominium, it being recognized that the delegation of such duties to one entity is in the best interest of the Owners of all Condominium Units. To properly administer the operation and management of the Condominiums, the Association will incur for the mutual benefit of all of the Owners of Condominium Units, costs and expenses which are sometimes herein referred to as "Common Expenses". To provide the funds necessary for such proper operation, management and capital improvement, the Association has heretofore been granted the right to make, levy, and collect assessments against the Unit Owners and their Condominium Units. In furtherance of this grant of authority to the Association to make, levy, and collect assessments to pay the costs and expenses for the operation, management of, and capital improvements to the Condominium, the following provisions shall be operative and binding upon the Owners of all Condominium Units. Until the Association makes a Common Expense assessment, the Declarant shall pay all "Common Expenses".

- Basis of Assessments. Except for those assessments under Section 23.14(A) and 23.14(G), all assessments levied against the Unit Owners and their Condominium Units shall be uniform and, unless specifically otherwise provided for in this Declaration of Condominium, all assessments made by the Association shall be in such an amount that any assessment levied against a Unit Owner and his Condominium Unit shall bear the same ratio to the total assessment made against all Unit Owners and their Condominium Units as the Allocated Interest in the Common Elements appurtenant to each Condominium Unit bears to the total Allocated Interest in the Common Elements appurtenant to all Condominium Units. Should the Association be the Owner of a Condominium Unit or Units, the assessment which would otherwise be due and payable to the Association by the Owner of such Unit or Units, reduced by the amount of income which may be derived from the leasing of such Unit or Units by the Association, shall be apportioned and the assessment therefor levied ratably among the Owners of all Units which are not owned by the Association, based upon their proportionate Allocated Interest in Common Elements exclusive of the interest therein appurtenant to any Unit or Units owned by the Association.
- 23.03 <u>Manner of Payment</u>. Assessments provided for herein shall be payable in annual, quarterly or monthly installments, or in such other installments and at such times, as may be determined by the Board of Directors of the Association.
- 23.04 <u>Commencement</u>. Such assessments shall commence for each Unit on the first day of the first month following the closing of sale of the first Condominium Unit by the Declarant to a Unit Owner. The initial annual assessment for Units measuring 1138 square feet shall be \$60.00 per month and Units measuring 569 square feet shall be \$30.00 per month.

The Declarant shall not owe annual assessments on any unfinished or unoccupied Units, including any Unit used as a model or sales office. The Declarant shall owe annual assessments for any Units rented by it.

23.05 Annual Budget. The Board of Directors of the Association shall establish an Annual Budget in advance for each fiscal year (which shall correspond to the calendar year, except that in the initial year of operation of the condominium, the fiscal year shall commence with the closing of the sale of the first Condominium Unit). Such budget shall project all expenses (including ad valorem taxes and public improvement assessments levied against the Common Elements) for the forthcoming year which may be required for the proper operation, management and maintenance of the Condominium, including a reasonable allowance for contingencies and reserves. Such budget shall take into account any anticipated income which is to be applied in reduction

of the amount required to be collected as an assessment each In accordance with Section 23.07 hereof the Board of Directors shall separate items relating to operation and maintenance from items relating to capital improvements. thirty (30) days after adoption of any proposed budget for the Condominium, the executive Board shall provide a summary of the budget to all the Unit Owners, and shall set a date for a meeting of the Unit Owners to consider ratification of the budget not less than 14 nor more than 30 days after mailing of the summary. There shall be no requirement that a quorum be present at the meeting, either in person or by proxy. The budget is ratified unless at that meeting a majority of all the Unit Owners rejects the budget. In the event the proposed budget is rejected, the periodic budget last adopted shall be continued until such time as the Unit Owners ratify a subsequent budget proposed by the The assessment for said year shall be established based upon such budget. Receipt of a copy of said budget by each Unit Owner shall not affect the liability of any Unit Owner for such assessment.

- 23.06 Modification of Assessment. Should the Board at any time determine, in its sole discretion, that the assessments levied are, or may prove to be, insufficient to pay the costs of operation and management of the condominium, or in the event of emergencies, the Board shall have the authority to levy such additional assessment or assessments it may deem to be necessary.
- 23.07 <u>Capital Improvement Fund</u>. The Board of Directors of the Association, in establishing the Annual Budget for operation, management and maintenance of the condominium, may designate therein a sum in the minimum amount of ten percent (10%) of the annual assessment to be collected and maintained as a reserve fund for replacement of, and the making of capital improvements to the Common Elements which Capital Improvement and Replacement Fund (herein "Capital Improvement Fund") shall be for the purpose of enabling the Association to replace structural elements and mechanical equipment constituting a part of the Common Elements, as well as the replacement of personal property which may constitute a portion of the Common Elements or be owned by the Association and held for the joint use and benefit of the Owners of the Condominium Units. The amount to be allocated to the Capital Improvement Fund may be established by the Board so as to collect and maintain a sum as reasonably necessary to anticipate the need for replacement of Common Elements and other property owned by the Association. The amount collected for the Capital Improvement Fund shall be maintained in a separate account by the Association and such monies shall be used only to make capital improvements to Common Elements. Any interest earned on monies in the Capital Improvement Fund may, in the discretion of the Board, be expended for current operation and maintenance. Each Unit Owner shall be deemed to own a portion of the Capital Improvement

Fund equal to his Allocated Interest in the Common Elements. However, such balance shall not be subject to withdrawal by a Unit Owner.

- 23.08 Accountability. All monies collected by the Association shall be treated as the separate property of the Association, and such monies may be applied by the Association to the payment of any expense of operating and managing the Condominium, or to the proper undertaking of all acts and duties imposed upon it by virtue of this Declaration of Condominium, the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Association. As monies for the assessment are paid into the Association by any Owner of a Condominium Unit, the same may be commingled with monies paid to the Association by the other Owners of Condominium Units. though all funds and common surplus, including other assets of the Association, and any increments thereto or profits derived therefrom or from the leasing or use of Common Elements, shall be held for the benefit of the members of the Association, no member of the Association shall have the right to assign, hypothecate, pledge or in any manner transfer his membership interest therein, except as an appurtenance to his Condominium Unit. When the Owner of a Condominium Unit shall cease to be a member of the Association by reason of this divestment of ownership of such Condominium Unit, by whatever means, the Association shall not be required to account to such Owner for any share of the fund or assets of the Association, or which may have been paid to the Association by such Owner, as all monies which any Owner has paid to the Association shall be and constitute an asset of the Association which may be used in the operation and management of the Condominium.
- 23.09 <u>Default Interest</u>. The payment of any assessment or installment thereof shall be in default if such assessment or installment is not paid to the Association within thirty (30) days of the due date established by the Association for such payment. When in default, the delinquent assessment or delinquent installment thereof due to the Association shall bear interest at the rate established by the Association not to exceed eighteen percent (18%) per annum, commencing on the date of default and continuing until such delinquent assessment or installment thereof, and all interest due thereon, has been paid in full to the Association.
- 23.10 <u>Late Payment Penalty</u>. In additional to the accrual of default interest the Association may impose a penalty for non-payment of any assessment by the due date. Such penalty shall be no greater than four percent (4%) of the delinquent installment. Such late payment penalty shall be charged only once for any delinquent payment.

- 23.11 <u>Where Payable</u>. All monies owing to the Association shall be due and payable at the main office of the Association in the State of North Carolina established by it from time to time, or where otherwise directed by the Association.
- Charges. The Owner of each Condominium Unit shall be personally liable, jointly and severally, to the Association for the payment of all assessments, regular or special, which may be levied by the Association against such Condominium Unit while such party or parties are Owner or Owners of a Condominium Unit. In the event that any Unit Owner or Owners are in default in payment of any assessment or installment thereof owned to the Association, such Unit Owner or Owners shall be personally liable, jointly and severally, for interest and penalty on such delinquent assessment or installment thereof as above provided, and for all costs of collecting such assessment or installment thereof and interest thereon, including a reasonable attorney's fee, whether suit be brought or not.
- 23.13 <u>No Exemption</u>. No Owner of a Condominium Unit may exempt himself from liability from any assessment levied against him or his Condominium Unit by waiver of the use of enjoyment of any of the Common Elements or by abandonment of the Condominium Unit or in any other way.
- 23.14 <u>Assessments Against Specific Owners</u>. Notwithstanding the requirement of Section 23.02 that assessments be levied against each Owner according to the Allocated Interest of each Owner, the Association shall assess:
- (A) Any Common Expense associated with the maintenance, repair, or replacement of a Limited Common Element against the Unit or Units to which that Limited Common Element is assigned; and
- (B) Any Common Expense, or portion thereof, benefiting fewer than all of the Units exclusively against the Units benefited; and
- (C) The cost of insurance against the Units in proportion to the risk if any Unit or Units can be reasonably determined to create a greater risk than any other; and
- (D) The cost of utilities, if not separately metered to each Unit, in proportion to usage if it can be reasonably determined that any Unit or Units use an unusually disproportionate share of any utility; and

- (E) The cost of any judgment against the Association against only the Units still remaining in the condominium at the time the judgment was entered in proportion to their Common Expense Liabilities; and
- (F) Any Common Expense caused by the misconduct of any Unit Owner exclusively against that Unit Owner; and
- (G) Any fine or penalty or interest for any delinquent assessment installment exclusively against the Unit so charged.
- 23.15 <u>Reallocation</u>. If the Common Expense Liabilities are reallocated, the Common Expense assessments and any installment thereof not yet due shall be recalculated in accordance with the reallocated Common Expense Liabilities.
- Assessment Lien Granted. Recognizing the proper operation and management of the Condominium requires the continuing payment of costs and expenses thereof, and that such proper operation and maintenance results in benefit to all of the Owners of Condominium Units, and that the payment of such Common Expenses represented by the assessments levied and collected by Association is necessary in order to preserve and protect the investment of each Unit Owner, the Association is hereby granted a lien upon each Condominium Unit and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in Common Elements, which lien shall secure, and does secure, the monies due for all assessments now or hereafter levied against the Owner of each such Condominium Unit, which lien shall also secure penalties and interest, if any, which may be due on the amount of any delinquent assessments owing to the Association, and which lien shall also secure all costs and expenses, including a reasonable attorneys' fee, which may be incurred by the Association in enforcing this lien upon said Condominium Unit and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in Common Elements. The lien granted to the Association may be foreclosed in the same manner that real estate deeds of trust and mortgages may be foreclosed in the State of North Carolina, pursuant to Article 2A of Chapter 45 of the General Statutes and in any suit for the foreclosure of said lien, the Association shall be entitled to a reasonable rental from the Owner of any Condominium Unit from the date on which the payment of any assessment or installment thereof became delinquent, and shall be entitled to the appointment of a Receiver for said Condominium Unit. granted to the Association shall further secure such advances for taxes, and payments on account of superior mortgages, liens or encumbrances which may be required to be advanced by the Association in order to preserve and protect its lien, and the Association shall further be entitled to interest at the highest rate allowed by law on any such advances made for such purpose. persons who shall acquire, by whatever means, any interest in the ownership of any Condominium Unit, or who may be given or acquire

- a mortgage, lien or other encumbrance thereof, are hereby placed on notice of the lien rights granted to the Association, and shall acquire such interest in any Condominium Unit expressly subject to such lien rights.
- 23.17 Enforcement of Lien. The lien herein is granted unto the Association shall be enforceable pursuant to Article 2A of Chapter 45 of the General Statutes from and after the time of recording a Claim of Lien in the Office of the Clerk of Wake County Superior Court in the manner provided therefore by Article 2 of Chapter 44A of the North Carolina General Statutes, which claim shall state the description of the Condominium Unit encumbered thereby, the name of the record Owner, the amount due and date when due. The claim of lien shall be recordable any time after default and the lien shall continue in effect until all sums secured by said lien as herein provided shall have been fully paid. Such claims of lien shall include only assessments which are due and payable when the claim of lien is recorded, plus interest, cost, attorneys' fees, advances to pay taxes and prior encumbrances and interest thereof, all as above provided. Such claims of lien shall be signed by an officer or agent of the Association. Upon full payment of all sums secured by such claim of lien, the same shall be satisfied of record.
- 23.18 <u>Lien Extinguished</u>. Except by payment, satisfaction and cancellation, a lien is extinguished only if proceedings to enforce the lien are not instituted within three (3) years after docketing in the Office of Clerk of Superior Court.
- 23.19 Other Remedies. This Section does not prohibit the Association from bringing an action to recover sums due it as an assessment independent of any lien filed or claimed, nor does it prohibit the Association from taking a deed in lieu of foreclosure.
- 23.20 <u>Judgments</u>. Any judgment brought hereunder to enforce the lien or the collection of any assessment shall include the costs and reasonable attorneys' fees for the prevailing party.
- 23.21 Lien Subordinate to Mortgage. The lien provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any mortgage or deed of trust recorded before docketing the lien and subordinate to the lien for real estate taxes, but shall be superior to all other liens. Any person acquiring title to any Condominium Unit and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in Common Elements by virtue of any foreclosure, deed in lieu of foreclosure or judicial sale resulting from such prior lien, mortgage, or deed of trust shall be liable and obligated only for assessments which shall accrue and become due and payable for said Condominium Unit and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in the Common Elements subsequent to the date of acquisition of such title, and it shall

not be liable for the payment of any assessments which were in default and delinquent at the time it acquired such title. In the event of the acquisition of title to a Condominium Unit by foreclosure, deed in lien of foreclosure or judicial sale, any assessment or assessments as to which the party so acquiring title shall not be liable shall be absorbed and paid by all Owners of all Condominium Units, including such purchaser, his successors and assigns, as a part of the Common Expense, although nothing herein contained shall be construed as releasing the party liable for such delinquent assessment from the payment thereof or the enforcement of collection of such payment by means other than foreclosure.

- 23.22 <u>Statement of Assessments Due</u>. Whenever any Condominium Unit may be leased, sold or mortgaged by the Owner thereof, the Association, upon written request of the Unit Owner, shall furnish to the proposed lessee, purchaser or mortgagee, a statement verifying the status of payment of any assessment which shall be due and payable to the Association by such Unit. Such statement shall be executed by any officer of the Association, and any lessee, purchase or mortgagee may rely upon such statement in concluding the proposed lease, purchase or mortgage transaction, and the Association shall be bound by such statement.
- 23.23 Priority of Payment. In the event that a Condominium Unit is to be leased, sold or mortgaged at the time when payment of any assessment against the Owner and such Condominium Unit due to the Association shall be in default (whether or not a claim of lien has been recorded by the Association), then the rent, proceeds of such purchase or mortgage, shall be applied by the lessee, purchaser or mortgagee first to payment of any then delinquent assessment or installments thereof due to the Association before the payment of any rent, proceeds of purchase or mortgage proceeds to the Owner of any Condominium Unit who is responsible for payment for such delinquent assessment.
- 23.24 <u>Purchaser Liable for Delinquent Assessments</u>. In any voluntary conveyance of a Condominium Unit, the Purchaser thereof shall be jointly and severally liable with Seller for all unpaid assessments against Seller made prior to the time of such voluntary conveyance, without prejudice to the rights of the Purchaser to recover from Seller the amounts paid by Purchaser therefor.
- 23.25 <u>Remedies</u>. Institution of a suit at law to attempt to effect collection of the payment of any delinquent assessment shall not be deemed to be an election by the Association which shall prevent it from thereafter seeking, by foreclosure action, enforcement of the collection of any sums remaining owing to it, nor shall proceeding by foreclosure to attempt such collection be deemed to be an election precluding the institution of a suit at

law to collect any sum then remaining owning to the Association. All of the rights accruing to the Association shall be deemed cumulative.

#### 24. COMMON SURPLUS

Common Surplus shall be owned by the Owners of all Condominium Units in the same proportion that the allocated Interest in the Common Elements appurtenant to each Owner's Condominium Unit bears to the total of all Allocated Interests in the Common Elements appurtenant to all Condominium Units; provided, however, that said Common Surplus shall be held by the Association in the manner, and subject to the terms, provisions and conditions of this Declaration, imposing certain limitations and restrictions upon the use and distribution thereof. Except for distribution of any insurance as herein provided, or upon termination of the Condominium, any attribution or distribution of Common Surplus which may be made from time to time shall be made to the Owners of Condominium Units in accordance with their Allocated Interest in Common Surplus as declared herein.

### 25. TERMINATION

The Condominium shall be terminated, if at all, in the following manner:

- 25.01 Consent. Except in the case where the whole of the Condominium is taken by Eminent Domain, the termination of the Condominium may be effected only by agreement of eighty percent (80%) of the Allocated Interests of all Condominium Unit Owners expressed in an instrument to that effect specifying a date after which it will be void unless recorded prior to such date and duly recorded; and, provided, that the holders of all liens affecting any of the Condominium Units consent thereunto, or agree, in either case by instrument duly recorded, that their liens be transferred to the Allocated Interest of the Condominium Unit Owner in the Property as provided in Section 25.02 below. This termination shall become effective when such agreement has been recorded in the public records of Wake County, North Carolina.
- 25.02 Contract For Sale at Termination; Ownership of Property. The Association, on behalf of the Unit Owners, may contract for the sale of Property in the Condominium, but the contract is not binding on the Unit Owners until approved by the Unit Owners in conformity with Section 25.01. If any Property in the Condominium is to be sold following termination, title to that Property, upon termination, vests in the Association, as trustee, for the holders of all interests in the Units. Thereafter, the Association has all powers necessary and appropriate

to effect the sale. Until the sale has been concluded and the proceeds thereof distributed, the Association continues in existence with all powers it had before termination. Proceeds of the sale must be distributed to Unit Owners and Lienholders as their interest may appear, in proportion of the respective interests of Unit Owners as provided in Section 25.07 below. Unless otherwise specified in the termination agreement, as long as the Association holds title to the Property, each Unit Owner and his successors in interest have an exclusive right to occupancy of the portion of the Property that formerly constituted his Unit. During the period of that occupancy each Unit Owner and his successors in interest remain liable for all assessments and other obligations imposed on Unit Owners by the Declaration.

25.03 No Sale at Termination; Ownership of Property. After termination of the Condominium where no sale has been agreed to, the Condominium Unit Owners shall own the Property as tenants in common in their respective interests as defined in Section 25.07 and the holders of mortgages and liens against the Condominium Unit or Units formerly owned by such Condominium Unit Owners shall have mortgages and liens upon the respective interests of the Condominium Unit Owners. All funds held by the Association and insurance proceeds, if any, shall be, and continue to be held, for the Unit Owners in the same proportion. While the tenancy in common ownership exists, each Unit Owner and its successors in interest have an exclusive right to occupancy of his portion of the Property that formerly constituted his Unit.

The costs incurred by the Association in connection with the termination shall be a Common Expense.

- 25.04 <u>Partition or Sale Following Termination</u>. Following termination, the Property may be partitioned and sold upon the application of any former Condominium Unit Owner having an interest in the Property.
- 25.05 <u>Association Powers Continue</u>. The members of the Board of Directors acting collectively as agent for all Condominium Unit Owners, shall continue to have such powers as in this Section are granted, notwithstanding the fact that the Association itself may be dissolved upon a termination.
- 25.06 Association as Trustee. Following termination of the Condominium, the proceeds of any sale of Property, together with the assets of the Association, are held by the Association as trustee for Unit Owners and holders of liens on the Units as their interest may appear. Following termination, creditors of the Association holding liens on the units, which were recorded before termination, may enforce those liens in the same manner as

any Lienholder. All other creditors of the Association are to be treated as if they had perfected liens on the units immediately before termination.

- 25.07 Owners Respective Interest on Termination. The respective interests of Unit Owners referred to in Section 25.02, 25.03 and 25.06 are as follows:
- (A) Except as provided in paragraph (B), the respective interest of Unit Owners are the fair market value of their Units, Limited Common Elements, and Common Element interests immediately before their termination, as determined by one or more independent appraisers selected by the Association. The decision of the independent appraisers shall be distributed to the Unit Owners and becomes final unless disapproved within 30 days after distribution by Owners of Units to which twenty-five percent (25%) of the votes in the association are allocated. The proportion of any Unit Owner's interest to that of all Unit Owners is determined by dividing the fair market value of that Unit Owner's Unit and Common Elements by the fair market value of all Unit Owner's Units an Common Elements.
- 25.08 Foreclosure of Lien on Whole Condominium Not as Termination. Except as provided in Section 25.09, foreclosure or enforcement of a lien or encumbrance against the entire Condominium does not of itself terminate the condominium, and foreclosure or enforcement of a lien or encumbrance against a portion of the Condominium, other than withdrawable real estate, does not withdraw that portion from the Condominium. Foreclosure or enforcement of a lien or encumbrance against withdrawable real estate does not of itself withdraw that real estate from the Condominium, but the person taking title thereto has the right to require from the Association, upon request an amendment excluding the real estate from the Condominium.
- 25.09 If a lien or encumbrance against a portion of the Condominium has priority over the Declaration, and the lien or encumbrance has not been released, the parties foreclosing that lien or encumbrance may upon foreclosure, record an instrument excluding the real estate subject to that lien or encumbrance from the Condominium.

### 26. AMENDMENT OF DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM

This Declaration of Condominium may be amended in the following manner:

26.01 <u>General Procedure for Amendment</u>. Except as provided otherwise in this Section 26, an Amendment or Amendments to this Declaration of Condominium may be proposed by the Board of Direc-

tors of the Association acting upon a vote of a majority of the Allocated Interests, whether meeting as members or by instrument in writing signed by them. Upon any Amendment or Amendments to this Declaration of Condominium being proposed by the Board of Directors or members, such proposed Amendment or Amendments shall be transmitted to the President of the Association or other officer of the Association in the absence of the President, who shall thereupon call a special meeting of the Members of the Association for a date not sooner than ten (10) days nor later than thirty (30) days from receipt by him of the proposed Amendment or Amendments. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to give to each member written or printed notice of such Special Meeting, stating the time and place thereof, and reciting the proposed Amendment or Amendments in reasonable detailed form, which notice shall be mailed not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days before the date set for such Special Meeting. mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be properly given when deposited in the United States Mail addressed to the member at his Post Office address as it appears on the records of the Association, the postage thereon prepaid. Any member may, by written waiver of notice signed by such member, waive such notice, and such waiver, when filed in the records of the Association, whether before or after the holding of the meeting, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of notice to such member. meeting, the Amendment or Amendments proposed must be approved by an affirmative vote of the voting members as having at least sixty-seven percent (67%) of the Allocated Interest in the Common Elements, in order for such Amendment or Amendments to become effective. Thereupon such Amendment or Amendments of this Declaration of Condominium shall be transcribed and certified by the President and Secretary of the Association as having been duly The original or an executed copy of such Amendment or adopted. Amendments, so certified and executed with the same formalities as a Deed, shall be recorded in the Public Records of Wake County within ten (10) days from the date on which the same became effective, such Amendment or Amendments to specifically refer to the recording data identifying the Declaration of Condominium. Thereafter, a copy of said Amendment or Amendments in the form in which the same were placed of record by the Officers of the Association shall be delivered to the Owners of all Condominium Units, but delivery of a copy thereof shall not be a condition precedent to the effectiveness of such Amendment or amendments.

26.02 <u>Certain Amendments Requiring Unanimous Consent</u>. Except as permitted herein and as provided in Section 26.04 no amendment may create or increase Special Declarant rights, increase the number of Units, change boundaries of a Unit, change the allocated interest in Common Elements of a Unit, or the uses to which any Unit is restricted, without prior written consent of all the Owners of all Condominium Units.

- 26.03 Amendments Permitted Other Than By Action Under Section 26.01 and Section 26.02. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 26.01 and Section 26.02, amendments to the Declaration, including reallocation of the Allocated Interest, may be prepared, executed and filed without a vote of the member Unit Owners, or their consent, in the following cases:
- (A) <u>Nominal Amendments</u>. By the Declarant, during the period of Declarant Control, and thereafter, the Board:
- (1) To correct any obvious error or inconsistency in drafting, typing or reproduction; and
- (2) To conform to the requirements of any law or governmental agency having legal jurisdiction over the Condominium or to qualify the Condominium or any Units therein for mortgage or improvement loans made or insured by a governmental agency or to comply with the requirements of law or regulations of any governmental corporation or agency regarding purchase or mortgage interests in units by such agency.
- (B) Amendments Prior to Sale. By the Declarant at any time prior to recording of the sale of the first Unit to an Owner by filing an Amendment in the Office of the Register of Deed of Wake County with a Certificate certifying the fact that no sale has previously occurred.
- (C) <u>Declarant Development Right</u>. By Declarant upon exercising any Development Right or Special Declarant Right hereunder or by law provided. Declarant may elect not to build Phase II of this Condominium.
- (D) <u>Eminent Domain</u>. By the Association if a portion of the Condominium is taken by the proceedings in Eminent Domain as by law provided.
- (E) <u>Unit Boundary Changes</u>. By Association and affected Unit Owners upon relocation of Unit boundaries as by law provided.
- (F) <u>Unit Partition</u>. By Association and affected Unit Owners upon subdividing or partitioning a Unit, if herein permitted, as by law provided.
- (G) <u>Limited Common Elements</u>. By Association and affected Unit Owners upon reallocation of a Limited Common Element, as by law provided.
- (H) <u>Termination of Condominium</u>. By Association upon termination of the Condominium, as by law provided.

26.04 <u>Declarant Rights</u>. No alteration, amendment or modification of the rights and privileges granted and reserved hereunder in favor of Declarant shall be made without the written consent of Declarant being first had and obtained.

#### 27. REMEDIES IN EVENT OF DEFAULT

The Owner or Owners of each Condominium Unit shall be governed by and shall comply with the provisions of this Declaration of Condominium and the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Association, and any rules or regulations issued pursuant thereto, as any of the same are now constituted or as they may be amended from time to time. A default by the Owner of any Condominium Unit shall entitle the Association or the Owner of other Condominium Units to the following relief:

- 27.01 Actions at Law and Equity. Failure to comply with any other terms of this Declaration of Condominium or other restrictions and regulations contained in the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws of the Association or any rules and regulations issued pursuant thereto, or which may be adopted pursuant thereto, shall be grounds for relief including without limitation an action to recover sums due to damages, injunctive relief, foreclosure of lien, or any combination thereof. Such relief may be sought by the Association or, if appropriate, by an aggrieved Unit Owner.
- 27.02 <u>Liabilities of Owners</u>. Each Unit Owner shall be liable for the expense of any maintenance, repair or replacement rendered necessary by his act, neglect or carelessness, or by that of his or their guests, employees, servants, agents, invitees or lessees, but only to the extent that such expense is not met by the proceeds of insurance carried by the Association. Such liability shall include any increase in fire insurance rates occasioned by use, misuse, occupancy or abandonment of a Condominium Unit or its appurtenances. Nothing herein contained, however, shall be construed so as to modify any waiver of insurance companies or rights or subrogation.
- 27.03 <u>Collection or Enforcement Costs and Expense</u>. In any proceeding arising because of alleged default by a Unit Owner, the Association, if successful, shall be entitled to recover the costs of the proceeding and such reasonable attorneys' fees as may be determined by the Court.
- 27.04 <u>No Waiver</u>. The failure of the Association or any Unit Owner to enforce any right, provision, covenant or condition which may be granted by this Declaration of Condominium or the

other above-mentioned documents shall not constitute a waiver of the right of the Association or of the Unit Owner to enforce such right, provision, covenant or condition in the future.

- 27.05 <u>Cumulative Remedies</u>. All rights, remedies and privileges granted to the Association or the Owner or Owners of a Condominium Unit pursuant to any terms, provisions, covenants or conditions of the Declaration of Condominium or other abovementioned documents, shall be deemed to be cumulative, and the exercise of any one or more shall not be deemed to constitute an election of remedies, nor shall it preclude the party thus exercising the same from exercising such other and additional rights, remedies or privileges as may be available to such party at law or in equity.
- 27.06 No Waiver by Declarant. The failure of Declarant to enforce any right, provision, privilege, covenant or condition which may be granted to it or them by this Declaration of Condominium or other above-mentioned documents, shall not constitute a waiver of the right of said party or parties to thereafter enforce such right, privilege, covenant or condition in the future.
- 27.07 Fines and Penalties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, and in addition thereto, any Unit Owner may be fined by the Association for failure to comply with the terms of this Declaration, the Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation or published rules and regulations in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00). If the Board should determine that it shall seek to impose fines hereunder, it shall appoint a panel of three Unit Owners, who, upon appointment, shall notify the Owner in writing of the charge against him provide and opportunity to be heard before the panel in not less than ten (10) days, nor more than thirty (30) days, prior notice, provide the Owner an opportunity to be heard and give notice of the decision. Any fine given to any Owner shall be assessed against the Owner and his Unit as a Common Expense and, if unpaid, shall be a lien on the Unit as provided herein.

### 28. RIGHTS RESERVED UNTO INSTITUTIONAL LENDERS

"Institutional Lender" or "Institutional Lenders", as the terms are used herein, shall mean and refer to banks, savings and loan associations, insurance companies, or other reputable mortgage lenders. So long as any Institutional Lender or Institutional Lenders shall hold any mortgage upon any Condominium Unit or Units, or shall be the Owner of any Condominium Unit or Units, such Institutional Lender or Institutional Lenders shall have the following rights:

- 28.01 Records and Statement. To examine, at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice, the books and records of the Association and to be furnished at least one copy of the Annual Financial Statement and Report of the Association, prepared by the Association Treasurer or a Certified Public Accountant designated by the Association, such Financial Statement and Report to be furnished within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year.
- 28.02 <u>Notice of Certain Meetings</u>. To be given notice by the Association of the call of any meeting of the membership to be held for the purpose of considering any proposed Amendment to this Declaration of Condominium, or the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of the Association, which Notice shall state the nature of the Amendment being proposed.
- 28.03 <u>Notice of Owner's Default</u>. To be given notice of default by any Owner owning a Condominium Unit encumbered by a mortgage held by the Institutional Lender or Institutional Lenders, such notice to be given in writing and to be sent to the principal office of such Institutional Lender or Institutional Lenders, or to the place which it or they may designate in writing.
- 28.04 Request for Notices. Whenever an Institutional Lender or Institutional Lenders desire the provisions of this Article to be applicable to it, it shall serve or cause to be served written notice of such fact upon the Association by Registered Mail or Certified Mail addressed to the Association and sent to the address stated herein, identifying the Condominium Unit or Units upon which any such Institutional Lender or Institutional Lenders hold any mortgage or mortgages, or identifying any Condominium Units owned by them, or any of them, together with sufficient pertinent facts to identify any mortgage or mortgages which may be held by it or them, and which notice shall designate the place to which notices are to be given by the Association to such Institutional Lender or Institutional Lenders.

# 29. <u>RIGHT OF DECLARANT TO REPRESENTATION</u> <u>ON BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION</u>

During the period of Declarant Control, Declarant shall be entitled to designate and select persons to serve on the Board of Directors of the Association and the manner in which such person or persons shall be designated and the number thereof and the composition of the Board of Directors during such period of Declarant Control shall be as provided in the Bylaws of the Association, and Declarant shall have the right to remove any person or persons selected by it to act and serve on said Board of Directors and to replace such person or persons with another person or other persons to act and serve in the place of any Director or

Directors so removed for the remainder of the unexpired term or any Director or Directors so removed. Any Director designated and selected by Declarant need not be an Owner of the Condominium. However, Declarant shall be responsible for the payment of any assessments which may be levied by the Association against any Condominium Unit or Units owned by the said Declarant, and for complying with the remaining terms and provisions hereof in the same manner as any other Owner of a Condominium Unit or Units.

#### 30. <u>SEVERABILITY</u>

In the event that any of the terms, provisions, or covenants of this Declaration of Condominium are held to be partially or wholly invalid or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, such holding shall not affect, alter, modify or impair in any manner whatsoever any of the terms, provisions or covenants hereof or the remaining portions of any terms, provisions or covenants held to be partially invalid or unenforceable.

#### 31. LIBERAL CONSTRUCTION

The provisions of the Declaration of Condominium shall be liberally construed to effectuate its purpose of creating a uniform plan of Condominium ownership. Throughout this Declaration wherever appropriate the singular shall include the plural and the masculine gender the feminine or neuter. The headings are for convenience of reference only and shall not be considered terms of this Declaration.

# 32. <u>DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM BINDING</u> <u>ON ASSIGNS AND SUBSEQUENT OWNERS</u>

The restrictions and burdens imposed by the covenants of this Declaration of Condominium are intended to and shall constitute covenants running with the land, and shall constitute an equitable servitude upon each Condominium Unit and its appurtenant Allocated Interest in Common Elements. This Declaration of Condominium shall be binding upon Declarant, its successors and assigns, and upon all parties who may subsequently become Owners of Condominium Units in the Condominium and their respective heirs, legal representative, successors and assigns.

#### 33. EASEMENTS

- 33.01 <u>Utilities</u>. The Board of Directors may hereafter grant easements in the name of the Association for utility purposes for the benefit of the Condominium and for the benefit of any Unit, including the right to install, lay, maintain, repair and replace, waterlines, pipes, sewer lines, storm drainage facilities, telephone wires, cable television wires, and electrical conduits, wires over, under and along any portion of the Property, and the Owners of any Unit hereby grant to the Association an irrevocable power of attorney to execute, acknowledge and record for and in the name of each Unit Owner such instruments as may be necessary to effectuate the foregoing.
- 33.02 <u>Public Service Access</u>. An easement is hereby established over the Common Elements for the benefit of applicable governmental agencies, public utility companies and public service agencies as necessary for setting, removing and reading of meters, replacing and maintaining water, sewer and drainage facilities, electrical, telephone, gas and cable antenna lines, fire fighting, garbage collection, postal delivery, emergency and rescue activities and law enforcement activities.

#### 34. DISCLAIMER BY GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITIES

Some governmental authorities or fire or police department, refuse to be responsible for failing to provide any emergency or regular fire, police or other public service to cluster developments including condominiums or their occupants when such failure is due to the lack of access to such areas due to inadequate design or construction, blocking of access routes, or any other factor within the control of the Declarant, Association or Unit Owners. Accordingly, the Board of Directors is hereby empowered to make all efforts to assure that there is adequate access to all Units and shall not allow any blocking of access or defects in access to remain uncorrected.

Furthermore, in accordance with Section 10-3074(a) of the City Code of the City of Raleigh, the City of Raleigh and other governmental agencies shall not be responsible for maintenance and repair of the private streets within the Property, nor liable for injuries to persons or damages to property resulting from failure of the Association to maintain and repair the private streets on the Property.

# 35. PARTY WALLS

It is contemplated that Owners of Condominium Units will erect party walls between Units which are under separate ownership, and it is therefore necessary to provide for the equitable sharing of the cost of maintenance of such party wall as well as wall specifications. The Board shall have the authority to formulate, and from time to time to amend, rules and regulations governing all specifications of party walls, the sharing of costs between the Owners or adjacent Units and the arbitration of disputes relating to party walls.

The center of each party wall shall be the dividing line between adjacent Condominium Units which are under separate ownership. Such party wall shall be constructed of materials and design mutually agreeable to the adjacent Unit Owners, provided that these do not violate the rules and regulations adopted by the Board. If adjacent Unit Owners cannot mutually agree, the Board shall designate the materials and design of the party wall between Unit owned by disagreeing Unit Owners and such designation shall be binding on all parties. The cost of each such party wall shall be shared by those served by it under such terms as may be agreed by them, provided however, that the cost of utility installations within the party wall (such as plumbing and electrical) shall be borne only by the Owner of the Unit served by such installations.

#### 36. <u>SIGNS</u>

All signs and numbers on entrance doors to Condominium Units shall be in conformity in size and appearance as permitted by rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Directors. Except for such entrance door signs, no signs shall be erected on the Common Elements except upon approval of the Board of Directors, and except by Declarant in the exercise of Special Declarant Rights reserved in this Declaration. No signs are permitted in the windows of the Condominium Units except reasonably sized "For Sale" or "For Lease" signs without the prior written consent of the Association.

## 37. CONDEMNATION

37.01 <u>General</u>. Whenever all or any part of the Condominium shall be taken by any authority having the power of condemnation or eminent domain, each Unit Owner shall be entitled to notice thereof and to participate in the proceedings incident thereto unless otherwise prohibited by law.

- 37.02 <u>Common Elements</u>. If the taking is confined to the Common Elements or the Common Elements on which improvements shall have been constructed, but shall not involve a Unit or Limited Common Element then the award for the common Element loss shall be payable to the Association.
- 37.03 <u>Limited Common Elements</u>. Any portion of any award in condemnation attributable to the taking of all or portion of a Limited Common Element shall be paid to the Owner of the Unit to which the Limited Common Element as allocated or, if more than one, apportioned among the Owners of the Units to which the Limited Common Elements taken was allocated.

#### 37.04 <u>Units</u>.

- (A) If a Unit is acquired by eminent domain, or if part of a Unit is acquired by eminent domain leaving the Unit Owner with a remnant which may not practically or lawfully be used for any purpose permitted by the Declaration, the award must compensate the Unit Owner for his Unit and its interest in the Common Elements, whether or not any Common Elements are acquired. Unless the condemnor acquires the right to use the Unit's interest in Common Elements, that Unit's allocated interest are automatically reallocated to the remaining units in proportion to the respective Allocated Interest of those Units before the taking exclusive of the Unit taken, and the Association shall promptly prepare, execute, and record an amendment to the Declaration reflecting the reallocations. Any remnant of a Unit remaining after part of a Unit is taken under this subsection is thereafter a Common Element.
- (B) Except as provided in subsection (A), if part of a Unit is acquired by eminent domain, the award must compensate the Unit Owner for the reduction in value of the Unit and of its interest in the Common Elements, whether or not any Common Elements are acquired. Upon acquisition, unless the decree otherwise provides: (1) that Unit's Allocated Interest is reduced in proportion to the reduction in the size of the Unit, and (2) the portion of the Allocated Interest divested from the partially acquired Unit is automatically reallocated to that Unit and the remaining Units in proportion to the respective Allocated Interest of those Units before the taking, with the partially acquired Unit participating in the reallocation on the basis of its reduced allocated interest.

## 38. POWER OF ATTORNEY TO DEAL IN OWNED UNIT

Each Owner, by purchase of a Unit within the Property and by acceptance of the Deed therefor, grants to the Board of Directors of the Association an irrevocable power of attorney, coupled with

an interest, to acquire title to, including the purchase at a foreclosure or judicial sale, or to lease any Unit in the name of the Association, or its designee, on behalf of all Unit Owners, and to convey, sell, lease, mortgage, or otherwise deal with any such Unit so acquired or to sublease any Unit so leased by the Association. Any Unit purchased by the Association shall be held by it, or its designee, on behalf of all Unit Owners in proportion to their respective Allocated Interests in the Common Elements. The lease covering any Unit Leased by the Association, or its designee, shall be held on behalf of all Unit Owners, in relation to their Allocated Interests in the Common Elements.

By a separate Power of Attorney the owner of a unit may grant the Declarant the power to modify the number and dimensions of unsold Units of the Condominium in accordance with Section 26.03(B), so long as such amendment does not modify such Unit Owner's percentage ownership of the Common Elements of the Condominium.

## 39. WAIVER OF PUBLIC OFFERING STATEMENT REQUIREMENT

By acceptance of the conveyance of a Unit within the Condominium, all persons or entities which shall acquire a Unit, or any interest therein are on notice that this is a non-residential condominium, and shall be deemed to have waived any and all rights which such parties may otherwise have to examine, review, receive or obtain a public offering statement or other similar document pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes Chapter 47C-4-101 et. seq.

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## NORTH CAROLINA WAKE COUNTY

I, a Notary Public of the County and State aforesaid, certify that JUDY W. ROBERTS, personally came before me this day and acknowledged that she is Secretary of HOMES BY EDD K. ROBERTS, INC., a North Carolina corporation, and that by authority duly given and as the act of the corporation, the foregoing instrument was signed in its name by its President, sealed with its corporate seal and attested by her as its Secretary.

Witness my hand and day ofJune	official stamp or seal, this 14th
My Commission Expires: 9-29-03	Notary Public



#### EXHIBIT "A"

TO DECLARATION FOR CREEDMOOR COMMONS CONDOMINIUMS DESCRIPTION OF PREMISES COVERED BY DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS

BEING described as all of Phase I and Phase II according to a plat prepared by Bass, Nixon & Kennedy, Inc., Consulting Engineers, dated 6-12-01 entitled "Condominium Plat, Creedmoor Commons, Phase I", and included in the Wake County Unit Ownership File for Creedmoor Commons Condominiums, Wake County Registry.

Said property is also described as Lots 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, according to plat entitled "Recombination Map VINCENT & BEVERLY J. STRUBLE and WATER TOWER OFFICE ASSOCIATES", recorded in Book of Maps 2000, Page 1022, in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Wake County, North Carolina, to which plat reference is made for a more particular description.

# EXHIBIT "B" TO THE DECLARATION FOR CREEDMOOR COMMONS CONDOMINIUMS - PHASE I

				ALLOCATED PERCENTAGE
<u>UNIT</u>			SQUARE FOOTAGE	INTEREST
BUILDING 6501				
FIRST FLOOR				
Unit 6501-102	(Office Suite (Office Suite (Office Suite	B*)	1138 1138 1138	8.333% 8.333% 8.333%
SECOND FLOOR				
Unit 6501-205 Unit 6501-206	(Office Suite (Office Suite (Office Suite (Office Suite	E*) F*)	569 569 1138 1138	4.1665% 4.1665% 8.333% 8.333%
BUILDING 6511				
FIRST FLOOR				
Unit 6511-102	(Office Suite (Office Suite (Office Suite	B*)	1138 1138 1138	8.333% 8.333% 8.333%
SECOND FLOOR				
Unit 6511-204 Unit 6511-205 Unit 6511-206 Unit 6511-207	(Office Suite (Office Suite	E*) F*)	569 569 1138 1138	4.1665% 4.1665% 8.333% 8.333%
TOTAL			13,656	99.996%

<sup>\*</sup> According to Architect's Drawings

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AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUMS FOR CREEDMOOR COMMONS CONDOMINIUMS RECORDED IN BOOK 8961, PAGE 1505, WAKE COUNTY REGISTRY

HOMES BY EDD K. ROBERTS, INC., as Declarant previously filed the Declaration of Condominiums for Creedmoor Commons Condominiums in Book 8961, Page 1505, Wake County Registry. The plat for said Condominiums is filed in CM 2001, Page 272, said Registry.

The Declarant is still the owner of all units in said Condominium. As such owner, the Declarant adopts the following Amendment to the Declaration as filed in Book 8961, Page 1505, said Registry:

1. The first sentence of Article 19 of the Declaration is hereby rewritten as follows:

"In cases where a claim <u>by or</u> against the Owner is five hundred dollars or less, the owner, or the Association may request the Board of Directors to appoint an adjudicatory panel to determine whether the Unit Owner is responsible for the damages to any Common Element or whether the Association is responsible for any damages to a Unit."

2. The following sentence is inserted in Article 5.01(a) at the end of said paragraph: "The maximum number of units that Declarant reserves the right to build in the Creedmoor Commons Condominium is twenty-six."

Except as herein amended, the Declaration is ratified and affirmed.

This 3.1 day of July, 2001.

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