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**MASTER DECLARATION
FOR
LAKES OF HARMONY**

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EXHIBITS:

- Exhibit A Legal Description
- Exhibit B Use Restrictions and Rules
- Exhibit C Articles of Incorporation
- Exhibit D Bylaws
- Exhibit E SFWMD Permit
- Exhibit F Club Plan

in a particular instance, such determination shall not affect the validity of other provisions or applications.

- 1.2 Governing Documents. This Declaration, each Supplemental Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws, the Design Guidelines, and the Use Restrictions and Rules of the Association, as any of them may be supplemented or amended in the future (the "Governing Documents") create a general plan of development for the Properties that may be supplemented by additional covenants, restrictions, and easements applicable to particular areas within the Properties. Nothing in this Section shall preclude any Supplemental Declaration or other recorded covenants applicable to any portion of the Properties from containing more restrictive provisions than this Declaration.
- 1.3. Neighborhoods. Each Unit within the Properties shall be located within a Neighborhood. This Declaration or a Supplemental Declaration may designate Neighborhoods (by name, tract, or other identifying designation), which Neighborhood may be then existing or newly created. Prior to the expiration of the Class "B" Control Period, the Declarant may unilaterally amend this Declaration or any Supplemental Declaration to re-designate Neighborhood boundaries; provided, two or more existing Neighborhoods shall not be combined without the consent of Owners of more than fifty percent (50%) of the Voting Interests in the affected Neighborhoods. The following Neighborhood is hereby designated by this Declaration: The "SOUTH LAKES OF HARMONY," created pursuant to the COMMUNITY DECLARATION FOR SOUTH LAKES OF HARMONY, recorded, or to be recorded, in the Public Records (the "South Lakes of Harmony Neighborhood").
- 1.4 Club Plan. Each Owner, by acquiring title to a Unit, is a member of the Club (as defined herein) and will be subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Club Plan (as defined herein), as amended and supplemented from time to time. Club Owner is responsible for operating and maintaining the Club and Club Facilities and administering the Club Plan. Club Facilities may be added, modified or deleted from time to time in accordance with the Club Plan. The Club Plan contains certain rules, regulations and restrictions relating to the use of the Club. Pursuant to the Club Plan, each Owner shall pay the Club Dues as set forth in the Club Plan. Club Owner may increase the number of Club members and users from time to time in accordance with the Club Plan. The Club shall be used and enjoyed by the Owners, on a non-exclusive basis, in common with such other persons, entities, and corporations that may be entitled to use the Club subject to the rules and regulations in the Club Plan. Each Owner, shall be bound by and comply with the Club Plan attached to this Declaration.

THE ASSOCIATION AND EACH OWNER SHALL BE BOUND BY AND COMPLY WITH THE CLUB PLAN THAT IS INCORPORATED HEREIN BY REFERENCE. ALTHOUGH THE CLUB PLAN IS AN EXHIBIT TO THIS DECLARATION, THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS ARE SUBORDINATE AND INFERIOR TO THE CLUB PLAN. IN THE EVENT OF ANY CONFLICT BETWEEN THE CLUB PLAN AND THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, THE CLUB PLAN SHALL CONTROL.

- 1.5 Site Plans and Plats. The Plat(s) for the Properties may identify some of the Facilities or Common Areas. The description of the Facilities or Common Areas on the Plat is subject to change and the notes on the Plat are not a guarantee of what improvements will be constructed as Facilities or Common Areas. Site plans used by Declarant and Builders in their marketing efforts may illustrate the types of improvements that may be constructed on the Common Areas or Facilities but such site plans are not a guarantee of what improvements will actually be constructed. Each Owner should not rely on the Plat or any site plans used for illustration purposes as the Declaration governs the rights and obligations of Declarant and Owners with respect to the Common Areas and Facilities.
- 1.6 Restrictions Affecting Occupancy and Alienation. The covenants, conditions and restrictions of this Declaration set forth in Article XXIV (the "Occupancy and Alienation Restrictions") shall run with and bind the land and shall inure to the benefit of and be enforceable by the Declarant, the Association, any aggrieved Owner and their respective legal representatives, heirs, successors

- 2.11 Bylaws. The Bylaws of the Association, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit D** and made a part hereof by this reference, as it may be amended, supplemented and/or restated from time to time in the future.
- 2.12 CDD. The HARMONY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, a local unit of special-purpose government organized and existing pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes.
- 2.13 Class "B" Control Period. The period of time during which the Class "B" Member is entitled to appoint a majority of the members of the Board of Directors as provided in Section 6.3(b) of this Declaration.
- 2.14 Club. The LAKES OF HARMONY CLUB, including the Club Property and Club Facilities (as defined in the Club Plan) provided for the Owners pursuant to the provisions of the Club Plan. The Club and Club Facilities will be owned and controlled by the Club Owner (as defined in the Club Plan) and not by the Association.
- 2.15 Club Plan. THE LAKES OF HARMONY CLUB PLAN, together with all amendments and modifications thereof. A copy of the Club Plan is attached hereto as **Exhibit F** and made a part hereof. This Declaration is subordinate in all respects to the Club Plan.
- 2.16 Common Area. All real property interests and personalty within LAKES OF HARMONY designated as Common Areas from time to time by the Declarant, by the Plat or by recorded amendment to this Declaration and provided for, owned, leased by, or dedicated to, the common use and enjoyment of the Owners within LAKES OF HARMONY. The Common Areas may include, without limitation, the Recreational Facilities (as defined herein), the Access Control System (as defined herein), roadways located at the entrance of each Neighborhood, open space areas, internal buffers, entrance features, landscaped areas, improvements, irrigation facilities, sidewalks, commonly used utility facilities, and project signage. The Common Areas do not include any portion of any Unit. The term "Common Areas" shall include Exclusive Common Areas as defined herein. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING HEREIN CONTAINED TO THE CONTRARY, THE DEFINITION OF "COMMON AREAS" AS SET FORTH IN THIS DECLARATION IS FOR DESCRIPTIVE PURPOSES ONLY AND SHALL IN NO WAY BIND, OBLIGATE OR LIMIT DECLARANT TO CONSTRUCT OR SUPPLY ANY SUCH ITEM AS SET FORTH IN SUCH DESCRIPTION, THE CONSTRUCTION OR SUPPLYING OF ANY SUCH ITEM BEING IN DECLARANT'S SOLE DISCRETION. FURTHER, NO PARTY SHALL BE ENTITLED TO RELY UPON SUCH DESCRIPTION AS A REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY AS TO THE EXTENT OF THE COMMON AREAS TO BE OWNED, LEASED BY OR DEDICATED TO THE ASSOCIATION, EXCEPT AFTER CONSTRUCTION AND CONVEYANCE OF ANY SUCH ITEM TO THE ASSOCIATION. FURTHER, AND WITHOUT LIMITING THE FOREGOING, CERTAIN AREAS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE BE COMMON AREAS SHALL BE OR HAVE BEEN CONVEYED TO THE CDD AND SHALL COMPRISE PART OF THE CDD FACILITIES (AS DEFINED HEREIN). CDD FACILITIES SHALL NOT INCLUDE COMMON AREAS.
- 2.17 Community-Wide Standard. The standard of conduct, maintenance or other activity generally prevailing throughout the Properties as established by the Association. Such standard is expected to evolve over time as development progresses and may be more specifically determined by the Board of Directors, Declarant, or the Architectural Control Committee, if any, established pursuant to Article IV. The standards imposed by this Declaration, including, without limitation, the Use Restrictions and Rules attached hereto as **Exhibit B** and incorporated herein by reference, as the same may be supplemented or amended from time to time, shall be part of the Community-Wide Standard.
- 2.18 County. Osceola County, Florida.
- 2.19 Declarant. The "Declarant" is BIRCHWOOD ACRES LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, LLLP, a Florida

Statutes, or homeowners' association, as defined by Chapter 720, Florida Statutes, having authority to administer additional covenants applicable to a particular Neighborhood. Nothing in this Declaration requires the creation of a Neighborhood Association. The jurisdiction of any Neighborhood Association shall be subordinate to that of the Association. So long as the Declarant owns any portion of the Properties, no Neighborhood Association may be formed without the express written consent of the Declarant. The SOUTH LAKES OF HARMONY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation (to be formed) (the "South Lakes Association") is a "Neighborhood Association" which shall govern the South Lakes of Harmony Neighborhood.

- 2.33 Neighborhood Declaration. A declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions applicable to a particular Neighborhood, which may include use restrictions and specific maintenance obligations applicable to such Neighborhood(s). In the event of a conflict between this Declaration and any Neighborhood Declaration, the terms of this Declaration shall control except to the extent that such Neighborhood Declaration provides specific use restrictions and maintenance requirements for the Neighborhood. The lien rights provided in any Neighborhood Declaration shall be subordinate to the lien rights provided in this Declaration.
- 2.34 Neighborhood Property. The common elements of any condominium development within LAKES OF HARMONY and any property owned by any Neighborhood Association.
- 2.35 Occupy, Occupies, or Occupancy. Unless otherwise specified in the Governing Documents, these terms shall mean staying overnight in a particular Unit for at least ninety (90) total days in the subject calendar year. The term "Occupant" shall refer to any individual other than an Owner who Occupies a Unit or is in possession of a Unit, or any portion thereof or building or structure thereon, whether as a lessee or otherwise, other than on a merely transient basis (and shall include, without limitation, a Resident).
- 2.36 Operating Expenses. Operating Expenses may include, without limitation, the following: all costs of ownership, maintenance, operation, and administration of the Common Areas, including without limitation the Access Control System, the Recreational Facilities; all amounts payable by the Association under the terms of this Declaration; amounts payable to a telecommunications provider for telecommunications services furnished to Owners; utilities; taxes; insurance; bonds; salaries; management fees; professional fees; service costs; supplies; maintenance, repair, replacement, and refurbishment costs; all amounts payable in connection with Association sponsored social events; and any and all costs relating to the discharge of the Association's obligations hereunder, or as determined to be part of the Operating Expenses by the Association. By way of example, and not of limitation, Operating Expenses shall include all of the Association's legal expenses and costs relating to or arising from the enforcement and/or interpretation of this Declaration. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Operating Expenses shall not include Reserves. If any of the foregoing items identified as possible Operating Expenses are included as District Maintenance Special Assessments (as defined in Section 14.2), the same shall not be included in Operating Expenses.
- 2.37 Owner. One or more Persons who hold the record title to any Unit, but excluding in all cases any party holding an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. A Builder is an Owner.
- 2.38 Plat. The term "Plat" shall refer to any plat of any portion of the Properties filed in the Public Records, from time to time. This definition shall be automatically amended to include the plat of any additional phase of the Properties, as such phase is added to this Declaration.
- 2.39 Permit. Permit No. 49-01058-P, as amended or modified, issued by SFWMD, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit E, as amended from time to time.
- 2.40 Person. A natural person, a corporation, a partnership, a trust or any other legal entity.

for a single family. The term shall refer to the land, if any, that is part of the Unit and any improvements thereon. In the case of a building within a condominium or other structure containing multiple dwellings, each dwelling shall be deemed to be a separate Unit. The term "Unit" shall not include Common Area or Neighborhood Property, unless otherwise provided in this Declaration or any Supplemental Declaration.

- 2.57 Use Restrictions and Rules. The use restrictions and rules of the Association set forth on Exhibit B, as they may be supplemented, modified and repealed pursuant to Article III.
- 2.58 Voting Interest. The apurtenant vote of each Unit located within the Properties, which shall include the voting interests of the Declarant.
- 2.59 Work. Any grading, staking, clearing, excavation, site work, planting or removal of plants, trees, shrubs or other landscaping materials, or construction, installation or material modification or betterment (including painting) of any structures or other improvements on a Unit or on Neighborhood Property, or the addition of any structures or other improvements visible from the outside of the Unit.

ARTICLE III USE AND CONDUCT

3.1 Framework for Regulation.

- (a) Declarant has established a general plan of development for the Properties as a master planned community in order to address the collective interests, the aesthetics and environment within the Properties, and the vitality of and sense of community within the Properties, all subject to the Board's and the Members' ability to respond to changes in circumstances, conditions, needs and desires within the Properties. The Properties are subject to the land development, architectural and design provisions described in Article IV, the other provisions of this Declaration governing individual conduct and uses of or actions upon the Properties, and the guidelines, rules and restrictions promulgated pursuant to this Declaration, all of which establish affirmative and negative covenants, easements and restrictions on the Properties.
- (b) All provisions of the Governing Documents shall apply to all Owners, tenants, Occupants, guests and invitees of any Unit. Each Owner shall be responsible for inserting a provision in any lease of its Unit informing the lessees and all Occupants of the Unit of the Governing Documents; however, failure to include such a provision in the lease shall not relieve any Person of responsibility for complying with the Governing Documents.

3.2 Rulemaking Authority.

- (a) The existing Use Restrictions and Rules applicable to all of the Properties are attached as Exhibit B to this Declaration. Subject to the terms of this Article and Section 10.5 below, such existing Use Restrictions and Rules may be supplemented, modified in whole or in part, repealed or expanded by the Board of Directors in accordance with its duty to exercise business judgment on behalf of the Association and its Members. The Board may adopt rules which supplement, modify, cancel, repeal, limit, create exceptions to or expand the Use Restrictions and Rules.
- (b) Notwithstanding the above, after termination of the Class "B" Membership, no amendment to or modification of any Use Restrictions and Rules shall be effective against any property owned by Declarant without prior notice to and the written approval of Declarant so long as Declarant owns any portion of the Properties. Moreover, no rule or action by the Association or Board shall impede Declarant's rights to develop the Properties.
- (c) Nothing in this Article shall, without the approval of the Declarant, authorize the Board or the Members to adopt rules conflicting with the Design Guidelines or addressing matters of

expense of fulfilling this covenant of indemnification shall be Operating Expenses to the extent such matters are not covered by insurance maintained by the Association. The provisions of this sub-Section 3.6 shall not apply to any Losses to the extent such Losses arise out of the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Declarant.

- 3.7 Negligence. The expense of any maintenance, repair or construction of any portion of the Common Areas, drainage systems or SWMS necessitated by the negligent or willful acts of an Owner or Persons utilizing the Common Areas, drainage systems or SWMS through or under an Owner, shall be borne solely by such Owner and the Unit owned by such Owner shall be subject to a Specific Assessment for that expense. By way of example, and not of limitation, an Owner shall be responsible for the removal of all landscaping and structures placed within easements or Common Areas without the prior written approval of the Association. Further, by way of example, an Owner shall be responsible for the cost to correct any drainage issues caused by any such Owner's negligence.

ARTICLE IV ARCHITECTURE AND LANDSCAPING

- 4.1 Applicability.
- (a) Declarant may reserve rights of Architectural Control and approval, including, but not limited to, review and approval of the location, size, type, and appearance of any structure or other improvement on a Unit, and enforcement of such rights ("Architectural Rights") over all portions of the Properties pursuant to a separate recorded instrument (referred to as "Independent Architectural Approval Reservations" or "IAARs"). All such IAARs shall preempt the authority granted to the Association in this Article and shall control as to any matter within the scope of this Article, and this Article shall have no force or effect as to such portion of the Properties unless no IAAR exists on such portion of the Properties, or any such IAAR expires, is terminated or is released, or any such IAAR is rendered invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction (any of the foregoing circumstances shall be referred to herein as the "Absence of an IAAR").
 - (b) If, in the future, Declarant desires to assign some or all of the Architectural Rights under any of the IAARs to the Association, the Association shall accept such assignment and shall perform the duties and responsibilities of these rights pursuant to the terms set forth in such IAARs which, in such event, shall continue to preempt the authority granted to the Association in this Article as provided above.
 - (c) No Work shall be commenced on such Owner's Unit, or on Neighborhood Property, unless and until such Owner or Neighborhood Association receives prior written approval for such Work pursuant to this Article either from the Association or the Declarant, as applicable.
 - (d) This Article shall not apply to the activities of Declarant, the CDD or Club Owner. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, or in the Design Guidelines, any improvements of any nature made or to be made by Declarant or Club Owner, or their nominees, including, without limitation, improvements made or to be made to the Common Areas, the Facilities, the Club Property (as defined in the Club Plan) or any Unit, shall not be subject to the review by the Reviewing Entity or the provisions of the Design Guidelines.
 - (e) This Article may not be amended without the prior written consent of Declarant so long as Declarant owns any portion of the Properties. Further, this Article may not be amended without the prior written consent of the Club Owner if any such amendment would affect the rights or exemptions of the Club Owner provided herein.
- 4.2 Architectural Control. In the absence of an IAAR on any portion of the Properties, the following provisions shall govern the Architectural Control process for such portion of the Properties:

4.3 Guidelines and Procedures. In the Absence of an IAAR, the following provisions shall govern the Architectural Control process:

(a) Design Guidelines.

- (1) Declarant, or to the extent that the ACC has jurisdiction hereunder, the ACC, subject to the review and approval of the Board in the case of the ACC (the entity having jurisdiction at any particular time is referred to in this Article as the "**Reviewing Entity**"), may, but shall not be required to, establish design and construction guidelines and review procedures (the "**Design Guidelines**") to provide guidance to Owners and Neighborhood Associations regarding matters of particular concern to the Reviewing Entity in considering applications for architectural approval. Any such Design Guidelines may contain general provisions applicable to all of the Properties, as well as specific provisions that vary from one portion of the Properties to another depending upon the location, type of construction or use and unique characteristics of the property.
- (2) Any Design Guidelines adopted pursuant to this Section, or otherwise promulgated by Declarant, shall be subject to amendment from time to time in the sole discretion of the entity adopting or promulgating them. Amendments to the Design Guidelines shall not apply to require modifications to, or removal of, structures previously approved once the approved construction or modification has commenced. There shall be no limitation on the scope of amendments to the Design Guidelines; amendments may remove requirements previously imposed or otherwise to make the Design Guidelines more or less restrictive in whole or in part.
- (3) The Reviewing Entity shall make copies of the Design Guidelines, if any, available to Owners and Neighborhood Associations who seek to engage in construction within the Properties, and may charge a reasonable fee to cover its printing costs.

(b) Procedures.

- (1) Prior to commencing any Work for which review and approval is required under this Article, an application for approval of such Work shall be submitted to the Reviewing Entity in such form as may be required by the Reviewing Entity or the Design Guidelines. The application shall include plans showing the site layout, exterior elevations, exterior materials and colors, landscaping, drainage, lighting, irrigation and other features of the proposed construction, as required by the Design Guidelines and as applicable. The Reviewing Entity may require the submission of such additional information as it deems necessary to consider any application.
- (2) The Reviewing Entity may consider (but shall not be restricted to consideration of) visual and environmental impact, ecological compatibility, natural platforms and finish grade elevation, harmony of external design with surrounding structures and environment, location in relation to surrounding structures and plant life, compliance with the general intent of the Design Guidelines, if any, and architectural merit. Decisions may be based on purely aesthetic considerations. Each Owner and Neighborhood Association acknowledges that determination as to such matters is purely subjective and opinions may vary as to the desirability and/or attractiveness of particular improvements.
- (3) The Reviewing Entity shall, within thirty (30) days after receipt of each submission of the plans, advise the party submitting the same, in writing, at an address specified by such party at the time of submission, of (i) the approval of Plans, or (ii) the disapproval of such Plans, specifying the segments or features of the Plans which are objectionable and suggestions, if any, for the curing of such objections. In the event the Reviewing Entity fails to advise the submitting party by written notice within the time set forth above for either the approval or disapproval of the plans, the applicant may give the Reviewing Entity

drainage problems or other general site work, nor for defects in any plans or specifications submitted, nor for any structural or other defects in Work done according to approved plans, nor for any injury, damages or loss arising out of the manner, design or quality of approved construction on or modifications to any Units or any common elements of any condominium or similar community.

4.7 Enforcement.

- (a) Any Work performed in violation of this Article or in a manner inconsistent with the approved Plans shall be deemed to be nonconforming. Upon written request from Declarant, the Association, the Board or the ACC, Owners and Neighborhood Associations shall, at their own cost and expense, remove any nonconforming structure or improvement and restore the property to substantially the same condition as existed prior to the nonconforming Work. Should an Owner or Neighborhood Association fail to take such corrective action as specified in the notice of violation within thirty (30) days after the date of the notice, Declarant, the Board, or their designees, in addition to their other enforcement rights, shall have the right to enter the property, remove the violation and restore the property to substantially the same condition as previously existed and any such action shall not be deemed a trespass. Upon demand, the Owner or Neighborhood Association shall reimburse all costs incurred by any of the foregoing in exercising its rights under this Section. The Association may assess any costs incurred in taking enforcement action under this Section, together with interest at the maximum rate then allowed by law, against the benefited Unit, or against all of the Units within a Neighborhood Association (if related to Neighborhood Property), as a Specific Assessment.
- (b) Declarant and the Association, acting separately or jointly, may preclude any contractor, subcontractor, agent, employee or other invitee of an Owner or Neighborhood Association who fails to comply with the terms and provisions of this Article and the Design Guidelines from continuing or performing any further activities in the Properties, subject to the notice and hearing procedures contained in this Declaration. Neither Declarant, the Association, nor their officers, directors nor agents shall be held liable to any Person for exercising the rights granted by this paragraph.
- (c) In addition to the foregoing, the Association and Declarant shall have the authority and standing to pursue all legal and equitable remedies available to enforce the provisions of this Article and the decisions of the reviewing entities under this Article.
- (d) After the Association has assumed some or all rights of Architectural Control pursuant to Section 4.2(b) or any IAAR, in the event that the Association fails to take enforcement action within thirty (30) days after receipt of a written demand from Declarant identifying the violator and specifying the nature of the violation, then the Association shall reimburse Declarant for all costs reasonably incurred by Declarant in taking enforcement action with respect to such violators, if Declarant prevails in such action.

ARTICLE V
MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OBLIGATIONS

5.1 Maintenance by the Association.

- (a) Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Declaration to the contrary, the Association shall at all times maintain, repair, replace and insure the Common Areas, including the Recreational Facilities, and all improvements placed thereon.
- (b) It is anticipated that, except with regard to the roadways located at the entrance of each Neighborhood and internal roadways located within the Neighborhoods, roadways within the Properties shall be public roadways maintained by the County and shall not be maintained by the Association. The Association shall be responsible for maintenance of the roadways located at the

limited to, a utility, governmental or quasi-governmental entity or a property owners association. These areas may include (for example and not limitation) parks, swale areas, landscape buffer areas, berm areas or median areas within the right-of-way of public streets, roads, drainage areas, community identification or entrance features, community signage or other identification. To the extent there is any agreement between the Association and any Person for the maintenance of any lakes or ponds outside of the Properties, the Association shall maintain the same and the costs thereof shall be paid by Owners as part of the Operating Expenses. The Association shall have the right to enter into new agreements or arrangements from time to time for improvements and facilities serving the members of the Association if the Board deems the same reasonable and appropriate for the continued use and benefit of any part of the Common Areas.

- 5.2 **Maintenance by Owners and Neighborhood Associations.** All Units, including without limitation, all driveways, walkways, landscaping and any property, structures, improvements and appurtenances not maintained by the Association, or a Neighborhood Association, shall be well maintained and kept in first class, good, safe, clean, neat and attractive condition consistent with the general appearance of LAKES OF HARMONY by the Owner of the applicable Unit. In the event a Unit is not maintained by the Owner of the Unit in accordance with the requirements of this Section 5.2, the Association may, but shall not be obligated to, perform the maintenance obligations on behalf of the Owner. Each Owner by acceptance of a deed to their Unit grants the Association an easement over his or her Unit for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the requirements of this Section 5.2. In the event an Owner does not comply with this Section 5.2, the Association may perform the necessary maintenance and charge the costs thereof to the non-complying Owner as a Specific Assessment. The Association shall have the right to enforce this Section 5.2 by all necessary legal action. In the event the Association is the prevailing party with respect to any litigation respecting the enforcement of compliance with this Section 5.2, it shall be entitled to recover all of its attorneys' fees and paraprofessional fees, and costs, at trial and upon appeal.
- (a) Each Neighborhood Association shall maintain the Neighborhood Property and all property, structures, parking areas, landscaping and other improvements comprising the Neighborhood Property in a manner consistent with the Community-Wide Standard. Further, each Neighborhood Association shall maintain Units to the extent provided in the Neighborhood Declaration, but in any event, in a manner consistent with the Community-Wide Standard and the requirements of this Declaration.
- (b) The following maintenance standards (the "**Landscape Maintenance Standards**") apply to landscaping within all applicable Units:
- (1) Trees are to be pruned as needed and maintained with the canopy no lower than eight feet (8') from the ground.
 - (2) All shrubs are to be trimmed as needed.
 - (3) Grass shall be maintained in a neat and appropriate manner. In no event shall lawns within any Unit be in excess of five inches (5") in height.
 - (4) Edging of all streets, curbs, beds and borders shall be performed as needed. Chemical edging shall not be permitted.
 - (5) Subject to applicable law, only St. Augustine grass (i.e. Floratam or a similar variety) is permitted in the front yards and side yards, including side yards facing a street.
 - (6) Mulch shall be replenished as needed on a yearly basis.
 - (7) Insect control and disease shall be performed on an as needed basis. Failure to do so could result in additional liability if the disease and insect spread to neighboring Units and

between the Unit boundary and any adjacent easements for pedestrian paths or sidewalks. The Association shall not be responsible for the maintenance of any public right of ways unless such maintenance obligation is addressed in a Supplemental Declaration or by amendment to this Declaration.

5.4 Responsibility for Insurance, Repair and Replacement.

- (a) Unless otherwise provided in a Neighborhood Declaration, or a Supplemental Declaration creating a Neighborhood, each Owner shall be responsible for obtaining and maintaining property insurance on all insurable improvements within his or her Unit.
 - (b) Each Owner further covenants and agrees that in the event of damage to or destruction of structures on or comprising his Unit, the Owner shall proceed promptly to repair or to reconstruct in a manner consistent with the original construction or such other plans and specifications as are approved in accordance with an IAAR or Article IV of this Declaration, whichever is applicable (the "Required Repair"). Alternatively, the Owner may elect to clear the Unit of all debris and ruins and maintain the Unit in a neat and attractive, landscaped condition consistent with the Community-Wide Standard (the "Required Demolition"). The Owner shall pay any costs which are not covered by insurance proceeds. If an Owner elects to perform the Required Repair, such Work must be commenced within thirty (30) days of the Owner's receipt of the insurance proceeds respecting such Unit and the Required Repair must be completed within six (6) months from the date of the casualty or such longer period of time established by the Board in its sole and absolute discretion, subject to extension if required by law. If an Owner elects to perform the Required Demolition, the Required Demolition must be completed within six (6) months from the date of the casualty or such longer period of time established by the Board in its sole and absolute discretion, subject to extension if required by law. If an Owner elects to perform the Required Repair, such reconstruction and/or repair must be completed in a continuous, diligent, and timely manner. Without limiting any other provision of this Declaration or the powers of the Association, the Association shall have a right to bring an action against an Owner who fails to comply with the foregoing requirements. By way of example, the Association may bring an action against an Owner who fails to either perform the Required Repair or Required Demolition on his or her Unit within the time periods and in the manner provided herein. Each Owner acknowledges that the issuance of a building permit or a demolition permit in no way shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements set forth herein, which are independent of, and in addition to, any requirements for completion of Work or progress requirements set forth in applicable statutes, zoning codes and/or building codes.
 - (c) The requirements of this Section shall apply to any Neighborhood Association responsible for any portion of the Properties in the same manner as if it was an Owner and such property was a Unit. Additional recorded covenants applicable to any portion of the Properties may establish more stringent requirements for insurance and more stringent standards for rebuilding or reconstructing structures on the Units within such portion of the Properties and for clearing and maintaining such Units in the event the structures are not rebuilt or reconstructed.
 - (d) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained herein or in any other Governing Document, neither the Association nor the Declarant shall be responsible for ensuring or confirming compliance with the insurance provisions contained herein, it being acknowledged by all Owners of Units that such monitoring would be unnecessarily expensive and difficult. Moreover, neither the Association nor the Declarant shall be liable in any manner whatsoever for failure of a Unit Owner to comply with this Section 5.4.
 - (e) In the event of damage to the Club, the responsibility for reconstruction shall be as provided in the Club Plan.
- 5.5 Standard of Performance. Maintenance, as used in this Article V, shall include, without limitation, repair and replacement as needed, as well as such other duties, which may include irrigation, as the Board may determine necessary or appropriate to satisfy the Community-Wide Standard. All

NEITHER THE DECLARANT, THE CDD NOR THE ASSOCIATION MAKE ANY REPRESENTATION CONCERNING THE CURRENT OR FUTURE WATER LEVELS IN ANY OF THE RETENTION/DETENTION AREAS WITHIN THE PROPERTIES; PROVIDED, FURTHER, NEITHER THE DECLARANT, THE CDD NOR THE ASSOCIATION BEAR ANY RESPONSIBILITY TO ATTEMPT TO ADJUST OR MODIFY THE WATER LEVELS SINCE SUCH LEVELS ARE SUBJECT TO SEASONAL GROUNDWATER AND RAINFALL FLUCTUATIONS THAT ARE BEYOND THE CONTROL OF THE DECLARANT, THE CDD AND THE ASSOCIATION. BY ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED TO A UNIT, EACH OWNER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT THE WATER LEVELS OF ALL RETENTION/DETENTION AREAS MAY VARY. THERE IS NO GUARANTEE BY DECLARANT, THE CDD OR THE ASSOCIATION THAT WATER LEVELS OR RETENTION/DETENTION AREAS WILL BE CONSTANT OR AESTHETICALLY PLEASING AT ANY PARTICULAR TIME; AT TIMES, WATER LEVELS MAY BE NONEXISTENT. DECLARANT, THE CDD AND THE ASSOCIATION SHALL NOT BE OBLIGATED TO ERECT FENCES, GATES, OR WALLS AROUND OR ADJACENT TO ANY RETENTION/DETENTION AREAS WITHIN THE PROPERTIES.

- 5.8 Swale Maintenance. The Properties may include drainage swales within certain Units for the purpose of managing and containing the flow of excess surface water, if any, found upon such Units. Unless otherwise provided in a Neighborhood Declaration, or a Supplemental Declaration creating a Neighborhood, each Owner, including Builders, shall be responsible for the maintenance, operation and repair of the swales on the Unit. Maintenance, operation and repair shall mean the exercise of practices, such as mowing and erosion repair, that allow the swales to provide drainage, water storage, conveyance or other stormwater management capabilities as permitted by SFWMD. Filling, excavation, construction of fences or otherwise obstructing the surface water flow in the swales is prohibited. No alteration of the drainage swale shall be authorized and any damage to any drainage swale, whether caused by natural or human-induced phenomena, shall be repaired and the drainage swale returned to its former condition as soon as possible by the Owner(s) of the Units upon which the drainage swale is located.
- 5.9 Public Facilities. The Properties may include one or more facilities that may be dedicated to the County. Specifically, a lift station dedicated to the County as part of the waste water treatment system shall be located within the boundaries of the Properties.
- 5.10 Removal of Landscaping. Without the prior written consent of the Reviewing Entity, which may be denied by the Reviewing Entity in its sole discretion, no sod, topsoil, tree or shrubbery shall be removed from any Unit and there shall be no change in the plant landscaping, elevation, condition of the soil or the level of the land of any Unit. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Owners who install improvements to the Unit with the approval of the Reviewing Entity that result in any change in the flow and/or drainage of surface water shall be responsible for all of the costs of drainage problems resulting from such improvement. Further, in the event that such Owner fails to pay for such required repairs, each Owner agrees to reimburse CDD for all expenses incurred in fixing such drainage problems including, without limitation, removing excess water and/or repairing the SWMS.
- 5.11 [Intentionally Omitted]
- 5.12 Exterior Home Maintenance. Unless otherwise provided in a Neighborhood Declaration, or a Supplemental Declaration creating a Neighborhood, each Owner is solely responsible for the proper maintenance and cleaning of the exterior walls of his or her Unit. Exterior walls are improved with a finish material composed of stucco or cementitious coating (collectively, "Stucco/Cementitious Finish"). While Stucco/Cementitious Finish is high in compressive or impact strength, it is not of sufficient tensile strength to resist building movement. It is the nature of Stucco/Cementitious Finish to experience some cracking and it will expand and contract in response to temperature, sometimes creating minor hairline cracks in the outer layer of the stucco application. This is normal behavior and considered a routine maintenance item for the Owner. Each Owner is responsible to inspect the Stucco/Cementitious Finish to the exterior walls for

- (a) Class "A" Members shall all be Owners, including Builders, but excluding the Declarant, except as provided in Subsection 6.3(b). Each Class "A" Member shall have one (1) vote for each Unit owned; provided, however, there shall only be one (1) vote per Unit. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no votes shall be exercised on account of any property which is exempt from assessment under Section 8.9.
 - (b) The sole Class "B" Member shall be Declarant. Prior to termination of the Class "B" Membership, the Class "B" Member shall have nine (9) votes for each Unit that it owns. Upon termination of the Class "B" membership, the Declarant shall be a Class "A" Member, if it owns any Units, and shall be entitled to one (1) Class "A" vote for each Unit that it owns. In addition, Declarant's consent shall be required for various actions of the Board, membership and committees as specifically provided elsewhere in the Governing Documents. The Class "B" Control Period shall terminate when the Declarant is no longer permitted under Chapter 720, Florida Statutes (2015), to appoint a majority of the members of the Board of Directors or such earlier date when, in its discretion, the Class "B" Member so determines and declares in a recorded instrument. After termination of the Class "B" Control Period, Declarant shall continue to have a right to disapprove certain actions of the Association, the Board, and any committee, as provided in the Governing Documents.
- 6.4 Exercise of Voting Rights. If there is more than one (1) Owner of a particular Unit, the vote for such Unit shall be exercised as such co-Owners determine among themselves and advise the secretary of the Association in writing prior to the close of balloting. Absent such advice, the Unit's vote shall be suspended if more than one (1) Person seeks to exercise it.

ARTICLE VII

ASSOCIATION POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 7.1 Acceptance and Control of the Association Property. The Association may acquire, hold and dispose of tangible and intangible personal property and real property. Declarant and its designees may convey to the Association improved or unimproved real estate located within the Properties, personal property and leasehold and other property interests. Such property shall be accepted by the Association and thereafter shall be maintained as Common Area by the Association at its expense for the benefit of its Members, subject to any restrictions set forth in the deed or other instrument transferring such property to the Association.
- 7.2 Maintenance of Common Area and Area of Common Responsibility.
- (a) Except to the extent that responsibility therefor has been assigned to or assumed by the CDD, or the Owners of adjacent Units, or Neighborhood Associations pursuant to Section 5.2, and except to the extent that such responsibility therefor has been assigned to or assumed by a Service Area created pursuant to Section 7.14, or by Supplemental Declaration, the Association shall maintain, manage and control the Common Area and Area of Common Responsibility, and all improvements thereon (including, without limitation, furnishings, equipment, and common landscaped areas), and shall keep it in good clean, attractive, and sanitary condition, order, and repair, consistent with this Declaration and the Community-Wide Standard, which shall include without limitation:
 - (1) All landscaping and other flora, signage, structures, and improvements situated upon the Common Area;
 - (2) Landscaping, sidewalks, streetlights and signage within public right-of-way within or abutting the Properties, and landscaping and other flora within any public utility easement within the Properties (subject to the terms of any easement agreement relating thereto), except to the extent that responsibility therefor has been assigned to or assumed by the CDD;
 - (3) Such portions of any additional property as may be included within the Area of Common Responsibility pursuant to this Declaration, any Supplemental Declaration, or any

- (2) Commercial general liability insurance coverage providing coverage and limits deemed appropriate. Such policies must provide that they may not be cancelled or substantially modified by any party, without at least thirty (30) days' prior written notice to Declarant (until the expiration of the Class "B" Control Period) and the Association;
- (3) Each member of the Board shall be covered by directors and officers liability insurance in such amounts and with such provisions as approved by the Board;
- (4) Fidelity insurance covering all persons responsible for handling Association funds in an amount determined in the Board's best business judgment. Fidelity insurance policies shall include coverage for officers, directors and other persons serving without compensation; and
- (5) Such additional insurance as the Board, in its best business judgment, determines advisable, which may include, without limitation, flood insurance, boiler and machinery insurance and building ordinance coverage.
- (6) Any time a Service Area is created, unless otherwise provided in the Supplemental Declaration creating such Service Area, if applicable, all Owners within such Service Area shall name the Association as an additional insured under any casualty policy of insurance that provides coverage for any property for which the Association is responsible. In addition, the Association may obtain additional insurance at the expense of the Owners within the Service Area if it feels the coverage otherwise maintained is insufficient.
- (7) Premiums for all insurance on the Area of Common Responsibility shall be Operating Expenses and shall be included in the Base Assessment, except that (i) premiums for property insurance obtained on behalf of a Service Area shall be charged to the Owners of Units within the benefited Service Area as a Service Area Assessment; and (ii) premiums for insurance on Exclusive Common Area may be included in the Service Area Assessment of the Service Area(s) benefited unless the Board of Directors reasonably determines that other treatment of the premiums is more appropriate.

7.4 Policy Requirements.

- (a) All Association policies shall provide for a certificate of insurance to be furnished to the Association.
- (b) The policies may contain a reasonable deductible. In the event of an insured loss to an Area of Common Responsibility (excluding an Exclusive Common Area), the deductible shall be treated as an Operating Expense in the same manner as the premiums for the applicable insurance coverage, or, for an insured loss in an Exclusive Common Area, in the manner described in this Declaration relating to the Service Area benefited by such Exclusive Common Area. However, if the Board reasonably determines, after notice and an opportunity to be heard in accordance with Section 15.5 of this Declaration, that the loss is the result of the negligence or willful misconduct of one (1) or more Owners, their guests, invitees or lessees, then the Board may specifically assess the full amount of such deductible against such Owner(s) and their Unit(s) pursuant to Section 8.5.
- (c) The policies described in Section 7.3 also shall name Declarant and its partners, officers, directors, employees and agents as additional insureds.
- (d) Prior to the expiration of the Class "B" Control Period, the Declarant shall have the right, at Association's expense, to provide insurance coverage under its master insurance policy in lieu of any of the required coverage.

7.5 Damage and Destruction.

- (a) Immediately after damage or destruction to all or any part of the Properties covered by insurance

liability with respect to any contract or other commitment made or action taken, in good faith, on behalf of the Association (except to the extent that such officers or directors may also be Members of the Association) and the Association shall indemnify and forever hold each such officer, director and committee member harmless from any and all liability to others on account of any such contract, commitment or action. This right to indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which any officer, director, or committee member, or former officer, director, or committee member may be entitled. The Association shall, as an Operating Expense, maintain adequate general liability and officers' and directors' liability insurance to fund this obligation, if such insurance is reasonably available.

- (c) Each Owner shall indemnify and hold harmless the Association from any loss, damages, and expenses, including counsel fees, which they may incur as a result of the failure of such Owner, any Occupant of such Owner's Unit, or any contractor, subcontractor, vendor, employee, or agent of such Owner acting within the scope of his contract, agency or employment to comply with this Declaration, any Supplemental Declaration or other covenants applicable to such Owner's Unit, the Design Guidelines, Bylaws and Rules of the Association. By way of example and not limitation, an Owner shall be responsible for damages caused to any Common Area or other property owned by the Association by any such Occupant, contractor, subcontractor, vendor, employee, or agent of such Owner whether such damages were caused by the negligence of such Persons or not.

7.9 Enhancement of Safety

- (a) THE ASSOCIATION MAY, BUT SHALL NOT BE OBLIGATED TO, MAINTAIN OR SUPPORT CERTAIN ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE PROPERTIES DESIGNED TO ENHANCE THE SAFETY OF THE PROPERTIES. THE ASSOCIATION, CLUB OWNER AND DECLARANT SHALL NOT IN ANY WAY BE CONSIDERED INSURERS OR GUARANTORS OF SECURITY OR SAFETY WITHIN THE PROPERTIES, NOR SHALL ANY OF THEM BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS OR DAMAGE BY REASON OF FAILURE TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE SECURITY, ACCESS CONTROL OR INEFFECTIVENESS OF SECURITY MEASURES UNDERTAKEN. NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY IS MADE THAT ANY FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM, BURGLAR ALARM SYSTEM OR OTHER SECURITY SYSTEMS OR MEASURES CANNOT BE COMPROMISED OR CIRCUMVENTED, NOR THAT ANY SUCH SYSTEMS OR SECURITY MEASURES UNDERTAKEN WILL IN ALL CASES PREVENT LOSS OR PROVIDE THE DETECTION OR PROTECTION FOR WHICH THE SYSTEM IS DESIGNED OR INTENDED. EACH OWNER ACKNOWLEDGES, UNDERSTANDS AND COVENANTS TO INFORM ITS TENANTS THE DECLARANT, CLUB OWNER, AND THE ASSOCIATION, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND REPRESENTATIVES ARE NOT INSURERS OF OWNERS OR UNITS, OR THE PERSONAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN UNITS AND THAT EACH PERSON USING THE PROPERTIES ASSUMES ALL RISKS FOR LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PERSONS, TO UNITS AND TO THE CONTENTS OF UNITS RESULTING FROM ACCIDENTS, ACTS OF GOD AND ACTS OF THIRD PARTIES.
- (b) From time to time, the Association may elect to install video monitoring, alarms and alarm monitoring devices and/or to contract with third parties for the installation, maintenance and/or monitoring of alarms (any such party being referred to herein as a "Third-Party Alarm Company") in Common Area improvements, Exclusive Common Area, Attached Units and other improvements where the Association has agreed to assume certain maintenance responsibilities. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Association shall have no liability or responsibility to any Owner, tenant, Resident, Occupant, invitee or guest in the event that such person or entity sustains any injury, damage or loss as a result of any failure of such alarm or alarm monitoring device, or of any Third-Party Alarm Company, nor shall any Owner have any right to bring separate action against any Third-Party Alarm Company for any failure of such Third-Party Alarm Company, or the facilities or systems installed and monitored by such company, to appropriately monitor or function in connection with such loss. Each Owner, by taking title to any of the Properties, hereby agrees on their own behalf, and on behalf of their guests, tenants, invitees and any other persons that may be present on their property from time to time, to indemnify the Association, and further waives and

with the resolution establishing it.

- (b) The Association, through its bulletin boards and publications, may assist community groups, religious groups, civic groups, youth organizations, support groups, and similar organizations in publicizing their meetings, events, and need for volunteer assistance.
- (c) The nature and extent of any such assistance shall be in the Board's sole discretion. It is not intended that the Association spend its funds for specific advertising or promotion of events of such volunteer groups unless the Board determines that they merit such support. The Association's contribution will be supplemental to funds raised by the volunteer organization. The Association may also coordinate any such community-wide activity and the funding thereof in such manner as the Association determines in its discretion, or as otherwise may be required by this Declaration.

7.13 Relationship With Tax Exempt Organizations.

- (a) Declarant or the Association may create, enter into agreements or contracts with, or grant exclusive and/or non-exclusive easements over the Common Area to non-profit, tax-exempt organizations, the operation of which confers some benefit upon the Properties, the Association, its Members, or Residents. The Association may contribute money, real or personal property, or services to such entity. Any such contribution shall be an Operating Expense and included as a line item in the Association's annual budget. For the purposes of this Section, a "tax exempt organization" shall mean an entity which is exempt from federal income taxes under the Internal Revenue Code ("Code"), such as, but not limited to, entities which are exempt from federal income taxes under Sections 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4), as the Code may be amended from time to time.
- (b) The Association may maintain multiple-use facilities within the Properties and allow temporary use by tax-exempt organizations. Such use may be on a scheduled or "first-come, first-serve" basis and shall be subject to such rules, regulations and limitations as the Board, in its sole discretion, adopts concerning such use. A reasonable maintenance and use fee may be charged for the use of such facilities.

- 7.14 Provision of Services to Service Areas; Service Area Designations. Portions of the Properties may be designated as Service Areas for the purpose of receiving from the Association a different level of services, special services or other benefits not provided to all Units within the Properties on the same basis. Service Areas may be designated by Declarant through Supplemental Declarations filed in accordance with Article IX, or may be established by the Board of Directors either (i) on the Board's own accord, or (ii) upon petition of the Owners of ninety percent (90%) of the Units to be included in the proposed Service Area. A Unit may be included in multiple Service Areas established for different purposes. The cost of any special services or benefits, and all maintenance, repairs and replacements the Association provides to a Service Area shall be assessed against the Units within such Service Area as a Service Area Assessment in accordance with Section 8.2. Any Service Area established by the Board upon petition of the Owners within such Service Area may be dissolved or its boundary lines changed upon written consent of the Owners of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the Voting Interests within such Service Area. Any Service Area established by the Board on its own accord may be dissolved or its boundary lines changed by the Board. During the Class "B" Control Period, a Service Area established by Supplemental Declaration may be dissolved, or its boundary lines changed, by recordation of an amendment to such Supplemental Declaration signed by Declarant and the Owner(s) of the affected property, without the joinder or consent of any other Owner. After the expiration of the Class "B" Control Period, a Service Area established by Supplemental Declaration may only be dissolved, or its boundary lines changed, by (i) written consent or affirmative vote of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the Voting Interests within such Service Area, and (ii) a majority affirmative vote of the Board of Directors. Upon dissolution of a Service Area, any special services or benefits theretofore available to the Units within such Service Area shall cease.

- 7.15 Community-Wide Utilities. The Association shall have the right, on behalf of all Owners, to contract

- (a) Before the beginning of each fiscal year, the Board shall prepare a separate budget covering the estimated Service Area Operating Expenses for each Service Area on whose behalf Service Area Operating Expenses are expected to be incurred during the coming year. The Board shall be entitled to set such budget only to the extent this Declaration or any Supplemental Declaration specifically authorizes the Board to assess certain costs as a Service Area Assessment. Any Service Area Committee created pursuant to the Bylaws may request that additional services or a higher level of services be provided by the Association, and in such case, any additional costs shall be added to such budget if the Board agrees to such request. Such budget may, but shall not be required to, include a "Reserve for Replacement" in the Service Area Assessments in order to establish and maintain an adequate reserve fund for the replacement and deferred maintenance of capital items comprising a portion of the Service Area (the "Service Area Reserves"). Service Area Reserves, if established, shall be established in accordance with Section 8.3.
 - (b) Service Area Assessments shall be uniform for all Units within a Service Area that are improved with a detached or attached residence for a single family.
 - (c) The Board shall send notice of the amount of the Service Area Assessment for the coming year to each Owner of a Unit in the Service Area prior to the beginning of the fiscal year. The Board shall provide a copy of the budget to any Owner upon written request by such Owner.
 - (d) If the Board fails for any reason to determine the Service Area budget for any year, then until such time as a budget is determined, the budget for the Service Area in effect for the immediately preceding year, increased by five percent (5%), shall continue for the current year.
 - (e) Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, the Board shall not be required to prepare a separate budget covering the estimated Service Area Operating Expenses for a newly created Service Area, or provide written notice of the amount of such Service Area Assessments to the Unit Owners liable for same, until thirty (30) days before the first date upon which Service Area Assessments shall be assessed against the Units in such Service Area.
- 8.3 Budgeting for Reserves and Service Area Reserves. The Board may annually prepare Reserves and Service Area Reserves that the Board determines necessary and appropriate and that take into account the number and nature of replaceable assets maintained, the expected life of each asset, and the expected repair or replacement cost. If established, the Board shall include the required contribution to Reserves or Services Area Reserves in the Base Assessments or Service Area Assessments, as appropriate.
- 8.4 Special Assessments. In addition to other authorized assessments, the Association may levy Special Assessments from time to time to cover unbudgeted or unanticipated expenses or expenses in excess of those budgeted. Any such Special Assessment may be levied against the entire membership, if such Special Assessment is for Operating Expenses or against the Units within any Service Area if such Special Assessment is for Service Area Operating Expenses. After termination of the Class "B" Control Period, no vote of the Owners shall be required for such Special Assessment (or for any other assessment) except to the extent specifically provided herein. During the Class "B" Control Period, a Special Assessment may be levied by the Association with the approval of (i) a majority of the Board; and (ii) fifty-one percent (51%) of the Class "A" Voting Interests present (in person or by proxy) at a duly called meeting of the Members. In no event, however, shall Declarant pay Special Assessments.
- 8.5 Specific Assessment.
- (a) The Board shall have the power to levy Specific Assessments against a particular Unit or Units constituting less than all Units within the Properties, as follows:
 - (1) To cover the costs, including overhead and administrative costs, of providing benefits, items, or services to the Unit or Occupants thereof upon request of the Owner pursuant to

pursuant to the foreclosure of a Mortgage (or by deed in lieu of foreclosure or otherwise) of a bona fide first mortgage held by a Mortgagee, in which event, the acquirer of title shall be liable for assessments that became due prior to such sale or transfer to the extent and in such amounts as provided in Section 720.3085, Florida Statutes (2015). Such unpaid assessments shall be deemed to be Operating Expenses collectible from Owners of all Units subject to assessment. For purposes of this Subsection (a), the attorneys' fees, legal expenses and paralegals' fees and shall include reasonable fees and legal expenses for bankruptcy proceedings (including efforts to modify or vacate any automatic stay or injunction) and appeals.

- (b) Failure of the Board to fix assessment amounts or rates or to deliver or mail to each Owner an assessment notice shall not be deemed a waiver, modification, or a release of any Owner from the obligation to pay assessments.
- (c) No Owner may exempt himself from liability for assessments by non-use of Common Area, abandonment of his Unit, or any other means. The obligation to pay assessments is a separate and independent covenant on the part of each Owner. No diminution or abatement of assessments or set-off shall be claimed or allowed for any alleged failure of the Association or Board to take some action or perform some function required of it, or for inconvenience or discomfort arising from the making of repairs or improvements, or from any other action taken by the Association.
- (d) No Owner shall sell or convey its interest in a Unit unless all sums due to Association have been paid in full and an estoppel certificate shall have been received by such Owner. The Association shall prepare and maintain a ledger noting assessments and Club Dues due from each Owner. The ledger shall be kept in the office of the Association, or its designees, and shall be open to inspection by any Owner or Club Owner. Within fourteen (14) days of a written request therefor from an Owner, there shall be furnished to an Owner an estoppel certificate in writing setting forth whether the assessments have been paid and/or the amount which is due as of any date. As to parties other than Owners who, without knowledge of error, rely on the certificate, the certificate shall be conclusive evidence of the amount of any assessment therein stated. The Owner requesting the estoppel certificate shall be required to pay the Association a fee to cover the costs of examining records and preparing such estoppel certificate. Each Owner waives its rights (if any) to an accounting related to Operating Expenses or assessments.

8.8 Lien for Assessments.

- (a) All assessments authorized in this Article shall constitute a lien against the Unit or property against which they are levied until paid. The lien shall also secure payment of all interest, late charges and reasonable attorneys' fees, legal expenses and paralegals' fees as provided for in Section 8.7(a) above. All such liens shall be continuing liens upon the property against which each assessment is levied until paid and shall relate back to the recording date of this Declaration. Such liens shall be superior to all other liens, except (i) the lien for Club Dues as provided in the Club Plan, (ii) the liens of all taxes, bonds, assessments, including CDD assessments, and other governmental levies which by law would be superior, and (iii) the lien or charge of any first priority Mortgage of record made in good faith and for value.
- (b) The Association may bid for a Unit at a foreclosure sale and acquire, hold, lease, mortgage, and convey the Unit, which decisions shall be made by the Board without the need for membership approval. While a Unit is owned by the Association following foreclosure (i) no right to vote shall be exercised on its behalf; and (ii) no assessment shall be levied on it. The Association may sue for unpaid Operating Expenses and costs without foreclosing or waiving the lien securing the same.
- (c) The sale or transfer of any Unit shall not affect the assessment lien or relieve such Unit from the lien for any subsequent assessments.
- (d) In the event of a default in the payment of any assessment, the Association may accelerate the assessments then due for up to the next ensuing twelve (12) month period.

budget, it is possible the Association may collect more or less than the amount budgeted for Operating Expenses. Prior to the termination of the Class "B" Control Period, Declarant shall have the option to (i) pay any Operating Expenses and Service Area Operating Expenses incurred by the Association that exceed the assessments receivable from Owners (other than the Declarant) and other income of the Association, including without limitation, the Initial Contributions, Resale Contributions, late fees and interest (the "Deficit"), or (ii) pay Base Assessments and Service Area Assessments on Units owned by Declarant at the rate of twenty percent (20%) of the Base Assessments and Service Area Assessments assessed to Units owned by Owners other than Declarant, which lesser assessment amount reflects such Declarant-owned Units will not benefit from all maintenance and other services provided by the Association. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Declaration to the contrary, Declarant shall never be required to (i) pay assessments if Declarant has elected to fund the Deficit instead of paying assessments on Units owned by Declarant, (ii) pay Special Assessments or Reserves, or (iii) fund deficits due to non-payment by delinquent Owners. Any surplus assessments collected by the Association may be allocated towards the next year's Operating Expenses or, in Association's sole and absolute discretion, to the creation of Reserves, whether or not budgeted. Under no circumstances shall the Association be required to pay surplus assessments to Owners. The Declarant may at any time give thirty (30) days prior written notice to the Association terminating its responsibility for the Deficit, and waiving its right to exclusion from assessments. Upon giving such notice, or upon the termination of the Class "B" Control Period, whichever is sooner, each Unit owned by Declarant shall thereafter be assessed at twenty percent (20%) of the Base Assessments and Service Area Assessments established for Units owned by Owners other than Declarant. Under no circumstances shall Declarant be responsible for any Reserves or Special Assessments even after the termination of the Class "B" Control Period. Declarant shall be assessed only for Units that are subject to this Declaration. Upon transfer of title of a Unit owned by Declarant, the Unit shall be assessed in the amount established for Units owned by Owners other than the Declarant, prorated as of and commencing with the month following the date of transfer of title.

THE DECLARANT DOES NOT PROVIDE A GUARANTEE OF THE LEVEL OF ASSESSMENTS. AS SUCH, THERE IS NO MAXIMUM GUARANTEED LEVEL OF ASSESSMENTS DUE FROM OWNERS. IN THE EVENT THE DECLARANT ELECTS TO FUND DEFICITS IN LIEU OF PAYING ASSESSMENTS ON THE SAME BASIS AS OTHER OWNERS, THE DECLARANT SPECIFICALLY ELECTS TO FUND THE DEFICIT AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 720.308(1)(B), FLORIDA STATUTES (2015). AS SUCH, THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 720.308(2) THROUGH 720.308(6), FLORIDA STATUTES (2015), ARE NOT APPLICABLE TO THE DECLARANT OR THE CALCULATION OF THE DEFICIT OR OTHER AMOUNTS DUE FROM THE DECLARANT.

- (a) Any funds paid to the Association by Declarant prior to the date on which Declarant elects to, or is obligated to, pay assessments on Units then owned by Declarant that are then subject to this Declaration, shall be deemed applicable first, to any Deficit payments due from Declarant to the Association for any prior fiscal years, then to Deficit payments due from Declarant to the Association for the current fiscal year and then to Excess Funding (as hereinafter defined). For example, if in January, 2016 Declarant pays \$50,000 to the Association and, either at that time or subsequently, the Association determines that there was a Deficit of \$20,000 (not previously funded by Declarant), for fiscal year 2015, \$20,000 of the \$50,000 paid in January, 2016 by Declarant will be deemed paid to satisfy Declarant's \$20,000 Deficit funding obligation for 2015, and the \$30,000 balance will be deemed applicable first to any 2016 Deficit funding obligation of Declarant and any excess will be deemed Excess Funding by Declarant, as hereinafter provided.
- (b) If Declarant elects to fund the Association's Deficit for any fiscal year, then any amounts paid by Declarant to the Association for such fiscal year in excess of the Deficit ("Excess Funding") shall be deemed to have been a loan to the Association to meet cash flow short falls and shall be repaid to Declarant within thirty (30) days after the end of such fiscal year, along with interest on such Excess Funding from the date advanced by Declarant until paid, calculated at the rate per annum equivalent to the Prime Rate of Interest (or any equivalent successor thereto) announced by

- 9.3 Additional Covenants and Easements. Declarant may subject any portion of the property submitted to this Declaration to additional covenants and easements, including covenants obligating the Association to maintain and insure each property on behalf of the Owners and obligating such Owners to pay the costs incurred by the Association through Service Area Assessments. Such additional covenants and easements shall be set forth in a Supplemental Declaration filed either concurrent with or after the annexation of the subject property, and shall require the written consent of the record title owner(s) of such property, if other than Declarant. Any such Supplemental Declaration may supplement, create exceptions to, or otherwise modify the terms of this Declaration as it applies to the subject property in order to reflect the different character and intended use of such property.

ARTICLE X
ADDITIONAL RIGHTS RESERVED TO DECLARANT
AND MATERIAL DISCLOSURES

- 10.1 Withdrawal of Property. So long as Declarant has the right to annex property pursuant to Section 9.1, Declarant reserves the right to withdraw any portion of the Properties from the coverage of this Declaration. Such withdrawal shall not require the consent of any Person other than the record title owner of the property to be withdrawn.
- 10.2 Right to Transfer or Assign Declarant Rights. Any and all of the special rights and obligations of Declarant set forth in the Governing Documents may be transferred in whole or in part to other Persons. Such assignment need not be recorded in the Public Records in order to be effective. The foregoing shall not preclude Declarant from permitting other Persons to exercise, on a one (1) time or limited basis, any right reserved to Declarant in this Declaration where Declarant does not intend to transfer such right in its entirety, and in such case it shall not be necessary to execute any written assignment unless necessary to evidence Declarant's consent to such exercise.
- 10.3 Right to use Common Area.
- (a) Declarant hereby reserves the right, for so long as it owns any portion of the Properties, to maintain and carry on upon portions of the Common Area such facilities, activities and events as, in the sole opinion of Declarant, may be required, convenient, or incidental to the construction, sale or marketing of Units, including, but not limited to, business offices, signs, model units, and sales offices. Declarant shall have easements for access to and use of such facilities. Declarant, during the course of construction on the Properties, may use Common Area for temporary storage and for facilitating construction on the Properties. Declarant shall not be obligated to pay any use fees, rent or similar charges for its use of Common Area pursuant to this Section or otherwise. Declarant may grant to designees some or all of the rights reserved by it in this Subsection (a).
- (b) Declarant and its employees, agents and designees shall also have a right and easement over and upon all of the Common Area for the purpose of making, constructing and installing such improvements to the Common Area as it deems appropriate in its sole discretion.
- 10.4 Right to Approve Additional Covenants. Except as provided in this Declaration, no Person shall record any declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions, or declarations of condominium or similar instrument affecting any portion of the Properties without Declarant's review and prior written consent. Any attempted recordation without such consent shall result in such instrument being void and of no force and effect unless subsequently approved by recorded consent signed by Declarant. Neither the Association nor any Owner, nor group of Owners, may record any documents that, in any way, affect or restrict the rights of Declarant or Club Owner or conflict with the provisions of this Declaration or the other Governing Documents.
- 10.5 Right to Approve Changes in Design Guidelines. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Declaration, no amendment to or modification of any Use Restrictions and Rules or Design

connection with LAKES OF HARMONY are the property of Declarant. Without limiting any other provision of this Declaration, Declarant may assign its rights hereunder to each Builder.

- 10.10 Easements. So long as Declarant owns any portion of the Properties, Declarant reserves the exclusive right to grant, in its sole discretion, easements, permits and/or licenses for ingress and egress, drainage, utilities, maintenance, telecommunications services; and other purposes over, under, upon and across LAKES OF HARMONY so long as any said easements do not materially and adversely interfere with the intended use of Units previously conveyed to Owners. All easements necessary for such purposes are reserved in favor of Declarant, in perpetuity, for such purposes. Without limiting the foregoing, Declarant may relocate any easement affecting a Unit, or grant new easements over a Unit, after conveyance to an Owner, without the joinder or consent of such Owner, so long as the grant of easement or relocation of easement does not materially and adversely affect the Owner's use of the Unit. As an illustration, Declarant may grant an easement for telecommunications systems, irrigation, drainage lines or electrical lines over any portion of a Unit so long as such easement is outside the footprint of the foundation of any residential improvement constructed on such Unit. Declarant shall have the sole right to any fees of any nature associated therewith, including, but not limited to, license or similar fees on account thereof. Association and Owners will, without charge, if requested by Declarant: (i) join in the creation of such easements and cooperate in the operation thereof; and (ii) collect and remit fees associated therewith, if any, to the appropriate party. So long as Declarant owns any portion of the Properties, the Association will not grant any easements, permits or licenses to any other entity providing the same services as those granted by Declarant, nor will it grant any such easement, permit or license without the prior written consent of Declarant which may be granted or denied in its sole discretion.
- 10.11 Additional Development. If Declarant withdraws portions of the Properties from the operation of this Declaration, Declarant may, but is not required to, subject to governmental approvals, create other forms of residential property ownership or other improvements of any nature on the property not subjected to or withdrawn from the operation of this Declaration. Declarant shall not be liable or responsible to any person or entity on account of its decision to do so or to provide, or fail to provide, the amenities and/or facilities which were originally planned to be included in such areas. If so designated by Declarant, owners or tenants of such other forms of housing or improvements upon their creation may share in the use of all or some of the Common Areas and other facilities and/or roadways which remain subject to this Declaration. The expense of the operation of such facilities shall be allocated to the various users thereof, if at all, as determined by Declarant.
- 10.12 Representations. Declarant makes no representations concerning development both within and outside the boundaries of the Properties including, but not limited to, the number, design, boundaries, configuration and arrangements, prices of Units and buildings in all other proposed forms of ownership and/or other improvements within the Properties or adjacent to or near the Properties, including, but not limited to, the size, location, configuration, elevations, design, building materials, height, view, airspace, number of homes, number of buildings, location of easements, parking and landscaped areas, services and amenities offered.
- 10.13 Non-Liability. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY IN THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, THE ASSOCIATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE OR RESPONSIBLE FOR, OR IN ANY MANNER A GUARANTOR OR INSURER OF, THE HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE OF ANY OWNER, OCCUPANT OR USER OF ANY PORTION OF LAKES OF HARMONY, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, RESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES, GUESTS, LESSEES, LICENSEES, INVITEES, AGENTS, SERVANTS, CONTRACTORS, AND/OR SUBCONTRACTORS OR FOR ANY PROPERTY OF ANY SUCH WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING:
- (a) IT IS THE EXPRESS INTENT OF GOVERNING DOCUMENTS THAT THE VARIOUS PROVISIONS THEREOF WHICH ARE ENFORCEABLE BY THE ASSOCIATION AND WHICH GOVERN OR REGULATE THE USES OF LAKES OF HARMONY HAVE BEEN WRITTEN, AND ARE TO BE INTERPRETED AND ENFORCED, FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF ENHANCING

RESPECT. AS A FURTHER MATERIAL INDUCEMENT FOR DECLARANT TO SUBJECT THE PROPERTIES TO THIS DECLARATION, EACH OWNER DOES HEREBY RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, COVENANT NOT TO SUE, ACQUIT, SATISFY AND FOREVER DISCHARGE DECLARANT, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS AND ITS AFFILIATES AND ASSIGNS FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, COUNTERCLAIMS, DEFENSES, ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTION, SUITS, CONTROVERSIES, AGREEMENTS, PROMISES AND DEMANDS WHATSOEVER IN LAW OR IN EQUITY WHICH AN OWNER MAY HAVE IN THE FUTURE, OR WHICH ANY PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, SUCCESSOR, HEIR OR ASSIGN OF OWNER HEREAFTER CAN, SHALL OR MAY HAVE AGAINST DECLARANT, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS, AND ITS AFFILIATES AND ASSIGNS, FOR, UPON OR BY REASON OF ANY MATTER, CAUSE OR THING WHATSOEVER RESPECTING THIS DECLARATION, OR THE EXHIBITS HERETO. THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER IS INTENDED TO BE AS BROAD AND INCLUSIVE AS PERMITTED BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

- 10.17 Additional Covenants. The Declarant may record additional covenants, conditions, restrictions, and easements applicable to portions of the Properties, and may form condominium associations, sub-associations, or cooperatives governing such property. No person or entity shall record any declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions, or declaration of condominium or similar instrument affecting any portion of the Properties without Declarant's prior review and prior written consent. Evidence of Declarant's prior written consent shall be obtained in the form of a joinder executed by the Declarant. Any attempted recordation without such consent shall result in such instrument being void and of no force and effect unless subsequently approved by written consent signed by the Declarant and recorded in the Public Records.
- 10.18 Density Transfers. If any party shall develop any portion of the Properties so that the number of Units contained in such portion of the Properties is less than the allowable number of Units allocated by governmental authorities to that particular portion of the Properties, the excess allowable Units not used by the such party (with respect to that portion of the Properties) shall inure to the benefit of Declarant.
- 10.19 Paramount Right of Declarant. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, prior to the expiration of the Class "B" Control Period, Declarant shall have the paramount right to dedicate, transfer, and/or convey (by absolute conveyance, easement, or otherwise) portions of the Properties for various public purposes or for the provision of telecommunications systems, or to make any portions of the Properties part of the Common Areas, or to create and implement a special taxing district which may include all or any portion of the Properties. SALES BROCHURES, SITE PLANS, AND MARKETING MATERIALS ARE CURRENT CONCEPTUAL REPRESENTATIONS AS TO WHAT IMPROVEMENTS, IF ANY, WILL BE INCLUDED WITHIN THE COMMON AREAS OR FACILITIES. DECLARANT SPECIFICALLY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE THE LAYOUT, COMPOSITION AND DESIGN OF ANY AND ALL COMMON AREAS OR FACILITIES, AT ANY TIME, WITHOUT NOTICE AND AT ITS DISCRETION.
- 10.20 Sales by Declarant. Notwithstanding the restrictions set forth in Article XXIV, Declarant reserves for itself, and on behalf of Builders, the right to sell Units for Occupancy to Persons between forty-five (45) and fifty-five (55) years of age; provided, such sales shall not affect compliance with all applicable State and Federal laws under which the LAKES OF HARMONY may be developed and operated as an age-restricted community.
- 10.21 Reserved Rights. Notwithstanding any provision of this Declaration to the contrary, Declarant and its assigns shall have the right to: (i) develop and construct Units, Common Areas and related improvements within the Properties, and make any additions, alterations, improvements, or changes thereto; (ii) maintain sales offices (for the sale and re-sale of (a) Units and (b) residences and properties located outside of the Properties, general office and construction operations within the Properties; (iii) place, erect or construct portable, temporary or accessory buildings or structures within the Properties for sales, construction storage or other purposes; (iv) temporarily deposit,

- (12) The perpetual right of Declarant to access and enter the Common Areas at any time, even after the expiration of the Class "B" Control Period, for the purposes of inspection and testing of the Common Areas. Association and each Owner shall give Declarant unfettered access, ingress and egress to the Common Areas so that Declarant and/or its agents can perform all tests and inspections deemed necessary by Declarant. Declarant shall have the right to make all repairs and replacements deemed necessary by Declarant. At no time shall Association and/or an Owner prevent, prohibit and/or interfere with any testing, repair or replacement deemed necessary by Declarant relative to any portion of the Common Areas; and
- (13) The rights of Declarant, the Association and/or Club Owner reserved in this Declaration, including the right to utilize the same and to grant use rights, etc. to others.
- (b) Any Owner may extend his or her right of use and enjoyment to the members of his or her family who are residing in the Unit, residential lessees of the Unit, and social invitees; provided, however, that if an Owner leases his or her Unit to a residential lessee, such lessee of the Unit shall have the exclusive right to use the Common Area, and the Owner (and their family and invitees) shall have no right to use the Common Area during the term of the lease.
- 11.2 Easements of Encroachment. There shall be reciprocal appurtenant easements of encroachment, and for maintenance and use of any permitted encroachment, between each Unit and any adjacent Common Area and between adjacent Units due to the unintentional placement or settling or shifting of the improvements constructed, reconstructed, or altered on a Unit or the Common Area (in accordance with the terms of these restrictions). However, in no event shall an easement for encroachment exist if such encroachment occurred due to willful and knowing conduct on the part of, or with the knowledge and consent of, an Owner, Occupant, or the Association.
- 11.3 Easements for Utilities. There are hereby reserved unto Declarant, so long as Declarant owns any portion of the Properties, and hereby granted to the Association, the CDD, and the designees of each, access and maintenance easements upon, across, over, and under all of the Properties to the extent necessary for the purpose of installing, replacing, repairing, and maintaining cable television systems, master television antenna systems, security and similar systems, roads, walkways, bicycle pathways, lakes, ponds, wetlands, drainage systems, street lights, signage, irrigations equipment and lines, and all utilities, including, but not limited to, water, sewer, meter boxes, telephone, gas, and electricity, and for the purpose of installing any of the foregoing on property that any such holder owns or within easements designated for such purposes on recorded plats of the Properties. This easement shall not entitle the holders to construct or install any of the foregoing systems, facilities, or utilities over, under or through any existing dwelling on a Unit, and any damage to a Unit resulting from the exercise of this easement shall promptly be repaired by, and at the expense of, the Person exercising the easement. The exercise of this easement shall not unreasonably interfere with the use of any Unit, and except in an emergency, entry onto any Unit shall be made only after notice to the Owner or Occupant.
- 11.4 Easements to Serve Additional Property. Declarant hereby reserves for itself and its duly authorized agents, representatives, successors, successors-in-title, assigns, licensees, and mortgagees, a perpetual nonexclusive easement over the Common Area for the purposes of enjoyment, use, access, and development of the Properties, whether or not such property is made subject to this Declaration. This easement includes, but is not limited to, a right of ingress and egress over the Common Area for construction of roads and for connecting and installing utilities on such property.
- 11.5 Easement for Maintenance, Emergency and Enforcement.
- (a) Declarant, the Association and their respective designees shall have the right, but not the obligation, to enter upon any Unit and upon any Neighborhood Property for emergency, security,

maintenance of utilities or which may obstruct or retard the flow of water through the Properties or otherwise interfere with any drainage, irrigation and/or easement provided for in this Section or the use rights set forth elsewhere in this Declaration.

- 11.9 Club Easements. A non-exclusive easement shall exist in favor of the Club Owner and its respective designees, invitees, guests, agents, employees, and members over and upon the Common Areas, and portions of the Properties necessary for ingress, egress, access to, construction, maintenance and/or repair of the Club. Club Owner, Club employees, agents, invitees, guests, any manager of the Club, and all members of the Club shall be given access to the Club on the same basis as Owners, but without any charge therefor (in the term of assessments or otherwise).
- 11.10 Easement for Use of Private Streets. Declarant hereby creates a perpetual, non-exclusive easement for access, ingress and egress over the private streets within the Properties, for law enforcement, firefighting, paramedic, rescue and other emergency vehicles, equipment and personnel; for school buses, for U.S. Postal Service delivery vehicles and personnel; private delivery or courier services; and for vehicles, equipment and personnel providing garbage collection service to the Properties; provided, such easement shall not authorize any such Persons to enter the Properties except while acting in their official capacities.
- 11.11 Neighborhood Access Easement. Declarant hereby creates a perpetual, non-exclusive easement in favor of all Owners for vehicular and pedestrian access, ingress, and egress to the Neighborhoods so that all Owners have free and unimpeded access to such Neighborhoods, subject only to such controls and restrictions as are imposed by the Association.

ARTICLE XII

EXCLUSIVE COMMON AREA

- 12.1 Purpose. Certain portions of the Common Area may be designated as Exclusive Common Area and reserved for the exclusive use or primary benefit of Owners, Occupants and invitees of Units within a particular Service Area. By way of illustration and not limitation, Exclusive Common Area may include entry features, recreational facilities, landscaped medians and cul-de-sacs, lakes and other portions of the Common Area within a particular Service Area. All costs associated with maintenance, repair, replacement, and insurance of Exclusive Common Area shall be assessed as a Service Area Assessment against the Owners of Units in Service Areas to which the Exclusive Common Area is assigned.
- 12.2 Designation.
- (a) Initially, Declarant shall designate any Exclusive Common Area and shall assign the exclusive use thereof pursuant to this Declaration, the deed conveying the Common Area to the Association, on the Plat, or by amendment or Supplemental Declaration to this Declaration. No such assignment shall preclude Declarant from later assigning use of the same Exclusive Common Area to additional Units and/or Service Areas so long as Declarant has a right to subject additional property to this Declaration.
- (b) Thereafter, a portion of the Common Area may be assigned as Exclusive Common Area of a particular Service Area and Exclusive Common Area may be reassigned upon the vote of a majority of the Class "A" votes within the Service Area(s) to which the Exclusive Common Area are assigned, if applicable, and within the Service Area(s) to which the Exclusive Common Area are to be assigned. As long as Declarant owns any property subject to this Declaration or has the right to subject additional property to this Declaration, any such assignment or reassignment shall also require Declarant's prior written consent.
- 12.3 Use by Others. The Association may, upon approval of a majority of the members of the Service Area Committee for the Service Area(s) to which certain Exclusive Common Area is assigned,

revenue backed bonds. The CDD may issue both long term debt and short term debt to finance the Public Infrastructure. The principal and interest on the special assessments bonds may be repaid through non ad valorem special assessments (the "District Debt Service Assessments") levied on all benefiting properties in the CDD, which property has been found to be specially benefited by the Public Infrastructure. The principal and interest on the other revenue backed bonds (the "District Revenue Bonds") may be repaid through user fees, franchise fees or other use related revenues. In addition to the bonds issued to fund the Public Infrastructure costs, the CDD may also impose an annual non ad valorem special assessment to fund the operations of the CDD and the maintenance and repair of its Public Infrastructure and services (the "District Maintenance Special Assessments").

- 14.3 CDD Assessments. The District Debt Service Assessments and District Maintenance Special Assessments will not be taxes but, under Florida law, constitute a lien co-equal with the lien of state, county, municipal, and school board taxes and may be collected on the ad valorem tax bill sent each year by the Tax Collector of the County and disbursed to the CDD. The homestead exemption is not applicable to the CDD assessments. Because a tax bill cannot be paid in part, failure to pay the District Debt Service Assessments, District Maintenance Special Assessments or any other portion of the tax bill will result in the sale of tax certificates and could ultimately result in the loss of title to the property of the delinquent taxpayer through the issuance of a tax deed. The District Revenue Bonds are not taxes or liens on property. If the fees and user charges underlying the District Revenue Bonds are not paid, then such fees and user charges could become liens on the property which could ultimately result in the loss of title to the property through the issuance of a tax deed. The initial amount of the District Debt Service Assessments per year per Unit and the total amount of District Maintenance Special Assessments are unknown at this time. The actual amount of District Debt Service Assessments will be set forth in the District Assessment Methodology Report. District Maintenance Special Assessments relating to Facilities will be determined by the CDD. Any future CDD assessments and/or other charges due with respect to the Facilities are direct obligations of each Owner and are secured by a lien against the Unit. Failure to pay such sums may result in loss of property. The CDD may construct, in part or in whole, by the issuance of Bonds certain facilities that may consist of roads, utilities and/or drainage system, as the CDD determines in its sole discretion.
- 14.4 Common Areas and Facilities Part of CDD. Portions of the Common Areas may be conveyed to the CDD. Such Facilities will be part of the CDD and the CDD shall govern the use and maintenance of the Facilities. Some of the provisions of this Declaration will not apply to such Facilities, as the Facilities will no longer be Common Areas once conveyed to the CDD. ANY CONVEYANCE OF COMMON AREAS TO THE CDD SHALL IN NO WAY INVALIDATE THIS DECLARATION. Declarant may decide, in its sole and absolute discretion, to convey additional portions of the Common Areas to either the CDD or the Association. If conveyed to the CDD, such Common Areas shall become part of the CDD's Facilities. The CDD or Association may promulgate membership rules, regulations and/or covenants that may outline use restrictions for the Facilities, or Association's responsibility to maintain the Facilities, if any. The establishment of the CDD and the inclusion of Facilities in the CDD will obligate each Owner to become responsible for the payment of District Debt Service Assessments and District Maintenance Special Assessments for the construction and operation of the Facilities as set forth in this Section.
- 14.5 Facilities Owned by CDD. The Facilities may be owned and operated by the CDD or owned by the CDD and maintained by the Association. The Facilities may be owned by a governmental entity other than the CDD. The Facilities shall be used and enjoyed by the Owners, on a non-exclusive basis, in common with such other persons, entities, and corporations that may be entitled to use the Facilities
- 14.6 Declarant Easement. The CDD Facilities are hereby encumbered with the perpetual right of Declarant to access and enter the CDD Facilities at any time, even after the expiration of the Class "B" Control Period, for the purposes of inspection and testing of the CDD Facilities. Notice is hereby provided to the CDD and each Owner that Declarant shall have unfettered access and an easement

and losses caused by such lessees, guests or Occupants, notwithstanding the fact that such lessees, guests, or Occupants of the Unit are also fully liable for any violation of the Governing Documents. Should the Declarant, an Owner or the Association be required to enforce the provisions of this Section, the reasonable attorneys' and paralegals' fees and costs incurred, whether or not judicial proceedings are involved, including the attorneys' and paralegals' fees and costs incurred on appeal of any judicial proceedings that may be brought and including any fees incurred in the context of creditor's rights proceedings, to the extent permitted by law (e.g., bankruptcy), shall be collectible from the party against which enforcement is sought.

- 15.3 Covenants Enforcement. Acting in accordance with the provisions of this Declaration, the Bylaws, and any resolutions the Board of Directors may adopt, the Board may appoint a Covenants Committee of at least three (3) and no more than seven (7) members who are not officers, directors, or employees of the Association, or the spouse, parent, child, brother, or sister of an officer, director or employee of the Association. The Covenants Committee shall hold those hearings required by Florida Statutes §720.305(2)(a) (2015).
- 15.4 Sanctions. The Association may suspend, for a reasonable period of time, the rights of an Owner or Owner's tenants, guests or invitees, or both, to use Common Areas and may levy reasonable fines, not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per violation or One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day for a continuing violation, against any Owner or any tenant, guest or invitee. A fine may be levied on the basis of each day of a continuing violation, with a single notice and opportunity for hearing. There shall be no limit to the aggregate amount of the fine that may be imposed for continuing violations of this Declaration. Any fine of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or more shall constitute a lien against the applicable Unit, and a fine shall further be lienable to the extent otherwise permitted under Florida law.
- 15.5 Hearing Procedure.
- (a) The Board shall have the authority to adopt notice and hearing procedures provided such procedures comply with Section 720.305, Florida Statutes. A fine or suspension (a late charge shall not constitute a fine) may not be imposed without first providing notice to the Person sought to be fined or suspended and an opportunity for a hearing before the Covenants Committee in accordance with the procedures adopted by the Board. If the Covenants Committee, by majority vote, does not approve a proposed fine or suspension, it may not be imposed. If the Covenants Committee approves a suspension, it shall be immediately applicable. If the Covenants Committee approves a proposed fine, it shall be immediately due in an amount equal to the number of days such person, or property, has been in violation of this Declaration, multiplied by the per day fine approved by the Covenants Committee (and fines for continuing infractions shall thereafter be due daily without further notice, demand or opportunity for hearing).
- (b) The requirements of Section 15.5(a) do not apply to the imposition of suspensions or fines upon any Owner because of the failure of the Owner to pay assessments or other charges when due; however, any such suspension must be approved at a properly noticed meeting of the Board of Directors. In the event of these types of infractions, the Association may impose fines or sanctions without affording the Person to be sanctioned or fined a hearing.
- 15.6 No Waiver. The rights of Declarant, the Club Owner, any Owner or the Association under the Governing Documents or the Club Plan shall be cumulative and not exclusive of any other right or available remedy. Declarant's, Club Owner's, any Owner's, or the Association's pursuit of any one or more of the rights or remedies provided for in this Article XV shall not preclude pursuit of any other right, remedy or remedies provided in the Governing Documents or any other right, remedy or remedies provided for or allowed by law or in equity, separately or concurrently or in any combination. Declarant's, Club Owner's, any Owner's, or the Association's pursuit of any or more of its rights or remedies shall not constitute an election of remedies excluding the election of another right, remedy or other remedies, or a forfeiture or waiver of any right or remedy or of any damages or other sums accruing to Declarant, the Club Owner, such Owner or the Association by reason of

NO PERSON MAY REMOVE NATIVE VEGETATION THAT MAY BECOME ESTABLISHED WITHIN THE CONSERVATION AREAS. "REMOVAL" INCLUDES DREDGING, APPLICATION OF HERBICIDE, PULLING AND CUTTING.

- (e) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to allow any person to construct any new water management facility, or to alter any SWMS or conservation areas, without first obtaining the necessary permits from all governmental agencies having jurisdiction, including SFWMD, the CDD and the Declarant, its successors and assigns.
- (f) SFWMD has the right to take enforcement measures, including a civil action for injunction and/or penalties, against the CDD to compel it to correct any outstanding problems with the SWMS.
- (g) Any amendment of the Declaration affecting the SWMS or the operation and maintenance of the SWMS shall have the prior written approval of SFWMD.
- (h) If the CDD shall cease to exist, all Owners shall be jointly and severally responsible for the operation and maintenance of the SWMS in accordance with the requirements of the Permit, unless and until an alternate entity assumes responsibility as explained in the Permit.
- (i) No Owner may construct or maintain any building, residence or structure, or undertake or perform any activity in the wetlands, wetland mitigation areas, buffer areas, upland conservation areas and drainage easements described in the Permit or Plat, unless prior approval is received from the SFWMD.
- (j) Each Owner at the time of the construction of a building, residence, or structure shall comply with the construction plans for the SWMS approved and on file with SFWMD.
- (k) Owners shall not remove native vegetation (including cattails) that becomes established within the retention/detention ponds abutting their Unit. Removal includes dredging, the application of herbicide, cutting, and the introduction of grass carp. Owners shall address any questions regarding authorized activities to SFWMD.
- (l) No Owner may construct or maintain any building, residence, or structure, or undertake or perform any activity within the 100-year floodplain described in the approved plan and/or record Plat of the subdivision unless prior approval is received from SFWMD pursuant to environmental resource permitting.
- (m) No Owner may undertake any roadway improvements within this development unless prior written authorization or notification of exemption is received from SFWMD pursuant to environmental resource permitting.

16.2 Proviso. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Declaration, no amendment of the Governing Documents by any person, and no termination or amendment of this Declaration, will be effective to change the CDD's responsibilities for the SWMS, unless the amendment has been consented to in writing by SFWMD. Any proposed amendment which would affect the SWMS must be submitted to SFWMD for a determination of whether the amendment necessitates a modification of the Permit.

ARTICLE XVII MORTGAGEE PROVISIONS

So long as required by the Federal National Mortgage Association ("**FNMA**"), U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("**HUD**"), and/or Veterans Administration ("**VA**"), the provisions below apply.

17.1 Notices of Action. Any Mortgagee and shall be entitled to timely written notice of:

Article shall not prohibit the Board from acquiring and disposing of tangible personal property nor from acquiring and disposing of real property which may or may not be subject to this Declaration.

- 18.2 Transfer or Dedication of Common Area. The Association may dedicate portions of the Common Area to the County, or to any other local, state, or federal governmental or quasi-governmental entity. No conveyance or encumbrance of the Common Area may deprive any Unit of rights of access or support.
- 18.3 Control of Pets; Enforcement of Laws Governing Pets. The requirements of Owners to control their pets on all private property, public property and Common Area within LAKES OF HARMONY may be governed by applicable local laws. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Association shall have the right, but not the obligation, to promulgate additional rules and restrictions regarding pet ownership and control. In the event the Association promulgates any such rules, the more restrictive of the Association's rules or the applicable local laws shall apply. The Association does not grant and shall not grant permission to any Person to allow any animal to run at large (i.e. unleashed) upon any property in LAKES OF HARMONY. In addition, if requested by any governmental authority with jurisdiction over this matter or if necessary to effectuate enforcement by such governmental authority, the Association shall provide written confirmation to the governmental authority that the Association does not grant such permission. The responsibility for enforcement of any laws rests solely with the applicable governmental authority and the Association disclaims responsibility for such enforcement.

ARTICLE XIX **AMENDMENT OF DECLARATION**

- 19.1 By Declarant. In addition to specific amendment rights granted elsewhere in this Declaration, until termination of the Class "B" Control Period, Declarant may unilaterally amend this Declaration for any purpose, except as expressly limited by applicable law as it exists on the date this Declaration is recorded in the Public Records or except as expressly set forth herein. Such amendments may include, without limitation (i) the creation of easements for telecommunications systems, utility, drainage, ingress and egress and roof overhangs over any portion of the Properties; (ii) additions or deletions from the Properties and/or the properties comprising the Common Areas; (iii) changes in the Use Restrictions and Rules; (iv) changes in maintenance, repair and replacement obligations; and (v) modifications of the use restrictions for Units. Declarant's right to amend under this provision is to be construed as broadly as possible. By way of example, and not as a limitation, Declarant may create easements over, under and across Units conveyed to Owners, provided that such easements do not prohibit the use of Units as residential dwellings. In the event the Association shall desire to amend this Declaration prior to the termination of the Class "B" Control Period, the Association must first obtain Declarant's prior written consent to any proposed amendment. Thereafter, an amendment identical to that approved by Declarant may be adopted by the Association pursuant to the requirements for amendments from and after the termination of the Class "B" Control Period. Declarant shall join in such identical amendment so that its consent to the same will be reflected in the Public Records. To the extent legally required, each Owner shall be deemed to have granted to Declarant and, thereafter, the Association, an irrevocable power of attorney, coupled with an interest, for the purposes herein expressed.
- 19.2 By the Association.
- (a) After the termination of the Class "B" Control Period, this Declaration may be amended with the approval of (i) majority of the Board; and (ii) fifty-one percent (51%) of the Voting Interests present (in person or by proxy) at a duly called meeting of the Members. Such votes must be cast at a Members' meeting called for the purpose of considering the proposed amendment and may be cast in person, by proxy, by written absentee ballot, or any combination thereof. The Association shall give Declarant and Club Owner sixty (60) days' prior written notice of its intent to amend this Declaration, along with their proposed written amendment, in accordance with the notice provisions contained in Section 20.2, or by prepaid, certified mail, return receipt requested. Declarant and/or

approve loans secured by Mortgages on Units. No approval or joinder of the Owners, or any other party shall be required or necessary to any such amendments by the Board. Any such amendments by the Board shall require the approval of a majority of the Board.

ARTICLE XX
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- 20.1 Exhibits. Exhibits A, B, C, D, E and F attached to this Declaration are incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference.
- 20.2 Notices. Unless otherwise provided in this Declaration, each notice or communication given under this Declaration shall be deemed delivered and received if in writing and either: (i) personally delivered; (ii) delivered by reliable overnight air courier service; (iii) deposited with the United States Postal Service or any official successor thereto, first-class or higher priority, postage prepaid, and delivered to the addressee's last known address at the time of such mailing; or (iv) when transmitted by any form of Electronic Transmission.
- 20.3 Conflicts. If there is any conflict between the provisions of Florida law, the Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws and this Declaration, the provisions of Florida law, this Declaration, the Articles and the Bylaws, in that order, shall prevail. If there is any conflict between the provisions of this Declaration and the Club Plan the provisions of the Club Plan shall prevail.
- 20.4 Applicable Law. Whenever this Declaration refers to the Florida Statutes, it shall be deemed to refer to the Florida Statutes as they exist and are effective on the date this Declaration is recorded in the Public Records, except to the extent provided otherwise as to any particular provision of the Florida Statutes.
- 20.5 Termination of Rights Reserved by Declarant. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Declaration to the contrary, as to any right reserved by Declarant in this Declaration, such right may be terminated at any time by Declarant, in Declarant's sole discretion and without the consent of the Association or its Board or Members, by written instrument recorded among the Public Records, and thereafter Declarant shall have no right or obligation to exercise any such terminated right.
- 20.6 Authority of Board. Except when a vote of the membership of the Association is specifically required, all decisions, duties, and obligations of the Association hereunder may be made by the Board. The Association and Owners shall be bound thereby.
- 20.7 Municipal Service Taxing or Benefit Units. In order to perform the services contemplated by this Declaration, the Association or Declarant, in conjunction with local governmental authorities, may seek the formation of special purpose municipal service taxing units ("MSTUs") or municipal service benefit units ("MSBUs"). The MSTUs or MSBUs will have responsibilities defined in their enabling resolutions which may include, but are not limited to, maintaining roadway informational signs, traffic control signs, benches, trash receptacles and other street furniture, keeping all public roadways and roadside pedestrian easements clean of windblown trash and debris, mowing, payment of electrical charges, maintenance of drainage structures, maintenance of designated landscape areas, payment of energy charges for street and pedestrian lighting, and other services benefiting the Properties. In the event such MSTUs or MSBUs are formed, the Properties will be subject to ad valorem taxes or special assessments for the cost of services performed within the MSTU or MSBU and personnel working for or under contract with local governmental authorities shall have the right to enter upon lands within the Property to affect the services contemplated. The Association retains the right to contract with local governmental authorities to provide the services funded by the MSTU or MSBU.
- 20.8 Severability. Invalidation of any of the provisions of this Declaration by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any other provision, and the remainder of this Declaration shall remain in full force and effect.

- 21.3. If the Dispute is not fully resolved by mediation, the Dispute shall be submitted to binding arbitration and administered by the AAA in accordance with the AAA's Home Construction Arbitration Rules in effect on the date of the request. If there are no Home Construction Arbitration Rules currently in effect, then the AAA's Construction Industry Arbitration Rules in effect on the date of such request shall be utilized. Any judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in and enforced by any court having jurisdiction over such Dispute. If the claimed amount exceeds \$250,000.00 or includes a demand for punitive damages, the Dispute shall be heard and determined by three arbitrators; however, if mutually agreed to by the Owner and the Declarant, then the Dispute shall be heard and determined by one arbitrator. Arbitrators shall have expertise in the area(s) of Dispute, which may include legal expertise if legal issues are involved. All decisions respecting the arbitrability of any Dispute shall be decided by the arbitrator(s). At the request of any party, the award of the arbitrator(s) shall be accompanied by detailed written findings of fact and conclusions of law. Except as may be required by law or for confirmation of an award, neither a party nor an arbitrator may disclose the existence, content, or results of any arbitration hereunder without the prior written consent of both parties.
- 21.4. The waiver or invalidity of any portion of this Section shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Article XXI. By acceptance of a deed to a Unit, each Owner specifically agrees (i) that any Dispute involving Declarant's affiliates, directors, officers, employees and agents shall also be subject to mediation and arbitration as set forth herein, and shall not be pursued in a court of law or equity; (2) that Declarant may, at its sole election, include Declarant's contractors, subcontractors and suppliers, as well as any warranty company and insurer as parties in the mediation and arbitration; and (3) that the mediation and arbitration will be limited to the parties specified herein.
- 21.5. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, by acceptance of a deed to a Unit, each Owner specifically agrees that no finding or stipulation of fact, no conclusion of law, and no arbitration award in any other arbitration, judicial, or similar proceeding shall be given preclusive or collateral estoppel effect in any arbitration hereunder unless there is mutuality of parties. In addition, by acceptance of a deed to a Unit, each Owner agrees that no finding or stipulation of fact, no conclusion of law, and no arbitration award in any arbitration hereunder shall be given preclusive or collateral estoppel effect in any other arbitration, judicial, or similar proceeding unless there is mutuality of parties.
- 21.6. Unless otherwise recoverable by law or statute, each party shall bear its own costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees and paraprofessional fees, for any mediation and arbitration. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a party unsuccessfully contests the validity or scope of arbitration in a court of law or equity, the non-contesting party shall be awarded reasonable attorneys' fees, paraprofessional fees and expenses incurred in defending such contest, including such fees and costs associated with any appellate proceedings. In addition, if a party fails to abide by the terms of a mediation settlement or arbitration award, the other party shall be awarded reasonable attorneys' fees, paraprofessional fees and expenses incurred in enforcing such settlement or award.
- 21.7. An Owner may obtain additional information concerning the rules of the AAA by visiting its website at www.adr.org or by writing the AAA at 335 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10017.
- 21.8. Declarant supports the principles set forth in the Consumer Due Process Protocol developed by the National Consumer Dispute Advisory Committee and agrees to the following:
- (a) Notwithstanding the requirements of arbitration stated in this Article XXI, each Owner shall have the option, after pursuing mediation as provided herein, to seek relief in a small claims court for disputes or claims within the scope of the court's jurisdiction in lieu of proceeding to arbitration. This option does not apply to any appeal from a decision by a small claims court.
 - (b) Declarant agrees to pay for one (1) day of mediation (mediator fees plus any administrative fees

Family shall be entitled to use the Recreational Facilities if they meet all of the following conditions: (i) said child or children are age twenty-one (21) or less; (ii) such child or children are not married or co-habiting with any third party; (iii) said children do not have custodial children of their own (i.e., grandchildren of the Unit Owner); and (iv) said children reside with the Owner in the Unit on a permanent basis, or in the case of college or graduate students, at such times as the student is not enrolled in a college or university. If a Unit is owned by two (2) or more natural persons who are not a Family, or is owned by an entity that is not a natural person, the Owner of the Unit shall be required to select and designate one (1) Family as defined above to utilize the Recreational Facilities. The Association may restrict the frequency of changes in such designation when there is no change in ownership of the Unit. The Association shall have the right to determine from time to time, and at any time, in the Association's sole discretion, the manner in which the Recreational Facilities will be made available for use, and the Association may make such facilities open and available to the public for such fees and charges as the Association may determine from time to time in its sole discretion.

22.3 General Restrictions. Each Owner and their Family entitled to use the Recreational Facilities shall comply with following general restrictions:

- (a) Minors are permitted to use the Recreational Facilities; provided, however, parents are responsible for the actions and safety of such minors and any damages caused by such minors. Parents are responsible for the actions and safety of such minors and any damages to the Recreational Facilities caused by such minors. The Association may adopt reasonable rules and regulations from time to time governing minors' use of the Recreational Facilities, including without limitation, requirements that minors be accompanied by adults while using the Recreational Facilities. Children under the age of sixteen (16) shall be accompanied by an adult at all times during which such minor child is using the Recreational Facilities.
- (b) Each Owner assumes sole responsibility for the health, safety and welfare of such Owner, his or her Family and guests, and the personal property of all of the foregoing, and each Owner shall not allow any damage the Recreational Facilities or interfere with the rights of other Owners hereunder. Neither the Declarant nor the Association shall be responsible for any loss or damage to any private property used, placed or stored on the Recreational Facilities. Further, any person entering the Recreational Facilities assumes all risk of loss with respect to his or her equipment, jewelry or other possessions, including without limitation, wallets, books and clothing left in the Recreational Facilities.
- (c) Each Owner and their Family entitled to use the Recreational Facilities, guest or other person who, in any manner, makes use of the Recreational Facilities, or who engages in any contest, game, function, exercise, competition or other activity operated, organized, arranged or sponsored either on or off the Recreational Facilities, shall do so at their own risk. Every Owner shall be liable for any property damage and/or personal injury at the Recreational Facilities, caused by such Owner, his or her Family and guests. No Owner may use the Recreational Facilities for any society, party, religious, political, charitable, fraternal, civil, fund-raising or other purposes without the prior written consent of Association, which consent may be withheld for any reason.

22.4 Recreational Facilities Personal Property. Property or furniture used in connection with the Recreational Facilities shall not be removed from the location in which it is placed or from the Recreational Facilities.

22.5 Indemnification of Declarant and Association. By the use of the Recreational Facilities, each Owner, his or her Family, and guests agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Declarant and the Association, their officers, partners, agents, employees, affiliates, directors and attorneys (collectively, "**Indemnified Parties**") against all actions, injury, claims, loss, liability, damages, costs and expenses of any kind or nature whatsoever ("**Losses**") incurred by or asserted against any of the Indemnified Parties from and after the date hereof, whether direct, indirect, or consequential, as a result of or in any way related to use of the Recreational Facilities by Owners, their Family and

FACILITIES AND WHETHER OR NOT ANY SUCH UNIT IS LOCATED NEAR OR ADJACENT TO THE GOLF FACILITIES. BY ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED TO A UNIT EACH OWNER ACKNOWLEDGES THE DECLARANT, CLUB OWNER, AND THE ASSOCIATION SHALL HAVE NO RESPONSIBILITY OR LIABILITY TO SUCH OWNER, MEMBERS OF HIS OR HER FAMILY, GUESTS OR INVITEES, BECAUSE OF NOISE ASSOCIATED WITH USE OR MAINTENANCE OF THE GOLF FACILITIES, OR BECAUSE OF ANY DAMAGE OR INJURY CAUSED TO OWNER, HIS OR HER FAMILY, GUESTS, INVITEES, LICENSEES, EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS, OR TO PROPERTY OF OWNER, HIS OR HER FAMILY, GUESTS, INVITEES, LICENSEES, EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS FROM THE FLIGHT OF ERRANT GOLF BALLS, FROM PERSONS RECOVERING GOLF BALLS, OR FROM OTHER ACTS OF PERSONS ARISING OUT OF, OR ASSOCIATED WITH, USE OF THE GOLF FACILITIES. BY ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED TO ANY UNIT EACH OWNER WAIVES ANY CLAIMS OR CAUSES OF ACTION WHICH HE OR SHE, HIS OR HER FAMILY, GUESTS, INVITEES, LICENSEES, EMPLOYEES, OR AGENTS MAY HAVE AGAINST THE DECLARANT, CLUB OWNER, AND THE ASSOCIATION ARISING OUT OF SUCH PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. BY ACCEPTANCE OF SAID DEED TO A UNIT, EACH OWNER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT HE OR SHE KNOWS AND APPRECIATES THE NATURE OF ALL RISKS BOTH APPARENT AND LATENT ASSOCIATED WITH LIVING IN A GOLF COURSE COMMUNITY AND EXPRESSLY ASSUMES THE RISKS OF PERSONAL INJURY OR PROPERTY DAMAGE THAT MAY OCCUR IN CONNECTION WITH SUCH RISKS.

- 23.3 Easement for Benefit of Golf Facilities. All permitted users of the Golf Facilities, including guests, customers and invitees of the Club Owner, shall have an easement, or easements, over and across the Common Areas for the purpose of providing access to, and facilitating the use of, the Golf Facilities. In addition, an easement is hereby created as to all portions of the Properties, including all Units in favor of the permitted users of the Golf Facilities and their permitted guests and invitees, to permit the doing of every act necessary and incident to the playing of golf on the Golf Facilities and to permit the doing of every act necessary and incident to maintaining the Golf Facilities. These acts shall include without limitation, the recovery of golf balls from any Unit, the flight of golf balls over and upon any Unit, the creation of the usual noise level associated with the playing of the game of golf, the creation of the usual noise level associated with maintenance of a golf course, the driving of machinery and equipment used in connection with maintenance of a golf course over and upon the Properties and the Golf Facilities, together with all such other common and normal activities associated with the game of golf and with all such other common and normal activities associated with the maintenance and operation of a golf course. Such noises and activities may occur on or off the Golf Facilities, throughout the day from early morning until late evening.
- 23.4 Additional Restrictions, Easements and Conditions. No Owner, and no guest, invitee, tenant, employee, agent or contractor of any Owner, shall at any time interfere in any way with golf play on the Golf Facilities, whether in the form of physical interference, noise, harassment of players or spectators, or otherwise. Each Owner (for such Owner and its tenants, guests and invitees) recognizes, agrees and accepts that: (i) operation of a golf course and related facilities will often involve parties and other gatherings (whether or not related to golf, and including without limitation weddings and other social functions) at or on the Golf Facilities, tournaments, loud music, use of public address systems and the like, occasional supplemental lighting and other similar or dissimilar activities throughout the day, from early in the morning until late at night; (ii) by their very nature, golf courses present certain potentially hazardous conditions that may include, without limitation, lakes or other bodies of water and man-made or naturally occurring topological features such as washes, gullies, canyons, uneven surfaces and the like; and (iii) neither such Owner nor its tenants, guests, and invitees shall make any claim against the Declarant, Club Owner, the Association, any committee of the Association, any sponsor, promoter or organizer of any tournament or other event, or the owner or operator of any golf course within, adjacent to or near the Properties (or any affiliate, agent, employee or representative of any of the foregoing) in connection with the matters described

XXIV, in conspicuous type in any lease or other Occupancy agreement or contract of sale relating to such Owner's Unit, which agreements or contracts shall be in writing and signed by the lessee or purchaser and for clearly disclosing such intent to any prospective lessee, purchaser, or other potential Occupant. Every Lease Agreement (as defined herein) for a Unit shall provide that failure to comply with the requirements and restrictions of this Article XXIV shall constitute a default under the Lease Agreement.

- (d) Any Owner may request in writing that the Board make an exception to the requirements for an Age-Qualified Occupant of this Article XXIV with respect to a Unit, based on documented hardship. The Board may, but shall not be obligated to, grant exceptions in its sole discretion, provided that all of the requirements of the Act would still be met.
 - (e) In the event of any change in Occupancy of any Unit, as a result of a transfer of title, a lease or sublease, a birth or death, change in marital status, vacancy, change in location, or otherwise, the Owner of the Unit shall immediately notify the Board in writing and provide to the Board the names and ages of all current Occupants of the Unit and such other information as the Board may reasonably require to verify the age of each Occupant required to comply with the Act. In the event that an Owner fails to notify the Board and provide all required information within ten (10) days after a change in Occupancy occurs, the Association may levy monetary fines against the Owner and the Unit for each day after the change in Occupancy occurs until the Association receives the required notice and information, regardless of whether the Occupants continue to meet the requirements of this Article XXIV, in addition to all other remedies available to the Association under this Declaration and Florida law.
- 24.2 Monitoring Compliance; Appointment of Attorney-in-Fact. The Association shall be responsible for maintaining records to support and demonstrate compliance with the Act. The Board shall adopt policies, procedures and rules to monitor and maintain compliance with this Article XXIV and the Act, including policies regarding visitors, updating of age records, the granting of exemptions to compliance and enforcement. The Association shall periodically distribute such policies, procedures and rules to the Owners and make copies available to Owners, their lessees and Mortgagees upon reasonable request.
- 24.3 Enforcement. The Association may enforce this Article XXIV by any legal or equitable manner available, as the Board deems appropriate, including, without limitation, conducting a census of the Occupants of Units, requiring that copies of birth certificates or other proof of age for one (1) Age-Qualified Occupant per Unit be provided to the Board on a periodic basis, and taking action to evict the Occupants of any Unit that do not comply with the requirements and restrictions of this Article XXIV. The Association's records regarding individual members shall be maintained on a confidential basis and not provided except as legally required to governing authorities seeking to enforce the Act. Each Owner shall fully and truthfully respond to any Association request for information regarding the Occupancy of Units which, in the Board's judgment, is reasonably necessary to monitor compliance with this Article XXIV. Each Owner hereby appoints the Association as its attorney-in-fact for the purpose of taking legal or equitable action to dispossess, evict, or otherwise remove the Occupants of any Unit as necessary to enforce compliance with this Article XXIV.
- 24.4 Compliance. Each Owner shall be responsible for ensuring compliance of its Unit with the requirements and restrictions of this Article XXIV and the Association rules adopted hereunder, by itself and by its lessees and other Occupants of its Unit. Each Owner, by acceptance of title to a Unit, agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Declarant, any affiliate of Declarant and the Association harmless from any and all claims, losses, damages and causes of action which may arise from failure of such Owner's Unit to so comply. Such defense costs shall include, but not be limited to, attorneys' fees and paraprofessional fees, and costs, at trial and upon appeal.

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JOINDER

LAKES OF HARMONY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation (the "**Association**") does hereby join in this MASTER DECLARATION FOR LAKES OF HARMONY (this "**Declaration**"), to which this Joinder is attached, and the terms thereof are and shall be binding upon the undersigned and its successors in title. The Association agrees this joinder is for the purpose of evidencing the Association's acceptance of the rights and obligations provided in the Declaration and does not affect the validity of this Declaration as the Association has no right to approve this Declaration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Joinder on this 8th day of December, 2015.

WITNESSES:

LAKES OF HARMONY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida corporation not for profit

Print Name: Lori E. Joyce

By: Bill Kouwenhoven
Name: Bill Kouwenhoven
Title: President

Print Name: Tracy Griffith

{CORPORATE SEAL}

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF MANATEE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 8 day of December, 2015, by Bill Kouwenhoven, as President of LAKES OF HARMONY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida corporation not for profit, on behalf of the corporation, who is personally known to me or who has produced as identification.

My commission expires:

Lori E. Joyce
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida at Large

Print Name: Lori E. Joyce



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CONTAINING 61.34 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

TOGETHER WITH:

TRACT C-2 AS DEPICTED ON THE PLAT FOR "HARMONY PHASE THREE," ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 20, PAGE 120, PUBLIC RECORDS OF OSCEOLA COUNTY, FLORIDA.