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STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF BANKS

# DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS FOR CHIMNEY OAKS

THIS INSTRUMENT ESTABLISHES A MANDATORY MEMBERSHIP HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION BUT DOES *NOT* SUBMIT THIS DEVELOPMENT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE GEORGIA PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION ACT, O.C.G.A. § 44-3-22 ET

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## DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS FOR CHIMNEY OAKS

This DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS & RESTRICTIONS FOR CHIMNEY OAKS (hereinafter "Declaration") is made on the date hereinafter set forth by **BANKS COUNTY GOLF, LLC**, a Georgia limited liability company (hereinafter "Declarant") as successor Declarant to Hammer's Glen, LLC and Scales Development Co., LLC;

#### **WITNESSETH**:

WHEREAS, Declarant is the owner of the real property described in Exhibit "A" hereof; and

WHEREAS, Declarant desires to subject the real property described in Exhibit "A" hereof to the provisions of this Declaration to create a residential community and to provide for the subjecting of other real property to the provisions of this Declaration;

NOW THEREFORE, Declarant hereby declares that the real property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference is hereby subjected to the provisions of this Declaration and shall be held, sold, transferred, conveyed, used, occupied, mortgaged, and otherwise encumbered subject to the covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, assessments, and liens, hereinafter set forth, which are for protecting the value and desirability of and which shall run with the title to, the real property hereby and hereafter made subject hereto and shall be binding on all persons having any right, title, or interest in all or any portion of the real property now and hereafter made subject hereto, their respective heirs, legal representatives, successor, successors-in-title, and assigns and shall inure to the benefit of each owner of all or any portion thereof.

### ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

The following words, when used in this Declaration or in any amendment to this Declaration, shall have the following meanings:

Section 1. "Additional Property" shall mean any property as may be adjacent to or contiguous with the property which is subject to this Declaration, which may be added to Chimney Oaks in accordance with the terms of Article VII of this Declaration. Property shall be deemed to be adjacent to or contiguous with the property made a part of Chimney Oaks if it physically connects to such property, at any point, or if it is separated only by a road, public or private, or water course, including any river, creek or lake.

Section 2. "Approved Builder" shall mean and refer to the Owner of a Lot (i) who is primarily in the business of construction of Residential Units; (ii) who owns such Lot for the purpose of constructing a Residential Unit thereon for sale to a third party; and (iii) who is

designated and approved by Declarant as an Approved Builder under its builder program.

Section 3. "Articles of Incorporation" shall mean and refer to the Articles of Incorporation of the Chimney Oaks Residential Owners Association, Inc., filed with the Georgia Secretary of State and incorporated herein by this reference as may be amended from time to time.

Section 4. "Association" shall mean and refer to Chimney Oaks Residential Owners Association, Inc., a Georgia non-profit corporation, its successors and assigns.

Section 5. "Board of Directors" or "Board" shall mean and refer to the appointed or elected body of the Association, vested with the authority to manage the affairs of the Association under the Georgia the Georgia Non-Profit Corporation Code, O.C.G.A. § 13-3-101 *et seq.* 

Section 6. "Buffer" shall mean and refer to a natural or enhanced vegetated area with no or limited minor land disturbances, such as trails and picnic areas.

Section 7. "Buildout" shall mean and refer to the date upon which the first of the following events occur: (i) the date on which there has been a Residential Unit constructed on each Lot contemplated to be in the Community and each Lot in the Community has been conveyed to a Person for residential occupancy; or (ii) a date established by the Declarant in its sole discretion as indicated by a written instrument filed of record with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Banks County, Georgia.

Section 8. "Bylaws" shall mean and refer to the Bylaws of the Chimney Oaks Residential Owners Association, Inc., which are incorporated herein by this reference as may be amended from time to time.

Section 9. "Certificate of Occupancy" shall mean and refer to any required certification issued by the appropriate government authorities as a prerequisite to occupancy of any Residential Unit on any portion of the Property.

Section 10. "Club" shall mean and refer to the recreational and social club known as Chimney Oaks Golf Club located on the Club Property, as more particularly described in Article XIV of this Declaration.

Section 11. "Club Facilities" shall have the meaning set forth in Article XIV hereof.

Section 12. "Club Owner" shall mean and refer to the entity owning the Club and the Club Property, which, as of the date hereof is Banks County Golf, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company. The Club Owner shall be entitled to lease the Club Property and the Club Facilities (in whole or in part) to third party lessees or to enter into agreements with third parties pursuant to which such third parties agree to manage and operate the Club Property and the Club Facilities (in whole or in part). Notwithstanding any term or provision in this Declaration to the contrary, in connection with any such lease or management agreement that is hereafter entered into by the Club Owner, the Club Owner may assign and delegate (in whole or in part) to the

third party lessee or manager the rights and obligations of the Club Owner under this Declaration; and in such case, the third party lessee or manager shall be entitled to act for and on behalf of the Club Owner hereunder relative to all such rights and obligations assigned and delegated.

Section 13. "Club Property" shall mean and refer to the portion of the Property on which the Club is located.

Section 14. "Common Area" shall mean and refer to all real and personal property now or hereafter owned by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners or otherwise made available for the exclusive use and enjoyment of the Owners. The Common Area may include, without limitation, any recreational facilities for the Community, including, but not limited to, a swimming pool, tennis courts and play area. Nothing herein shall be construed so as to create any obligation for Declarant to convey any property or improvements to the Association. In no event shall the Club Property or any portion thereof be considered part of the Common Area.

Section 15. "Common Expenses" shall mean and refer to the actual and estimated expenses of operating the Association and the Community, including reasonable capital reserves, all as may be imposed hereunder or found to be necessary or appropriate by the Board pursuant to this Declaration, the Bylaws and the Articles of Incorporation.

Section 16. "Community" shall mean and refer to the residential development by Declarant on the Property known as Chimney Oaks and on such additions thereto as may be made by Declarant.

Section 17. "Community-Wide Standard" shall mean and refer to the standard generally prevailing in the Community for conduct, maintenance, architectural and design standards and other matters as determined by the Declarant, for so long as the Class B Member continues to exist, and thereafter as determined by the Board. Such determination by the Board must, however, be consistent with the Community-Wide Standard originally established by the Declarant.

Section 18. "Conversion Date" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in Section 3 of Article IV of this Declaration.

Section 19. "Declarant" shall mean Banks County Golf LLC, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company, and its successors, successors-in-title, and assigns, provided the instrument of conveyance to any such successor in title or assign must specifically designate such successor in title or assign as the "Declarant" hereunder. Upon the designation of such successor Declarant, unless otherwise provided in any conveyance by the former Declarant, rights of the former Declarant in and to such status as "Declarant" hereunder shall cease, it being understood that, to all of the Property, there shall only be one Person entitled to exercise the rights and powers of the "Declarant" hereunder at any time.

Section 20. "Declaration" shall mean and refer to this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions & Restrictions for Chimney Oaks, as such document may be amended from time to

time; provided all such amendments shall not be effective until recorded in the records of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Banks County, Georgia.

- Section 21. "Architectural Review Board" or "ARB" shall mean and refer to that certain Board as empowered in accordance with Article IX hereof.
  - Section 22. "First Mortgage" shall mean and refer to a first priority Mortgage.
  - Section 23. "First Mortgagee" shall mean and refer to the holder of a First Mortgage.
- Section 24. "Golf Course" shall mean and refer to the golf course facility located on the Club Property.
- Section 25. "Hiking Trail" shall mean and refer to that portion of the Property that may, in the sole discretion of Declarant, be improved with a path or trail used for the purposes of walking, running, cycling and/or hiking.
- Section 26. "Impervious Surface" shall mean and refer to a man-made structure or surface which prevents the infiltration of storm water into the ground below the structure or surface. Examples are buildings, roads, driveways, parking lots, decks, swimming pools, or patios.
- Section 27. "Improvements" shall mean and refer to any Residential Unit, driveways, parking areas, fences, walls, recreational equipment, playhouses, play equipment, pools, steps, landscaping, lighting, signage, excavation, ditches, diversions, berms, or any other thing or device that alters the flow of any water, and all other structures, improvements, or landscaping materials of every kind and type placed, erected, constructed, maintained or permitted on a Lot.
- Section 28. "Land-Disturbing Activity" means and shall refer to any grading, scraping, excavating, or filling of land, clearing of vegetation, and any construction, rebuilding, or alteration of a structure. Land-Disturbing Activity shall not include activities such as ordinary maintenance and landscaping operation, individual home gardens, yard and grounds upkeep, repairs, additions, or minor modifications to a single-family residence, and the cutting of firewood for personal use.
- Section 29. "Lot" shall mean and refer to a platted portion of the Property, other than the Common Area, intended for single family residential use, created in accordance with Section 4 of Article II hereof.
- Section 30. "Majority" shall mean and refer to those eligible votes totaling more than fifty percent (50%) of the total eligible number.
- Section 31. "Member" shall mean and refer to a Person that is a member of the Association as provided in this Declaration.
  - Section 32. "Mortgage" shall mean and refer to a deed to secure debt, deed of trust,

mortgage, or other similar instrument used for the purpose of conveying or encumbering real property as security for the payment of an obligation.

Section 33. "Mortgagee" shall mean and refer to the holder of a Mortgage.

Section 34. "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record owner of any Lot which is part of the Property within the Community, but excluding (i) any Person holding an interest merely as security for the performance or satisfaction of any obligation; (ii) contract purchasers; and (iii) any governmental authority which holds title as a result of a dedication by Declarant. When the term Owner is used, it shall include all Approved Builders, unless otherwise stated.

Section 35. "Person" shall mean and refer to any natural person, individual acting in a fiduciary capacity, corporation, limited partnership, limited liability company, joint ventures, partnership (general or limited), association, trust, or other legal entity.

Section 36. "Property" shall mean and refer to that certain real property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference and shall further refer to such Additional Property or part thereof when and if such is annexed by amendment or Supplemental Declaration to this Declaration. Property shall also include such real property as might be owned in fee simple by the Association.

Section 37. "Residential Unit" shall mean and refer to any building, structure, or improvement on any Lot intended for use and occupancy as a residence and all appurtenances thereto including, but not limited to, all garages, porches, balconies, accessory structures, decks, overhangs, foundations, extensions, and projections therefrom.

Section 38. "Rules and Regulations" shall mean and refer to those rules and regulations promulgated by the Board of Directors of the Association pursuant to this Declaration and the Bylaws, as such rules and regulations may be amended from time to time.

Section 39. "The Reserve" shall mean and refer to that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 1210<sup>th</sup> G.M.D. Banks County, Georgia, being Lots 1 through 28 in "The Reserve" section of Hammer's Glen subdivision, as depicted on that certain plat of subdivision dated December 1, 2003 and recorded on December 11, 2004 in Plat Book E Pages 12 and 13, Banks County, Georgia land records.

### ARTICLE II PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THIS DECLARATION

Section 1. <u>Property Hereby Subjected to This Declaration</u>. The real property which is, by the recording of this Declaration, subject to the covenants, conditions, restrictions, and easements hereinafter set forth and which, by virtue of the recording of this Declaration, shall be held, transferred, sold, conveyed, used, occupied, and encumbered subject to this Declaration is the real property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and The Reserve.

Section 2. <u>Development of Property</u>. All of the Property and any right, title or interest therein shall be owned, held, leased, sold, and conveyed by Declarant, any record Owner and any subsequent Owner of all or any part thereof, subject to this Declaration and the covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, charges, and liens set forth in this Declaration. All Lots within the Property (i) shall be and are hereby restricted exclusively to single-family residential use, (ii) shall be developed and built upon only for detached single-family dwelling purposes, and (iii) shall be subject to the terms set forth in this Declaration. Until Buildout, Declarant shall have the right, but not the obligation, to make improvements and changes to the Common Area and to all Lots owned by Declarant, including, without limitation, installation of any Improvements in and to the Common Area, changes in the location or boundaries of any Lots owned by Declarant or of the Common Area, and installation of any water, sewer and other utility and drainage systems and facilities.

Section 3. <u>Development of Additional Property</u>. Declarant hereby reserves the right, option and privilege (but not the obligation), to be exercised in its sole discretion, to submit and develop Residential Units and, from time to time, to submit Additional Property to the provisions of this Declaration. This option, right and privilege may be exercised only by Declarant in accordance with the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in Article VII below.

Section 4. <u>Designation of Lots</u>. Declarant shall have the unilateral right and power to subdivide and/or reconfigure all or any portion of the Property owned by Declarant into Lots, without the joinder or consent of any other Person. The Declarant shall exercise such right and power from time to time by causing an appropriate plat or plats to be prepared for the Lot or Lots which Declarant desires to designate as such and by filing such plat or plats for public record in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Banks County, Georgia.

Section 5. Zoning. Declarant shall have the right and power, from time to time, to change the zoning of any portion of the Property as the owner thereof or, if not the owner, with the written consent of the owner thereof in such manner as Declarant deems appropriate for the overall development of the Property. No Owner other than Declarant shall apply for any change in zoning, including variances, of any portion of the Property owned by such Owner unless such zoning changes are approved in writing by Declarant prior to the Conversion Date or by the Board after the Conversion Date. Any such zoning change shall not affect the use restrictions contained in this Declaration, which shall control over any uses permitted by such zoning changes; provided, however, nothing contained in this Declaration shall give or be deemed to give either to Declarant or any Owner the right or power to use any portion of the Property in a manner which would violate applicable zoning ordinances, rules or regulations.

### ARTICLE III PROPRETY RIGHTS & EASEMENTS

Section 1. <u>General</u>. Each Lot shall, for all purposes, constitute real property which shall be owned in fee simple and which, subject to the provisions of this Declaration, may be conveyed, transferred and encumbered the same as other real property. The ownership of each Lot shall include, and there shall pass with title to each such Lot as an appurtenance thereto, whether or not separately described, all rights of a Member in the Association and all of the right

and interest of use in and to the Common Area as set forth herein. The Declarant, the Association and their respective employees, agents, successors and assigns shall have the right at all reasonable times to enter upon all parts of each easement area transferred pursuant to this Article III for any of the purposes for which such easement area is reserved, without being deemed to have committed a trespass or wrongful act solely by reason of such entry and the carrying out of such purposes, provided the same are done in accordance with the provisions of this Declaration.

Section 2. <u>Easement of Enjoyment</u>. Each Owner shall have a right and easement of ingress and egress and use and enjoyment in and to the Common Area, subject to the terms of this Declaration. Such right and easement may be exercised by each Owner and their respective family, licensees, guests, and invitees, subject to the Rules and Regulations as may be adopted by the Board from time to time. An Owner may assign to a tenant of his Lot all rights of access to and use of the Common Area so that such tenant, his family and guests shall be entitled to access to and use of the Common Area on the same basis as the assignor and his family and guests. The foregoing right and easement shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot, subject to the following easements, reservations, rights and provisions, which are expressly reserved hereby:

- (a) the right of the Board to charge reasonable admission and other fees for the use of any portion of the Common Area, including, without limitation, any swimming pools, tennis courts and other recreation areas; to limit the number of guests who may use the Common Area; to allow Persons who are not Members of the Association to use the Common Area on a regular or temporary basis and to charge or not charge a user fee therefor; and to provide for the exclusive use and enjoyment of specific portions of the Common Area at certain designated times by an Owner, his family, tenants, guests, licensees and invitees;
- (b) the right of the Association to suspend the voting rights of an Owner and the right to use the Common Area for any period during which (i) any assessment which is hereby provided for remains unpaid, and (ii) any infraction of the terms of the Declaration, the Bylaws, or the Rules and Regulations for a reasonable period of time;
- (c) the right of the Association to borrow money (i) for the purpose of improving the Common Area or any portion thereof, (ii) for acquiring additional Common Area, (iii) for constructing, repairing, maintaining or improving any facilities located or to be located within the Common Area, or (iv) for providing the services authorized herein, and, subject to the provisions herein, to give as security for the payment of any such loan a Mortgage against the Common Area; provided, however, that the lien and encumbrance of any such Mortgage given by the Association shall be subject and subordinate to any and all rights, interests, options, licenses, easements and privileges herein reserved or established for the benefit of Declarant, and provided, further, that after the Conversion Date, no more than Ten Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00) may be borrowed by the Association unless such indebtedness has been approved by Members representing a Majority of the total Association vote and Declarant, until Buildout;
  - (d) the right of the Association to grant and accept easements as provided herein

and to dedicate or transfer all or any portion of the Common Area to Banks County, Georgia or to any other public agency or authority, public service district, public or private utility, or other Person, provided that any such transfer must be approved by the Members representing a Majority of the total Association vote and by the Declarant until Buildout; provided, however, Declarant shall have the unilateral right, prior to Buildout, to dedicate, transfer or grant property, permits, licenses or easements for utilities, roads and other purposes reasonably necessary or useful for the proper development, maintenance or operation of the Property;

- (e) the right of the Declarant or, after Buildout, the Association, with the approval of Members representing a Majority of the total Association vote, to alter, change, redefine, or redescribe the use of any portion of the Common Area;
- (f) the rights and easements reserved herein for the benefit of the Declarant and the Association; and
- (g) the right of the Declarant or, after the Conversion Date, the Association, after approval by Members representing a Majority of the total Association vote, to install and maintain guarded or electronically monitored gates controlling vehicular access to and from the Property.

Section 3. Reserved Easements. Declarant hereby reserves, in addition to the other easements in this Declaration, the perpetual, alienable and transferable easement and right, for the benefit of the Declarant and its successors and assigns and, subject to regulation by the Declarant, for the benefit of Approved Builders, to enter and travel upon, over and across the Community, including the Common Area, for the purpose of completion and repair of Improvements within the Property or Additional Property, including construction, alteration, maintenance or repair of Improvements and Residential Units on Lots, and for all reasonable purposes to further assist and enhance the marketing and construction and sale of the Property, Lots, or Residential Units, together with the easement in and to the Community, inclusive of the Common Area and Lots, for the maintenance of signs, sales offices, construction offices, business offices, and such other facilities the Declarant, in its sole opinion, may deem required, convenient, necessary or incidental to the completion, improvement and/or marketing and sale of Lots, Residential Units or the Community until Buildout. Any damage to any Lot, Residential Unit or any portion of the Community occurring during the use of the foregoing easement or rights shall be repaired by the Person who caused such damage.

Section 4. <u>Easement for Association</u>. There is hereby reserved for the benefit of the Association, its officers, board members, agents, and employees, including, but not limited to any manager employed by the Association and any employees of any such manager, the general right and easement to enter upon any Lot or portion thereof in the performance of its respective duties. Except in the event of emergencies, this right and easement is to be exercised only during normal business hours and, whenever practical, only upon advance notice and with the permission of the Owner of the Lot directly affected thereby.

Section 5. Easement for Maintenance. There is hereby reserved for the benefit of the

Declarant, the Association, and their respective agents, employees, successors, and assigns, an alienable, transferable and perpetual right and easement to enter upon any Lot for the purpose of mowing, removing, clearing, cutting or pruning landscape, grass, underbrush, weeds, trees, stumps or other unsightly growth, and removing trash, and to exercise any other rights of maintenance provided in Article V below as to maintain the Community-Wide Standard and reasonable standards of health, fire, safety and aesthetic appearance within the property; provided that such easement shall not impose any duty or obligation upon the Declarant or the Association to person any such action.

Section 6. <u>Alterations to Lots and Common Area</u>. There is hereby reserved to Declarant the right to alter, modify or realign the boundaries or configuration of the Common Area, or any Lot owned by Declarant including, but not limited to, the right to alter the size, shape, slope, and terrain of such Lots and the Common Area. Any such alteration shall be shown by an amendment to the plat depicting such Lot or Common Area which is recorded in the appropriate land records.

Section 7. <u>Easement of Encroachment</u>. If any portion of the Improvements constructed on the Common Area encroaches upon any Lot, or if any Improvement constructed upon a Lot encroaches upon the Common Area, as a result of construction, reconstruction, repair, shifting, settlement or movement of any portion of the Improvement on any Lot or the improvement on the Common Area, a valid easement for the encroachment and for the maintenance of the same shall exist so long as the encroachment exists; provided, however, if any improvement on any Lot or any improvement on the Common Area is knowingly and willfully constructed, reconstructed or repaired so as to encroach, respectively, on the Common Area or a Lot to an extent greater than five (5) feet, no such easement shall exist.

Section 8. Construction and Sale Period. Despite any provision contained in this Declaration to the contrary, it shall be expressly permissible for the Declarant, its successors, and assigns and any builder approved by Declarant to maintain and carry on upon such portion of the Property as the Declarant may deem necessary, including but not limited to, the Common Area, such activities as the Declarant, in its sole discretion, may reasonably be required, convenient, necessary, or incidental to construction of any Improvement or sale and marketing of any of the Property, including, without limitation, business offices, signs, model homes, and sales offices, until Buildout. The right to maintain and carry on such facilities and activities shall include specifically the right to use Lots and Residential Units owned by Declarant or Approved Builder as models and sales offices and to authorize sales and construction personnel to travel upon and enter the Common Area.

Section 9. <u>Easements for Utilities, Etc.</u> There is hereby reserved to the Declarant and, after the Conversion Date, to the Association, upon approval by Members representing a Majority of the total Association vote, and with the written consent of the Declarant until Buildout, to grant blanket easements upon, across, over and under all of the Property, including Lots, for ingress, egress, installation, replacement, repairing and maintaining of master television antenna or cable systems, security and similar systems, walkways and all utilities, including, but not limited to, water, sewer, telephone, gas, electrical, storm sewers, and drainage systems;

provided this easement shall not unreasonably impair the ability of any Owner to construct or install Residential Units on any Lot or to cause physical, no repairable damage to any Residential Unit as might exist on any such Lot. To the extent possible, all utility lines and facilities serving the Community and located therein shall be located underground. By virtue of any such easement, it shall be expressly permissible for the holder of the easement, with respect to the portion of the Property so encumbered, (i) to erect and maintain pipes, lines, manholes, pumps and other necessary equipment and facilities, (ii) to cut and remove any trees, bushes or shrubbery, (iii) to grade, excavate or fill, or (iv) to take any other similar action reasonably necessary to provide economical and safe installation, maintenance, repair, replacement and use of such utilities and facilities; provided, however, that the holder of any such easement shall take reasonable actions to repair any damages caused during the exercise of any rights granted under such easement.

Section 10. <u>Easement for Law Enforcement/Fire Protection</u>. Declarant hereby grants to the City of Homer, Georgia, Banks County, Georgia, or such other governmental authority or agency as shall have from time to time jurisdiction over the Property with respect to law enforcement and fire protection, the perpetual, alienable and transferable right and easement upon, over and across all of the Community, including all Lots and Common Area, for purposes of performing such duties and activities related to law enforcement and fire protection as shall be required or appropriate from time to time by such governmental authorities under applicable law.

Section 11. Easement for Walks, Trails, Silts and Perimeter Walls. It is hereby reserved for the benefit of Declarant, the Association, and their respective successors and assigns, the perpetual, transferable, and alienable right and easement upon, over, and across those strips of land eleven (11) feet in width located along and adjacent to the exterior boundaries of all Lots, such strips to be bounded by the exterior boundaries adjacent to streets and roads and by lines in the interior of such Lots which are eleven (11) feet from and parallel to such exterior boundaries, for the installation, maintenance, and use of sidewalks, traffic directional signals, sales signs, promotional signs, and related improvements; provided that Declarant shall have no obligation to construct any such improvements. There is further reserved for the benefit of the Declarant, the Association, and their respective successors and assigns, the transferable, alienable, and perpetual right and easement upon, over and across those strips of land fifteen (15) feet in width located along those boundaries of all Lots that constitute a part of the perimeter boundary of the Property, such easement to be used for the purpose of constructing, installing, replacing, and maintaining a perimeter wall or fence around the perimeter boundary of the Property, provided that neither the Declarant nor the Association shall have any obligation to construct any such perimeter wall or fence.

Section 12. <u>Easement for Hiking Trail</u>. It is hereby reserved for the benefit of Declarant, the Association, and the Owners of the Lots and their respective successors and assigns, the alienable, transferable, and perpetual right and easement upon, over and across those strips of land eleven (11) feet in width located upon all unimproved areas of all Lots, for the designation, installation, operation, maintenance and/or use of a Hiking Trail, provided that neither the Declarant nor the Association shall have any obligation to construct any such improvement.

Section 13. <u>Easement for Landscape</u>. It is hereby reserved for the benefit of Declarant, the Association, and their respective successors and assigns, the perpetual, transferable and

alienable right and easement upon, over and across those strips of lands thirty (30) feet in width located along the exterior boundaries of certain Lots within the Community, as may be depicted on a plat recorded in the land records of Banks County, Georgia, adjacent to the streets and roads, for the installation and maintenance of berms and trees, bushes, shrubbery and other landscaping. No fence, wall or other structure may be built within this easement area except by the Declarant, the Association and their respective successors and assigns, provided that neither the Declarant nor the Association shall have any obligation to construct any such fence, wall or other structure.

Section 14. Easement Regarding Golf, Tennis, or Other Recreational Use. Declarant, the Club's members, and visitors to the Club shall have a perpetual nonexclusive easement in their favor to use the entrance ways and other Common Areas as necessary during any use of the Club, golf, tennis, or other facilities or as a spectator, worker, or purveyor at or for any tournament or activity in connection therewith for the purposes of ingress, egress, and access to such facilities. In addition, Declarant hereby dedicates and reserves for the benefit of the Club, its members, visitors, agents, and employees nonexclusive perpetual easements over, across, and under certain portions of the Property, indicated and shown on recorded subdivision plats as being reserved as easements for the benefit of the Club or the Golf Course (for example, labeled as "Golf Course Easement" or "Easement for Golf Cart Path"), for the following purposes, including the installation, maintenance, repair and removal thereof:

- (a) rights-of-way for pedestrian access, ingress, and egress to and from the Golf Course; and
- (b) rights-of-way for golf cart, golfing individuals, and maintenance vehicle access, ingress, and egress to and from the Golf Course.

Any disputes as to the extent of any of the above-described easements during the term of this Declaration shall be determined by Declarant in its sole and absolute discretion. Declarant reserves the right to impose upon the Property such other easements as are required for the enjoyment of the Club, golf, tennis or other facilities.

Section 15. Easements for Errant Golf Balls; Limitation of Liability. Every Lot, Common Area and all other portions of the Property are hereby burdened with an easement in favor of any golfer for the purpose of retrieving errant golf balls. The Association shall not be responsible or liable in any way for any disputes between an Owner and any person using the Golf Course. All Owners, by acceptance of delivery of a deed to the respective Lot or other portion of the Property, for themselves, their contractors, subcontractors, guests and invitees, successors-in-interest, and assigns, assume all risks associated with errant golf balls, and all Owners agree and covenant for themselves, their contractors, subcontractors, guests and invitees, successors-in-interest and assigns, not to make any claim or institute any action whatsoever against Declarant, the Association, the Club, the Club Owner, or any officers, directors, employees, agents or affiliates of any of them, or their respective assigns, arising or resulting from any errant golf balls or any damages that may be caused thereby.

#### ARTICLE IV

### ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

Section 1. Membership. Subject to Sections of this Article, every person who is the record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot which is subject to this Declaration shall be a Member of and have membership in the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any such Lot, and ownership of a Lot which is subject to this Declaration shall be the sole qualification for such membership. In the event that fee title to such a Lot is transferred or otherwise conveyed, the membership in the Association which is appurtenant thereto shall pass to such transferee. The foregoing is not intended to include any person who has an interest in a Lot merely as security for the performance of an obligation, and the giving of a Mortgage in a lot shall not terminate the grantor's membership in the Association.

Section 2. <u>Multiple Owners</u>. No Owner, whether one or more persons, shall have more than one membership per Lot; provided, however, multiple use rights for multiple Owners of a Lot shall exist subject, however, to the right of the Board to regulate and limit use by multiple Owners. Each Owner, by acceptance of a deed or other conveyance of a Lot, consents and agrees to the dilution of his or her voting interest in the Association by virtue of the submission from time to time of additional Lots as set forth herein. The rights and privileges of membership, including the right to vote, may be exercised by a Member, the Member's spouse, or another family member.

Section 3. <u>Voting</u>. The Association shall have two (2) classes of Voting Membership.

<u>Class A.</u> Class A Members shall be all Owners, including Approved Builders, with the exception of the Class B Member, if any. On any issue brought before the Members, Class A Members shall be entitled to cast one vote for each Lot in which they hold the interest required for membership by Section 1, above. When more than one person holds an interest in any Lot, the vote for such Lot shall be exercised as those Owners themselves determine and if one of such multiple Owners exercises the vote without opposition by any other of such multiple Owners at the time such vote is exercised, the vote shall be as so exercised. In the event that more than one of such multiple Owners seeks to exercise the vote, the vote appurtenant to such Lot shall be suspended.

<u>Class B.</u> The Class B Member shall be the Declarant. The Class B Member will control and operate the Association until the Class B Membership shall cease to exist. The Class be Membership shall cease and become converted to Class A Membership on the happening of any of the following events, whichever first occurs:

- (a) When the Class B Membership ceases to exist by virtue of the Declarant or its assigns and successors having sold all of the Lots within the Community to persons other than Approved Builders;
  - (b) twenty (20) years after the date this Declaration was recorded; or

(c) the date on which the Declarant, in its sole discretion, chooses to terminate the Class B membership by filing of record with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Banks County, Georgia a written notice of such termination (hereinafter the "Conversion Date").

Section 4. <u>Declarant Control</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary in this Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws, Declarant retains the authority and right to appoint and remove any member of the Board of Directors and any officer of the Association until the Conversion Date. Every grantee of any interest in the Property, by acceptance of a deed or other conveyance of such interest, agrees that the Declarant shall have the authority to appoint and remove members of the Board of Directors and officers of the Association in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Section.

### ARTICLE V ASSOCIATION RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

#### IN GENERAL

Section 1. Common Area. The Association, subject to the rights, easements and privileges set forth in this Declaration, shall be responsible for the management and control of the Common Area and all improvements thereon and shall keep the Common Area in good repair and in a clean and attractive condition. The Association shall maintain, operate and preserve the Common Area for the good and benefit of the Community and the holders of easements herein provided for or contemplated. The Association, through action of its Board of Directors, may acquire, hold and dispose of tangible and intangible real or personal property. Notwithstanding the foregoing, after the Conversion Date, the Association shall not, without the prior written consent of Declarant until Buildout (i) dispose of any real property, (ii) dispose of any tangible or intangible personal property with a value in excess of One Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$1,000.00), (iii) borrow money in excess of Ten Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00), or (iv) pledge, mortgage or hypothecate all or any portion of the Common Area.

Section 2. <u>Services</u>. The Association may pay for the services of any person or entity to manage its affairs or any part thereof and any other personnel as the Association's Board shall determine to be necessary or desirable for the proper operation of the Community. Such personnel may be furnished or employed directly by the Association or by any person or entity with which it contracts. The Association may obtain and pay for legal, accounting and any other professional services necessary or desirable in connection with the operation of the Community or the enforcement of this Declaration, the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations. The Association may, but shall not be required, to arrange as an Association expense to furnish trash collection, security, cable television, and other common services to each Lot within the Community. All costs and expenses incident to any of the foregoing shall be a Common Expense.

Section 3. Power to Contract. The Association may, acting through its Board, contract

with any other residential or commercial association or neighborhood adjacent to the Community to provide services and/or perform services on behalf of such other association or neighborhood. The Association may, acting through its Board, contract with any governmental division, department, or agency for the provision of services to the Association or its Members.

Section 4. <u>Rules and Regulations</u>. The Association, acting through its Board, may promulgate Rules and Regulations governing the use and occupancy of the Property, including the Lots, the Hiking Trail and the Common Area, and all improvements located thereon, and governing the operation of the Community. The Rules and Regulations shall not, however, diminish, alter or affect the rights of use, easements, permits, privileges or licenses provided to Declarant or its successor and assigns. Copies of all Rules and Regulations, and any changes thereto, must be furnished by the Association to all Owners prior to their effective date. The Rules and Regulations shall be binding upon all Owners and their families, tenants, guests, licensees, invitees and agents. The Owner of each Lot shall be responsible for the conduct of his family, tenants, guests, licensees, invitees, and agents and shall ensure that all of the foregoing individuals comply with the terms of the Declaration, the Bylaws and Rules and Regulations.

Section 5. <u>Implied Rights</u>. The Association may exercise any right or privilege given to it expressly by this Declaration, Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation, or Rules and Regulations of the Association, and every other right and privilege reasonably necessary to be implied from the existence of any such right or privilege or reasonably necessary to effectuate any such right or privilege. To the extent not otherwise required by Georgia law, this Declaration, the Bylaws, or the Articles of Incorporation, the powers granted to the Association shall be exercised by the Board of Directors, acting through the duly elected officers of the Association, without any consent or action on the part of the members.

### **MAINTENANCE**

Section 6. Owner's Responsibility. Each Owner shall maintain or cause to be maintained his Lot and all Improvements thereon, including his Residential Unit, in good, clean, and attractive condition and repair, subject to this Declaration and in a manner which is consistent with Community-Wide Standard. Such maintenance shall include, without limitation, prompt removal of all litter, trash, refuse and waste, reasonable maintenance, repair and replacement of all his Improvements and all exterior portions of his Residential Unit; maintenance of all grass and landscaping on a regular basis; tree and shrub pruning; watering of landscaped areas; keeping lawn and gardening areas alive, free of weeds and in attractive condition; keeping driveways in good repair; complying with all governmental health and police requirements; and repair of exterior damage to all Improvements, including the Residential Unit on his Lot.

In the event the Board of Directors determines that (i) any Owner has failed or refused to properly discharge his obligations with regard to the maintenance and repair for which he is responsible hereunder, or (ii) the need for maintenance, repair or replacement which is the responsibility of the Association hereunder is caused by the willful or negligent act of an Owner or his family, tenants, guests, licensees, or invitees, the Association, except in the event of an emergency situation, may give the Owner written notice of the Association's intent to provide such maintenance, repair or replacement, at such Owner's sole cost and expense. The notice shall set forth with reasonable particularity the maintenance, repair or replacement deemed necessary

and shall give the Owner ten (10) days within which to complete such maintenance, repair or replacement or, in the event such maintenance, repair or replacement is not capable of completion within a ten (10) day period, to commence such work within such ten (10) day period and to complete such work within a reasonable time. If an Owner does not comply with the provisions hereof, the Association may provide such maintenance, repair or replacement at the sole cost and expense of the Owner, and all costs and expenses incurred by the Association shall become part of the assessment for which such Owner is personally liable and shall become a lien against such Owner's Lot.

#### INSURANCE AND CASUALTY OR LIABILITY LOSSES.

Section 7. <u>Insurance</u>. The Association's Board of Directors shall have the authority to obtain insurance for all insurable improvements on the Common Area against loss or damage by fire or other hazards, including extended coverage, vandalism, and malicious mischief. This insurance shall be in an amount sufficient to cover the full cost of any repair or reconstruction in the event of damage or destruction from any such hazard. The Board may also obtain a public liability policy applicable to the Common Area covering the Association, its officers, directors, members, and agents. The insurance policy or policies shall be in such amounts and subject to such conditions and with such provisions as the officers or the Board of Directors may determine, provide the same are not inconsistent with any provisions of this Declaration. The Board of Directors may obtain such other type of insurance as they deem advisable Each insurance policy may contain a reasonable deductible, which shall be paid by the Association.

Section 8. <u>Disbursement of Proceeds</u>. Proceeds of insurance policies shall be disbursed in payment of any repair or reconstruction covered by such insurance. Any proceeds remaining after defraying such cost of repair and reconstruction, or in the event no repair or reconstruction is made after making such settlement as is necessary and appropriate, shall be retained by and for the benefit of the Association.

Section 9. <u>Damage and Destruction</u>. Immediately after the damage or destruction by fire or other casualty of all or any part of the Common Area covered by insurance written in the name of the Association, the Board of Directors shall proceed with the filing and adjustment of all claims arising under such insurance and shall obtain reliable and detailed estimates of the cost of repair or reconstruction of the damaged or destroyed property. Repair or reconstruction means repairing and restoring the property to substantially the same condition in which it existed prior to the fire or other casualty.

Any damage or destruction to the Common Area shall be repaired or reconstructed unless the Declarant or, after the Conversion Date, at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the total vote of the Association shall decide within sixty (60) days after the casualty not to repair or reconstruct. If reliable and detailed estimates of the cost of the repair or reconstruction or if the amount of insurance proceeds available as a result of such damage or destruction is not available within such sixty (60) day period, then the period shall be extended until such information shall be made available; provided, however, that such extension shall not exceed beyond sixty (60) additional days. No Mortgagee shall have the right to participate in the determination of whether damage or destruction shall be repaired or reconstructed.

In the event that it should be determined that the damage or destruction shall not be repaired or reconstructed and no alternative improvements are authorized, the Common Area affected by such damage or destruction shall be restored to its natural state and maintained as an undeveloped portion of the Common Area.

Section 10. <u>Insufficient Insurance Proceeds</u>. If the damage or destruction for which the insurance proceeds are paid are not sufficient to defray the cost of the required repair or reconstruction, and if the Board determines that the funds in the capital reserve accounts are not sufficient to cover such insurance deficiency, then the Board of Directors shall, without the necessity of a vote of the Association's Members, levy a special Assessment against all Owners, in an equal amount, and such special assessment shall be used to complete the required repair or reconstruction.

Section 11. <u>Damage to Lots</u>. By virtue of taking title to a Lot, each Owner covenants and agrees to carry all risk casualty insurance on all Improvements, including Residential Units, constructed or placed on his Lot. Each Owner further covenants and agrees that in the event of a partial loss, damage or destruction resulting in less than total destruction of any Improvement located on any Lot, such Owner shall promptly proceed to repair or reconstruct the damage in a manner consistent with the aesthetic appearance and quality of the original construction and with the Community-Wide Standard. In the event that any Improvement, including any Residential Unit, is totally destroyed or rendered uninhabitable or unusable, the Owner shall repair or rebuild such Improvement, including the Residential Unit, to substantially the same condition as it existed prior to such damage and in accordance with all applicable standards, restrictions, and provisions of this Declaration and all applicable zoning, subdivision, building and other governmental regulations. All such repair and reconstruction shall be commenced promptly following such damage and shall be carried through diligently to conclusion within a reasonable time.

### ARTICLE VI CONDEMNATION

If all or any part of the Common Area shall be taken (or conveyed in lieu of and under the threat of condemnation) by any authority having the power of condemnation or eminent domain, the award made for such taking shall be payable to the Association, for the benefit of all of the Owners. If the taking involves a portion of the Common Area on which improvements have been constructed and the taking occurs prior to the Conversion Date, the Declarant shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to decide whether the Association shall restore or replace such improvements on the remaining Common Area. If the taking involves a portion of the Conversion Date, then the Association shall, if possible, restore or replace such improvements so taken on the remaining Common Area unless seventy five percent (75%) of the Members of the Association vote at a meeting duly called not to restore or replace such improvements and, until Buildout, the Declarant likewise agrees not to restore or replace such improvements. If the

improvements are to be repaired or restored, the funds received by the Association shall be disbursed in the same manner as funds are disbursed for casualty damage or destruction as provided above. If the taking does not involve any improvements on the Common Area, or if there is a decision made not to repair or restore, or if there are funds remaining after any such restoration or replacement is completed, then such awarded funds or remaking funds shall be deposited to the benefit of the Association.

### ARTICLE VII ANNEXATION OF ADDITIONAL PROPERTY

Section 1. <u>Unilateral Annexation by Declarant</u>. As the owner thereof or, if not the owner, with the written consent of the owner thereof, Declarant shall have the unilateral right, privilege and option from time to time until ten (10) years after the recording of this Declaration to subject all or a part of the Additional Property to the provisions of this Declaration and the jurisdiction of the Association by filing of record an amendment to this Declaration describing the Additional Property being annexed. Any such annexation shall be effective upon the filing of record of such amendment to the Declaration, unless otherwise provided therein. Any property so annexed into the Community shall thereafter be a part of the Property for all purposes under this Declaration. The Declarant may unilaterally amend this Declaration to reflect the different character of any Additional Property so annexed. The rights reserved unto Declarant to subject Additional Property to this Declaration or to the jurisdiction of the Association.

Section 2. Other Annexation. Subject to the consent of the owner thereof and, until Buildout has occurred, with the consent of the Declarant, upon the affirmative vote or written consent of Members representing a Majority of the total Association vote, the Association may annex real property to the provisions of this Declaration to become a part of the Common Area and the jurisdiction of the Association by filing of record an Amendment to the Declaration describing the property being annexed. Any such amendment to the Declaration shall be signed by the president and the secretary of the Association, and any such annexation shall be effective upon the filing of record of such amendment to the Declaration, unless otherwise provided therein.

Section 3. Withdrawal of Property. So long as the Conversion Date has not yet occurred, Declarant reserves the right to amend this Declaration unilaterally at any time, without prior notice and without the consent or joinder of any Person, for the purpose of removing certain portions of the Property then owned by the Declarant or its affiliates or the Association from the provisions of this Declaration to the extent originally included in error or as a result of any changes whatsoever in the plans for the Community desired to be effected by the Declarant.

### ARTICLE VIII ASSESSMENTS

Section 1. <u>Purpose of Assessment</u>. The assessments provided for herein shall be used for the general purpose of promoting the recreation, health, safety, welfare, common benefit and enjoyment of the Owners and occupants of Lots in the Property, including the maintenance of

real and personal property, all as may be specifically authorized from time to time hereunder and by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. <u>Creation of Lien and Personal Obligation for Assessment</u>. Each Owner of a Lot, by acceptance of a deed therefor, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed, covenants and agrees to pay to the Association, in accordance with the provisions hereof (a) general assessments; (b) special assessments; (c) specific assessments, and (d) transfer assessments. All such assessments, together with late charges in the amount of \$100.00, interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum on the principal amount due, costs of collection, including, without limitation, reasonable attorney's fees actually incurred, shall, from the time the sums become due and payable, be a charge on and a continuing lien in favor of the Association on the Lot against which each assessment is made.

Each such assessment, together with the late fees, interest, costs, and attorney's fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the Owner of such Lot at the time the assessment became due and his grantee shall be jointly and severally liable for such portion thereof as may be due and payable at the time of conveyance; provided, however, any First Mortgagee who obtains title to a Lot pursuant to the remedies provided in a First Mortgage will not be liable for any unpaid assessments which accrued prior to the acquisition of title to the Lot by the Mortgagee. Assessments shall be paid in such manner and on such dates as may be fixed by the Board of Directors which may include, without limitation, acceleration of the annual assessment for Owners who are delinquent in the payment of such assessments.

No Owner may waive or otherwise exempt themselves from liability for the assessments provided for herein, including, by way of illustration, but not limitation, non-use of the Common Area or abandonment of the Lot. No diminution or abatement of any assessment shall be claimed or allowed by reason of any failure of the Association to take some action or perform some unction required to be taken or performed by the Association, the obligation to pay assessments being a separate and independent covenant on the part of each Owner. All payments shall be applied first to attorney's fees, then to costs, then to late charges, then to interest, and then to delinquent assessments. Unless otherwise provided by the Board, assessments shall be paid in annual installments.

Section 3. Computation of General Assessments. It shall be the duty of the Board to prepare a budget covering the estimated cost of operating the Association during the coming year. The budget may include a capital reserve contribution in accordance with a capital budget that may be separately prepared by the Board. The Board shall cause a copy of the budget and the general assessment to be levied therefrom to be mailed to each Member at least thirty (30) days prior to the date on which the budget will become effective. The budget and general assessment established therefrom shall be and become effective unless a written statement of disapproval executed by Members representing at least a Majority of the total Association vote is delivered to the Board no later than seven days prior to the effective date of the proposed budget. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that the membership disapproves the proposed budget or the Board fails for any reason to so determine the budget for the succeeding year, then and until such time as a budget shall have been determined, the budget and assessments in effect for the current year shall continue for the succeeding year.

Section 4. <u>Special Assessments</u>. The Association may levy a special assessment for any purpose if approved by two-thirds (2/3) of the Total Association Vote and the Declarant. Special assessments shall be paid as determined by the Board. The Board may permit a special assessment to be paid in installments extending beyond the fiscal year in which the special assessment is imposed.

Section 5. <u>Specific Assessments</u>. The Board shall have the power to levy specific assessments as, in its discretion, it shall deem appropriate. Failure of the Board to exercise its authority under this Section shall not be grounds for any action against the Association or the Board and shall not constitute a waiver of the Board's right to exercise its authority under this Section in the future. Fines levied pursuant to this Declaration and the cost of maintenance performed by the Association for which the Owner is responsible shall be specific assessments. The Board may also specifically assess Owners for the following Association expenses:

- (a) expenses of the Association benefiting less than all of the Lots shall be specifically assessed equitably among the Lots so benefited, as determined by the Board of Directors;
- (b) expenses occasioned by the conduct of less than all of the Owners or their family, guests, tenants, licensees, or invitees shall be specially assessed against the Owner of such Lots whose conduct, or the conduct of such Owners' family, guests, tenants, licensees, or invitees occasioned any such expense; or
- (c) expenses significantly disproportionately benefiting all of the Lots shall be assessed equitably among all of the Lots in the Community as determined by the Board of Directors.

Section 6. <u>Transfer Assessments</u>. Upon conveyance of title to a Lot to the first Owner, and upon each and every transfer or conveyance of a Lot thereafter, and Transfer Assessment in the amount of Five Hundred and 00/100 (\$500.00) ("Transfer Assessment") for the Lot shall be collected from the purchaser at the closing of such transaction and paid to the Association. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Transfer Assessment shall not be collected in the following situation: 1) conveyances to the Declarant or an Approved Builder; 2) conveyances to the spouse of the Owner; and 3) conveyances to the heir of the deceased Owner. The Transfer Fee shall constitute a specific assessment against the Lot, shall be in addition to, not in lieu of, the annual general assessment, and shall not be considered an advance payment of such assessment. The Transfer Assessment may be used by the Association for any purpose, including, without limitation, for the payment of operating expenses of the Association and other expenses incurred by the Association pursuant to the provision of this Declaration.

Section 7. <u>Lien for Assessments</u>. All assessments assessed against any Lot pursuant to this Declaration, together with late charges, interests, costs and attorney's fees as provided herein, shall be secured by a lien on such Lot in favor of the Association. Such lien shall be superior to all other liens and encumbrances except for the lien for ad valorem taxes, the lien of

any First Mortgage covering the Lot, and the lien of any Mortgagee recorded prior to the recording of this Declaration. The recording of this Declaration shall constitute record notice of the existence of the lien and the priority of the lien. All Persons acquiring liens or encumbrances after this Declaration shall have been recorded shall be deemed to consent that such liens and encumbrances, except as otherwise provided herein, shall be inferior to the lien created by this Declaration.

Section 8. Nonpayment of Assessments. Any assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration which is not paid within ten (10) days after it is due shall be delinquent and shall also include a late charge in the amount of \$100.00, accrue simple interest at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum, and include all costs of collection, including reasonable attorney's fees actually incurred. The Association may cause a notice of delinquency to be given to any Owner who has not paid within ten (1) days following the due date. In the event that the assessment remains unpaid after sixty (60) days, the Association may institute suit to collect such amounts. The Association may file a claim of lien with the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Banks County, Georgia, but no such claim of lien shall be required to establish or perfect the lien for unpaid assessments. Each Owner, by acceptance of a deed to a Lot subject this Declaration, vests in the Association the right and power to bring all actions against such delinquent Owner personally, for the collection of such charges as a debt or to foreclose the lien. The lien provided for in this Declaration shall be in favor of the Association and shall be for the benefit of all Owners. The Association shall have the power to bid on the Lot at any foreclosure sale and to acquire, hold, lease, mortgage, and convey the same. The Association may also suspend the membership rights of the delinquent Owner, including the right to vote, the right of enjoyment in and to the Common area (other than access to such Owner's Lot) and the right to receive and enjoy such services and other benefits as may then be provided by the Association, including without limitation, suspension of utility services provided by the Association, until all assessments, costs, and re-connection charges are paid in full. Any such suspension shall not affect such member's obligation to pay assessments coming due during the period of such suspension and shall not affect the permanent lien on such Lot in favor of the Association.,

Section 9. Commencement of Assessments. Transfer Assessments shall be due and payable for any Lot as provided herein from and after the recording of this Declaration. All other assessments shall commence as to all Lots on the thirtieth (30th) calendar day after the subdivision of the Lot pursuant to Section 4 of Article II of this Declaration; provided that neither the Declarant nor any Approved Builder shall have any assessment levied against a Lot owned by it pursuant to this Declaration unless and until a Residential Unit is constructed on a Lot owned by the Declarant or an Approved Builder and such Residential Unit is occupied for residential purposes. Until the Conversion Date, the Declarant may pay in cash or in kind the difference between the amount of general assessment assessed on all Lots each fiscal year and the amount of actual expenditures required to operate the Association during each fiscal year.

Section 10. <u>Vacant Lot Assessment</u>. Any Owner of a Lot within The Reserve as of the date of the recording of this Declaration who owns at least one Lot within The Reserve with a Residential Unit constructed on said Lot ("Built Lot") and one or more Lots within The Reserve without a Residential Unit constructed on said Lot ("Vacant Lot") shall pay a reduced annual assessment of \$100.00 per year only on the Vacant Lot(s). Said Owner remains obligated to pay

the full annual assessment, pursuant to this Article VII, for any Built Lot that the Owner owns. This Section 10 does not apply to Owners of Vacant Lots who do not also own a Built Lot. If the Owner of a Vacant Lot constructs a Residential Unit on the Vacant Lot or sells the Vacant Lot to an Owner who does not also own a Built Lot within The Reserve, the Owner shall be obligated to pay the full annual assessment.

### ARTICLE IX ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS

Section 1. <u>Creation of Design Review Board</u>. The Declarant shall establish and maintain an Architectural Review Board ("ARB") consisting of at least three (3) and no more than five (5) members. Until the Conversion Date, Declarant shall have the exclusive right to appoint all members of the ARB and all members of the ARB may be removed by Declarant with or without cause. After the Conversion Date, the Board shall have the exclusive right and authority at any time, and from time to time, to appoint and remove members of the ARB with or without cause.

Section 2. Function of ARB. The ARB shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all original construction on any portion of the Property. No Improvements shall be erected, constructed, placed, altered, remodeled, maintained, or permitted to remain on any portion of the Property, including on any Lot, until plans and specifications, in such form and detail as the ARB may deem necessary, shall have been submitted (i) to the ARB and approved by it in writing, unless such Improvement is developed, constructed or altered by Declarant, affiliates of Declarant, or Approved Builder, in which case the Declarant must approve such Improvement, and (ii) with respect to land use alterations within the watershed drainage area, to the Banks County Planning Commission and approved by it in writing. The ARB may charge a non-refundable reasonable fee not to exceed \$500.00 to cover the administrative expense of its review and comment and may also charge a refundable deposit not to exceed \$1,000.00 in order to ensure that all aspects of the approval by the ARB are adhered to or to correct any and all damages to any other portion of the Property caused by Owner as a result of such construction, such fees to be payable to the ARB. Additionally, the ARB shall have the authority to select and employ professional consultants to assist it in discharging its duties and the cost of such consultants shall be paid by the Owner of any Lot for which plans and specifications have been submitted for approval prior to such plans and specifications being considered for approval by the ARB. The ARB shall have the right to adopt reasonable regulations, standards, and procedures with respect to construction, additions, or alterations as to any portion of the Property and the same shall be enforceable as if set forth herein. The ARB shall make its regulations, standards, and procedures available to Owners, builders, and developers who seek to engage in development, improvement, or construction upon all or any portion of the Property and shall conduct its operations in accordance therewith. In the event Declarant establishes a Builder program whereby only Approved Builders may construct Improvements in the Community, such Approved Builders shall comply with any and all regulations, standards and procedures promulgated by the ARB.

Section 3. <u>Modifications Committee</u>. After the date on which seventy-five percent (75%) of the Lots as are contemplated to be a part of the Community on the master plan thereof, inclusive of Lots not yet subdivided pursuant to Section 3 of Article II above, have been conveyed to Owners other than the Declarant, affiliates of Declarant, or Approved Builders, the

Declarant may form a modifications committee of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) members (hereinafter "Modifications Committee"), who shall be Members of the Association. The Modifications Committee shall have the authority of the ARB, and the ARB shall relinquish such authority, concerning the erection, construction, placement, alteration, remodeling, or maintenance of any Improvement on any Lot owned by Persons other than Declarant, affiliates of Declarant or Approved Builders. The Modifications Committee may charge a non-refundable reasonable fee not to exceed \$500.00 to cover the administrative expense of its review and comment and may also charge a refundable deposit not to exceed \$1,000.00 in order to ensure that all aspects of the approval by the Modifications Committee are adhered to, such fees to be payable to the Modifications Committee members. The Modifications Committee shall be governed by and shall act consistent with all of the rights, obligations, terms, provisions, and guidelines concerning and applicable to the ARB set forth in this Article. After the Conversion Date, the Modifications Committee shall automatically terminate and cease to exist, and all of the rights and powers granted to the Modifications Committee hereunder shall automatically revert back to the ARB.

Section 4. Plans and Specifications. The ARB shall have the right to approve or disapprove any submitted plans or specifications that are not in compliance with this Declaration, if they are incomplete, or if the ARB reasonably determines that such plans and specifications are not consistent with the Community-Wide Standard considering, among other things, the following: (i) architectural character and nature, shape, color, size, material, location and kind of all proposed improvements, taking into consideration the aesthetic quality of any Residential Unit with respect to height, form, proportion, volume, siding, and exterior materials; (ii) adequacy of lot dimensions for proposed improvements; (iii) conformity and harmony of exterior design with neighboring Lots and Improvements; (iv) relation of topography, grade and finished ground elevations to that of neighboring Lots and Improvements; (v) screening of mechanical and other installations; (vi) functional appropriateness with respect to vehicle handling, sitting of buildings (both in relationship to one another and in relationship to buildings, existing or proposed, located on other Lots) drainage, utility service systems and lighting; (vii) extent and quality of landscaped areas; or (viii) compliance with the Community-Wide Standard.

Prior to the commencement of construction of Improvements on any Lot, the Owner of such Lot shall submit detailed intonation in writing regarding the proposed Improvements, including site plans and two (2) full sets of final construction drawings and specifications (which shall be sealed and certified by a duly licensed architect or engineer if so required by the ARB (hereinafter the "Plans"), showing or stating all aspects of the proposed Improvements, including, but not limited to, the following: (i) location of all structures, street rights-of-way, and setback lines; (ii) location of all walks, driveways, and curb lines: (iii) all landscaping, including location, height, spread, type and number of trees and shrubs and location and type of all ground cover and material, and existing trees and limits of clearing and grading; (iv) location, height, intensity and fixture type of all exterior lighting; (v) location, size and type of all fencing; (vi) architectural floor plans, elevation, wall sections and details of the Residential Unit; (vii) building material and color information, including samples if requested; and (viii) size and square footage and height of the Residential Units and all other Improvements.

Should the ARB fail either to approve or disapprove the Plans within thirty (30) days

after submission in accordance with the terms of this Declaration, it shall be conclusively presumed that the ARB has approved the Plans. Approval of any Plans with regard to a Lot shall not be deemed to be a waiver of the ARB's right, in its discretion, to disapprove similar plans and specifications, or any features or elements included therein, for any other Lot.

If construction has not commenced within one (1) year from the date the Plans are approved, then the approval given pursuant to this Article shall be deemed to be automatically revoked by the ARB, unless the ARB extends the time for commencing construction. In any event, all work covered by such approval shall be completed within nine (9) months of the commencement thereof, except for such period of time as completion is rendered impossible or would result in great hardship due to strikes, fires, national emergencies, critical material shortages or other intervening forces beyond the control of the Owner, unless the ARB extends the time for completion.

The provisions hereof shall not be applicable to any of the Additional Property; provided, however, such shall be applicable to those portions of the Additional Property annexed to this Declaration.

Section 5. Release of Liability. Each Owner hereby releases the Declarant, the Association, the Board of Directors, and the ARB and the Modifications Committee, if and when formed, from any and all liability for (i) any defects in any plans and specifications submitted, revised or approved pursuant to the terms of this Declaration, (ii) any loss or damage to any Person arising out of the approval or disapproval of any such plans and specifications, (iii) any loss or damage arising from the noncompliance with such plans and specifications or any governmental ordinance or regulation, or (iv) any defects in construction undertaken pursuant to such plans and specifications, regardless of whether such claim arises by reason of mistake in judgment, negligence or nonfeasance by the ARB.

Section 6. <u>Compliance with Law.</u> All Improvements, including Residential Units, constructed, erected, placed, altered, remodeled, maintained or permitted on any Lot shall comply with any and all applicable federal, state, county and municipal zoning and building restrictions, including, but not limited to, grading, clearing, construction of impervious surfaces, building, and other construction rules and regulations.

Section 7. <u>Inspection</u>. The ARB, or its designee, shall have the right, during reasonable business hours, to enter upon and inspect any Lot or improvement under construction to determine whether the approved Plans are being followed or adhered to. If the ARB shall determine that such Plans have not been approved or that the Plans are not being followed or adhered to, the ARB may in its discretion require the Lot, Property, or Improvement to be restored to its former condition by and at the expense of the Owner of such Lot. Upon the failure or refusal of such Owner to perform the required restoration, the ARB, or the Modifications Committee, as the case may be, or their authorized agents or employees may, after fourteen (14) days' notice to said Owner, enter upon the Lot (or Residential Unit) and perform such restoration as the ARB, or Modifications Committee, in the exercise of their sole discretion, may deem necessary or advisable. Such Owner shall be personally liable to the ARB or Modifications Committee for all direct and indirect costs (including court costs, reasonable attorney's fees

actually incurred, and costs of repair for any damage to the Property incurred as a result of the Owner's failure to abide by the provisions herein) as may be reasonably incurred by the ARB and Modifications Committee in the performance of such restoration or repair and the liability for such costs shall be enforceable by the ARB or Modifications Committee on behalf of the ARB or Modifications Committee by appropriate proceedings in law or in equity. The Owner's liability for such costs shall also be a permanent charge or lien upon the Lot or Residential Unit of such Owner, enforceable as provided herein. The rights and remedies established in this Section 7 are in addition to those provided and inherent to the Association.

Section 8. <u>Interior Alterations</u>. No Owner shall make any alterations or improvements to the interior of a Residential Unit on his Lot, remove any portion thereof, make any additions thereto, or do anything that would change the exterior appearance of such Improvement, without first submitting plans and specifications therefor and obtaining the written consent of the ARB pursuant to this Article. Any other Interior alteration of any improvement may be made by the Owner without first obtaining the approval of the ARB.

### ARTICLE X MORTGAGEE PROVISIONS

The following provisions are for the benefit of the holders of First Mortgages on Lots in the Community. To the extent applicable, necessary, or proper, the provisions of this Article shall apply to both this Declaration and to the Bylaws.

Section 1. Notice of Action. An institutional holder, insurer, or guarantor of a First Mortgage who provides a written request to the Association (such request to state the name and address of such holder, insurer, or guarantor and identify specifically the Lot encumbered by the First Mortgage, thereby becoming an "eligible holder") will be entitled to timely written notice of: (a) any condemnation loss or casualty loss which affects a material portion of the Community or which affects a portion of the Lot on which there is a First Mortgage held, insured or guaranteed by such eligible holder; any delinquency in the payment of assessments or charges owed by an Owner of a Lot, subject to the First Mortgage of the eligible holder, where such delinquency has continued for a period of sixty (60) days; provided, however, notwithstanding this provision, the Association may, without request from such eligible holder, provide notice of such delinquency to such First Mortgagee; (c) any lapse, cancellation, or material modification of any insurance policy maintained by the Association; or (d) any proposed action which would require the consent of a specified percentage of eligible holders.

Section 2. <u>No Priority</u>. No provision of this Declaration or the Bylaws gives or shall be construed as giving any Owner or any other Person a priority over any rights of the First Mortgagee on a Lot in the case of distribution to such Owner of insurance proceeds or condemnation awards for losses to or a taking of the Common Area.

Section 3. <u>Notice to Association</u>. Upon request, each Owner shall be obligated to furnish to the Association the name and address of the holder of any Mortgage encumbering such Owner's Lot.

Section 4. <u>Failure of Mortgagee to Respond</u>. Any Mortgagee who receives a written request from the Board to respond or consent to any action shall be deemed to have approved such action if the Association does not receive a written response from the Mortgagee within thirty (30) days after the date of the Association's request.

### ARTICLE XI USE RESTRICTIONS

Section 1. <u>General</u>. This Article sets out certain use restrictions which must be complied with by all Owners and their respective families, tenants, guests, licensees, and invitees. In addition, the Board may from time to time, without the consent of the Owners, adopt, modify, or delete Rules and Regulations applicable to the Community as permitted under this Declaration.

Section 2. Residential Use. Except for development, sale, and marketing activities carried on by the Declarant, affiliates of Declarant and Approved Builders in connection with the Lots and Residential Units, each lot shall be used for residential purposes only. No trade or business of any kind may be conducted in or from a Lot, except for business use ancillary to a primary residential use so long as (a) the existence or operation of the business activity is not apparent or detectable by sight, sound, or smell from the exterior of the Residential Unit; (b) the business activity does not involve Persons coming onto the Lots who do not reside in the Community or door-door solicitation of Owners of Lots; (c) the business activity conforms to all zoning requirements for the Lot; and (d) the business activities are consistent with the residential character of the Community and do not constitute a nuisance, a hazardous or offensive use, or threaten the security or safety of other Owners of Lots, as may be determined in the sole discretion of the Board of Directors.

Section 3. <u>Single-Family</u>. A Residential Unit shall not be constructed for more, nor occupied by more, than one (1) family.

Section 4. <u>Building Provisions</u>. No building or structure shall be erected on any Lot other than one (1) detached Residential Unit and an enclosed private garage for at least two (2) automobiles. The ground area of a one (1) story Residential Unit shall not be less than one thousand five hundred (1,500) heated square feet. The ground area of a multistory Residential Unit shall not be less than two thousand five hundred (2,500) heated square feet. The exterior of any Residential Unit must be completed within nine (9) months after the commencement of construction. Yard and grounds shall be landscaped within sixty (60) days of the completion of construction, including the cleaning of all debris, stumps, and building materials. There shall be no outside storage of building supplies after construction of the Residential Unit is completed. Notwithstanding anything in this Section to the contrary, the ARB, in its sole discretion, may waive any of the provisions set forth above or establish special conditions which may be necessary due to topography or the location of a Lot.

Section 5. <u>Gardens</u>. No gardens of any type may be planted or maintained in the front or side yard of any Lot.

Section 6. Play Equipment. Playhouses, tree houses, basketball goals, trampolines,

hammocks, play structures and other recreational equipment constitute Improvements and are therefore subject to review and approval by the ARB in accordance with Article IX of this Declaration.

Section 7. <u>Temporary Structures</u>. Other than temporary facilities as might be installed by Declarant or an Approved Builder, with the Declarant's consent, no structure of a temporary character, whether a trailer, mobile home, tent, shack, garage, barn, or other out building, shall be permitted, maintained or used on any Lot at any time as a residence or for any other purpose, either temporarily or permanently.

Section 8. <u>Signs</u>. Except for signs placed in the Community by Declarant or affiliates of Declarant, no signs, including "For Sale" signs, billboards, posters or advertising devices of any character shall be erected, permitted or maintained on any Lot or on the Common Area without the express written consent of the Board of Directors. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Owner of each Lot may place one "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign on his Lot; provided, however, the Board of Directors has the right to regulate the size and design of the sign to ensure consistency with the Community-Wide Standard. Declarant hereby reserves the right to construct and maintain such signs, billboards, and advertising devices as is determined by Declarant to be necessary in connection with the development, marketing, and sale of Lots in the Community.

Section 9. Nuisance. It shall be the responsibility of each owner and occupant of a Lot to prevent the development of any unclean, unhealthy, unsightly, or unkempt condition on his Lot. No Lot shall be used, in whole or in part, for the storage of any property or thing which will cause such property or thing to appear to be in an unclean or untidy condition or that will be obnoxious to the eye, nor shall any substance, thing or material be kept that will emit foul or obnoxious odors or that will cause any noise or other condition that will or might disturb the peace, quiet, safety, comfort or serenity of the Owners and occupants of surrounding Lots. No obnoxious or offensive activity shall be carried on within the Community, nor shall anything be done tending to cause embarrassment, discomfort, annoyance, or nuisance to any Person on any Lot or the Common Area. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no horn, speaker, whistle, siren, bell, amplifier or other sound device, except such devices as may be used exclusively for security purposes and stereo speakers, shall be located, installed, or maintained upon the exterior of any Residential Unit. Any siren or device for security purposes shall contain a device which causes it to automatically shut off within a reasonable time after sounding.

Section 10. <u>Animals and Pets</u>. No animals, pets, livestock, swine, birds or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any Lot, except that dogs, cats and other usual household pets may be kept by an Owner on his respective Lot and within their respective Residential Unit provided they are not kept, bred, or maintained for any commercial purpose and do not endanger the health of or unreasonably disturb Owners of Lots within the Community. The Board of Directors shall have the right to adopt reasonable Rules and Regulations governing animals and pets kept by Owners of Lots in the Community, including the right certain size, weight or type. No structure for the care, housing or confinement of any pet or animal shall be constructed or maintained on any part of the Common Area, and any such structures maintained on a Lot must be approved by the ARB pursuant to Article IX of this Declaration. Pets and animals shall be on a leash at all times when walked or exercised in any portion of the Community, except on the

Owner's Lot. No pet or animal shall be permitted to leave its excrement on any portion of the Common Area or on any Lot not owned by the Owner of the animal or pet and the Owner of such animal or pet shall immediately remove such excrement. In the event an animal or pet is deemed by the Board of Directors to be a nuisance or to be kept in violation of this Declaration, the Board of Directors shall have the right to require the Owner of such animal or pet to remove such animal or pet from the Community. The animal control authority shall be permitted to enter the Community to patrol and remove all pets and animals which are in violation of such animal control regulations or this Declaration. All animals and pets shall be registered, licensed, and inoculated as required by law.

Section 11. Garbage Cans, Wood Piles, Etc. All garbage cans, wood piles, and related equipment and other similar items shall be located or screened so as to be concealed from view from the streets in front of each Lot and shall be located in the rear of each Residential Unit. All rubbish, trash, and garbage shall be regularly removed from each Lot and shall not be allowed to accumulate thereon. Trash, garbage, or other rubbish shall be kept in sanitary containers with covers or lids, which sanitary containers shall be removed from the front of each Lot promptly after pickup by the local garbage service. Exterior clotheslines are expressly prohibited on any Lot. The Declarant expressly reserves the right to allow Approved Builders to dump, bury and/or burn construction debris and trees on any Lot as needed for efficient construction; otherwise, no dumping or burning of debris or trees is permitted on any Lot.

Section 12. <u>Lighting</u>. Except for decorative lights during the holiday season, all exterior lighting on each Lot must be submitted and approved by the ARB in accordance with Article IX, above. The Board of Directors shall have the right to adopt reasonable Rules and Regulations concerning seasonal decorative lights.

Section 13. <u>Sight Distance at Intersections</u>. All Lots located at any street intersection shall be landscaped so as to permit safe sight across the street comers. No fence, wall, hedge, shrub, or landscape planting shall be place or permitted to remain at any comer of a Lot located at any street intersection where, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, the condition would create a traffic or sight problem for vehicles or persons entering or traveling upon these streets.

Section 14. <u>Energy Conservation Equipment</u>. No solar energy collector panels or attendant hardware, or other energy conservation equipment shall be constructed, installed, or maintained upon any Lot unless approved by the ARB in accordance with Article IX, above.

Section 15. <u>Pools</u>. Above-ground swimming pools are strictly prohibited and may not be erected, placed, or maintained upon any Lot within the Community. In-ground pools must be approved by the ARB in accordance with Article IX, above.

Section 16. <u>Parking</u>. All boats, buses, recreational vehicles, commercial vehicles, motorcycles, mopeds, all-terrain vehicles, scooters, mini bikes, go carts, motor homes, mobile homes, trailers, and campers kept or maintained in the Community for periods longer than twenty-four (24) hours must be kept in an enclosed garage. All automobiles, vans, and trucks shall be parked within enclosed garages to the extent that garage space is available and, if not, such automobiles, vans, and trucks shall be parked on the driveways of Lots, and not in the

Common Area. Driveways must be surfaced with concrete, asphalt or unpaved but covered with stones or pebbles or such other material as approved by the ARB. Garages shall not be used for storage or in any manner so that they become unavailable for parking automobiles and other transportation vehicles and devices therein. No automobile, van, or truck may be parked along any street for a period longer than twenty-four (24) hours. After such twenty-four (24) hour period, such automobile, van, or truck shall be considered a nuisance and may be removed from the Community by the Board of Directors at the expense of the Owner. Any boat, bus, recreational vehicle, motorcycle, moped, all-terrain vehicle, scooter, mini bike, go cart, motor home, mobile home, trailer or camper parked on any Lot in violation of this Declaration for periods longer than twenty-four (24) hours shall be considered a nuisance and may be removed from the Community by the Board of Directors at such Owner's expense.

Automobiles and other transportation vehicles or devices which are either dismantled, partially dismantled, inoperative, discarded or which do not have a valid license plate attached thereto must be stored within an enclosed garage. No Owner or occupant of any Lot shall repair or restore any automobile or other transportation vehicle or device of any kind upon a Lot, except within an enclosed garage or only to the extent necessary to enable its movement in the event of an emergency repair. No used motor vehicle parts shall be stored, kept, or maintained on the Property.

Section 17. Antennas or Similar Equipment. No antenna, receiver, satellite dish, equipment serving as an antenna or satellite dish, or other similar device or equipment shall be attached, placed upon, or installed on any Lot, Resident Unit, or any other portion of the Property, unless installed by the Association, the Declarant or in accordance with this Declaration. Direct Broadcast Satellite ("DBS") dishes measuring greater than one (1) meter in diameter are strictly prohibited as are any antennas which extend more than twelve (12) feet above any roof line. No approval shall be necessary to install DBS dishes measuring less than one meter in diameter and antennas extending less than twelve (12) feet above roof lines. No radio or television signals nor any other form of electromagnetic radiation or other signal shall be permitted to originate from any Lot which may unreasonably interfere with the reception of television or radio signals within the Community. Owners shall install any permitted or allowed antennae on the portion of the Residential Unit which is least visible from public view unless an acceptable quality signal cannot otherwise be obtained.

Section 18. <u>Firearms</u>. The recreational use of firearms within the Community is strictly prohibited. The term "firearms" includes pellet guns and other firearms of all types, regardless of size, power, or gauge.

Section 19. <u>Traffic Regulations</u>. All vehicular traffic on all streets and paved areas within the Community shall be subject to the laws of the State of Georgia and Banks County, Georgia concerning operation of motor vehicles in public streets and paved areas. The Association is hereby authorized to promulgate, administer, and enforce Rules and Regulations governing vehicular and pedestrian traffic, including reasonable safety measures and speed limits, within the Community. The Association shall be entitled to enforce such Rules and Regulations by establishing such enforcement procedures as it deems appropriate, including levying of fines for any violations thereof. All vehicles of any kind and nature which are operated on the streets or

paved area within the Community shall be operated in a careful, prudent, safe, and quiet manner and with due consideration for the rights of all Owners and occupants of Lots. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Declarant shall have no obligation to cause any streets, roadways, or paved areas to be dedicated to the public, it being expressly understood that Declarant shall have the right to keep private all such streets, roadways, and paved areas and, if Declarant elects, to cause all or any portion of said streets, roadways, and paved areas to be subject to access control devices and/or transferred to the Association as Common Area.

Section 20. <u>Leasing</u>. Residential Units may be leased for residential purposes only. All leases shall have a minimum term of one (1) year, unless the prior written approval is given by the Board of Directors. All leases shall require that the tenant acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Declaration, the Bylaws, and Rules and Regulations of the Association and shall also obligate such tenant to comply with those documents. Owners are responsible for the actions and conduct of their tenants and the tenants' family, guests, licensees, and invitees.

Section 21. <u>Drainage</u>. Natural drainage of streets, Residential Units, Lots, or driveways of Lots shall not be impaired by any Owner. No Owner shall obstruct or rechannel the drainage flow of water after location and installation of catch basins, berms, drainage areas, drainage swales, storm sewer or storm drain systems.

Section 22. <u>Unsightly or Unkempt Conditions</u>. It shall be the responsibility of each Owner to prevent any unclean, unhealthy, unsightly, or unkempt condition from existing on or within his Lot and Residential Unit. Any item such as outside patio furniture or other articles that can be viewed from the streets within the Community, Common Area, or other Lots shall be maintained in a neat and attractive condition as determined by the Board. The pursuit of hobbies or other activities, including, but not limited, assembly, disassembly and repair of motor vehicles or other mechanical devices, which might tend to cause disorderly, unsightly, or unkempt conditions shall not be pursued or undertaken on any part of the Community other than in an enclosed garage.

Section 23. <u>Fences</u>. No fence may be installed or constructed on any Lot without the prior written approval of the ARB in accordance with Article IX, above.

Section 24. <u>Artificial Vegetation, Exterior Sculpture, and Similar Items</u>. No artificial vegetation shall be permitted in the Community except within the interior of a Residential Unit. Exterior sculptures, fountains, and similar items must be approved by the ARB in accordance with Article IX, above.

Section 25. <u>Tree Removal</u>. No trees shall be removed within the Community without the prior written consent of the ARB, except for diseased or dead trees, trees requiring removal to promote the growth of other trees, or for safety reasons.

Section 26. <u>Utility Transformers and Stand Pipes</u>. All utility transformers and stand pipes shall be landscaped so that they accomplish minimal visibility from the street or any adjacent Lot.

Section 27. Air-Conditioning Units. No window air-conditioning units may be installed.

Section 28. <u>Flags</u>. No flags may be displayed on any Unit without prior written approval in accordance with Article IX hereof; provided, however, no such approval shall be required to display the flag of the United States of America and the current flag of the State of Georgia on a Residential Unit in accordance with the provisions of the U.S. Flag Code (36 US Code 10) and usual and customary practice. The Board of Directors of the Association may promulgate reasonable rules and regulations with respect to the display of flags in the Community, including, without limitation, regulating the size of flags that may be displayed.

Section 29. <u>Subdivision of Residential Unit or Lot</u>. No Residential Unit or Lot may be subdivided or its boundary lines changed except with the prior written approval of the Association. Declarant, however, hereby expressly reserves the right to subdivide and/or revise and rerecord the subdivision plat of any Lot with the consent of the Owner(s) of an effected Lot(s) and to approve the revision and rerecording of any plat of any Lot owned by any Approved Builder or developer, including, but not limited to, changing any Lot to Common Area or creating a public or private street over any Lot or property that was formerly a Lot, without the consent of any Person, other than the Owner(s) of such Lot(s).

### ARTICLE XIII GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Enforcement. Every Owner and every occupant of any Lot, and their respective families, guests, invitees, licensees, successors, and assigns, shall comply with this Declaration, the Bylaws, and the Rules and Regulations of the Association, as they now exist and may be amended from time to time. Except as otherwise provided herein, the Association shall send written notice of any violation to the violating Owner, who shall have ten (10) days from the date of the notice (in the event of an emergency, as determined by the Board of Directors, only reasonable notice is required) to correct and cure the violation and comply with this Declaration, the Bylaws, or the Rules and Regulations. Any lack of such compliance shall entitle the Board of Directors to impose and assess fines and other sanctions against the Owner of the Lot, which shall be collected as provided herein for the collection of assessments. Furthermore, any lack of such compliance shall authorize the Board of Directors to temporarily suspend voting rights and the rights of use of the Common Areas; provided, however, no such suspension shall deny an Owner or any occupant of a Lot access to the Lot owned or occupied. Additionally, any lack of such compliance shall authorize the Board of Directors to institute legal action against the Owner and occupant of a Lot to recover damages as a result of such party's action or for injunctive relief, or both, which action shall be maintainable by the Board of Directors on behalf of the Association or, in a proper case, by any aggrieved Owner. Failure by the Board of Directors or any Owner to enforce any of the foregoing shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter. The Board of Directors shall have the right to record in the appropriate land records a notice of violation of the Declaration, the Bylaws, or the Rules and Regulations, and assess the cost of the recording and removing of such notice against the Owner responsible for the violation of such documents.

Section 2. Self-Help. In addition to any other remedies provided for herein, the Board or

its duly authorized agent shall have the power to enter upon any portion of the Property, including Lots and Residential Units, to abate or remove, using such force as may be reasonably necessary, any Improvement, Residential Unit, thing, or condition which violates this Declaration, the Bylaws, or the Rules and Regulations. The Board shall give the violating Owner ten (10) days written notice of its intent to exercise self- help (except in the event of an emergency, as determined by the Board of Directors, in which event only reasonable notice is required). All costs of self-help, including reasonable attorney's fees actually incurred, shall be assessed against the violating Owner and shall be collected as provided for herein for the collection of assessments.

Section 3. <u>Duration</u>. The provisions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the Property and shall inure to the benefit of and shall be enforceable by the Association, the Declarant and any Owner, their respective legal representatives, heirs, successors, and assigns, perpetually to the extent provided by law; provided, however, if and to that extent that Georgia law limits the period during which covenants restricting land to certain uses may run, any provisions of this Declaration affected thereby shall run with and bind the land so long as permitted by such law, after which time, any such provision(s) shall be (a) automatically extended for successive periods of twenty (20) years (or the maximum period allowed by Georgia law, if less), unless a written instrument signed by the then Owners of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the Lots has been recorded within the two years immediately preceding the beginning of a twenty (20) year renewal period agreeing to terminate the same; or (b) extended, renewed, modified, or terminated as otherwise provided herein or by applicable law.

Section 4. Amendment. This Declaration may be amended unilaterally at any time and from time to time by Declarant (a) if such amendment is necessary to bring any provision hereof into compliance with any applicable governmental statute, rule, or regulation or judicial determination which shall be in conflict therewith; (b) if such amendment is necessary to enable any reputable title insurance company to issue title insurance coverage with respect to any portion of the Property subject to this Declaration; if such amendment is required by an institutional or governmental lender or purchaser of Mortgage loans, including, for example, the Federal National Mortgage Association or Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, to enable such lender or purchaser to make or purchase mortgage loans on any portion of the Property subject to this Declaration; or (d) if such amendment is necessary to enable any governmental agency or reputable private insurance company to insure mortgage loans on any portion of the Property subject to this Declaration; provided, however, any such amendment shall not adversely affect the title to any Owner's Lot unless any such Owner shall consent thereto in writing. Further, until Buildout, Declarant may unilaterally amend this Declaration for any other purpose; provided, however, any such amendment shall not materially and adversely affect the substantive rights of any Owner hereunder, nor shall it adversely affect title to the Lot of any Owner without the consent of the affected Owner.

In addition to the above, this Declaration may be amended upon the affirmative vote or written consent, or any combination thereof, of Members representing a Majority of the total Association vote and, until Buildout, with the consent of the Declarant. A meeting may be called (but shall not require to be called) to consider and vote upon any amendment.

Amendments to the Declaration shall become effective upon recordation, unless a later effective date is specified therein. Until Buildout, no provision of this Declaration which reserves or grants rights, privileges, easements, or any authority to the Declarant shall be amended without the prior written consent of the Declarant. Any procedural challenge to an amendment must be made within one (1) month of its recordation. In no event shall a change of conditions or circumstances operate to amend any provisions of the Declaration or Bylaws.

Section 5. <u>Partition</u>. The Common Area shall remain undivided, and no Owner nor any other Person shall bring any action for partition or division of the whole or any part without the written consent of every Owner, the written consent of all holders of Mortgages encumbering the Property, and, until Buildout, the consent of the Declarant. No Lot may be subdivided or partitioned, unless by the Declarant.

Section 6. <u>Severability</u>. Whenever possible, each provision of this Declaration shall be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid. If the application of any provision of this Declaration shall be prohibited or held invalid, such prohibition or invalidity shall not affect any other provision or the application of any provision which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application and, to this end, the provisions of this Declaration are declared to be severable.

Section 7. <u>Captions</u>. The captions of each Article and Section hereof are inserted only for convenience and are in no way to be construed as defining, limiting, extending, or otherwise modifying or adding to the particular Article or Section to which they refer.

Section 8. <u>Perpetuities</u>. If any of the covenants. conditions, restrictions, or other provisions of this Declaration shall be unlawful, void or voidable for violation of the rule against perpetuities, then such provisions shall continue only until twenty-one (21) years after the death of the last survivor of the now living descendants of Elizabeth II, Queen of England.

Section 9. <u>Indemnification</u>. To the fullest extent allowed by the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code, and in accordance therewith, the Association shall indemnify every Person who was or is a party or who is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (other than an action by or in the name of the Association), by reason of the fact that such Person is or was serving as an officer, director, or committee member of the Association, against any and all expenses, including attorney's fees, imposed upon or reasonably incurred in connection with any action, suit or proceeding, if such Person acted in a manner reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the Association and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. Any indemnification hereunder shall be made by the Association only as authorized in a specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the person is proper under the circumstances.

Section 10. <u>No Personal Liability for Association Officers and Directors</u>. The officers, directors, and committee members shall have no personal liability with respect to any contract or other commitment made by them, in good faith, on behalf of the Association (except to the extent that such officers or directors may also be liable as Members of the Association), and the

Association shall indemnify and forever hold each such officer and director free and harmless against any and all liability to others on account of any such contract or commitment. Any right of indemnification provided for herein shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which any officer or director, or former officer or director, may be entitled. The Association shall maintain adequate general liability and officers' and directors' liability insurance to fund this obligation, if such coverage is available at reasonable cost, as determined in the sole discretion of the Board.

Section 11. <u>Contracts Executed During Declarant Control</u>. All contracts or leases executed by or on behalf of the Association prior to the Conversion Date shall contain, or shall be deemed to contain, a termination clause pertaining to the Association to terminate the contract or lease at any time, without cause and without penalty, upon not more than ninety (90) days written notice.

Section 12. Occupants Bound. All provisions of the Declaration, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, use restrictions, and architectural guidelines which govern the conduct of Owners and which provide for sanctions against Owners shall also apply to all Occupants and the guests and invitees of Owners and Occupants. The Owner shall be responsible for insuring that the Occupants, the guests, invitees, and licensees of the Owner and Occupant strictly comply with all provisions of the Declaration, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations, use restrictions, and architectural guidelines.

Section 13. <u>Notice of Purchase</u>. Upon acquisition of an interest in the Property, the acquiring Owner shall notify the Board in writing of the name of the acquiring owner and such other information as the Board may reasonably require.

Section 14. <u>Estoppel Certificates</u>. Upon the request of any Member, the Board or its designee shall furnish a written certificate signed by an officer or agent of the Association regarding unpaid assessments levied against that Member's Lot and any violations of the Declaration, Bylaws, or Rules and Regulations, by an Owner or occupant of such Owner's Lot. Such certificate shall bind the Association with respect to the foregoing matters. The Association may require the advance payment of a processing fee not to exceed Twenty-Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$25.00) for the issuance of each such certificate.

Section 15. <u>Agreements</u>. All agreements and determinations, including settlement agreements regarding litigation involving the Association, lawfully authorized by the Board, shall be binding upon all Owners, their heirs, legal representatives, successors, assigns and others having an interest in the Community, except that no such agreements shall be binding as to the Declarant until Buildout without the written consent of the Declarant.

Section 17. <u>Implied Rights</u>. The Association may exercise any right or privilege given to it expressly by the Declaration, the Bylaws, the Articles of Incorporation, or the Rules and Regulations and every other right or privilege reasonably to be implied from the existence of any such right or privilege given to it therein or reasonably necessary to effectuate any such right or privilege.

Section 18. Use of Words "Chimney Oaks". No Person shall use the word "Chimney

Oaks" in the name of any commercial or residential building or any commercial or residential business or enterprise or in any printed or promotional material without the prior written consent of the Declarant. However, Owners or occupants of Lots may use the word "Chimney Oaks" in printed or promotional matter where such phrase is used solely to specify that particular property is located within the Chimney Oaks Community.

Section 19. <u>Variances</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, until Buildout, the Declarant shall be authorized to grant individual variances from any of the provisions of this Declaration or the Bylaws, except the provisions of Article VIII of this Declaration regarding assessments, if it determines that waiver of application or enforcement of the provision in a particular case would not be inconsistent with the overall scheme of development for the Community.

Section 20. Security. ALL OWNERS, OCCUPANTS, GUESTS, LICENSEES, AND INVITEES, AS APPLICABLE, ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE DECLARANT, THE ASSOCIATION AND ITS BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND THE ARB DO NOT REPRESENT OR WARRANT THAT ANY SAFETY OR SECURITY MEASURES WILL BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE COMMUNITY OR, IF IMPLEMENTED, THAT SUCH SAFETY OR SECURITY MEASURES MAY NOT BE COMPROMISED OR CIRCUMVENTED, OR THAT ANY SUCH SAFETY OR SECURITY MEASURES WILL IN ALL CASES PROVIDE THE DETECTION OR PROTECTION FOR Which THEY ARE DESIGNED. EACH OWNER, OCCUPANT, GUEST, LICENSEE, OR INVITEE, AS APPLICABLE, ACKNOWLEDGES AND UNDERSTANDS THAT THE DECLARANT, THE ASSOCIATION, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND DRB ARE NOT INSURERS AND THAT EACH OWNER, OCCUPANT, GUEST, LICENSEE, AND INVITEE ASSUMES ALL RISKS OF PERSONAL INJURY AND PROPERTY DAMAGE AND FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGES THAT DECLARANT, THE ASSOCIATION, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND DRB HAVE MADE NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, NOR HAS ANY OWNER, OCCUPANT, GUEST, LICENSEE, OR INVITEE RELIED UPON ANY REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES, EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTY OR MERCHANTABILITY OF FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE RELATIVE TO ANY SAFETY OR SECURITY MEASURES IMPLEMENTED OR APPROVED.

Section 21. <u>Gender and Grammar</u>. The singular whenever used herein shall be construed to mean and include the plural, when applicable, and vice versa, and the use of the masculine or neuter pronoun shall include the feminine, when applicable, and vice versa.

Section 22. <u>Interpretation</u>. In all cases, the provisions set forth in this Declaration shall be construed together and given that interpretation or construction which, in the opinion of Declarant, or the Board after the Conversion Date, will best evidence the intent of the general plan of the Community. The provisions hereof are to be liberally interpreted and, if necessary, they shall be so extended or enlarged by implication as to make them fully effective.

### ARTICLE XIV THE CLUB AND GOLF COURSE

Section 1. Owners' Covenants. With respect to the Club, the Club Property, and the Golf Course, the Owners of any Lot or any portion of the Property shall be subject to the additional covenants that are set forth in this Article XIV.

Section 2. The Club. The Club Property is owned by Declarant as a private club and recreational area in conjunction with the development of the Property. Declarant or other parties may from time to time develop club facilities within the Club Property (including, without limitation, the Golf Course, a clubhouse, tennis courts, and swimming pools) (the "Club Facilities"). The Club Facilities shall be developed and provided at the discretion of Declarant. The Club Owner, at any particular time, shall have the exclusive right to determine from time to time, in its sole discretion and without notice or approval of any change, how and by whom the Club Facilities shall be used, if at all. By way of example, but not limitation, the Club Owner shall have the right to approve users and determine eligibility for use of the Club Facilities, to reserve use rights for future purchasers of Lots in the Community, to terminate any or all use rights, to change, eliminate or cease operation of any or all of the Club Facilities, to transfer any or all of the Club Facilities or the operation thereof to anyone (including, without limitation, a member-owned or equity club) and on any terms, to limit the availability of use privileges, and to require the payment of a purchase price, a membership contribution, an initiation fee, dues and other charges for use privileges.

The Club Property is hereby made subject to the covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, charges, and liens contained in this Declaration as more particularly set forth herein. The Club, the members of the Club, their visitors, guests, and invitees shall have certain perpetual non-exclusive easements over the Property as set forth in Article III hereof; provided, however, such easements, as they relate to the use of the Common Areas by the Club or its members, their visitors, guests, and invitees, shall be only as to those portions of the Common Areas necessary for such persons' use. Each Owner acknowledges that the use of the Common Areas by the Club or its members, their visitors, guests, and invitees may increase the number of people using the Common Areas. Any disputes as to what constitutes a normal purpose or what portions of the Common Areas are necessary for such persons' use shall, during the term of this Declaration, be determined by Declarant in its sole and absolute discretion. Declarant reserves the right, in its sole discretion and with no other approval being required, to impose upon the Common Areas such other easements which are required for the use and enjoyment of the Club Property. The location of a Lot or Residential Unit within the Property may result in nuisances or hazards to such Lot or Residential Unit, or to persons on, making use of or in transit to or from such Lot or Residential Unit, or to property on such Lot or Residential Unit, as a result of normal Club operations. Each Owner covenants for itself, its successors-in-interest and assigns, and its contractors, subcontractors, guests and invitees that it shall assume all risks associated with such location, including, but not limited to, the risk of property damage or personal injury arising from stray golf balls or actions incidental to such Club activities, and shall indemnify and hold harmless the Association, Declarant, the Club Owner, the Club, the Golf Course architect, any other entity owning or managing the Golf Course or the Club, and any of their officers, directors, agents, or employees, from any and all liabilities, claims or expenses, including attorney's fees and expenses, arising from such property damage or personal injury. Nothing in this Section 2 shall restrict or limit any power of Declarant, the Club Owner or any entity owning or managing the Golf Course to change the design of the Golf Course, and such changes, if any, shall not

nullify, restrict or impair the covenants contained herein.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING CONTAINED HEREIN TO THE CONTRARY, NEITHER THE CLUB NOR ANY OF THE CLUB FACILITIES WILL BE COMMON AREA UNDER THIS DECLARATION, AND THE OWNERSHIP OF A LOT (WHETHER OR NOT CONTIGUOUS TO THE CLUB PROPERTY) AND/OR MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION DOES NOT IN ANY WAY CONFER ANY OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN OR ANY EASEMENT OR RIGHT TO USE THE CLUB, THE CLUB PROPERTY, OR ANY CLUB FACILITIES OR AMENITIES, AND NO SUCH INTEREST, RIGHT, EASEMENT OR RIGHT OF USE IS CREATED UNDER THIS DECLARATION BY IMPLICATION OR OTHERWISE. THE CLUB MAY HAVE MEMBERS WHO ARE NOT OWNERS OR MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

Section 3. Golf Course. While Owners shall have the right of quiet enjoyment to their portion of the Property, there shall be no activity on any Lot or other portion of the Property which is contiguous to the Club Property or within a distance of one hundred feet (100') from any boundary of the Club Property that unreasonably disturbs play, or the enjoyment of the Golf Course, by members and guests thereof, including, without limitation, undue noise, unsightly trash and debris, or any other noxious or offensive activity. Typical noises and activities associated with normal construction activities on Lots or other portions of the Property shall, however, be permitted except during the Golf Tournaments, as herein defined. In addition to the provisions in Article XI herein or other provisions in this Declaration, no fencing shall be constructed or maintained on any Lot or other portion of the Property which is (i) contiguous to the Club Property and within ten feet (10') from any boundary of the Club Property, without the prior written consent of the Club Owner and the ARB.

Section 4. Golf Tournaments. In addition to the restrictions set forth in Section 2 of this Article XIV (which shall apply at all times), during any tournament on the Golf Course which tournament is sponsored, permitted or sanctioned by the Club Owner, including, without limitation, any PGA TOUR tournament sanctioned by PGA TOUR, INC. and any LPGA tournament ("Golf Tournament"), there shall be no unusual construction or other activity on any portion of the Property, whether or not contiguous to the Club Property, that, in the reasonable judgment of the Club Owner, disturbs play in, or conduct of, the Golf Tournament, including the enjoyment thereof by spectators. Provided they comply with applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations, the Club Owner and its designees, including the sponsor of any Golf Tournament (if such party is named as a designee hereunder for such purpose by the Club Owner), shall be entitled to restrict the rights-of-way (other than any rights-of-way that have been publicly dedicated) and access to other areas contiguous to or near the Club Property during the period of any Golf Tournament; provided, however, Owners, their guests and invitees, shall at all times have at least one means of ingress and egress from their Lot or Residential Unit in the public right-of-way. All Owners acknowledge that during the Golf Community to a Tournaments, parking facilities for spectators and guests may be located off the premises of the Club Property, including within the Property, and traffic congestion may occur.

Section 5. Construction Limits. With respect to portions of the Property which are

contiguous to the Club Property:

- (a) Reasonable efforts shall be made to screen locations of construction material storage areas, chemical toilets, dumpsters, and other unsightly items from the line of sight of the Golf Course;
- (b) All construction areas shall be kept in good order; all debris shall be placed in trash receptacles or dumpsters (which shall be emptied as necessary during construction in order to prevent spillage of debris on the ground) or handled as otherwise directed by the ARB; and
- (c) Except for drainage required by governmental authorities, no permanent open trenches will be located adjacent to the Club Property. Any trenches required by governmental authorities shall be designed so as to minimize any adverse aesthetic impact on the Club Property and the Property.

Section 6. <u>Daily Construction Operations</u>. During any Golf Tournament, no exterior work will be allowed on any portion of the Property if such work, in the reasonable judgment of the Club Owner, would disturb play in, or conduct of, the Golf Tournament, including the enjoyment thereof by spectators. For purposes of illustration only, such prohibited construction work during any Golf Tournament shall include pile driving, hammering, jack-hammering, sawing (by means of a power or chain saw), and similar noisy activities. Additionally, no blasting in or on the Property will be permitted during any Golf Tournament.

Section 7. <u>Excavation</u>. Any trenches located within a distance of ten feet (10') from any boundary of the Club Property must be closed overnight unless effectively barricaded, lighted, and marked to indicate a hazardous condition.

Section 8. <u>Construction Vehicles and Parking</u>. Construction parking will be restricted to the Roadway side of any property contiguous to the Club Property (i.e., away from the common boundary with the Club Property).

Section 9. <u>Construction Access Across or Over Golf Course</u>. In order to prevent damage to the Golf Course, at no time will access be allowed across or over the Golf Course for storage or transportation of labor or materials or location of construction equipment other than in connection with construction easements approved in advance in writing by the Club Owner.

Section 10. <u>Noise</u>. No radios, tape or record players, musical instruments, telephones, horns, or bells shall be operated in an unreasonably loud manner on any portion of the Property which, in the reasonable judgment of the Club Owner, would disturb play on or the use of the Golf Course.

Section 11. <u>Signage</u>. No signs will be allowed on the Golf Course side of any Lot or Common Area contiguous to the Club Property other than emergency or warning signs established by Declarant, the Club Owner, or the Board.

Section 12. Additional Construction Restrictions on Portions of the Property Adjacent to

the Club Property. The following additional restrictions shall also apply to construction activity on portions of the Property contiguous to the Club Property:

- (a) The contractor shall schedule and perform work in a good and workmanlike manner and use reasonable efforts to minimize any detrimental impact on play in, or the conduct of, any golfing activity or Golf Tournament, including the enjoyment thereof by spectators;
- (b) No work will be allowed that will restrict access to the Club Property (except in the event of an emergency) unless such work is coordinated with, and approved by, the Club Owner, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld;
- (c) Except in cases of emergency, reasonable efforts shall be made to assure that no work will be allowed on major master storm drainage lines located within a distance of fifty feet (50') from any boundary of the Club Property, during the period beginning thirty (30) days before, and extending until the completion of, any Golf Tournament; and
- (d) The contractor shall exercise reasonable care to restore any area affected by his construction activities to its original condition.
- Section 13. <u>Pets</u>. The ownership and maintenance of pets by Owners within the Property shall be in compliance with all applicable local laws, ordinances, rules and regulations and such other applicable rules and regulations as may be promulgated from time to time by the Board. Within limitation, each pet within the Property shall be kept on a leash whenever such pet is not on its Owner's property and shall be kept off the Club Property and the Golf Course at all times.

Section 14. <u>View of Golf Course and the Club Property</u>. The view of the Golf Course and the Club Property from Lots and Residential Units on Lots may be impaired by scoreboards, tents and other temporary or permanent obstructions or structures installed or erected within the boundaries of the Club Property and the Common Areas in connection with Golf Tournaments and other uses of the Golf Course and the Club Property. No Owner shall be entitled to assert any claim or to bring any action relative to any such impairment of view of the Golf Course and the Club Property.

Section 15. <u>Enforceability</u>. The rights and obligations to implement the enforcement of the provisions of this Article XIV and those portions of the other covenants, conditions, and restrictions herein contained that are directed to the protection of and enjoyment of the Club Property, the Golf Course and the orderly conduct of the Golf Tournaments shall be and are hereby delegated to and become the sole responsibility of the Club Owner, its successors and assigns and designees (which may include the operator of the Club Property and the sponsor of any Golf Tournament, if any such party is named as a designee hereunder for such purpose by the Club Owner); provided, however, the Board shall also have the right, but not the obligation, to enforce any of the provisions of this Article XIV.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Declarant hereby executes this Declaration this \_\_\_\_ day of May, 2017.

signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of		BANKS COUNTY GOLF, LLC
	By:	(Seal)
Witness		James A. Pritchard III, Member
Notary Public		
My Commission Expires:		
[Notary Seal]		

#### EXHIBIT "A"

#### THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND lying and being in the 1210<sup>th</sup> G.M.D., Banks County, Georgia, containing 363.03 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described in that certain Plat of Survey by Hubert Lovell, Georgia Registered Surveyor No. 1553, dated April 2, 1997, and revised May 19, 1998, recorded in Plat Book B, Page 118, Banks County, Georgia land records.

#### LESS AND EXCEPT:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 1210<sup>th</sup> G.M.D., Banks County, Georgia, containing 0.58 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described by a plat of survey for Scales Development Co., LLC, dated March 22, 1999, by Hubert Lovell & Associates, recorded in Plat Book C, Page 14, Banks County, Georgia land records.

#### LESS AND EXCEPT:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 1210<sup>th</sup> G.M.D., Banks County, Georgia, containing 0.72 acres, more or less, and being more particularly described by a plat of survey for Scales Creek Development Co., LLC, dated March 26, 1999, by Hubert Lovell & Associates, recorded in Plat Book 24, Page 33, Banks County, Georgia land records.

#### LESS AND EXCEPT:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 1210<sup>th</sup> G.M.D., Banks County, Georgia, containing 1 acre, more or less, and being Tracts One and Two, as more particularly shown by a plat of survey for Scales Creek Development Co., LLC, dated March 24, 1999, revised December 31, 2001, by Kenyon L. Miller, recorded in Plat Book 26, Page 122, Banks County, Georgia land records.

#### LESS AND EXCEPT:

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in the 1210<sup>th</sup> G.M.D., Banks County, Georgia, being designated as Lots 1-19 and Lots 21-28 on a plat of survey prepared for Hammer's Glen "The Reserve" Subdivision by Lovell, Duvall, Miller & Associates, Inc., Registered Land Surveyor, dated December 1, 2003, recorded in Plat Book E, Page 12, Banks County, Georgia land records.