DECLARATION AND BYLAWS

CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A PLAN FOR

CONDOMINIUM OWNERSHIP

UNDER CHAPTER 5311 OF THE REVISED CODE OF OHIO FOR

THE SLATE CREEK AT NORTH ORANGE CONDOMINIUM COMMUNITY

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DECLARATION

This is the Declaration of the Slate Creek at North Orange Condominium Community made on or as of the 1st day of April, 2007 pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 5311 of the Revised Code of Ohio.

Recitals

- A. SLATE CREEK AT NORTH ORANGE, L.P., an Ohio limited partnership, "Declarant", is the owner in fee simple of all of the real property hereinafter described and the improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto.
- B. The Declarant desires to create of this property a site of individually owned units, and commonly owned areas and facilities, and to these ends to submit this property to condominium ownership under the Condominium Act.

Definitions

The terms used in this document shall have these meanings, unless the context requires otherwise:

- 1. "Additional Property'1 means the land, and improvements thereon, that may, at a subsequent time, be added to the Condominium Property and become a part of the Condominium.
- 2. "Articles" and "Articles of Incorporation" mean the articles, filed with the Secretary of State of Ohio, incorporating The Slate Creek at North Orange Condominium Community Association as a corporation not-for-profit under the provisions of Chapter 1702 of the Revised Code of Ohio (the State of Ohio's enabling nonprofit corporation act).
- 3. "Association" and the "Slate Creek at North Orange Condominium Community Association" mean the corporation not-for-profit created by the filing of the Articles and is also one and the same as the association created for the Condominium under the Condominium Act.
- 4. "Board" and "Board of Directors" mean those persons who, as a group, serve as the Board of Directors of the Association and are also one and the same as the board of managers of the Condominium established for the Condominium under the Condominium Act.
- 5. "Bylaws" mean the bylaws of the Association, created under and pursuant to the provisions of the Condominium Act for the Condominium, and which also serve as the code of regulations of the Association under and pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 1702. A true copy of the Bylaws is attached hereto and made a part hereof.
- 6. "Common Elements" means all of the Condominium Property, except that portion described in this Declaration as constituting a Unit or Units, and is that portion of the Condominium Property constituting "common elements and facilities" of the Condominium under the Condominium Act.
- 7. "Condominium" and "Slate Creek at North Orange Condominium Community" mean the condominium regime for the Condominium Property created under and pursuant to the Condominium Act.
- 8. "Condominium Act" means Chapter 5311 of the Revised Code of Ohio.
- 9. "Condominium instruments" means this Declaration, the Bylaws, the Drawings, and, as provided by the Condominium Act, "all other documents, contracts, or instruments establishing ownership of or exerting control over a condominium property or unit."

- 10. "Condominium organizational documents" means the Articles, the Bylaws, the Drawings, and this Declaration.
- 11. "Condominium Property" means the tract of land hereinafter described as being submitted to the Condominium Act, all buildings, structures and improvements situated thereon, and all easements, rights and appurtenances belonging thereto.
- 12. "Declarant" means whoever is designated in the recitals of this Declaration as creating the Condominium, and Declarant's successors and assigns, provided the rights specifically reserved to Declarant under the Condominium organizational documents shall accrue only to such successors and assigns as are designated in writing by Declarant as successors and assigns of such rights.
- 13. "Declaration" means this instrument, by which the Condominium Property is hereby submitted to the provisions of the Condominium Act.
- 14. "Drawings" means the drawings for the Condominium, and are the Drawings required pursuant to the provisions of the Condominium Act. A set thereof is attached hereto, but the same may be detached and filed separately here from by the appropriate public authorities.
- 15. "Eligible mortgagees" means the holders of valid first mortgages on Units who have given written notice to the Association stating their names, addresses and Units subject to their mortgages.
- 16. "Limited Common Elements" means those Common Elements serving exclusively one Unit or more than one but less than all Units, the enjoyment, benefit or use of which are reserved to the lawful occupants of that Unit or Units either in this Declaration, or by the Board, and is that portion of the Condominium Property constituting "limited common elements and facilities" of the Condominium under the Condominium Act.
- 17. "Occupant" means a person lawfully residing in a Unit, regardless of whether or not that person is a Unit owner.
- 18. "Person" means a natural individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, Director, or other legal entity capable of holding title to real property.
- 19. "Director" and "Directors" mean that person or those persons serving, at the time pertinent, as a Director or Directors of the Association, and mean that same person or those persons serving in the capacity of a member of the board of managers of the Association, as defined in the Condominium Act.
- 20. "Unit" and "Units" mean that portion or portions of the Condominium Property described as a unit or units in this Declaration, and is that portion of the Condominium constituting a "unit" or "units" of the Condominium under the provisions of the Condominium Act.
- 21. "Unit owner" and "Unit owners" mean that person or those persons owning a fee simple interest in a Unit or Units, each of whom is also a "member" of the Association, as defined in Chapter 1702 of the Revised Code of Ohio.

The Plan

NOW, THEREFORE, Declarant hereby makes and establishes the following plan for condominium ownership of the below-described property under and pursuant to the provisions of the Condominium Act:

ARTICLE I.

THE LAND

A legal description of the land constituting a part of the Condominium Property, located in Orange Township, Delaware County, Ohio, and consisting of 5.587acres, more or less, is attached hereto and marked "Exhibit A".

ARTICLE II.

NAME

The name by which the Condominium shall be known is the "Slate Creek at North Orange Condominium Community".

ARTICLE III.

PURPOSES: RESTRICTIONS

<u>Section 1. Purposes.</u> This Declaration is being made to establish separate individual parcels from the Condominium Property to which fee simple interests may be conveyed; to create restrictions, covenants and easements providing for, promoting, and preserving the values of Units and the Common Elements and the well-being of Unit owners and occupants; and to establish a Unit owners' association to administer the Condominium and the Condominium Property, to administer and enforce the covenants, easements, charges and restrictions hereinafter set forth, and to raise funds through assessments to accomplish these purposes.

<u>Section 2. Restrictions.</u> The Condominium and the Condominium Property shall be benefited by and subject to the following restrictions:

- (a) Unit Uses. Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Declaration, no Unit shall be used for any purpose other than that of a residence for individuals living together as a single housekeeping unit, and uses customarily incidental thereto, provided, however, that no Unit may be used as a rooming house, group home, commercial foster home, fraternity or sorority house, or any similar type of lodging, care or treatment facility. Notwithstanding the foregoing: (i) an occupant maintaining a personal or professional library, keeping personal business or professional records or accounts, conducting personal business (provided that such use does not involve customers, employees, licensees or invitees coming to the Unit), making professional telephone calls or corresponding, in or from a Unit, is engaging in a use expressly declared customarily incidental to residential use and is not in violation of these restrictions; (ii) it shall be permissible for the Declarant to maintain, during the period of its sale or rental of Units, but for no longer than a three year period of time from the time of the closing of the first sale of a Unit to a bona fide purchaser, a portion or portions of the Common Elements, and/ or one or more Units as sales and rental models and offices, and for storage and maintenance purposes, provided, that Declarant may maintain and utilize one or more of the Units in property added to the Condominium for such purposes for a three year period of time from the time of the closing of the first sale of a Unit in the property so added; and (iii) one or more Units or a portion thereof may be maintained for the use of the Association in fulfilling its responsibilities.
- (b) Common Element Uses. The Common Elements (except the Limited Common Elements) shall be used in common by Unit owners and occupants and their agents, servants, customers, invitees and licensees, in accordance with the purposes for which they are

intended, reasonably suited and capable, and as may be required for the purposes of access, ingress to, egress from, use, occupancy and enjoyment of Units. Unless expressly provided otherwise herein, no Common Elements shall be used for any purpose other than the health, safety, welfare, convenience, comfort, recreation or enjoyment of Unit owners and occupants.

- (c) Limited Common Element Uses. Those portions of the Common Elements described herein and shown on the Drawings as Limited Common Elements shall be used and possessed exclusively by the Unit owners and occupants of the Unit or Units served by the same, as specified in this Declaration, and shall be used only for the purposes intended.
- (d) Visible Areas. Nothing shall be caused or permitted to be hung or displayed on the outside or inside of windows (except interior inoffensive drapes, curtains, or louvered blinds) or placed on the outside walls of a building or otherwise outside of a Unit, or any part thereof, and no awning, canopy, shutter or television or citizens' band or other radio antenna or transmitter, or any other device or ornament, shall be affixed to or placed upon an exterior wall or roof or any part thereof, or the exterior of any door or window, or in, on, or over a patio, porch or balcony, visible to the exterior, unless authorized by the Board or required by applicable law to be permitted, but, in such case, subject to such lawful rules and regulations as the Board may adopt from time to time.
- (e) Offensive Activities. No noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on in any Unit, or upon the Common or Limited Common Elements, nor shall any be used in any way or for any purpose which may endanger the health of or unreasonably disturb any occupant.
- (f) Vehicles. The Board may promulgate rules and regulations restricting or prohibiting the parking of automobiles, vans, buses, inoperable vehicles, trucks, trailers, boats and recreational vehicles on the Common Elements, including the Limited Common Elements, or parts thereof, and may enforce such regulations or restrictions by levying enforcement charges, having such vehicles towed away, or taking such other lawful actions as it, in its sole discretion, deems appropriate.
- (g) Leasing of Units. To create a community of resident Unit owners, to remain within mortgagee owner-occupancy limitations, and to further protect and preserve the Declaration's fundamental purposes set forth in the Declaration, including, without limitation, the preservation of property values and the well-being of Unit owners and Occupants; no Unit can be leased, let, or rented, whether for monetary compensation or not, by a Unit owner to others for business, speculative, investment, or any other purpose, subject to the following:
 - (1) The above prohibition does not apply to:
 - (i) Units that are occupied by the parent(s) or child(ren) of the Unit owner; or,
 - (ii) Units that are leased or rented by the Unit owner to a third party as of the date this amendment is recorded with the Delaware County Recorder's Office, and which the Unit Owner has registered with the Association as a "leased unit" within 90 days of the recording of this amendment; grandfathered Units are excepted from this lease prohibition and may continue to be leased, until titled ownership of the Unit is transferred to a subsequent Unit owner; upon the date of title transfer, the Unit is no longer a Grandfathered Unit and is no longer excepted from this lease prohibition (referred to as "Grandfathered Units"); or,

- (iii) Units that to meet a special situation and to avoid a practical difficulty or other undue hardship, each Unit owner has the right to lease their Unit to a specified renter/tenant for a one- time period of no more than 24 consecutive calendar months, subject to the restrictions and requirements as identified in subparagraphs (2), (3), and (4) below (referred to as "Hardship Units"). To exercise this right:
 - A. The Unit owner must provide the Board with prior, written notice of the lease at least 10 business days prior to its commencement;
 - B. The Unit owner must have been the title owner of the Unit for at least one year before the Unit owner leases their Unit because of an undue hardship, unless the Unit owner became the title owner of the Unit directly through inheritance of the Unit upon the demise of the former owner of the Unit; the intent of this limitation being to prevent any person from buying or otherwise acquiring a Unit with the intent of leasing the Unit (i.e. as an investor owner); and,
 - C. The Unit owner may not be more than 60 days delinquent in payment of any assessment or other amount due to the Association. If the Unit owner is more than 60 days past due in payment, the Unit owner will request from the Board of Directors a one-time hardship exception and will not lease the Unit until the Board approves the request.
- (2) Units occupied by parents or children of a Unit owner, Grandfathered Units, or Hardship Units are subject to the following conditions and restrictions:
 - (i) Lease terms must be for 12 full, consecutive calendar months;
 - (ii) Leases must be provided to the Board of Directors prior to the commencement of the lease term;
 - (iii) No Unit may be leased, let, or rented to any business or corporate entity for the purpose of corporate housing or similar use;
 - (iv) No Unit may be sub-leased, sublet, or rented by a tenant;
 - (v) No individual room, part, or sub-part of any Unit may be leased, let, or rented;
 - (vi) The Association has at all times a limited power-of-attorney from and on behalf of any Unit owner who is more than 60 days past due in the payment of any Assessment or other amounts due to the Association. The limited power-of-attorney permits the Association to collect the lease or rent payments directly from the lessee, tenant, or renter until the amount owed to the Association is paid in full.
 - (vii) The lessee, tenant, or renter must abide by the terms of the Declaration, Bylaws, and Rules and regulations.
 - (viii) When a Unit owner leases their Unit, the Unit owner relinquishes all amenity privileges, but continue(s) to be responsible for all obligations of ownership of their Unit and is jointly and severally liable with the lessee, tenant, or renter to the Association for the conduct of the lessee, tenant, or renter and any damage to Association property.
 - (ix) In accordance with Ohio law, the Association may initiate eviction proceedings to evict any lessee, tenap.t, or renter for violation of the Declaration, Bylaws, rules, or

applicable laws, by any Occupant of the Unit, or the Unit owner of the Unit. The action will be brought by the Association, as the Unit owner's agent, in the name of the Unit owner. In addition to any procedures required by State law, the Association will give the Unit owner(s) at least 10 days written notice of the intended eviction action. The costs of any eviction action, including reasonable attorneys' fees, will be assessed to the Unit owner(s) and the Unit's account and is a lien against that Unit.

- (3) Any land contract for the sale of a Unit must be recorded with the Delaware County Recorder's Office. A recorded copy of the land contract must be delivered to the Board of Directors within 30 days of its recording. Any unrecorded land contract is a prohibited lease.
- (4) The Board may adopt and enforce rules and definitions in furtherance, but not in contradiction of the above provis10ns, including, without limitation, rules to address and eliminate attempts to circumvent the meaning or intent of this Section 2(g)- and in furtherance of the preservation of Slate Creek at North. Orange Condominium .as an owner-occupied community and against the _leasing of Units for investment or other purposes. The Board has full power and authority to deny the occupancy of any Unit by any Person or family if the Board, in its sole discretion, determines that the Unit owner of such Unit is intending or seeking to circumvent the meaning, purpose, or intent of this Section 2(g).
- (h) Signs. No sign of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on the Condominium Property except: (i) on the Common Elements, signs regarding and regulating the use of the Common Elements, provided they are approved by the Board.

Signs. No sign of any kind will be displayed on the Condominium Property except: (i) on the Common Elements, signs regarding and regulating the use of the Common Elements, provided they are approved by the Board; and (ii) on the yard areas, within 10 feet in front of a Unit, one customary, professionally prepared sign not in excess of the width and height as those customarily used by professional realtors and as installed above ground. including the frame or post and hardware, and which may include one customary, professional display box or tube for information about the Unit, advertising the Unit for sale. Displaying or placing signs of any kind on the interior side of any window is prohibited. The Board has the authority to determine if a "For Sale" sign or a display box or tube is customary or professional, and to adopt rules to further define and clarify, but not prohibit, this provision on "For Sale" signs, including, without limitation, the permitted appearance or placement location of the signs.

- (i) Replacements. Any building erected to replace an existing building containing Units shall be of new construction, be of comparable structure type, size, design and construction to that replaced, and shall contain a like number of Units of comparable size to the Units in the building replaced.
- (j) Structural Integrity. Nothing shall be done in any Unit, or in, on or to the Common or Limited Common Elements, which may impair the structural integrity of any improvement.
- (k) Construction in Easements. No structure, planting or other material shall be placed or permitted to remain within the easements for the installation and maintenance of utilities and drainage facilities which may damage or interfere with the installation and maintenance of utility lines or which may change the direction of the flow of drainage channels in the easements or which may obstruct or retard the flow of water through drainage channels in the easement areas. The

utility facilities within the easement areas shall be subject to the right of the Association to maintain the same, and its right to delegate that right to a public authority or utility.

- (I) Animals. Except as expressly provided for below, animals, including rabbits, livestock, fowl, poultry, pigs, snakes or other reptiles, horses, Exotic Pets (as defined below), wild hybrids, or any other pets of any kind are prohibited from being raised, bred, or kept in any Unit or in the Common Elements.
 - (1) A Unit owner may have and keep up to three Permitted Pets, only two of which can be dogs. Any Unit owner that keeps any Permitted Pet defined below and as described above, must comply with the restrictions contained in this Section 20) and with the Association rules.
 - (2) A "Permitted Pet" is a domestic household pet, as determined or defined by the Board, including any dog, cat, bird, fish, or other aquatic life permitted by this Section 20). Any Permitted Pet above the three-Permitted Pet limit residing on the Condominium Property prior to the recording of this Amendment with the Delaware County Recorder's Office, will be permitted to remain provided that said Permitted Pet is registered with the Association within 30 days of the date of recording of this amendment. On the relocation, removal, or demise of any such registered Permitted Pet, it may not be replaced.
 - (4) No Permitted Pet may, at any time, be kept, bred, or maintained for any commercial purpose.
 - (5) The Board may mandate the permanent removal of any Permitted Pet from the Condominium Property that causes or creates a nuisance or unreasonable disturbance, upon 3 days written notice from the Board.
 - (6) A Permitted Pet must be kept in a Unit and only those portions of the Condominium Property as the Board designates, unless the Permitted Pet is on a hand-held leash, being carried, or otherwise transported across, to or from, the Condominium Property.
 - (7) "Prohibited Dogs," as the Board may, by Rule, determine and define as "dangerous," cannot be kept, harbored, or permitted to remain on any part of the Condominium Property for any length of time and are prohibited from the Condominium Property. The Board may, upon prior written approval, approve a "Prohibited Dog" and require the Unit Owner to obtain and maintain at all times liability insurance of at least \$500,000.00 (or such other minimum amount as stated in the Rules) per occurrence and provide proof of such insurance to the Association within 30 days of any written request from the Board.
 - (8) A "Vicious Dog" cannot be kept, harbored, or permitted to remain on any part of the Condominium Property or within a Unit for any length of time. A Vicious Dog is a dog that: (1) lunged at any Person or other pet in a threatening manner on more than one occasion; (2) has bitten, injured, or killed any Person whether on or off the Condominium Property at any time; (3) has bitten, injured, or killed another pet; or (4) is defined or found to be a "vicious" dog under any State or local law, ordinance, or other regulation, or by a court of law.
 - (9) An "Exotic Pet" is an animal that is a rare or unusual pet kept within a human household, which is generally thought of as a wild species, not domesticated, and not typically kept as a pet.

- (10) If a Unit owner has any non-Permitted Pet, Prohibited Dog or Exotic Pet residing in their Unit for 60 or more days prior to the date of the recording of this Amendment, and registers such non-Permitted Pet, Prohibited Dog, or Exotic Pet with the Association within 90 days of the date of recording of this Amendment, the non-Permitted Pet, Prohibited Dog, or Exotic Pet is "grandfathered" and permitted to remain on the Condominium Property, until its demise or relocation off the Condominium Property for a period of 30 or more consecutive days, at which time it may not be replaced. If an animal is grandfathered and considered a non-Permitted Pet, Prohibited Dog, or Exotic Pet, as the Board determines, the Unit owner must obtain and maintain liability insurance of at least \$500,000.00 per occurrence and provide proof of such insurance to the Association within 30 days of any written request from the Board.
- (m) Conveyances. Each Unit shall be conveyed or transferred (voluntarily or involuntarily) as a separately designated and legally described freehold estate subject to the terms, conditions and provisions hereof. The undivided interest of a Unit in the Common Elements shall be deemed to be conveyed or encumbered with the Unit even though that interest is not expressly mentioned or described in the deed, mortgage or other instrument of conveyance or encumbrance. Any conveyance, encumbrance, judicial sale, or other transfer (voluntary or involuntary) of an interest in the Common Elements will be void unless the Unit to which that interest is allocated is also transferred to the same transferee. In any instrument of conveyance or creating an encumbrance, or in any other document legally describing a Unit, it shall be sufficient to lawfully describe a Unit and its interest in the Common Elements by referring to the Unit designation of the Unit and the appropriate recording references of the initial page of this Declaration and the Drawings. The right of a Unit owner to sell, transfer or otherwise convey that owner1s Unit is not subject to any right of first refusal, and any Unit owner may transfer that owner1s Unit free of any such limitation. To enable the Association to maintain accurate records of the names and addresses of Unit owners, each Unit owner agrees to notify the Association, in writing, within five days after an interest in that Unit owner1s Unit has been transferred to another person. In addition, each Unit owner agrees to provide to a purchaser of that owner1s Unit a copy of the Condominium organizational documents and all effective rules and regulations.
- (n) Discrimination/Handicapped Accommodation. No action shall at any time be taken by the Association or its Board which in any manner would discriminate against any Unit owner in favor of another. In addition, notwithstanding any provision hereof, or any rule or regulation, the Board shall make reasonable accommodation if necessary to afford a handicapped person equal opportunity to use and enjoy the Condominium Property, provided, that nothing contained herein shall be construed to mean or imply that any such accommodation be at the cost of the Association.
- (o) Architectural Control. No building, fence, wall, sign or other structure or improvement may be commenced, erected or maintained upon the Condominium Property, or any part thereof, nor shall any exterior addition to or change or alteration therein be made, unless made in accordance with requirements set forth in Declaration Article III Section 2(s), as amended, and the plans and specifications showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials, color and location of the same shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Board or its designated representative or representatives, in its or their sole and unfettered discretion. Nothing visible to the exterior will be permitted to be hung, placed, displayed or maintained in Limited Common Elements unless approved, in writing, by the Board or its designated representative or representatives, in its or their sole and unfettered discretion, or unless the same is authorized by existing rule or regulation adopted by the Board. In accordance with Declaration Article III, Section 2(s), as amended, as a

condition to approval, responsibility for repairing and maintaining the addition or improvement is the responsibility of the requesting Unit owner and all future owners of that Unit.

- (p) Rules and Regulations. In addition to adopting and enforcing rules and regulations in the instances specifically hereinbefore mentioned, the Board may, from time to time, adopt and enforce such further reasonable rules and regulations as it deems necessary or desirable to promote harmony, to serve the best interests of the Unit owners,, as a whole, and the Association, and to protect and preserve the nature of the Condominium and the Condominium Property. A copy of all rules and regulations shall be furnished by the Board to the owners of each Unit prior to the time when the same shall become effective.
- (q) Owner/Resident Information. Each Unit owner must, within 30 days of the recording of this Amendment or within 30 days of title transferring to the Unit owner, provide to the Association the Unit owner's and all Occupants' names, home and business mailing addresses, home and business telephone numbers, and the name, business address and business telephone number of any Person who manages the Unit as an agent of that Unit owner. Any change in the information must be provided to the Board, in writing, within 30 days of said change.
- (r) Occupancy Restriction. A Person who is classified as a Tier II or Tier III sex offender/child-victim offender, or any future equivalent classification under the law, and for whom the County Sheriff or other government entity must provide community notice of the sex offender's residential address, is prohibited from residing in or occupying a Unit and from remaining in or on the Condominium Property for any length of time. The classification of a sex offender/child-victim offender and the determination of whether notice is required is made by a court of law in accordance with the Ohio Sex Offenders Act, or similar statute from another jurisdiction as either may be amended or renamed from time to time. The Association is not liable to any Unit owner, Occupant, or visitor of any Unit owner, or of the Association, as a result of the Association's alleged failure, whether negligent, intentional, or otherwise, to enforce any provision of this Occupancy Restriction.
- (s) Improvements. The individual Unit owner is responsible for insuring, maintaining, repairing, and replacing any exterior construction, addition, expansion, alteration, or other improvement made to, or installed on, the Limited Common Elements or the Common Elements (including but not limited to any patio, deck, or areas adjacent to each Unit as defined in Declaration Article VI) ("adjacent areas") by the Unit owner or any prior Unit owner of the Unit owner's Unit (these improvements are referred to in this Section as "Improvements") and the Improvements are subject to the following restrictions:
 - (1) Any Improvement modified, constructed, or installed prior to the recording of this Amendment with the Delaware County Recorder's Office is "grandfathered" and permitted to remain on the Condominium Property and is subject to all of the requirements in this Section 2(s).
 - (2) At no time will the Unit owner seek any compensation or contribution from the Association for the cost of modifying, installing, constructing, maintaining, repairing, replacing or insuring any part of any addition, expansion, alteration, or improvement made to or installed on any Improvement.
 - (3) The Board may adopt specifications and guidelines for the modification, construction, or installation of any Improvement as it determines reasonably necessary to protect the Association.

- (4) The modification, construction, or installation of any Improvement is prohibited without the Board's prior, written consent and is subject to the following requirements:
 - (i) The Unit owner must submit to the Board an architectural drawing which must be strictly followed in modifying, constructing or installing the Improvement.
 - (ii) Once the drawing or plan is approved by the Board, no deviation from the approved modification, construction or installation plan is permitted without the Board's additional written consent.
- (5) No modification, construction, installation, maintenance, or major repair or replacement work will commence until the Unit owner has obtained all of the necessary permits and approvals from the required governmental authorities.
- (6) All modifications, construction, or installation maintenance, and repair work must be in accordance with all applicable zoning, building, and fire codes as well as in strict accordance with the manufacturer's specifications.
- (7) Any Improvement must be repaired, modified, constructed or installed by a professional, licensed, and insured contractor who will carry workers' compensation insurance and liability insurance in an amount of not less than \$500,000.00. Proof of the insurance will be provided to the Association within 30 days of a written request from Association. As between the Association and the Unit owner, the Unit owner is fully responsible and liable for any injuries and damages to any contractor the Unit owner retains or for any injuries and damages caused by, related to, or arising from the work of any contractor the Unit owner retains.
- (8) The Unit owner agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the Association, its Board, managing agent, and other Unit owners, against all liabilities, claims, or damages for property damage or bodily injury as well as against all claims, actions, and liabilities that may arise out of or relate to the modification, construction, installation, use, maintenance, repair, or replacement of the Improvement.
- (9) In the event of any uncertainty or good faith dispute as to whether any part of the work proposed by the Unit owner is an Improvement that the Unit owner is responsible for, the decision of the Board will be final, provided that the decision must be consistently followed in the future.
- (10) An easement to use, maintain, repair, and replace, in accordance with this Section 2(s), any Improvement existing as of the date of this Amendment is granted over the portion of the Condominium Property on which the Improvement is located as well as the portion of the Condominium Property reasonably necessary to access the Improvement. Upon receipt of the Board's written approval to construct or install an Improvement after the date of this Amendment, an easement is created and granted to the Unit owner to use, maintain, repair, and replace, in accordance with this Section 2(s), the Improvement over the portion of the Condominium Property on which the Improvement is located as well as the portion of the Condominium Property reasonably necessary to access the Improvement.

ARTICLE IV.

IMPROVEMENT DESCRIPTIONS

Section 1. Residential Buildings. There are five residential buildings, each containing three dwelling units (for a total of 15 dwelling units), that are initially a part of the Condominium. The residential buildings are built on a poured concrete foundation, with a wood frame, asphalt shingle roof, and a combination of stone and fiber-cement siding exterior. Each dwelling unit has at least a one car garage. The principal materials of which the buildings are constructed are wood, glass, concrete, stone, fiber-cement siding, asphalt shingle, and drywall. The residential buildings are located as shown on the Drawings.

Other. In addition, the Condominium also includes an approximately 4,300 sq. ft community clubhouse and a swimming pool, private drives and driveways, exterior parking areas, exterior lighting, and green and landscaped areas.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board has the authority to substitute the Condominium buildings' exterior materials, including the wood decking, with synthetic or other similar type replacement materials, design, and styles, that the Board reasonably determines is in the Association's best interest, provided that any replacement materials must preserve a harmonious architectural style on the Condominium Property.

ARTICLE V.

UNITS

<u>Section 1. Unit Designations</u>. Each of the dwelling units is designated by a three or four digit number corresponding with the numerical portion of the street address of the Unit (the Unit's "Unit designation"). The Unit designation for each Unit is shown on the Drawings where that Unit is located. The location and designation of each Unit is also shown on the sketch plot plan attached hereto as "Exhibit B". Information concerning the Units, with a listing of proper Unit designations, is shown on the attached "Exhibit C".

Section 2. Composition of Units.

- (a) Unit Composition. Each Unit constitutes a single freehold estate and consists of the space in the building designated by that Unit's designation on the Drawings that is bounded by the undecorated interior surfaces of the perimeter walls, the unfinished surface of the floor at the lowest level, and the unfinished interior surface of the ceiling of the highest floor, all projected, if necessary by reason of structural divisions such as interior walls and partitions, to constitute complete enclosures of space, and all improvements within that space, including space in the garage and the screened porch, if any. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, or, as appropriate, in addition, each Unit shall include:
 - (1) the decorated surfaces, including paint, lacquer, varnish, wall covering, tile and other finishing material applied to floors, ceilings, and interior and perimeter walls, carpeting, if any, and also the floors and ceilings themselves, and the drywall, paneling and other finishing wall material;
 - (2) all windows, skylights, if any, and screens and doors, including storm doors and windows, if any, and the frames, sashes and jambs, and the hardware therefor;

- (3) all fixtures and appliances installed for the exclusive use of that Unit, commencing at the point of disconnection from the structural body of the building and from utility pipes, lines or systems serving the entire building or more than one Unit thereof, including, without limiting the generality hereof, built-in cabinets, dishwashers, garbage disposal units, refrigerators, stoves and hoods, television antennas and cables, furnaces, hot water heaters, heat pumps, air conditioning units (even though located outside the bounds of a Unit), and components of the foregoing, if any;
- (4) all plumbing, electric, heating, cooling and other utility or service lines, pipes, wires, ducts, conduits and apparatus, wherever located, which serve only that Unit.
- (5) all control knobs, switches, thermostats and electrical outlets and connections affixed to or projecting from the walls, floors and ceilings which service either the Unit or the fixtures located therein.
- (6) all interior walls that are not necessary for support of the structure, and all components thereof and all space encompassed thereby; and
- (7) the portion of fireplaces, if any, actually within the interior of a Unit and the vents and dampers therefor accessible from the Unit's interior.
- (8) the space in the attached garage; and
- (9) the attic space or storage space above a Unit, and the crawl space below a Unit, if any, to which the Unit has direct and exclusive access.
- (10) excluding therefrom, however, all of the following items, whether or not located within the bounds of that Unit:
 - (i) any supporting element of the building contained in interior walls;
 - (ii) all plumbing, electric, heating, cooling and other utility or service lines, pipes, sump pumps and accessories thereto, wires, ducts and conduits which serve any other Unit; and
 - (iii) fireplace stacks and chimneys, if any.
- (b) Unit Types, Sizes, Locations and Components. The type, composition, and approximate interior area of each Unit are shown on the attached Exhibit D. The location, dimensions, and composition of each Unit are also shown on the Drawings. Each Unit has direct access to a Common Element, which leads directly to Overland Trail, a public street.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMON AND LIMITED COMMON ELEMENTS

<u>Section 1. Common Elements</u> - Description. All of the Condominium Property, including all of the land and all improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto, except those portions labeled or described herein or on the Drawings as a part of a Unit, are Common Elements.

<u>Section 2. Limited Common Elements</u> - Description. Those portions of the Common Elements that are labeled or designated "Limited Common Elements" on the Drawings, are Limited Common Elements. The Limited Common Elements appurtenant to each Unit consist of a patio or balcony, a front porch or stoop, and a parking space or spaces in front of each Unit's garage. Each such Limited

Common Element is reserved for the exclusive use of the owners and occupants of the Unit it is described, designed or designated to serve.

<u>Section 3. Undivided Interest</u>. The undivided interest in the Common Elements of each Unit is shown on the attached Exhibit C, and, in each case, is based on a par value for each type of Unit that is set forth on Exhibit D. These par values have been assigned on the basis of various factors, including average fair market values, replacement costs, relative sizes, and simplicity. Undivided interests have been adjusted at thousandths of a percent, in Declarant's discretion, so that the total of undivided interests equals exactly 100.000%. The Common Elements shall be owned by the Unit owners as tenants in common, and ownership thereof shall remain undivided. No Unit owner may waive or release any rights in the Common Elements. Further, the undivided interest in the Common Elements of a Unit shall not be separated from the Unit to which it appertains.

ARTICLE VII.

UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

<u>Section 1. Establishment of Association</u>. The Association has been formed to be and to serve as the Unit owners' association of the Condominium. The Declarant is presently the sole member of the Association.

<u>Section 2. Membership</u>. Membership in the Unit Owners' Association shall be limited to the Unit owners, and every person or entity who is or becomes a record owner of a fee or undivided fee simple interest in a Unit is a Unit owner and shall be a member of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Unit, and transfer of a Unit shall automatically transfer membership to the transferee.

Section 3. Voting Rights. Voting rights of members are as set forth in the ByLaws.

<u>Section 4. Board of Directors</u>. The number and composition, and the authority, rights and responsibilities, of the Board of Directors shall be as provided in the Bylaws.

Section 5. Parent Association Membership. The Condominium will also be a part of the North Orange Residential Subdivision (the "Parent Association"), and, as such, each Unit will be subject to the covenants and restrictions set forth in the Declaration of Covenants, Easements, Restrictions and Assessment Liens (the "Additional Covenants and Restrictions") for North Orange Residential Subdivision, filed for record in OR Book 211 Pages 201-223, Recorder's Office, Delaware County, Ohio, and any amendments thereto. Membership in the Parent Association will obligate Unit Owners to pay certain regular and special assessments separate from those owed to the Association. The Additional Covenants and Restrictions may also subject the Condominium and each individual Unit to certain limitations with respect to uses of Units and Common Elements, pets, additions, signs, architectural variances, renting and leasing, and remedies for violations.

ARTICLE VIII.

AGENT FOR SERVICE

The Board will designate the person to receive service of process for the Association. This designation will be accomplished by filing with the Ohio Secretary of State the required statutory agent designation form.

ARTICLE IX.

MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

Section 1. Association Responsibility. The Association, to the extent and at such times as the Board, in its exercise of business judgment, determines to allocate funds therefore, shall maintain, repair and replace all improvements constituting a part of the Common Elements, including the Limited Common Elements, and including but not limited to utility facilities serving more than one Unit, utility lines in the Common Elements, lawns, shrubs, trees and landscaping, walkways, drives, parking areas, fireplace stacks, liners and chimneys, and the structural portions and exterior portions of all buildings and improvements which are a part of the Common Elements, including the Limited Common Elements, and that do not constitute part of a Unit, provided that the Association shall not be responsible for the cleaning and housekeeping of Limited Common Elements or components thereof, or from the entry stoop or porch, nor for the removal of snow and ice from the Limited Common Elements or components thereof, or from the entry stoop or porch. The Association shall maintain an adequate reserve fund for the periodic maintenance, repair and replacement of improvements a part of the Common Elements, including the Limited Common Elements, Except to the extent, if any, that a loss is covered by insurance maintained by the Association, the Association shall not have responsibility to repair or maintain any Unit, or component thereof, or personal property within a Unit, or maintain or repair improvements made by Unit owners hereafter.

Section 2. Individual Responsibility. Each Unit owner shall repair and maintain the Unit or Units, and all components thereof, owned by that Unit owner, improvements made by Unit owners hereafter, perform cleaning and housekeeping with respect to Limited Common Elements and the entry porch or stoop appurtenant to that owner's Unit. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, this repair and maintenance responsibility of a Unit owner shall include repair, maintenance and replacement of all windows, screens and doors, including the frames, sashes and jambs, and the hardware therefor. In the event a Unit owner shall fail to make a repair or perform maintenance required of that Unit owner, or in the event the need for maintenance or repair of any part of the Common Elements or Limited Common Elements is caused by the negligent or intentional act of any Unit owner or occupant, or is as a result of the failure of any Unit owner or his, her or its predecessors in title to timely pursue to conclusion a claim under any warranty, express, implied, or imposed by law, the Association may perform the same, and if the cost of such repair or maintenance is not covered by insurance, whether because of a deductible or otherwise, the cost thereof shall constitute a special individual Unit assessment, as hereinafter defined, on the Unit owned by that Unit owner and on that Unit owner. The determination that such maintenance or repair is necessary, or has been so caused, shall be made by the Board.

The Unit owner's responsibilities for any maintenance, repair, and replacement, of any Improvement, as defined in Declaration Article III, Section 2(s), as amended, are as follows:

- (1) The Unit owner is responsible to maintain, repair, replace, and insure any Improvement and any addition, expansion, alteration, or improvement made to or installed on any Improvement.
- (2) The Unit owner is responsible for any damage to the Common Elements arising from the maintenance, repair, replacement, modification, construction or installation of an Improvement.
- (3) If the Board informs the Unit owner, in writing, that any part of the Improvement is in need of maintenance, repair, or replacement, as determined by the Board, and the Unit owner fails to cause said maintenance, repair, or replacement to be accomplished within a reasonable period of time (30 days after Board notice will be considered reasonable) the Board may cause the

maintenance, repair, and replacement to be performed and charge the Unit Owner the cost thereof in accordance with Declaration Article XV, Section (3)(c).

- (4) If any part of the Improvement needs, in whole or in part, to be temporarily removed to enable the Association to complete maintenance, repair, or replacement of the Condominium. Property for which it is responsible, the Unit owner will temporarily remove the required portion of the Improvement as the Association requires, at the Unit owner's expense, within 30 days of the date of the Association's written notice, except in the case of an emergency when either the Association or the Unit owner will immediately remove the Improvement, at Unit owner's expense, as circumstances dictate. The temporary removal will continue until the Association notifies the Unit owner that the maintenance, repair, or replacement work is complete. Upon the receipt of the notice of completion of work, the Unit owner may re-install the Improvement in its original location provided the re-installation fully complies with all terms and conditions of any warranty or guaranty held by the Association on or concerning the Common Elements or any component thereof and that it fully complies with Declaration Article III, Section 2(s), as amended, and any specifications and guidelines adopted in accordance therewith.
- (5) The Association's liability, if any, for damage caused to the Improvement, in whole or in part, including, but not limited to, possible damage caused by its removal to effectuate the maintenance, repair, or replacement of the Common Elements, is limited to damage caused by the willful misconduct or reckless acts of the Association. In no event will the Association's liability for any damage exceed the actual cash value of the Improvement as it existed immediately prior to any damage being incurred.

Any conflict between the above provisions and any other provisions of the Declaration and Bylaws will be interpreted in favor of the above terms, conditions, restrictions, and requirements for additions, expansions, alterations, or improvements made to or installed on any patio, deck, or adjacent areas, including the grant of easement for the Improvement(s). The invalidity of any part of the above provision does not impair or affect in any manner the validity or enforceability of the remainder of the provision. Upon the recording of this amendment, only Unit owners of record at the time of the filing have standing to contest the validity of these amendments, whether on procedural, substantive, or any other grounds, provided further that any challenge must be brought in the court of common pleas within one year of the recording of this amendment.

ARTICLE X.

UTILITY SERVICES

Each Unit owner by acceptance of a deed to a Unit agrees to pay for utility services separately metered or separately charged by the utility company to that Unit, and to reimburse the Association for that owner's Unit's share of any utility cost that the Board reasonably determines is attributable to use by that owner's Unit. All other utility costs shall be common expenses and paid by the Association.

ARTICLE XI.

INSURANCE: LOSSES

<u>Section 1. Fire and Extended Coverage Insurance</u>. The Board shall have the authority to and shall obtain insurance for all buildings, structures, fixtures and equipment, and common personal property and supplies now or at any time hereafter constituting a part of the Common Elements, the Limited Common Elements, or common property of the Association, against loss or damage by fire, lightning, and such other perils as are ordinarily insured against by standard extended coverage endorsements,

and all other perils which are customarily covered with respect to projects similar in construction, location and use, including all perils normally covered by the standard "all risk" endorsement, where such is available, issued in the locale of the Condominium Property, or, if the policy does not include an "all risks" endorsement, a policy that includes the "broad form" covered causes of loss, in amounts at all times sufficient to prevent the Unit owners from becoming co-insurers under the terms of any applicable coinsurance clause or provision and not less than one hundred percent (100%) of the current insurable replacement cost of such items (exclusive of land, foundations, footings, excavations, and other items normally excluded from coverage). This insurance shall also:

- (a) provide coverage for built-in or installed improvements, fixtures and equipment that are part of a Unit, and shall provide for coverage of interior walls, windows and doors and the frames, sashes, jambs and hardware therefor, even though these improvements may be parts of Units.
- (b) have (i) an agreed amount and inflation guard endorsement, when that can be obtained and (ii) building ordinance or law endorsement, if any building, zoning, or land-use law will result in loss or damage, increased cost of repairs or reconstruction, or additional demolition and removal costs, providing for contingent liability from the operation of building laws, demolition costs, and increased costs of construction;
- (c) provide that no assessment may be made against a first mortgage lender, or its insurer or guarantor, and that any assessment under such policy made against others may not become a lien on a Unit and its appurtenant interests superior to a first mortgage.
- (d) be written in the name of the Association for the use and benefit of the Unit owners, or its authorized representative, including any insurance Director with whom the Association has entered into an insurance trust agreement, or any successor to such Director, for the use and benefit of the individual Unit owners;
- (e) contain or have attached the standard mortgagee clause commonly accepted by institutional first mortgage holders, insurers, and guarantors, which (i) must provide that the carrier shall notify the named insured and each first mortgagee named in the mortgage clause at least ten days in advance of the effective date of any reduction in, cancellation of, or substantial change in the policy, and (ii) must be endorsed to provide that any loss shall be paid to the Association (or its insurance Director), as a Director for each Unit owner and each such Unit owner's mortgagee, and, unless otherwise prohibited by a nationally recognized institutional first mortgage holder, insurer, or guarantor, to the holders of first mortgages on Units.
- (f) will include a reasonable deductible as determined by the Board; the Unit owner is responsible for any repairs or expenses up to the amount of any applicable deductible for loss or damage to their Unit the Association is responsible for all costs and other expenses pertaining to the Common Elements; if a single loss affects multiple portions of the Condominium Property, for example one or more Units and the Common Elements, the repair costs and expenses not paid for by the insurance proceeds are to be proportionately allocated in relation to the amount each party's claim bears to the total amount of the claim, with the party incurring the larger share of the loss responsible for the larger share of the deductible; the Association may assess the amount of any deductible expense attributable to any Unit(s) to the Unit owner(s) of such Unit(s) as a Special Individual Unit Assessment in accordance with the Article XV.
- (g) be paid for by the Association, as a common expense.

- (h) contain a waiver of subrogation of rights by the carrier as to the Association, its officers and Directors, and all Unit owners.
- (i) provide that the insurance shall not be prejudiced by any acts or omissions of individual Unit owners who are not under the control of the Association; and the same loss be primary, even if a Unit owner has other insurance that covers

Section 2. Liability Insurance. The Association shall obtain and maintain, at the Association's cost and as a common expense, a commercial policy of general liability insurance covering all of the Common Elements, public ways and any other areas under the Association's supervision, and Units, if any, owned by the Association, even if leased to others, insuring the Association, the Directors, and the Unit owners and occupants, with such limits as the Board may determine, but no less than the greater of (a) the amounts generally required by institutional first mortgage holders, insurers, and guarantors for projects similar in construction, location and use, and (b) one million dollars, for bodily injury, including deaths of persons, and property damage, arising out of a single occurrence. This insurance shall contain a "severability of interest" provision, or, if it does not, an endorsement which shall preclude the insurer from denying the claim of a Unit owner because of negligent acts of the Association, the Board, or other Unit owners, and shall include, without limitation, coverage for legal liability of the insureds for property damage, bodily injuries and deaths of persons resulting from the operation, maintenance or use of the Common Elements, and legal liability arising out of lawsuits related to employment contracts in which the Association is a party. Each such policy must provide that it may not be canceled or substantially modified, by any party, without at least ten days' prior written notice to the Association and to each holder of a first mortgage on a Unit.

Section 3. Fidelity Coverage. From and after such time as Declarant no longer controls the Association, the Board shall obtain and maintain, at the Association's cost and as a common expense, fidelity insurance providing coverage for the Association against dishonest acts on the part of directors. managers, Directors, employees, agents, and volunteers responsible for or handling funds belonging to or administered by the Association. The fidelity insurance policy must name the Association as the named insured and shall be written in an amount sufficient to provide protection, which is in no event less than the greater of (a) an amount equal to the Association's reserve funds plus three months' assessments on all Units, and (b) the maximum amount that will be in the custody of the Association or its managing agent at any time while the policy is in force. In connection with such coverage, an appropriate endorsement to the policy to cover any persons who serve without compensation shall be added if the policy would not otherwise cover volunteers. The policy shall provide that it shall not be canceled or substantially modified (including cancellation for non-payment of premium) without at least ten days' prior written notice to the Association, and any insurance Director, and any servicer on behalf of any holder, guarantor or insurer of any mortgage on a Unit who requires such rights. Any management agent who handles funds of the Association shall maintain a policy of fidelity insurance providing coverage no less than that required of the Association, which insurance policy names the Association as an additional oblige.

<u>Section 4. Hazard Insurance Carrier</u>. Each policy of hazard insurance obtained pursuant hereto shall be obtained from an insurance company authorized to write such insurance in the State of Ohio which has a "B" or better general policyholder's rating or a "6" or better financial performance index rating in Best's Insurance Reports, an "A" or better general policyholder's rating and a financial size category of "VIII" or better in Best's Insurance Reports-International Edition, an "A" or better rating in Demotech's Hazard Insurance Financial Stability Ratings, a "BBBq" qualified solvency ratio or a "BBB" or better claims-paying ability rating in Standard and Poor's Insurer Solvency Review, or a "BBB" or better claims-paying ability rating in Standard and Poor's International Confidential Rating Service.

Insurance issued by a carrier that does not meet the foregoing rating requirements will be acceptable if the carrier is covered by reinsurance with a company that meets either one of the AM. Best general policyholder's ratings or one of the Standard and Poor's claims-paying ability ratings mentioned above.

<u>Section 5. Other Association Insurance</u>. In addition, the Board may purchase and maintain, at the Association's cost and as a common expense, contractual liability insurance, Directors' and officers' liability insurance, and such other insurance as the Board may determine.

Section 6. Insurance Representative; Power of Attorney. There may be named, under any policy obtained by the Association, as an insured on behalf of the Association, its authorized representative, including any Director with whom the Association may enter into any insurance trust agreement, or any successor to such Director, who shall have exclusive authority to negotiate losses under any such policy. Each Unit owner, by acceptance of a deed to a Unit, irrevocably appoints the Association or such designated representative, or such successor, as attorney-in-fact for the purpose of purchasing and maintaining such insurance, including: the collection and appropriate disposition of the proceeds thereof; the negotiation of losses and execution of releases of liability; the execution of all documents; and the performance of all other acts necessary to accomplish such purpose. The Association, or such designated representative, or such successor, shall receive, hold or otherwise properly dispose of any proceeds of insurance, in trust, for Unit owners and their first mortgage holders, as their interests may appear. This power is for the benefit of each and every Unit owner, and their respective first mortgage holders, and the Association, and the Condominium, runs with the land, and is coupled with an interest.

Section 7. Unit Owners' Insurance. Any Unit owner or occupant may carry such insurance in addition to that provided by the Association pursuant hereto as that Unit owner or occupant may determine, subject to the provisions hereof, and provided that no Unit owner or occupant may at any time purchase individual policies of insurance against loss by fire or other casualty covered by the insurance carried pursuant hereto by the Association. In the event any Unit owner or occupant violates this provision, any diminution in insurance proceeds resulting from the existence of such other insurance shall be chargeable to the Unit owner who acquired or whose occupant acquired such other insurance, who shall be liable to the Association to the extent of any diminution and/ or loss of proceeds. Without limiting the foregoing, a Unit owner or occupant may obtain insurance against liability for events occurring within a Unit, losses with respect to personal property and furnishings, and losses to improvements owned by the Unit owner or occupant, provided that if the Association obtains insurance for permanent improvements and built-in fixtures and equipment, then the insurance obtained by the Unit owner with respect to improvements within the Unit shall be limited to the type and nature of coverage commonly referred to as "tenants' improvements and betterments". All such insurance separately carried shall contain a waiver of subrogation rights by the carrier as to the Association, its officers and Directors, and all other Unit owners and occupants.

<u>Section 8. Sufficient Insurance.</u> In the event the improvements forming a part of the Common Elements or any portion thereof shall suffer damage or destruction from any cause or peril insured against and the proceeds of any policy or policies insuring against such loss or damage and payable by reason thereof shall be sufficient to pay the cost of repair or restoration or reconstruction, then such repair, restoration or reconstruction shall be undertaken by the Association and the insurance proceeds shall be used in payment therefor; provided, however, that in the event that within sixty (60) days after such damage or destruction the Unit owners and eligible mortgagees, if they are entitled to do so pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration, shall elect to terminate the Condominium, then such repair, restoration or reconstruction shall not be undertaken.

Section 9. Insufficient Insurance. In the event the improvements forming a part of the Common Elements or any portion thereof shall suffer damage or destruction from any cause or peril which is not insured against, or, if insured against, the insurance proceeds from which shall not be sufficient to pay the cost of repair, restoration or reconstruction, then, unless the Unit owners and eligible mortgagees if they are entitled to do so pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration, shall elect within sixty (60) days after such damage or destruction not to make such repair, restoration or reconstruction, the Association shall make repairs, restoration or reconstruction of the Common Elements so damaged or destroyed at the expense (to the extent not covered by insurance) of all Unit owners in proportion to their respective undivided interests in the Common Elements. Should any Unit owner refuse or fail after reasonable notice to pay that Unit owner's share of such cost in excess of available insurance proceeds, the amount so advanced by the Association shall be assessed against the Unit of such Unit owner and that assessment shall have the same force and effect, and, if not paid, may be enforced in the same manner as herein provided for the nonpayment of assessments.

<u>Section 10. Lender Requirements</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article, the Association shall at all times maintain hazard insurance, liability insurance, and fidelity insurance coverage conforming with the requirements then governing the making of a first mortgage loan, or the purchase, guaranty, or insurance of first mortgages, by national institutional lenders, guarantors or insurers of first mortgage loans on condominium units.

ARTICLE XII.

DAMAGE: RESTORATION: REHABILITATION AND RENEWAL: TERMINATION

<u>Section 1. Restoration of Substantial Damage or Destruction</u>. In the event of substantial damage to or destruction of all Units in a residential building, or the taking of one or more Units in any condemnation or eminent domain proceedings, the Association shall promptly restore or replace the same, unless an election is made not to do so, as hereinafter provided.

Section 2. Election Not to Restore; Termination. The Association may, with the consent of Unit owners entitled to exercise not less than eighty percent (80%) of the voting power of Unit owners, and the consent of eligible mortgagees hereinafter provided, both given within sixty (60) days after damage or destruction, determine not to repair or restore the damage or destruction, and to terminate the Condominium. In any such an event, all of the Condominium Property shall be sold as upon partition. In the event of such an election not to repair or restore substantial damage or destruction or reconstruct such Unit or Units, the net proceeds of insurance paid by reason of such damage or destruction, or the net amount of any award or proceeds of settlement arising from such proceedings, together with the proceeds received from the sale as upon partition, or in the case of an election otherwise to terminate the Condominium, the net proceeds from the partition sale, shall be distributed among the owners of the Units, and the holders of their respective first mortgage liens, (as their interests may appear), in the proportions of their undivided interests in the Common Elements.

<u>Section 3. Rehabilitation and Renewal</u>. The Association, by vote of Unit owners entitled to exercise not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the voting power of Unit owners, at a duly called and noticed meeting called specifically for the purpose of determining if the Condominium is obsolete in whole or in part and whether or not to have the same renewed and rehabilitated, and the consent of eligible mortgagees hereinafter provided, may so determine that the Condominium is obsolete in whole or in part and elect to have the same renewed and rehabilitated. If so, the Board shall thereupon proceed with such renewal and rehabilitation and the cost thereof shall be a common expense. The Condominium shall not be determined or deemed to be "obsolete" merely because of the necessity to

make major repairs or replacements, such as, but not limited to, replacing roofs, replacing infrastructure, or repaying, items which shall be determined solely by the Board.

ARTICLE XIII.

CONDEMNATION

Section 1. Standing. Except as hereinafter provided, the Association, or its designated representative, or authorized successor, as Director, shall represent the Unit owners in any condemnation or eminent domain proceedings or in negotiations, settlements and agreements with the condemning authority for acquisition of all or any part of the Condominium Property, and shall have the sole and exclusive right to settle losses with the condemning authority and to receive the award or proceeds of settlement, for the use and benefit of the Unit owners and their mortgagees as their interests may appear. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that a Unit owner may lawfully separately pursue and realize upon a claim for incidental and consequential losses or damage to that Unit owner resulting from a taking under the power of eminent domain, such as for relocation and moving expenses, loss of favorable mortgage terms, and other such individual incidental or consequential losses, that Unit owner may, at his, her or its election, separately pursue such claim, provided, that the pursuing of the same, or the realization of an award thereof, neither jeopardizes, in any way, an action by the Association to recoup the losses incurred by it, or any other Unit owner, or the direct loss with respect to the Unit itself, or with regard to the usability thereof, nor diminishes any award for any such loss.

<u>Section 2. Use of Proceeds</u>. The award or proceeds of settlement in any actual or threatened condemnation or eminent domain proceedings, after reduction by the costs, if any, incurred in obtaining the same, shall be applied first to the cost of restoring or replacing all damaged or taken improvements on the remaining Condominium Property in accordance with the Drawings, or in accordance with any new plans and specifications therefor approved by Unit owners exercising no less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the voting power of Unit owners, and the consent of eligible mortgagees hereinafter provided.

<u>Section 3.</u> Insufficient Proceeds. If the award or proceeds are insufficient for such purpose, the excess cost shall be paid by the Association and, to the extent funds of the Association are insufficient therefor, in the judgment of the Board, such excess cost shall be a common expense and assessed among the Units in the same manner as special assessments for capital improvements are assessed. Except as hereinafter provided, the balance of any such award or proceeds of settlement, if there is an excess, shall be allocated and disbursed to the Unit owners, and their first mortgagees, as their interests may appear, in proportion to the relative undivided interests of the Units in the Common Elements.

Section 4. Non-Restorable Unit. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that as a result of any such taking, and consequent restoration or replacement, any Unit could not reasonably be restored to a condition comparable to that which existed prior to the taking, or could not be replaced, prior to the allocation and disbursement of any sum to any other Unit owner or his, her or its mortgagee, there shall be allocated and disbursed from such award or proceeds, to each Unit owner whose Unit cannot be so restored or replaced, and his, her or its respective first mortgagee, as their interests may appear, such amount as is equal to the then fair market value of the Unit that cannot be so restored or replaced. Thereupon, such Unit or Units, and the owners thereof, shall be immediately and automatically divested of any interest in the Condominium, the Condominium property, and the Association, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, divestment of an undivided interest, vote, membership in the Association, and liability for common expenses. All such rights and interests shall be reallocated among all other Units and Unit owners in the same relative proportions as those rights and interests were prior

to such taking. To illustrate, upon a Unit being divested from the Condominium, (a) the voting right of that Unit will be equally allocated among all other Units, since each Unit prior thereto had an equal vote, and (b) the undivided interest of that Unit will be reallocated among all other Units in the proportions of their relative undivided interests prior to such taking.

<u>Section 5. Power of Attorney</u>. Each Unit owner, by acceptance of a deed to a Unit, appoints the Association, or its designated representative, as his, her or its attorney-in-fact to represent that Unit owner, settle losses, receive and utilize the award or proceeds of settlement, and do all things necessary or desirable for such attorney-in- fact to exercise the rights and fulfill the responsibilities of the Association set forth in this Article with respect to condemnation or eminent domain proceedings. This power is for the benefit of each and every Unit owner, each holder of a first mortgage on a Unit, the Association, and the real estate to which it is applicable, runs with land, is coupled with an interest, and is irrevocable.

ARTICLE XIV.

GRANTS AND RESERVATIONS OF RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS

<u>Section 1. Easements of Enjoyment</u>; Limitations. Every Unit owner shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in, over and upon the Common Elements and an unrestricted right of access to and from his, her or its Unit, subject to the right of the Board to make reasonable rules and regulations concerning the use and management of the Common Elements and the Limited Common Elements, provided that no such rule or regulation shall limit or prohibit the right of ingress and egress to a Unit, or any part thereof, or to that Unit's parking facilities. Each Unit owner shall be deemed to have delegated that Unit owner's right of enjoyment to the Common Elements and to ingress and egress to the occupants of that owner's Unit.

<u>Section 2. Right of Entry for Repair, Maintenance and Restoration</u>. The Association shall have a right of entry and access to, over, upon and through all of the Condominium Property, including each Unit and the Limited Common Elements, to enable the Association to perform its obligations, rights and duties pursuant hereto with regard to maintenance, repair, restoration and/ or servicing of any items, things or areas of or in the Condominium Property. In the event of an emergency, the Association's right of entry to a Unit and its appurtenant Limited Common Elements may be exercised without notice; otherwise, the Association shall give the owners or occupants of a Unit no less than twenty-four hours advance notice prior to entering a Unit or its appurtenant Limited Common Elements.

Section 3. Easements for Encroachments. Each Unit and the Common Elements and Limited Common Elements shall be subject to and benefited by easements for encroachments on or by any other Unit and upon the Common Elements and Limited Common Elements created or arising by reason of overhangs; or by reason of deviations in construction, reconstruction, repair, shifting, settlement, or other movement of any portion of the improvements; or by reason of errors on the Drawings. Valid easements for these encroachments and for the maintenance of same, as long as the physical boundaries of the Units after the construction, reconstruction, repairs, etc. will be in substantial accord with the description of those boundaries that appears herein or on the Drawings, shall and do exist so long as the encroachments remain.

<u>Section 4</u>. Easement for Support. Every portion of a building or utility line or any improvement on any portion of the Condominium Property contributing to the support of another building, utility line or improvement on another portion of the Condominium Property shall be burdened with an easement of support for the benefit of all other such buildings, utility lines, improvements and other portions of the Condominium Property.

Section 5. Easements for Proper Operations. Easements to the Association shall exist upon, over and under all of the Condominium Property for ingress to and egress from, and the installation, replacing, repairing and maintaining of, all utilities, including, but not limited to water, sewer, gas, telephone, electricity, security systems, master television antennas and cable television, and the road system and all walkways, and for all other purposes necessary for the proper operation of the Condominium Property. By these easements it shall be expressly permissible for the Association to grant to the appropriate public authorities and/ or the providing companies and contractors permission to construct and maintain the necessary appurtenances and improvements on, above, across and under the Condominium Property, so long as such appurtenances and improvements do not unreasonably interfere with the use and enjoyment of the Condominium Property. Should any public authority or other company furnishing a service request a specific easement, permit, or license, the Board shall have the right to grant such easement, permit, or license without conflicting with the terms hereof. In addition, in the event the Board determines that the grant of easement rights to others is in the best interests of the Association, the Association shall have the right to grant the same, provided that use of the same would not, in the sole judgment of the Board, unreasonably interfere with the use and enjoyment of the Condominium Property by owners and occupants.

<u>Section 6. Easement for Services</u>. Non-exclusive easements are hereby granted to all police, firemen, ambulance operators, mailmen, delivery men, garbage and trash removal personnel, and all similar persons, and to the local governmental authorities and the Association, but not to the public in general, to enter upon the Common Elements in the performance of their duties, subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as the Board may establish, from time to time.

Section 7. Easements Reserved to Declarant. Non-exclusive easements are hereby reserved to Declarant, its successors and assigns, over and upon the Common Elements and Limited Common Elements (a) for a one year period of time from the date of the closing by Declarant of the first sale of a Unit to a bona fide purchaser, for access to and for the purpose of completing improvements for which provision is made in this Declaration, provided that such right of access shall be to the extent, but only to the extent, that access thereto is not otherwise reasonably available, (b) for the periods provided for warranties hereunder or by law, for purposes of making repairs required pursuant to those warranties or pursuant to contracts of sale made with Unit purchasers, and (c) for the initial sales and rental period, but for no longer than three years from the time of the closing of the first sale of a Unit to a bona fide purchaser, to maintain and utilize a portion or portions of the Common Elements and\ or one or more Units and appurtenances thereto, for sales and management offices and for storage and maintenance, and model Units, parking areas for sales and rental purposes, and advertising signs.

In addition, a non-exclusive perpetual easement is hereby reserved to Declarant, its successors and assigns, for their benefit and the benefit of future owners and occupants of the area into which the Condominium may be expanded (the Additional Property) for pedestrian and vehicular access over the streets and walkways that may from time to time be a part of the Condominium Property, for ingress to and egress from the Additional Property, and each part thereof, and a public street, and to extend the same onto the Additional Property. The Association, at all times, shall maintain an unimpeded route of vehicular and pedestrian ingress and egress over and upon the Condominium Property to and from the Additional Property and a public street. Additionally, Declarant, for itself and its successors and assigns, reserves the right so long as it or its successors control the Condominium Property or the Association, to extend utility lines from the Common Elements onto the Additional Property, and thereafter to service and maintain the same.

The rights and easements reserved to Declarant, its successors and assigns, pursuant to this section, shall be exercised and utilized, as the case may be, in a reasonable manner, and in such way as not to

unreasonably interfere with the operation of the Association and the rights of owners and occupants of Units.

<u>Section 8. General</u>. Unless specifically limited herein otherwise, the easements described herein shall run with the land and pass with the title to the benefited properties, shall be appurtenant to the properties benefited thereby, shall be enforceable by the owners of the properties benefited thereby, and shall be perpetual. The easements and grants provided here in shall in no way affect any other recorded grant or easement. Failure to refer specifically to any or all of the easements and/ or rights described in this Declaration in any deed of conveyance or in any mortgage or other evidence of obligation shall not defeat or fail to reserve said rights or easements but the same shall be deemed conveyed or encumbered, as the case may be, along with the Unit.

Section 9. Power of Attorney. Each Unit owner, by acceptance of a deed to a Unit, appoints the Association or its designated representative, as his, her or its attorney-in-fact, to execute, deliver, acknowledge and record, for and in the name of such Unit owner, such deeds of easement, licenses, permits, and other instruments as may be necessary or desirable, in the sole discretion of the Board, or its authorized representative, to further establish or effectuate the foregoing easements and rights. This power is for the benefit of each and every Unit owner, the Association, and the real estate to which it is applicable, runs with the land, is coupled with an interest, and is irrevocable.

ARTICLE XV.

ASSESSMENTS AND ASSESSMENT LIENS: RESERVE FUNDS

<u>Section 1. Types of Assessments</u>. The Declarant for each Unit within the Condominium hereby covenants and agrees, and each Unit owner by acceptance of a deed to a Unit (whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed) is deemed to covenant and agree, to pay to the Association: (a) operating assessments, (b) special assessments for capital improvements, and (c) special individual Unit assessments, all of such assessments to be established and collected as hereinafter provided.

<u>Section 2. Purpose of Assessments</u>. The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively to promote and provide for the health, safety and welfare of Unit owners and occupants and the best interests of the Condominium Property.

Section 3. Elements-Apportionment: Due Dates.

- (a) Operating Assessments.
 - (1) Prior to the time any Unit owner is to be charged assessments by the Association, the Board shall establish for the remainder of the Association's fiscal year, and prior to the beginning of each fiscal year of the Association thereafter, the Board shall estimate for the next fiscal year, and, in each case, prorate among all Units and their owners on the basis of the undivided interest of each Unit in the Common Elements, common expenses of the Association, consisting of the following:
 - (i) that period's estimated cost of the maintenance, repair, and other services to be provided by the Association;
 - (ii) that period's estimated costs for insurance premiums to be provided and paid for by the Association;
 - (iii) that period's estimated costs for utility services not separately metered or charged to Unit owners;

- (iv) the estimated amount required to be collected to maintain a working capital reserve fund, to assure availability of funds for normal operations of the Association, in an amount deemed adequate by the Board, but in no event less than an amount equal to two months' currently estimated assessments on all Units,
- (v) an amount deemed adequate by the Board to maintain a reserve for the cost of unexpected repairs and replacements of capital improvements and for the repair and replacement of major improvements for which cash reserves over a period of time in excess of one year ought to be maintained; and
- (vi) that period's estimated costs for the operation, management and administration of the Association, including, but not limited to, fees for property management, fees for legal and accounting services, costs of mailing, postage, supplies and materials for operating the Association, and the salaries, wages, payroll charges and other costs to perform these services, and any other costs constituting common expenses not otherwise herein specifically excluded.

The Board may impose reasonable charges to the Unit owner for providing copies of the Declaration, Bylaws, or amendments thereto as well as reasonable charges for the handling of refinancing or resale documentation, and statements of unpaid Assessments.

- (2) The Board shall thereupon allocate to each Unit that Unit's share of all of these items, prorated in accordance with each respective Unit's undivided interest in the Common Elements, and thereby establish the operating assessment for each separate Unit. For administrative convenience, any such assessment may be rounded so that monthly installments will be in whole dollars.
- (3) The operating assessment shall be payable in advance, in equal monthly installments, provided that nothing contained herein shall prohibit any Unit owner from prepaying assessments in annual, semiannual, or quarterly increments. The due dates of any such installments shall be established by the Board, or, if it fails to do so, an equal monthly pro rata share of the annual operating assessment for a Unit shall be due the first day of each month.
- (4) If the amounts so collected are, at any time, insufficient to meet all obligations for which those funds are to be used, the deficiency shall be assessed by the Board among the Units on the same basis as heretofore set forth, provided, that if common expenses are incurred by the Association prior to the time the Association commences to levy assessments against Units, Declarant shall pay the same (subject to its right, if any, to reimbursement from Unit purchasers contained in individual contracts for the sale of a Unit or Units).
- (5) If assessments collected during any such period are in excess of the funds necessary to meet the anticipated expenses for which the same have been collected, the excess shall be retained as reserves, or as reductions in future assessments, as determined by the Board, in its sole discretion, and shall in no event be deemed profits nor available, except on dissolution of the Association, for distribution to Unit owners.
- (6) So long as the Declarant is in control of the Association, Declarant shall not use any part of the working capital reserve fund to defray Declarant's expenses, reserve contributions or construction costs, or to make up any budget deficits, and shall maintain the working capital reserve fund in a segregated account and transfer the same to the Association at or prior to the time Unit owners other than Declarant control the Association. Each Unit's share of the

working capital reserve fund shall be collected either at the time the sale of the Unit is closed or when control of the Association is vested in Unit owners other than Declarant, whichever is earlier, without prejudice to Declarant's right to recover its contribution from purchasers of Units from Declarant subsequent to such vesting of control.

- (b) Special Assessments for Capital Improvements.
 - (1) In addition to the operating assessments, the Board may levy, at any time, special assessments to construct, reconstruct or replace capital improvements on the Common Elements to the extent that reserves therefor are insufficient, provided that new capital improvements not replacing existing improvements (except new capital improvements required to comply with applicable law or governmental regulation, or to correct any deficiency or defect creating a safety or health hazard to occupants) shall not be constructed nor funds assessed therefor, if the cost thereof in any fiscal year would exceed an amount equal to five percent (5%) or more of that fiscal year's budget, without the prior consent of Unit owners exercising not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the voting power of Unit owners and the consent of eligible mortgagees hereinafter provided.
 - (2) Any such assessment shall be prorated among all Units in proportion to their respective undivided interests in the Common Elements and shall become due and payable on such date or dates as the Board determines following written notice to the Unit owners.
 - (c) Special Individual Unit Assessments. The Board shall levy assessments against an individual Unit, or Units, and the owner or owners thereof, to reimburse the Association for those costs incurred in connection with that Unit or Units properly chargeable by the terms hereof to a particular Unit (such as, but not limited to, the cost of making repairs the responsibility of a Unit owner, and a Unit owner's interest, late charges, enforcement, and arbitration charges). Any such assessment shall become due and payable on such date as the Board determines and gives written notice to the Unit owners subject thereto. Additionally, during the first years of the Condominium's existence, and until such time as real estate taxes and assessments are split into separate tax bills for each Unit, the Association shall have the right to pay the real estate taxes and assessments attributable to the Condominium Property in the event the same have not been paid, when due, and assess each Unit owner for his, her or its share of such real estate taxes and assessments as a special individual Unit assessment. The share of those taxes and assessments attributable to a Unit shall be computed by multiplying the total taxes and assessments for all of the Condominium Property by the undivided interest in Common Elements attributable to that Unit. The calculation by the Association of the Units' shares of taxes and assessments shall be binding upon all Unit owners.

<u>Section 4. Effective Date of Assessment.</u> Any assessment created pursuant hereto shall be effective, provided it is created as provided herein, if written notice of the amount thereof is sent by the Board to the Unit owner subject thereto at least ten (10) days prior to the due date thereof, or if to be paid in installments, the due date of the first installment thereof. Written notice mailed or delivered to a Unit owner's Unit shall constitute notice to that Unit owner, unless the Unit owner has delivered written notice to the Board of a different address for such notices, in which event the mailing of the same to that last designated address shall constitute notice to that Unit owner.

Section 5. Effect of Nonpayment of Assessment; Remedies of the Association.

- (1) When a Unit owner is delinquent in the payment of assessments for more than 30 days, the Board may; by a majority vote, suspend the voting privileges of the owner and the right of the occupants to use the recreational facilities.
 - (a) If any installment or portion of any installment of an assessment is not paid within at least ten (10) days after the same is due, the entire unpaid balance of the assessment shall immediately become due and payable, without demand or notice, unless the Board, in its sole discretion, determines not to accelerate the installments.

The Association will credit payments made by a Unit owner in the following order of priority:

- (1) First, to interest owed to the Association;
- (2) Second, to administrative late fees owed to the Association;
- (3) Third, to collection costs, attorney's fees, and paralegal fees incurred by the Association; and
- (4) Fourth, to the principal amounts the Unit owner owes to the Association for the common expenses or enforcement Assessments chargeable against the Unit.
- (b) If any installment or portion of any installment of an assessment is not paid within at least ten (10) days after the same is due, the Board, at its option, and without demand or notice, may (i) charge interest on the entire unpaid balance (including the accelerated portion thereof) at such rate as the Board, from time to time, establishes by rule; or if the Board fails to establish a rate by rule, at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum, (ii) charge a reasonable, uniform, late fee, as established from time to time by the Board, by rule, and (iii) charge the cost of collection, including attorney fees and other out-of-pocket expenses.
- (c) Operating and both types of special assessments, together with interest, late fees, and costs, including attorney fees, shall be a charge in favor of the Association upon the Unit against which each such assessment is made.
- (d) At any time after any assessment or any installment of an assessment, or any portion of any installment of an assessment levied pursuant hereto remains unpaid for thirty (30) or more days after the same has become due and payable, a certificate of lien for the unpaid balance of that assessment, including all future installments thereof, interest, late fees, and costs, including attorney fees, may be filed with the Delaware County Recorder, pursuant to authorization given by the Board. The certificate shall contain a description or other sufficient legal identification of the Unit against which the lien exists, the name or names of the record owner or owners thereof, and the amount of the unpaid portion of the assessments and charges, and shall be signed by the president or other chief officer of the Association.

The Association has a lien upon each Unit's ownership interest for any unpaid interest, administrative late fees, enforcement Assessments, and collection costs, attorney's fees, and paralegal fees.

(e) The lien provided for herein shall become effective from the time a certificate of lien or renewal certificate was duly filed therefor, and shall continue for a period of five (5) years unless sooner released or satisfied in the same manner provided by law in the State of Ohio for the release and

satisfaction of mortgages on real property, or discharged by the final judgment or order of a court in an action brought to discharge the lien.

- (f) Any Unit owner who believes that an assessment chargeable to his, her or its Unit (for which a certificate of lien has been filed by the Association) has been improperly charged against that Unit, may bring an action in the Court of Common Pleas of Delaware County for the discharge of that lien. In any such action, if it is finally determined that all or a portion of the assessment has been improperly charged to that Unit, the court shall make such order as is just, which may provide for a discharge of record of all or a portion of that lien.
- (g) Each such assessment together with interest, late fees, and costs, including attorney fees, shall also be the joint and several personal obligations of the Unit owners who owned the Unit at the time when the assessment fell due. The obligation for delinquent assessments, interest, late charges and costs shall not be the personal obligation of that owner or owners' successors in title unless expressly assumed by the successors, or required by applicable law, provided, however, that the right of the Association to a lien against that Unit, or to foreclose any lien thereon for these delinquent assessments, interest, late charges and costs, shall not be impaired or abridged by reason of the transfer, but shall continue unaffected thereby, except as provided in Section 6 of this Article.
- (h) The Association, as authorized by the Board, may file a lien or liens to secure payment of delinquent assessments, interest, late fees, and costs, including attorney fees, bring or join in an action at law against the owner or owners personally obligated to pay the same, and an action to foreclose a lien, or any one or more of these. In any foreclosure action, the owner or owners affected shall be required to pay a reasonable rental for that Unit during the pendency of such action. The Association in any foreclosure action involving a Unit or Units shall be entitled to become a purchaser at the foreclosure sale. In any such foreclosure action, interest and costs of such action (including attorneys' fees) shall be added to the amount of any such assessment, to the extent permitted by Ohio law.
- (i) No claim of the Association for assessments and charges shall be subject to setoffs, off sets, or counterclaims.
- j) No owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided for in this Declaration by non-use of the Common Elements, or any part thereof, or by abandonment of his, her or its Unit.
- (k) Assessments shall run with the land, are necessary to continue the care, repair and maintenance of Units and their undivided interests in the Condominium Property, and to continue to provide utility and security service, and, accordingly, assessments accruing or becoming due during the pendency of bankruptcy proceedings shall constitute administrative expenses of the bankrupt estate.

Section 6. Subordination of the Lien to First Mortgages. The lien of the assessments and charges provided for herein shall be subject and subordinate to the lien of any duly executed first mortgage on a Unit recorded prior to the date on which such lien of the Association arises, and any holder of such first mortgage which comes into possession of a Unit pursuant to the remedies provided in the mortgage, foreclosure of the mortgage, or deed or assignment in lieu of foreclosure, and any purchaser at a foreclosure sale, shall take the property free of any claims for unpaid installments of assessments and charges against the mortgaged Unit which became due and payable prior, in the case of foreclosure, to

the date of the sale, and, in all other cases, to the date legal title vested in the successor owner. The foregoing will not relieve any successor owner from the obligation for assessments accruing thereafter.

<u>Section 7. Certificate Regarding Assessments</u>. The Board shall, upon demand, for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by the president, treasurer, secretary or other designated representative of the Association, setting forth whether the assessments on a specified Unit have been paid. This certificate shall be conclusive evidence of payment of any assessment therein stated to have been paid.

ARTICLE XVI.

CONDOMINIUM INSTRUMENT REQUIREMENTS

<u>Section 1. General</u>. The Condominium Act and institutional mortgagees require that certain information and lawfully binding obligations be set forth in the Condominium instruments. Much of this is provided elsewhere in the Condominium organizational documents and in other documents, but in order that all such information and obligations be provided in this Declaration, various items of that information and of those obligations are set forth in the following sections of this article.

Section 2. Deposits. Any deposit or down payment made in connection with a sale of a Unit by Declarant or its agent will be held in trust or escrow until delivered at the time of the closing of the sale or returned to or otherwise credited to the buyer or forfeited to the Declarant. If, in the case of any such sale, a deposit or down payment of two thousand dollars or more is held for more than ninety (90) days, interest on the amount in excess of \$2,000, at the prevailing rate of federally insured financial instih1tions on daily interest accounts in the county where the condominium property is located for any period exceeding ninety (90) days shall be credited to the buyer at the time of the closing of the sale or upon return or other credit made to the buyer, or added to any forfeiture to the Declarant. Deposits held in trust or escrow pursuant to sales by Declarant or its agent shall not be subject to attachment by creditors of Declarant or the buyer.

<u>Section 3. Association Control</u>. Except in its capacity as a Unit owner of unsold Units, the Declarant or its agent will not retain a property interest in any of the Common Elements after control of the Association is assumed by the Association, except as expressly provided herein. The owners of Units that have been sold by the Declarant or its agent will assume control of the Association and the Common Elements, as elsewhere provided herein, in compliance with the requirements of the Condominium Act.

<u>Section 4. Limited Warranties</u>. Declarant provides to each purchaser of a Unit from it certain limited warranties which are described in a development statement provided to each purchaser at or prior to the time the purchaser enters into a contract to purchase a Unit.

<u>Section 5. Declarant's Obligations</u>. Declarant will be vested with the rights and be subject to the duties of a Unit owner in its capacity as owner of Units not yet sold, set forth herein, or in any other Condominium instrument, or established by law, including, without limitation, the obligation to pay common expenses attaching to such Units, from a date no later than that upon which common expenses are first charged with respect to any other Unit.

<u>Section 6. Unit Owners' Rights and Obligations</u>. Each Unit owner will be vested with the rights and be subject to the duties of a Unit owner set forth herein, or in any other Condominium instrument, or established by law, during the time of that owner's ownership of a fee simple interest in a Unit.

ARTICLE XVII.

EXPANSIONS

<u>Section 1. Reservation of Expansion Option</u>. Declarant expressly reserves the option to expand the Condominium Property but only within the limitations, and subject to the terms, set forth in this article.

<u>Section 2. Limitations on Option</u>. Declarant has no limitations on its option to expand the Condominium Property except as provided in this article, or elsewhere in this Declaration, and except as otherwise so expressly limited, has the sole right, power, and authority to expand the Condominium Property.

<u>Section 3. Maximum Expansion Time</u>. Except as hereinafter provided, Declarant's option to expand the Condominium Property shall expire and terminate at the end of seven years from the date this Declaration is filed for record. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Declarant, with the consent of a majority of the Unit owners other than it, may extend its option to expand the Condominium Property for an additional seven years, if it exercises its right to so renew within six months prior to the expiration of that initial seven year period. Declarant shall have the right to waive its option to expand at any time. There are no other circumstances that will terminate the option prior to the expiration of the time limit.

<u>Section 4. Legal Description</u>. A legal description, by metes and bounds, of all of the land that, through exercise of Declarant's option, may be added to the Condominium Property by submission to the Condominium Act as part of this condominium, is attached hereto and marked "Exhibit E", and, together with any improvements placed thereon and added hereto, is referred to herein as "the Additional Property".

Section 5. Composition of Portions Added. Neither all nor any portion of the Additional Property must be added to the Condominium Property, nor, if any of the Additional Property is added, shall it be required that a particular portion of the Additional Property must be added, provided that portions added meet all other requirements set forth in this Article and provided, further, that all improvements in the Additional Property added to the Condominium Property shall be substantially completed prior to the addition. There are no limitations fixing the boundaries of portions added or regulating the order in which portions are added.

<u>Section 6. Time for Adding Portions</u>. Portions of the Additional Property may be added to the Condominium Property from time to time, and at different times, within the time limits previously described.

<u>Section 7. Improvement Location Limitations</u>. There are no established or defined limitations as to the location of any improvements that may be made on any portion of the Additional Property added to the Condominium Property except such limitations as may then be in effect by reason of the laws and lawful rules and regulations of the appropriate governmental bodies and authorities having jurisdiction.

Section 8. Maximum Number of Units. The maximum total number of Units that may be created on the Additional Property and added to the Condominium Property is eighty (80), for an eventual total of ninety-five (95) units on the Condominium Property, provided, that the foregoing shall neither limit nor restrict nor be so construed as to limit or restrict the number of dwelling units or other improvements that may be constructed on all or any portion of the Additional Property that is not added to the Condominium Property. Subject to the foregoing total maximum of Units that may be added to the Condominium Property, there is no limit as to the maximum number of Units per acre that may be created on any portion of the Additional Property added to the Condominium Property other than as may, from time to time, be imposed by law.

<u>Section 9. Non-Residential Uses</u>. No Units may be created on the Additional Property or portions thereof and added to the Condominium Property that are not restricted exclusively to residential use.

Section 10. Compatibility of Structures. All structures erected on all or any portion of the Additional Property and added to the Condominium Property will be consistent and compatible with structures then on the Condominium Property in terms of structure type, quality of construction, the principal materials to be used, and architectural style, and design. Comparable style and design shall be deemed to exist if the exterior appearance of the structures on the Additional Property is compatible and harmonious with those then on the Condominium Property. Design shall not be deemed to be incompatible or not comparable because of changes in the number of dwelling units in a building, types or mix of types of dwelling units in a building, variances in setbacks or locations of structures in relation to other improvements, or minor changes in size, design or finish detail.

<u>Section 11. Improvements Other than Structures</u>. If all or a portion of the Additional Property is added to the Condominium Property, drives, sidewalks, yard areas, and other improvements similar to those then on the Condominium Property shall be constructed on that Additional Property, and no other non-structural improvements. Improvements other than structures added to the Condominium Property shall not include improvements except of substantially the same kind, style, design, and quality as those improvements then on the Condominium Property.

<u>Section 12. Types of Units</u>. All Units that are created on all or any portion of the Additional Property and added to the Condominium Property shall be of the same types as the types of Units then on the Condominium Property, or as otherwise described herein, provided, however, that any such Units shall be deemed of the same types, notwithstanding changes in interior layout, or minor changes in design or finish detail, or in size.

<u>Section 13. Limited Common Elements</u>. Declarant reserves the right with respect to all or any portion of the Additional Property added to the Condominium Property to create Limited Common Elements therein of substantially the same type and size as those areas now so designated as such. The precise size and number of such newly created Limited Common Elements cannot be ascertained precisely, because those facts will depend on how large each portion added may be, the size and location of the buildings and other improvements on each portion, and other factors presently undetermined.

<u>Section 14. Supplementary Drawings</u>. Attached hereto and marked "Exhibit F" is a sketch drawing showing the location and relationship of the Condominium Property and the Additional Property. Declarant does not consider any other drawings or plans presently appropriate. However, at such time as Declarant adds all or any portion of the Additional Property to the Condominium Property it shall file drawings with respect to the Additional Property as required by the Condominium Act.

<u>Section 15. Procedures for Expansion</u>. All or any portion of the Additional Property shall be added to the Condominium Property by the execution and filing for record by the Declarant, or its successor as owner of the portion added and as assignee of the right to expand the Condominium, in the manner provided by the Condominium Act, of an amendment to the Declaration that contains the information and drawings with respect to the Additional Property and improvements thereon added required by the Condominium Act.

<u>Section 16. Successor Owners</u>. Any successor owner of the Condominium Property or of Additional Property added to the Condominium Property who is not an Affiliate (as defined in the Condominium Act) of Declarant and who is a bona fide purchaser of the property for value, or a purchaser who acquires property at sheriff's sale or by deed in lieu of foreclosure, is not liable in damages for harm caused by an act or omission of Declarant or a breach of an obligation by the Declarant.

<u>Section 17. Effects of Expansion</u>. Except as hereinafter specifically provided otherwise, upon the recording with the Delaware County Recorder of an amendment to the Declaration adding all or any portion of the Additional Property to the Condominium Property:

- (a) the added portion shall thereafter be subject to and benefited by all of the terms and provisions hereof, to the same extent and with the same effect as if that added portion had been provided herein as constituting part of the Condominium Property, that is, the rights, easements, covenants, restrictions, and assessment plan set forth herein shall run with, bind, and benefit the added portion in the same manner, to the same extent, and with the same force and effect as the terms of this Declaration apply to the Condominium Property, provided, that non-exclusive easements are reserved to Declarant, its successors and assigns, over and upon the Common Elements and Limited Common Elements in property added to the Condominium (i) for a one year period of time from the date of the closing by Declarant of the first sale of a Unit in that property added to a bona fide purchaser, for access to and for the purpose of completing improvements in that portion added, (ii) for the periods provided for warranties, or by law, for purposes of making repairs required pursuant to warranties, and (iii) for the initial sales and rental period for Units in that property added, but for no longer than two years from the time of closing of the first sale of a Unit in that property added to a bona fide purchaser, to maintain and utilize one or more of those Units and appurtenances thereto, for sales and management offices and for storage and maintenance, and model Units, parking areas for sales and rental purposes, and advertising signs;
- (b) the owner or owners of a Unit or Units in the added portion shall thereupon become members, to the same extent, with the same effect, subject to the same obligations, and imbued with the same rights, as all other members, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, one vote for each Unit owned by that owner or owners;
- (c) the undivided interests of Units in the Common Elements, as so expanded, shall be reallocated on the basis of par values for each type of Unit, as set forth on Exhibit D, so that the undivided interest of each Unit of each type added shall be the same as each other Unit of that type, and so that the undivided interest of a Unit of one type to one of another type is in the same ratio as those interests are with respect to the Units initially a part of the Condominium, subject to the right of Declarant to make adjustments, of thousandths of a percent, so that the total of all interests equals precisely 100%;
- (d) with respect to Units added, operating assessments shall commence the later of (i) the first day of the calendar month next following the date the documents adding the Units were duly recorded or (ii) the date established by the Association for the commencement of any operating assessment, and shall be prorated based on the number of full calendar months remaining in the year for which the operating assessments were levied; and
- (e) in all other respects, all of the provisions of this Declaration shall include and apply to such additional portions, and to the owners, mortgagees, and lessees thereof, with equal meaning and of like force and effect.

ARTICLE XVIII.

NOTICES TO AND VOTING RIGHTS OF LENDING INSTITUTIONS

<u>Section 1. Notices</u>. Any eligible mortgagee, upon written request to the Association (which request states the name and address of such eligible mortgagee and the Unit designation), shall be entitled to timely written notice by the Association of:

- (a) any proposed addition to, change in, or amendment of the Condominium organizational documents of a material nature, including any addition to, change in, or amendment of any provision establishing, providing for, governing, or regulating:
 - (i) voting rights;
 - (ii) increases in assessments that raise the previously assessed amount by more than twenty-five percent (25%), assessment liens, or priority of such liens;
 - (iii) reductions in reserves for maintenance, repair, and replacement of Common Elements;
 - (iv) responsibility for maintenance and repairs;
 - (v) reallocation of interests in the Common Elements (including the Limited Common Elements), or rights to their use;
 - (vi) redefinition of boundaries of any Unit;
 - (vii) convertibility of Units into Common Elements or vice versa;
 - (viii) expansion or contraction of the Condominium or the addition, annexation or withdrawal of property to or from the Condominium;
 - (ix) hazard or fidelity insurance requirements;
 - (x) imposition of any restrictions on the leasing of Units,
 - (xi) imposition of any restrictions on a Unit owner's right to sell or transfer that owner's Unit;
 - (xii) if the Condominium consists of fifty (50) or more Units, a decision by the Association to establish self-management if professional management had been required previously by the Condominium instruments or by an eligible mortgagee;
 - (xiii) restoration or repair of the Condominium Property after damage or partial condemnation in a manner other than specified in the Condominium instruments;
 - (xiv) termination of the legal status of the Condominium after substantial destruction or condemnation occurs; or
 - (xv) expressly benefiting mortgage holders, insurers, or guarantors. No addition to, change in, or amendment of the Condominium organizational documents shall be considered material if it is for the purpose of correcting technical errors, or for clarification only.
- (b) any proposed decision or action that:
 - (i) terminates professional management and establishes self-management when professional management has been required previously by an eligible mortgagee;
 - (ii) causes restoration or repair of the Condominium Property (after a hazard damage or partial condemnation) in a manner other than that specified in the Condominium organizational documents:
 - (iii) substantial damage or destruction not be restored;
 - (iv) the Condominium Property be renewed or rehabilitated;

- (v) significant new capital improvements not replacing existing improvements be constructed; or
- (vi) would, without addition to, change in, or amendment of the Condominium organizational documents, make any change with respect to the items described in subparagraph (a) of Section 1 of this Article.
- (c) (i) any condemnation or casualty loss that affects either a material portion of the Condominium Property or the Unit securing its mortgage;
 - (ii) any delinquency for sixty (60) days in the payment of assessments or charges owed by the owner of any Unit on which it holds the mortgage;
 - (iii) any lapse, cancellation, or material modification of any insurance policy maintained by the Association; and
 - (iv) any proposed action that requires the consent of a specified percentage of eligible mortgagees. A holder, insurer or guarantor of a first mortgage lien on a Unit which has sent a written request to the Association stating both its name and address and the Unit designation or address of the Unit on which it holds, insures or guarantees the mortgage shall be entitled to timely written notices of the events described in this subsection (c).

<u>Section 2. Voting Rights</u>. No action with respect to which eligible mortgagees are entitled to notice, as provided in subparagraphs (a) or (b) of Section 1 of this Article, may be taken without the consent of eligible mortgagees of Units to which at least fifty- one percent (51%) of the votes of Units subject to mortgages held by eligible mortgagees appertain, provided, further, that no action to terminate the Condominium or that would have that effect other than by reason of substantial destruction or condemnation of the Condominium property, shall be taken without the consent of eligible mortgagees of Units to which at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the votes of Units subject to mortgages held by eligible mortgagees appertain.

<u>Section 3. Approval Rights</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, if a federal or other nationally broad-based institutional mortgagee, guarantor, or insurer of residential home loans:

- (a) holds, insurers, or guarantees payment of all or part of a mortgage secured loan on one or more Units in the Condominium;
- (b) has not theretofore approved a plan of expansion of the Condominium to which a proposed addition to the Condominium conforms; and
- (c) requires approval of proposed additions to the Condominium, neither the Additional Property nor any part thereof may be added to the Condominium without the prior written consent of such holder, insurer, or guarantor.

ARTICLE XIX.

AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Power to Amend. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, additions to, changes in, or amendment of this Declaration (or the other Condominium organizational documents) or the taking of any of the actions which require the consent of eligible mortgagees exercising fifty-one percent (51%) of the votes of Units subject to mortgages held by eligible mortgagees, as provided

elsewhere herein, shall, in addition to such consents of eligible mortgagees, require the consent of Unit owners exercising not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the voting power of Unit owners. Notwithstanding the foregoing:

- (a) the consent of all Unit owners shall be required for any amendment effecting a change in:
 - (1) the boundaries of any Unit;
 - (2) the undivided interest in the Common Elements appertaining to a Unit or the liability for common expenses appertaining thereto;
 - (3) the number of votes in the Association appertaining to any Unit or
 - (4) the fundamental purposes to which any Unit or the Common Elements are restricted;
- (b) the consent of Unit owners exercising not less than eighty percent (80%) of the voting power of Unit owners and the consent of eligible mortgagees exercising sixty-seven percent (67%) of the votes of Units subject to mortgages held by eligible mortgagees shall be required to terminate the Condominium;
- (c) in any event, Declarant reserves the right and power, and each Unit owner by acceptance of a deed to a Unit is deemed to and does give and grant to Declarant a power of attorney, which right and power is coupled with an interest and runs with the title to a Unit and is irrevocable (except by Declarant), for so long as Declarant owns any Unit, to amend the Condominium organizational documents, to the extent necessary to (i) conform to the requirements then governing the making of a mortgage loan or the purchase, guaranty, or insurance of mortgages by an institutional lender or an institutional guarantor or insurer of a mortgage on a Unit, provided that the appropriate percentage (as described elsewhere herein) of eligible mortgagees is obtained (if required), or (ii) correct typographical or factual or obvious errors or omissions the correction of which would not impair the interest of any Unit owner, mortgagee, insurer, or guarantor, provided, further, that if there is a Unit Owner other than the Declarant, the Declaration shall not be amended to increase the scope or the period of control of the Declarant; and
- (d) in any event, there is reserved to the Association, through its Board, from and after such time as Declarant no longer owns any Unit, the right and power, and each Unit owner by acceptance of a deed to a Unit is deemed to and does give and grant to the Association, through its Board, a power of attorney, which right and power is coupled with an interest and runs with the title to a Unit and is irrevocable (except by the Board), to amend the Condominium organizational documents to the extent necessary to correct typographical or factual errors or omissions the correction of which would not impair the interest of any Unit owner, mortgagee, insurer, or guarantor.

An eligible mortgagee of a Unit who receives a written request to approve changes, additions, or amendments sent by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested, and who does not deliver or post to the requesting party a negative response within thirty (30) days after receipt of the same, shall be deemed to have approved such request.

Section 2. Method to Amend. An amendment to this Declaration (or the Drawings or the Bylaws), adopted with the consents of Unit owners and eligible mortgagees hereinbefore required, shall be executed with the same formalities as to execution as this Declaration by two officers of the Association and shall contain their certification that such amendment was duly adopted in accordance with the foregoing provisions. Any amendment adopted by the Declarant or a duly empowered successor Declarant pursuant to authority granted it pursuant to the Declaration shall be duly executed by it with

the same formalities as to execution as this Declaration and shall contain the certification of such signor or signors that such amendment is made pursuant to authority vested in Declarant or any duly empowered successor Declarant by the Declaration. Any amendment duly adopted and executed in accordance with the foregoing provisions shall be effective upon the filing of the same with the Delaware County Auditor and Recorder.

ARTICLE XX.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

<u>Section 1. Covenants Running With the Land</u>. The covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, reservations, liens and charges created hereunder or hereby inure to the benefit of all parties having any right, title or interest in or to all or any part of the Condominium Property, and the Association, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

Section 2. Actions. In addition to any other remedies provided in this Declaration, Declarant, (only with respect to those rights directly benefiting the Declarant), the Association, and each Unit owner, shall have the right to enforce, by any proceeding at law or in equity, all restrictions, conditions, covenants, easements, reservations, liens and charges set forth herein or in the Bylaws or now or hereafter imposed by or through the Association's rules and regulations. Failure by Declarant, the Association or by any Unit owner to proceed with such enforcement shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to enforce at a later date the original violation or a subsequent violation, nor shall the doctrine of !aches nor any statute of limitations bar the enforcement of any such restriction, condition, covenant, reservation, easement, lien or charge. Further, the Association and each Unit owner shall have rights of action against each other for failure to comply with the provisions of the Condominium organizational documents, rules and regulations, and applicable law, and with respect to decisions made pursuant to authority granted thereunder, provided, the Association shall have the right to assess reasonable charges against a Unit owner who fails to comply with the same, including the right to assess charges for the costs of enforcement and arbitration, and provided, further, that neither the Association nor its Directors, officers, or other representatives, shall be liable to any Unit owner or occupant, or their invitees, for damage to any Unit or any part thereof, or any personal property of such Unit owner, occupant or invitee, or for injury to such person, unless the damage or injury was proximately caused by the gross negligence or the intentional tortious act of the Association or such Director, officer or other representative. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event of any dispute between the Association and any Unit owner or occupant that cannot be settled by agreement between them, no Unit owner or Unit Owners shall institute legal proceedings against the Association without first submitting the dispute to arbitration in accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of the arbitration law of the State of Ohio then in effect (presently Chapter 2711 of the Revised Code of Ohio), by a single independent arbitrator selected by the Board. In addition to all other remedies available by law, the Association may use summary abatement or similar means to enforce any provisions hereof or restrictions against the Unit or its use, provided that judicial proceedings shall be instituted before any items of construction may be altered or demolished by summary means.

The Board has the authority to impose interest and administrative late fees for the late payment of Assessments; impose returned check charges; and, in accordance with Chapter 5311, impose reasonable enforcement Assessments for violations of the Declaration, the Bylaws, and the rules of the Association, and reasonable charges for damage to the Common Elements.

The Board may levy reasonable enforcement assessments against any Unit owner who, whether by their own conduct, action or inaction or the conduct, action or inaction of any Occupant or guest of their Unit, violates any provision of the Declaration, Bylaws, or rules. The Board may also assess reasonable

charges for any damage and for repair of the damage to the Common Elements or any other part of the Condominium Property that the Association is responsible to maintain that is caused by the conduct, action, or inaction of the Unit owner, Occupant, or guest of a Unit owner. The Unit owner must pay to the Association, in addition to any other sums due, any enforcement assessments levied, any charges for damage, and all fees, costs, and expenses the Association incurs, including reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs, in connection with the enforcement of any provision of the Declaration, Bylaws, or rules. The enforcement assessments, charges for damage, fees, costs, and expenses will be levied as a special individual Unit assessment against the Unit and is the personal obligation of the Unit owner. The Association, in addition to all other remedies available, has the right to place a lien on the estate or interest in the Unit of the Unit owner as further explained and set forth in Declaration Article XV, Section 5.

Section 3. Severability. Invalidation of any one or more of these covenants, conditions, restrictions or easements by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any other provisions, which provisions shall remain in full force and effect. In the event any language of this Declaration conflicts with mandatory provisions of the Condominium Act, the latter's requirements shall prevail and the conflicting language shall be deemed to be invalid and void, provided that such invalidity shall in no wise affect any other provisions of this Declaration, which provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

<u>Section 4. Gender and Grammar</u>. The singular wherever used herein shall be construed to mean the plural when applicable, and the necessary grammatical changes required to make the provisions hereof apply either to corporations, partnerships, men or women, shall in all cases be assumed as though in such case fully expressed.

<u>Section 5. Captions</u>. The captions of the various provisions of this Declaration are not part of the context hereof but are merely labels to assist in locating the various provisions hereof.

Section 6. Notices. All notices required to be sent are subject to the following provisions:

- (a) All notices required or permitted under the Declaration or Bylaws, to the Association or the Board, must be made in writing and sent by regular U.S. mail, first-class postage prepaid, to the Board of Directors or the Association at the address of the Condominium Property or to such other address as the Board of Directors may designate by a notice in writing to all Unit owners.
- (b) All notices required or permitted under the Declaration or Bylaws to any Unit owner must be hand-delivered or sent by regular U.S. mail, first-class postage prepaid, to such Unit owner's Unit address or to such other address designated by the Unit owner in writing to the Board. Any notice required or permitted to be given to any Occupant of a Unit other than a Unit owner will effectively be given if hand-delivered or sent by regular U.S. mail, first- class postage prepaid, to the Unit address.
- (c) In addition to the methods described in Paragraphs (a) and (b) above, due to the ongoing development of new technologies and corresponding changes in business practices, to the extent permitted by Ohio and federal law, as well as by the Board, now or in the future:
 - (1) For voting on matters, the Association may provide for voting by electronic mail or other electronic voting technology. However, voting for the election of Directors can be conducted by electronic mail or other electronic voting technology only to the extent, if any, as explicitly permitted and provided for in the Bylaws.
 - (2) any signature, vote, consent, or approval required to be obtained; or

- (3) any payment required to be made, under the Declaration or Bylaws, may be accomplished or required using the most advanced technology available at that time provided such use is a generally accepted business practice. This includes, without limitation, the use of electronic mail or other electronic transmission in lieu of any Association required written notice to Unit owners, individually or collectively, to or from any Unit owner who has given the Association written consent to such use of electronic mail or other electronic transmission, and for the Association to properly and effectively receive any Unit owner's signature, vote, consent, or approval the Association needs or requires, subject to the following:
 - (i) For voting on matters other than the election of Board members, the Association may provide for voting by electronic transmission. However, if the Association cannot guarantee the anonymity of a Unit owner's vote, the Association must provide the Unit owner with the option of casting an anonymous printed ballot, which includes, when necessary, the Unit owner's percentage of ownership interest.
 - (ii) An electronic mail or other electronic transmission to a Unit owner is not considered delivered and effective if the Association's transmission to the Unit owner fails two consecutive times, e.g. the Association receives an "undeliverable" or similar message, or the inability to deliver the transmission to the Unit owner becomes known to the Person responsible for sending the transmission. If the electronic mail or other electronic transmission is not delivered or effective, the Association will deliver such notice or other communication to the Unit owner in writing by regular U.S. mail to the Unit owner's Unit or last known address, by hand delivery to the Unit owner, or by leaving the notice under or attached to the front door of the Unit owner's Unit.
 - (iii) Any Unit owner who has not given the Association written consent to such use of electronic mail or other electronic transmission will receive notices, including any notice of delinquency of any payment due, either by personal delivery to the Unit owner, by leaving the notice under or attached to the front door of the Unit owner's Unit, or regular mail to the Unit owner's Unit or last known address.