

**DECLARATION OF COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS**  
**FOR**  
**GRANVILLE AT ETOWN**

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**DECLARATION**  
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**THIS DECLARATION** (this “Declaration”) is made this 26th day of January, 2023, by **WEEKLEY HOMES, LLC**, a Delaware limited liability company, **d/b/a DAVID WEEKLEY HOMES** (the “Declarant”), and **CND-E10, LLC**, a Florida limited liability company (“CND”), who declare that the real property owned by CND, which is described on **Exhibit A** attached hereto and made a part hereof, and any lands subjected to this Declaration pursuant to the provisions hereof, shall be held, transferred, sold, conveyed and occupied subject to the covenants, restrictions, easements, charges, liens and all other matters set forth in this Declaration which shall be deemed to be covenants running with the title to the Property, as such term is defined by Section 2.8 hereof, and shall be binding upon the Declarant, CND, the Association and all parties having or acquiring any right, title or interest in the Property or any part thereof.

**ARTICLE I**  
**MUTUALITY OF BENEFIT AND OBLIGATION**

Section 1.1 **Mutuality**. The covenants, restrictions, and agreements set forth in this Declaration are made for the mutual and reciprocal benefit of every parcel within the Property, and are intended to create mutual equitable servitudes upon each such parcel in favor of the other parcels, to create reciprocal rights among the respective Owners, and to create privity of contract and an estate between the grantees of each and every parcel within the Property, their heirs, successors and assigns.

Section 1.2 **Benefits and Burdens**. Every person who is an Owner does by reason of taking title to land located within the Property agree to all the terms and provisions of this Declaration and shall be entitled to its benefits and subject to its burdens.

**ARTICLE II**  
**DEFINITIONS**

The following words, when used in this Declaration shall have the following meanings:

Section 2.1 **Association**. Granville at eTown Homeowners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit. This is the Declaration to which the Articles of Incorporation (the “Articles”) attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, and Bylaws (the “Bylaws”), attached hereto as **Exhibit C**, of the Association make reference.

Section 2.2 **Board**. The Board of Directors of the Association.

Section 2.3 **Common Area**. Declarant and CND hereby designate the real and personal property owned by CND and identified on **Exhibit D** to this Declaration as the initial Common Area under this Declaration. In addition, Declarant may designate additional real property (including easements, licenses and rights to use real property) and personal property located within or adjacent

to the Property as Common Area for the common use of the Owners recording a Supplementary Declaration, pursuant to the terms of Section 4.3 hereof.

Section 2.4 **Declarant.** Weekley Homes, LLC, d/b/a David Weekley Homes (also referred to herein as "David Weekley Homes") and its successors and such of its assigns as to which the rights of the Declarant hereunder are specifically assigned. Declarant may assign all or only a portion of such rights in connection with portions of the Property. In the event of a partial assignment, the assignee may exercise such rights of the Declarant as are specifically assigned to it. Any such assignment may be made on a non-exclusive basis. So long as the Option Agreement (as defined in Section 2.7 below) is in effect, any assignment of the Declarant's rights under this Declaration shall require the prior written consent of CND. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained within this Declaration, in the event the Option Agreement is terminated prior to the purchase by Declarant of all the Lots, as evidenced by the recording of a Notice of Termination of Option in the current public records of Duval County, Florida, CND shall, upon its election and recordation of a Notice of Assignment of Declarant's Rights, automatically become the Declarant under this Declaration, in which event (i) all references to the "Declarant" in this Declaration shall mean CND and its successors and assigns, and (ii) David Weekley Homes shall no longer be the Declarant under this Declaration.

Section 2.5 **Limited Common Area.** The Limited Common Area of a Lot shall consist of the portion of the Property between the front Lot line and the nearest edge of the paved road surface (as it may exist from time to time) and between the rear Lot line and the nearest shore line of any lake contiguous to or within forty (40) feet of the Lot, within the area bounded by the extension of the side Lot lines, together with any portion of the Property contiguous to a Lot which, as a result of the natural configuration of the Property, is primarily of benefit to such Lot. Any question concerning the boundary of a limited common area shall be determined by the Board.

Section 2.6 **Lot.** Each platted lot located within the Property which may be developed for single family residential use. No Lot shall include any portion of the Common Area owned in fee simple by the Association.

Section 2.7 **Member.** Any Owner of any Lot on which a completed residential dwelling unit has been constructed, as evidenced by the issuance of a certificate of occupancy or similar approval issued by the City of Jacksonville or other governmental authority having jurisdiction.

Section 2.8 **Option Agreement.** That certain Option Agreement dated October 11, 2021, by CND and David Weekley Homes, as may be amended.

Section 2.9 **Owner.** The record owner or owners of any Lot.

Section 2.10 **Property or Granville.** The real property described on the attached **Exhibit A** and such additions and deletions thereto as may be made in accordance with the provisions of Sections 3.2 and 3.3 of this Declaration.

Section 2.11 **Residential Dwelling Unit.** Any improved portion of the Property located within a Lot and intended for use as a residential dwelling.

Section 2.12 **Surface Water or Stormwater Management System.** A system which is designed and constructed or implemented within the Property to control discharges which are necessitated by rainfall events, incorporating methods to collect, convey, store, absorb, inhibit, treat, use or reuse water to prevent or reduce flooding, overdrainage, environmental degradation, and water pollution or otherwise affect the quantity and quality of discharges from the system, as permitted pursuant to Chapters 40C-4, 40C-40, or 40C-42, F.A.C. or regulations of similar import. For purposes of this Declaration, the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System shall be deemed to be a part of the Common Area.

**ARTICLE III**  
**PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THIS DECLARATION:**  
**ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Section 3.1 **No Implied Extension of Covenants.** Each Owner of any improvements constructed on any Lot, by becoming an Owner, shall be deemed to have agreed that (a) the Property described on **Exhibit A** and such additional property as may be annexed pursuant to Section 3.2 hereof shall be the only Property subject to this Declaration, (b) that nothing contained in this Declaration or in any recorded or unrecorded plat, map, picture, drawing, brochure or other representation of a scheme of development, shall be construed as subjecting, or requiring the Declarant to subject any other property now or hereafter owned by the Declarant or CND (as applicable) to this Declaration, and (c) that the only manner in which additional land may be subjected to this Declaration is by the procedure set forth in Section 3.2 hereof.

Section 3.2 **Additional Lands.** Declarant may, but shall not be obligated to, subject additional land to this Declaration (or to the assessment provisions of this Declaration) from time to time provided only that (a) any additional land subjected to this Declaration (or its assessment provisions) shall be contiguous to the Property then subject to this Declaration (for purposes of this Section 3.2, property separated only by public or private roads, water bodies, golf courses, or open space shall be deemed contiguous), and (b) the owners of property within additional lands to be made subject to this Declaration (or its assessment provisions) join in the Supplementary Declaration described below, whereupon such land shall be and become subject to this Declaration (or its assessment provisions), and shall be responsible for their pro rata share of common expenses for which assessments may be levied pursuant to the terms of Article VI of this Declaration. Addition of lands to this Declaration shall be made and evidenced by filing in the current public records of Duval County, Florida, a Supplementary Declaration executed by the Declarant and joined by the owners of such lands if different than the Declarant, with respect to the lands to be added. Except for any required joinders set forth above, Declarant reserves the right to supplement this Declaration to add land to the scheme of this Declaration (or its assessment provisions) pursuant to the foregoing provisions without the consent or joinder of any Owner or mortgagee of land within the Property.

Section 3.3 **Withdrawal of Lands.** With the consent and joinder of Owners holding a majority of the votes in the Association, the Declarant may, but shall have no obligation to, withdraw at any time, or from time to time, portions of the Property from the terms and effect of this Declaration. Upon the Declarant's request, the consent and joinder of each and every Owner to such withdrawal shall not be unreasonably withheld. The withdrawal of lands as aforesaid shall be made and evidenced

by filing in the current public records of Duval County, Florida, a Supplementary Declaration executed by the Declarant with respect to the lands to be withdrawn. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, Declarant or CND (as applicable) may, but shall have no obligation to, elect to convey all or a portion of the Property to the Cypress Bluff Community Development District (the "CDD"). Any portions of the Property conveyed to the CDD shall be deemed withdrawn from this Declaration, including, without limitation, from any Common Area designation and shall no longer be subject to any assessments provided hereunder.

**ARTICLE IV**  
**COMMON AREA RIGHTS**

Section 4.1 **Conveyance of Common Area.** Declarant and CND agree that all of the Common Area owned by Declarant or CND (as applicable) shall be conveyed or assigned to the Association, subject to covenants, easements, restrictions and other matters of record, on or before the date which is one hundred twenty (120) days after the Declarant shall no longer own any Lot, and the Association shall accept such conveyance or assignment. Upon the recordation of any deed or deeds conveying Common Area to the Association, the Association shall be conclusively deemed to have accepted the conveyance evidenced by such deed or deeds.

Section 4.2 **Owners' Easement of Enjoyment.** Each Owner shall have a nonexclusive, perpetual right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Area for its intended purpose, which shall be appurtenant to, and shall pass with, the title to the land of such Owner, subject to the following:

- (a) The right of the owner of the Common Area, with the consent of the Declarant (if different from such owner) to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Area to any public agency, authority or utility;
- (b) All provisions of this Declaration, any plat of all or any parts of the Property, and all applicable governmental restrictions;
- (c) Reasonable rules and regulations governing use and enjoyment of the Common Area adopted by the Declarant or the Association;
- (d) The right of the Association to charge reasonable admission charges for the use of specific portions of the Common Area by Owners and other parties;
- (e) The rights of the Declarant under Section 4.3 to add to or withdraw land from the Common Area;
- (f) Easements, restrictions, agreements and other matters of record; and
- (g) The right of the Association to convey, mortgage or otherwise encumber any or all of the Common Area.

The foregoing easement of enjoyment in favor of the Owners shall not be construed to create or imply any other easements or rights not expressly created by this Declaration, it being the intent hereof to

limit the Owners' rights of use of specific portions of the Common Area to only the intended purposes of such portions of the Common Area. For example, the creation of each Owner's right to drain such Owner's property into the portions of the Common Area included within the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System, does not create any right of access by any Owner to such portions of the Common Area over any other Owner's property or other privately owned portions of the Property.

Section 4.3 **Right of the Declarant to Designate Property as Common Area or to Withdraw Property from the Common Area.** Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Declaration, the Declarant shall have the right, in its sole discretion, to designate land, easements, use rights and personal property as Common Area, provided only that: (i) such land shall be located within the Property or contiguous to the Property (for purposes of this Section 4.3, property separated only by public or private roads, water bodies, golf courses, or open space shall be deemed contiguous); and (ii) the owner of such land, easements, use rights or other personal property, if different from Declarant, shall join in a Supplementary Declaration as described below. For so long as the Declarant shall own any portion of the Property, the Declarant may, at any time, withdraw, or cause to be withdrawn, land from the Common Area in the Declarant's sole discretion. The prior sentence notwithstanding, in the event such withdrawal of Common Area shall materially and adversely affect any Lot or materially and adversely affect access, visibility, or drainage to or from any Lot, the Declarant shall not have the right to withdraw such Common Area without the consent and joinder of the Owner of the Lot which is so affected. Addition of land to and withdrawal of land from the Common Area shall be evidenced by recording a Supplementary Declaration in the current public records of Duval County, Florida, which shall specifically reference such addition or withdrawal. Withdrawal of land from the Common Area by the Declarant shall terminate any and all easements and rights of use of the Owners in such land. No land shall be deemed to be Common Area unless such land is expressly referenced as such under Section 2.3 hereof, or subsequently designated as such by the Declarant pursuant to this Section 4.3, even if the Declarant or other owner of such land consents or acquiesces to the use of such land by the Owners. In the event any land, easements, use rights, or personal property owned by the Association or CND shall be withdrawn from the Common Area pursuant to this Section 4.3, upon the Declarant's written request, the Association or CND shall promptly execute and deliver to the Declarant any and all deeds, bills of sale, assignments or other conveyance documents as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate the withdrawal of such Common Area.

Section 4.4 **Maintenance of Common Area and Compliance with Applicable Permits.** The Association shall at all times maintain in good repair and manage, operate and insure, and shall replace as often as necessary, the Common Area and any improvements and landscaping (including, without limitation, and any gated entry feature and associated improvements for the Property; but excluding utilities owned and maintained by public or private utility companies providing water, sewer, electrical, fire protection, cable television, telephone, or similar utilities to the Property, or any portion thereof) situated on the Common Area, if any. In addition, the Association may maintain certain landscaping located within or adjacent to the right of way of certain off-site roadways. The Association shall maintain all lakes, drainage areas, drainage easements, and control structures, and shall preserve and protect all current and future conservation areas (including, without limitation, any wetland or conservation areas created or enhanced before or after control over the Association has been turned over from the Declarant to the Owners) and littoral zones located within, adjacent, or in

near proximity to the Property, in accordance with the terms and provisions of any conservation easements and all permit requirements and conditions contained in applicable dredge fill, consumptive use, surface water permits, or any other applicable permits issued by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (“ACOE”), Florida Department of Environmental Protection (“FDEP”), St. Johns River Water Management District (“SJRWMD”), and the City of Jacksonville, Florida (the “COJ”), and all statutes, rules, regulations and requirements pertaining to surface water management, drainage and water quality promulgated by the SJRWMD, the FDEP, and all other local, state and federal authorities having jurisdiction. The Association shall maintain those portions of the Common Area designated by applicable permit or other instrument as conservation tracts, stormwater management tracts or similar designations, in accordance with all permit requirements, rules, and regulations promulgated by all local, state and federal authorities having jurisdiction. The Association shall be responsible for the maintenance, operation and repair of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System. Maintenance of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System shall mean the exercise of practices which allow the system to provide drainage, water storage, conveyance of other surface water, or stormwater management capabilities as permitted by the SJRWMD. The Association shall be responsible for such maintenance and operation. Any repair or reconstruction of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System shall be as permitted, or if modified, as approved by the SJRWMD. All maintenance obligations of the Association shall be performed as ordered by the Board, and all or any portion of the cost of such maintenance incurred by the Association pursuant to this Section 4.4, shall be a common expense of the Association to be collected and paid in the manner prescribed by this Declaration.

Section 4.5 **Maintenance of Roadways.** All of the Roadways (as defined in Section 11.1 below) shall be maintained by the Association for so long as they remain private. Without limiting the other provisions contained within this Declaration, the Association is responsible for the maintenance, repair and/or resurfacing of all paved and concrete surfaces forming a part of the Roadways or Common Area. Although pavement appears to be of durable material, it requires maintenance. The Association shall have the right, but not the obligation, to arrange for periodic inspections of all paved and concrete surfaces forming a part of the Roadways or Common Area. The Association shall determine periodically the parameters of the inspection to be performed, if any. Any patching, grading, or other maintenance work shall be performed by a company licensed to perform such work.

Section 4.6 **Easement for Maintenance, Access and Drainage Purposes.** The Declarant hereby grants to the Association and its successors, assigns, agents, and contractors, an easement in, on, over and upon those portions of the Property as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose of maintaining the Common Area, including the Surface Water or Storm Water Management System, or other portions of Property to be maintained by Association, in accordance with the requirements of this Declaration. The Association shall have a perpetual non-exclusive easement over all areas of the surface water or stormwater management system for access to operate, maintain or repair the system. By this easement, the Association shall have the right to enter upon any portion of any Lot which is a part of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System, at reasonable times and in a reasonable manner, to operate, maintain or repair the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System as required by the SJRWMD permit. Additionally, the Association shall have a perpetual non-exclusive easement for drainage over the entire Surface Water or Stormwater Management System. No person shall alter the drainage flow of the Surface Water or Stormwater

Management System, including buffer areas or swales, without prior written approval of the SJRWMD. The easement granted hereby shall not be exercised by any party in a manner which unreasonably interferes with the use, occupancy, or enjoyment of any improved portion of the Property. Further, in the event that any portion of the Property shall be damaged or altered in any way as the result of the exercise of the easement rights granted hereby, such portions of the Property shall be immediately restored to the condition that existed immediately prior to such damage or alteration by the party exercising such rights.

## ARTICLE V ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

Section 5.1 **Architectural Review and Approval.** No landscaping, improvement or structure of any kind, including without limitation, any building, house, fence, wall, pool, spa, ornamental statute, flag pole, play structure, satellite dish, screen enclosure, sewer, drain, disposal system, landscape device or object, driveway or other improvement shall be commenced, erected, placed or maintained upon any Lot, or upon the Common Area, nor shall any addition, change or alteration therein or thereof be made, unless and until the contractor, builder, person or entity responsible for the construction and/or installation of any such landscaping, improvement or structure (or any addition, change or alteration thereto) and the plans, specifications and location of the same have been submitted to, and approved in writing by the Declarant or the Declarant's designee. All plans and specifications shall be evaluated as to visual and acoustical privacy and as to the harmony of external design and location in relation to surrounding structures, topography, existing trees and other natural vegetation and as to specific conformance with Architectural Criteria, as such term is hereafter defined, which may be imposed from time to time by the Declarant. All plans and specifications submitted for review shall be evaluated for total effect and may be disapproved by the Declarant solely for aesthetic reasons, in the Declarant's sole and absolute discretion. No approval of plans and specifications for improvements constructed upon any Lot shall be construed to establish precedent or otherwise obligate the Declarant to approve applications involving similar designs proposed for other Lots. It shall be the burden of each Owner to supply two (2) sets of completed plans and specifications to the Declarant and no plan or specification shall be deemed approved unless a written approval is granted by the Declarant to the Owner submitting same. The Declarant shall approve or disapprove plans and specifications properly submitted within twenty (20) business days of each submission. Any change or modification to an approved plan shall not be deemed approved unless a written approval is granted by the Declarant to the Owner submitting same.

Section 5.2 **Review Procedures.** The Declarant shall have the following rights with respect to architectural review and approval conducted in accordance with this Article V:

(a) To promulgate, amend, eliminate or replace architectural criteria applicable to architectural review to be conducted by the Declarant which shall be applicable to all or any portions of the Property (the "Architectural Criteria"). The Owners acknowledge that different portions of the Property may have different architectural themes, and that the Declarant may promulgate and implement different sets of Architectural Criteria for different portions of the Property. Notice of any amendment to the Architectural Criteria, which shall include a verbatim copy of such amendment, shall be delivered to each member of the Association. The delivery to

each member of the Association of notice and a copy of any amendment to the Architectural Criteria shall not, however, constitute a condition precedent to the effectiveness or validity of such amendment. It shall not be necessary for the Architectural Criteria, or any amendment thereto, to be recorded.

(b) To require submission of two (2) complete sets of all plans and specifications for any improvement or structure of any kind requiring review and approval pursuant to this Article V. The Declarant may also require submission of samples of building materials proposed for use on any Lot, and may require tree surveys to show the effect of the proposed improvements on existing tree cover, and such additional information as reasonably may be necessary for the Declarant to completely evaluate the proposed structure or improvement in accordance with this Declaration and applicable Architectural Criteria.

(c) To approve or disapprove in accordance with the provisions of this Article V, any improvements or structures of any kind, or any change or modification thereto, the construction, erection, performance or placement of which is proposed upon any Lot, and to approve or disapprove any exterior additions, changes, modifications or alterations therein or thereon.

(d) To establish as part of the Architectural Criteria, objective standards for the approval of contractors constructing and/or installing any landscaping or other improvements within the Property, which standards may include requirements for licensing, insurance, good standing with the local Better Business Bureau, minimum net worth and demonstration of substantial experience in the construction and/or installation of landscaping and other improvements within areas of northeast Florida that are reasonably comparable to the landscaping and/or other improvements constructed and/or installed (or to be constructed and/or installed) within the Property. BY ESTABLISHING SUCH STANDARDS OR APPROVING ANY CONTRACTOR, DECLARANT SHALL NOT ASSUME LIABILITY FOR OR OTHERWISE BECOME RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY CLAIMS, DEMANDS OR DAMAGES ARISING IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SUCH CONTACTOR'S CONSTRUCTION OR INSTALLATION (AS APPLICABLE) OF ANY LANDSCAPING OR OTHER IMPROVEMENT WITHIN THE PROPERTY. IN NO EVENT SHALL DECLARANT BE DEEMED A PARTNER, JOINT VENTURER OR OTHER RELATED PARTY OF ANY KIND WITH OR TO ANY CONTRACTOR, AND ACCORDINGLY, DECLARANT CANNOT BE AND IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR, OR A GUARANTOR OF, PERFORMANCE BY ANY CONTRACTOR OF ANY OBLIGATION TO ANY OWNER.

(e) To adopt a schedule of reasonable fees for processing requests for architectural approval of proposed improvements. Such fees, if any, shall be payable to the Association, in cash, at the time that plans and specifications are submitted to the Declarant.

(f) To require each Owner to deposit a reasonable sum (the "Construction Deposit") with the Association to secure such Owner's compliance with the terms of this Declaration and all plans and specifications approved in accordance with this Article V.

(g) To assign to the Association, all or any portion of Declarant's rights of architectural review as reserved by this Article V.

Section 5.3 **Variance.** The Declarant, in its sole and absolute discretion, may (but shall not be obligated to) authorize variances from compliance with any architectural provisions of this Declaration or applicable Architectural Criteria when deemed appropriate by Declarant, such as, without limitation, topography, natural obstructions, hardships, or aesthetic or environmental considerations require same. Such a variance must be evidenced by a document signed by an authorized representative of the Declarant and no such variance shall be deemed approved or otherwise implied unless and until such written evidence shall have been delivered to the applicable Owner. If such a variance is granted, no violation of the covenants, conditions and restrictions contained in this Declaration shall be deemed to have occurred with respect to the matters for which the variance is granted. The granting of such a variance shall not, however, operate to waive any of the terms and provisions of this Declaration for any purpose except as to the particular Lot and particular provisions of this Declaration or applicable Architectural Criteria covered by the variance, nor shall it affect in any way an Owner's obligation to comply with all governmental laws and regulations, including but not limited to, zoning ordinances and setback lines or requirements imposed by any governmental or municipal authority.

Section 5.4 **Assignment.** The Declarant reserves the right to assign its reserved rights under this Article V, in whole or in part, to the Association, who upon such assignment shall automatically assume all of the Declarant's obligations under this Article V with respect to the rights assigned. Upon such assignment, the Association shall be authorized to form an Architectural Review Board ("ARB"), who shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. The ARB shall thereafter be authorized to exercise all rights of architectural control that are assigned by the Declarant to the Association and authorized by this Article V. Notwithstanding anything in this Declaration to the contrary, the terms and provisions of this Article V may not be altered, amended or terminated without the written consent and joinder of CND-E10, LLC.

Section 5.5 **Limited Liability.** IN CONNECTION WITH ALL REVIEWS, ACCEPTANCES, INSPECTIONS, PERMISSIONS, CONSENTS OR REQUIRED APPROVALS BY OR FROM THE DECLARANT AS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS ARTICLE V, THE DECLARANT, THE ARB AND THE ASSOCIATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO ANY OWNER OR TO ANY OTHER PERSON ON ACCOUNT OF ANY CLAIM, LIABILITY, DAMAGE OR EXPENSE SUFFERED OR INCURRED BY OR THREATENED AGAINST AN OWNER OR SUCH OTHER PERSON AND ARISING OUT OF OR IN ANY WAY RELATED TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF ANY SUCH REVIEWS, ACCEPTANCES, INSPECTIONS, PERMISSIONS, CONSENTS OR REQUIRED APPROVALS, WHETHER GIVEN, GRANTED OR WITHHELD BY THE DECLARANT, THE ARB OR THE ASSOCIATION.

## **ARTICLE VI** **COVENANTS FOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS**

Section 6.1 **Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments.** Each Owner of a Lot within the Property who is a Member hereby covenants, and by acceptance of a deed therefore, whether or not it shall be so expressed in any such deed or other conveyance including any

purchaser at a judicial sale, shall hereafter be deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association any annual and special assessments established and levied pursuant to the terms of this Declaration. All such assessments, together with interest thereon from the due date at the highest lawful rate and costs of collection thereof (including reasonable attorneys' fees), shall be a charge and continuing lien upon each Lot against which each such assessment is made, and shall also be the personal obligation of the Owner. No Member may avoid liability for the assessments by waiver of rights to use, or by non-use of, the Common Areas or by abandonment.

Section 6.2 **Purpose of Assessments.**

(a) The annual assessments levied by the Association against all Members shall be used for the purposes of management and accounting fees, taxes, insurance, and utility charges relating to the Common Area (and to any other lands and improvements maintained by the Association), to fund the obligations of the Association set forth in Sections 4.4 and 4.5, and for all other purposes reasonably contemplated by this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws, or any cost sharing or similar agreement to which the Association is or may become a party. Assessments shall also be used for the maintenance and repair of the surface water or stormwater management systems including, but not limited to, work within retention areas, drainage structures, and drainage easements. Further, such annual assessments may be levied to fund reasonable reserves for deferred maintenance of, or non-recurring expenses related to, the Common Area including, without limitation, the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System. The maintenance responsibilities of the Association payable through assessment of the Members shall specifically include, but not be limited to, the perpetual maintenance of all retention ponds, drainage swales, and all other drainage and stormwater management structures and improvements. Assessments collected by the Association to fund reserves shall be separately accounted for, it being the requirement of this Declaration that such funds shall be used exclusively for deferred maintenance of, or non-recurring expenses related to, the Common Area including the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System.

(b) The Board may levy special assessments for any purpose relating to permissible or required activities of the Association pursuant to this Declaration, the Articles, or any cost sharing or similar agreement to which the Association is or may become a party. Special assessments shall be allocated among the Members as provided in Section 6.3 hereof.

Section 6.3 **Calculation and Collection of Assessments.** Annual assessments shall be established by the Board based upon an annual budget. Each Member's pro rata share of the total annual assessment or any special assessment shall be based upon an equal amount per Lot, except that to the extent assessed under this Declaration, any Lot which does not include a completed dwelling unit thereon, and any Lot which includes a completed "spec" home constructed by a builder but which has not yet been sold to a homebuyer, will be assessed at 10% of the amount of assessments due from other Members since such Lots will not benefit from the maintenance and other services provided by the Association to the same extent as the other Lots owned by Members. The assessment obligations of each Member other than the Declarant shall commence upon the recordation of this Declaration in the current public records of Duval County, Florida. Annual assessments shall be collectable in advance on a periodic basis established by the Board from time to time, which periodic basis shall not be less frequent than semi annually. Special assessments shall be collectable in advance

in the manner established by the Board at the time such special assessments are authorized. In no event shall the Association be required to refund surplus assessments to the Members.

Section 6.4 **Effect of Non-Payment of Assessment: Lien, Personal Obligation, and Remedies of Association.** The lien of the Association shall be effective from and after recording in the current public records of Duval County, Florida, a claim of lien stating the description of the Lot encumbered thereby, the name of the Member, the amount and the due date. Such claim of lien shall include assessments which are due and payable when the claim of lien is recorded as well as assessments which may accrue thereafter, plus interest, costs, attorneys' fees, advances to pay taxes and prior encumbrances and interest thereon, all as above provided. Upon full payment of all sums secured by such claim of lien, the same shall be satisfied of record, and the affected Member shall pay the cost of such satisfaction. If the assessment is not paid within fifteen (15) days after the due date, the assessment shall bear interest from the due date at the highest lawful rate, and the Association may at any time thereafter bring an action to enforce the lien authorized hereby by appropriate foreclosure proceedings and/or a suit on the personal obligation against the Member. In the event the Association shall fail to bring such an action for collection of such delinquent assessment within thirty (30) days following receipt of written notice from any Owner demanding that such proceedings be commenced, such Owner shall be authorized to institute such proceedings. There shall be added to the amount of such delinquent assessment the costs of collection incurred by the Association, or such Owner, which shall specifically include without limitation reasonable attorneys' fees for trial and appeal. Upon receipt of a written request therefor from any Member, the Association shall provide such Member with a written statement of all assessments and other charges due or to become due from such Member to the Association, which shall be binding on the Association through the date indicated on the Association's written statement.

Section 6.5 **Subordination of Lien to Mortgages.** The lien of the assessments provided for by this Declaration shall be subordinate to the lien of any bona fide mortgage which is perfected by recording prior to the recording of the claim of lien for any such unpaid assessments. Such subordination shall apply only to the assessments which have become due and payable prior to a sale or transfer of the Lot by deed in lieu of foreclosure, pursuant to a decree of foreclosure, or pursuant to any other proceeding in lieu of foreclosure of such mortgage. The total amount of assessment which remains unpaid as a result of a mortgagee obtaining title to the Lot shall be added to the total budget for Common Expenses and shall be paid by all Owners including the mortgagee on a pro rata basis. Without limitation of an Owner's obligation to pay assessments and other sums due under this Declaration, if a third party, excluding the Declarant, CND, the Association, or a first mortgagee, obtains title to a Lot pursuant to a foreclosure sale or otherwise, such third party shall be obligated to pay the Association for all unpaid assessments, fines, interest, late fees, collection and other costs, and attorneys' fees and costs that accrued as of the date of such conveyance. No sale or other transfer shall relieve any Lot from liability for any assessments thereafter becoming due, nor from the lien of any such subsequent assessments. A written statement of the Association that the lien is subordinate to a mortgage, shall be dispositive of any question of subordination.

Section 6.6 **Declarant's Assessments.** Notwithstanding any provision of this Declaration to the contrary, during the Development Period (as defined below) the Lots and other portions of the Property owned by the Declarant shall not be subject to any annual or special assessments levied by the Association or to any lien for such assessments. During the Development Period, and in lieu of

payment of any assessments to the Association, the Declarant shall pay the balance of the actual operating expenses of the Association (excluding the cost of funding deferred maintenance and reserve accounts) remaining after the levying of and payment of assessments due from Members other than the Declarant pursuant to assessments levied by the Board pursuant to this Declaration, including without limitation, Initial Fund Contributions made pursuant to Section 6.7 below (the “Operating Deficits”); provided that in no case is Declarant responsible to pay deficits due to delinquent Members. The Declarant shall be obligated to fund such Operating Deficits only as the expenses are actually incurred by the Association during the Development Period. The Development Period shall begin upon the conveyance of the first Lot in the Property to any Owner and shall continue until the first to occur of (i) the date that the Declarant shall no longer have the right to appoint a majority of the Board; or (ii) the date that the Declarant shall notify the Association that it will no longer pay for Operating Deficits of the Association. Upon termination of the Declarant's agreement to pay Operating Deficits, the Declarant shall become obligated to pay assessments on Lots owned by it within the Property on the same basis as other Owners. In no event shall the Declarant be obligated to pay for Operating Deficits of the Association after the Declarant no longer owns any Lots within the Property.

THE DECLARANT DOES NOT PROVIDE A GUARANTEE OF THE LEVEL OF ASSESSMENTS. AS SUCH, THERE IS NO MAXIMUM GUARANTEED LEVEL OF ASSESSMENTS WHICH MAY BECOME DUE FROM OWNERS. AS STATED ABOVE, THE DECLARANT HAS ELECTED TO FUND THE OPERATING DEFICITS AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 720.308(1)(b), FLORIDA STATUTES (2022). AS SUCH, THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 720.308(2) THROUGH 720.308(6), FLORIDA STATUTES (2022), ARE NOT APPLICABLE TO THE DECLARANT OR THE CALCULATION OF OPERATING DEFICITS OR OTHER AMOUNTS DUE FROM THE DECLARANT.

Section 6.7 **Capitalization of the Association.** In addition to the other assessments to be paid pursuant to the provisions of this Article VI, upon each and every conveyance to any party (the “Buying Party”) of any Lot upon which a Residential Dwelling Unit has been completed, the Buying Party shall make an initial contribution to the capital of the Association (each contribution, the “Fund Contribution” and, collectively, “Fund Contributions”) in an amount determined by the Board from time to time. This amount shall be collected at the closing of the purchase and sale of the applicable Lot and shall be disbursed to the Association. The purpose of the Fund Contribution is to ensure that the Association will have cash available for initial start up expenses, to meet unforeseen expenditures and to acquire additional equipment and services deemed necessary or desirable by the Board and may be used for any other purpose reasonably contemplated by this Declaration, the Association’s Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws, as determined in the reasonable discretion of the Board. Fund Contributions shall not be deemed to be advance payments of any annual or special assessments, and payment thereof shall have no effect on an Owner’s responsibility for payment of any future annual or special assessments. There shall be no requirement to hold any Fund Contributions in a segregated account.

Section 6.8 **Area Assessments.** The Board may establish and levy annual and/or special assessments to fund specific services authorized by the Board from time to time which shall benefit only specific portions of the Property (the “Area Assessments”). The Area Assessments shall be levied against only those portions of the Property that receive the benefit of such services and shall

be allocated among only the Owners of those Lots located within such portions of the Property, based upon the allocations established by Section 6.3 above. The boundaries of the portions of the Property that are deemed to receive the benefit of the Area Assessments authorized by this Section 6.8 shall be determined by the Board in its sole discretion.

Section 6.9 **Notice of Transfer**. Prior to the conveyance or transfer of any Lot or other portion of the Property, the Owner thereof shall obtain from the Association, a written statement of any and all assessments, costs, or other charges owed to the Association by such Owner with respect to such portion of the Property. All such assessments, costs and other charges shall be paid simultaneous with the closing of such Owner's conveyance or transfer of such portion of the Property, and in the event that the same shall not be paid, both the Owner and the Owner's grantee shall be jointly and severally responsible for the payment of same, and such portion of the Property shall be subject to the Association's lien for such unpaid sums as more particularly set forth in Article V of this Declaration. Following the closing of any such conveyance or transfer, the new Owner shall, within fifteen (15) days of the effective date of such conveyance or transfer, notify the Association of the name and mailing address of the new Owner.

## **ARTICLE VII** **UTILITY PROVISIONS**

Section 7.1 **Water System**. The central water supply system provided for the service of the Property shall be used as sole source of potable water for all water spigots and outlets located within or on all buildings and improvements located within the Property. Each Owner shall pay water meter charges of the supplier thereof and shall maintain and repair all portions of the water lines which are located within, or which serve, the portions of the Property owned by such Owners. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained within the immediately preceding sentence, the Association shall be responsible for the irrigation system supplying water to the Lots for irrigation purposes with such irrigation system being separately metered and maintained pursuant to Section 8.17 below. To the extent available and as required by the COJ reclaimed water shall be used for irrigation purposes on all Lots. No individual potable water supply system or well for consumptive or irrigation purposes shall be permitted on any Lot without the prior written consent of the Declarant.

Section 7.2 **Sewage System**. The central sewage system provided for the service of the Property shall be used as the sole sewage system for all buildings and improvements located within the Property. Each Owner shall maintain and repair all portions of the sewer lines located within, or which serve, the portions of the Property owned by such Owner, and shall pay when due the periodic charges or rates for the furnishing of such sewage collection and disposal services made by the operator thereof. No sewage shall be discharged onto the open ground or into any wetland, lake, pond, park, ravine, drainage ditch or canal or roadway and no septic tank or drain field shall be placed or allowed within the Property.

Section 7.3 **Solid Waste Recycling**. Each Owner shall participate in any available solid waste recycling program instituted by the Declarant, COJ, or the solid waste collection provider.

Section 7.4 **Utility Services.** It shall be the responsibility of each Owner to make direct arrangements with the suppliers of electricity, water, sewer, irrigation reuse water (but only in the event the Association elects to terminate its landscaping and irrigation obligations in accordance with Section 8.17(b) below) and any other utility services for service to the portions of the Property owned by such Owner.

Section 7.5 **Lift Station.** Tract "A" shown on the Plat of Granville shall be dedicated per to JEA for use as a sewage lift station. The Association shall be responsible for the maintenance of the Landscape Buffer Tract surrounding Tract "A", and JEA shall be responsible for maintenance of the sewage lift station.

**ARTICLE VIII**  
**USE RESTRICTIONS AND RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS**  
**RESERVED BY DECLARANT**

Section 8.1 **Residential Use.** The Lots subject to this Declaration may be used for residential dwellings and for no other purpose except that one or more Lots may be used for model homes and for parking for such model homes during the development and sale of Lots within the Property. No business or commercial building may be erected on any Lot and no business may be conducted on any part thereof. No Lot shall be divided, subdivided or reduced in size without the prior written consent of the Declarant. Assessments for common expenses attributable to any Lot which may be subdivided pursuant to this Section 8.1 shall be reallocated by the Declarant, in its sole discretion, at the time written consent for such subdivision is given by the Declarant.

Section 8.2 **No Detached Buildings.** No garages, tool or storage sheds, tents, trailers, tanks, temporary or accessory buildings or structures shall be erected or permitted to remain on any Lot without the prior written consent of the Declarant.

Section 8.3 **Setbacks.** Front, rear and side building setbacks for all dwellings and related structures shall be as established by the Architectural Criteria.

Section 8.4 **Easement Areas.** No dwelling shall be erected within any easement area shown on any plat of all or any portion of the Property.

Section 8.5 **Measurement of Setbacks.** All setbacks shall be measured in accordance with the Planned Unit Development Ordinance applicable to the Property (the "PUD").

Section 8.6 **Landscaping and Irrigation.** Landscaping and irrigation shall be installed on each Lot in accordance with the requirements of the Architectural Criteria.

Section 8.7 **Motor Vehicles and Boats.** No watercraft (including without limitation, boats and jet skis), recreation vehicles or other motor vehicles, except four-wheel passenger automobiles, shall be placed, parked or stored upon any Lot, nor shall any maintenance or repair be performed upon any boat or motor vehicle upon any Lot, except within a building, or otherwise screened, so as to be totally isolated from public view. Parking within any Common Area is prohibited; provided that, subject to rules and regulations established by the Declarant or the

Association, motor vehicles may be parked within Common Areas designated as parking areas by the Declarant or the Association. All Owners and their guests must park their vehicles in such Owners' driveway or garage. Commercial vehicles shall not be parked within the Property within public view on a regular basis. Notwithstanding any provision of this Section 8.7 to the contrary, the Board shall have the authority to grant permission for the temporary parking of recreational vehicles on a case-by-case basis, provided that in no event shall any recreational vehicle be parked on any Lot for more than seven (7) consecutive days.

Section 8.8 **Nuisances**. Nothing shall be done or maintained on any Lot which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to any party. Any activity on a Lot which interferes with television, cable or radio reception on another Lot shall be deemed a nuisance and a prohibited activity. If a dispute or question arises as to what may be or become a nuisance, the issue shall be submitted to the Board, whose decision shall be dispositive of such dispute or question. No immoral, improper or unlawful use shall be made of any portion of the Property and all valid laws, zoning ordinances and regulations of governmental agencies having jurisdiction thereof shall be complied with.

Section 8.9 **Antenna**. The installation of all aerials, antennae or satellite dishes shall be subject to the approval of the Declarant in accordance with Architectural Criteria imposed by the Declarant or the Association from time to time.

Section 8.10 **Lakes**. The Declarant and the Association shall have the right to pump or otherwise remove any water from any lake within the Property for the purpose of irrigation or other use. The Declarant and the Association shall have the sole and absolute right (but no obligation) to control the water level of such lake or lakes and to control the growth and eradication of plants, fowl, reptiles, animals, fish and fungi in or on any such lake. No boat shall be permitted to be operated on any lake except as may be permitted by the Board. No swimming is permitted in any lake. Lots which now or may hereafter be adjacent to or include a portion of a lake (the "lake parcels") shall be maintained so that such grass, planting or other lateral support to prevent erosion of the embankment adjacent to the lake and the height, grade and contour of the embankment shall not be changed without the prior written consent of the Association. Further, all shoreline vegetation, including cattails and the like, shall be maintained and controlled by the Owner of any lake parcel pursuant to the requirements of Section 8.17 hereof. If the Owner of any lake parcel fails to maintain the embankment or shoreline vegetation as part of its landscape maintenance obligations in accordance with the foregoing, the Association shall have the right, but no obligation, to enter upon any such lake parcel to perform such maintenance work which may be reasonably required, all at the expense of the Owner of such lake parcel pursuant to the provisions of Article IX of this Declaration. Title to any lake parcel shall not include ownership of any riparian rights associated therewith. No docks, bulkheads or other structures shall be constructed on such embankments unless and until same shall have been approved by the Declarant. The Association shall have the right to adopt reasonable rules and regulations from time to time in connection with use of the surface waters of any lake adjacent to or nearby the Subdivision. The Association shall have the right to deny such use to any person who in the opinion of the Association may create or participate in the disturbance or nuisance on any part of the surface waters of any such lake. The use of the surface waters of any such lake shall be subject to rights granted to other persons pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Association.

Section 8.11 **Insurance and Casualty Damages**. Each Owner shall be required to obtain and maintain in force and effect a policy of fire and other casualty insurance with coverage adequate to cover the full replacement cost of the dwelling and other improvements located on the Owner's Lot. In the event of damage or destruction by fire or other casualty to the improvements on any Lot, the Owner shall commence reconstruction of the improvements within six (6) months from date of casualty and shall repair or rebuild such damaged or destroyed improvements in a good workmanlike manner, within a reasonable time not to exceed one year and in accordance with the provisions of this Declaration. The improvements shall be reconstructed in accordance with the original plans and specifications including color scheme, placement on Lot and materials. All debris must be removed immediately, and the Lot shall be restored to an orderly condition within a reasonable time not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of such damage or destruction.

Nothing shall be done or kept on the Property which increases the premium or deductible or results in the cancellation of any insurance policy held by the Association.

Section 8.12 **Trees**. No tree or shrub shall be cut down, destroyed or removed from a Lot without the prior express written consent of the Declarant.

Section 8.13 **Artificial Vegetation**. No artificial grass, plants or other artificial vegetation shall be placed or maintained upon the exterior portion of any Lot, unless approved by the Declarant.

Section 8.14 **Signs**. No sign of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on any Lot except as may be approved as to size and design and in accordance with criteria established by the Declarant.

Section 8.15 **Lighting**. No lighting shall be permitted which alters the residential character of the Property. Holiday lighting and decorations shall be permitted to be placed upon the exterior portions of a Residential Dwelling Unit and upon a Lot in a tasteful, respectful manner (as determined by the Board) during a period commencing on Thanksgiving and continuing through January 10 of the following year, after which such lighting and decorations shall be removed. Lighting and decorations for any holiday other than that referenced above shall be permitted commencing fifteen (15) days prior to said holiday and continuing for five (5) days following said holiday, after which time said lighting and decorations shall be removed. The Board may establish standards for holiday lighting and decorations, and may require the removal of any lighting that creates a nuisance.

Section 8.16 **Animals**. Dogs shall be kept under control by each Owner at all times and leashed when outside the boundaries of the Owner's Lot. Animals shall be kept for the pleasure of Owners only and not for any commercial or breeding use or purposes. If, in the discretion of the Board, any animal shall become dangerous or an annoyance or nuisance to other Owners, or destructive of wildlife or property, such animal may not thereafter be kept on a Lot. Further, in the event any group of animals shall collectively become dangerous or an annoyance or nuisance to other Owners, or destructive to wildlife or property, the Board shall have the right to require the applicable Owner to reduce the number of animals kept on the Lot, or to take such other remedial

action as the Board shall specify. By rule adopted by the Board from time to time, the Board may specify the maximum number and/or sizes of dogs, cats and other pets which may be kept on any Lot.

Section 8.17 **Maintenance of Lots and Limited Common Areas.**

(a) Subject to the terms of this Section, the Association shall maintain, repair and replace all landscaping and irrigation improvements on the Lots (including trimming, fertilization, irrigating, mowing, weeding, and replacement of dead or diseased plant materials as required). The irrigation system serving the Property, including the Lots, is or shall be metered with bills to be sent directly to the Association and all water and other costs associated with such irrigation system shall be paid directly to the utility service provider by the Association as and when due. The costs of such maintenance, repair and replacement obligations (including, without limitation, all water costs associated with the Association's irrigation responsibilities) will be included in each Owner's annual assessments in accordance with Article VI hereof. The Association shall perform such maintenance at intervals and in accordance with standards deemed reasonably appropriate by the Association. The Association shall establish in its discretion, and may modify from time-to-time, the settings of any irrigation system for each Owner's Lot (including, without limitation, the frequency and duration of the irrigation schedule), and each Owner shall provide the Association with access, at all reasonable times, to the irrigation control panel located on each Owner's Lot for such purpose. The Owners shall not alter, relocate or remove the irrigation control panel or deactivate or modify the irrigation system settings for each Owner's respective Lot without the Association's prior written consent. No Owner shall (i) install any locking mechanisms on any gates located on the Owner's Lot (including, without limitation, gates to rear yards) without the Association's prior written consent and providing the Association with any keys or codes to such gates; or (ii) damage, destroy, alter or otherwise interfere with any such landscaping and irrigation improvements without the prior written consent of the Association. As to any unapproved damage, injury or alteration to such improvements caused by an Owner, or his/her/their family, guests, invitees, contractors or agents, such Owner shall reimburse the Association, within 15 days of receipt of an invoice therefor, for the repair costs incurred by the Association. The Declarant hereby reserves for itself and the Association, and their successors, assigns, designees, agents, and contractors, a perpetual non-exclusive easement in, on, over and upon such portions of the Property as may be reasonably necessary for the purposes of performing the maintenance, repair and replacement obligations under this Section, including, without limitation, the right to enter upon any Lot for such purposes. In no event shall the Association's obligations under this Section 8.17(a) include the obligation to maintain, repair or replace all or any portion of the Residential Dwelling Unit or any related improvements (e.g., porches, decks, pergolas, driveways, and other ancillary structures) located on a Lot.

(b) At any time and from time-to-time, the Association shall have the unilateral right to elect, in the Association's sole and absolute discretion, upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Owner's to cease performing the maintenance, repair and replacement obligations described in Section 8.17(a) above, and to transfer such obligations to the Owners. In such event: (i) each Owner shall maintain his/her/their Lot in accordance with all applicable rules and standards as may be promulgated by the Board from time to time; and (ii) all new landscaping or irrigation improvements shall be subject to the prior approval of the Declarant or ARB (as applicable) in accordance with Article V hereof. If the Association transfers such obligations to the Owners, the

Association shall have the right at any time, and from time-to-time, to elect, in the Association's sole and absolute discretion, upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Owners to resume performing the maintenance, repair and replacement obligations described in Section 8.17(a) above.

Section 8.18 **Fences.** Except as approved by the Declarant pursuant to Article V hereof no fence, retaining wall or other barrier shall be constructed upon any Lot or any other portion of the Property.

All Owners acknowledge that the Declarant and/or the Association has installed or will install certain retaining walls and fences in the locations on the Property generally shown on **Exhibit E** attached hereto and that the Declarant and/or the Association has installed or may install certain other fencing, walls, retaining walls or other barriers in the Common Areas, along Lot boundaries and/or within Lot boundaries. The Owners specifically acknowledge and agree that portions of such fencing, walls, retaining walls or other barriers are currently located or proposed to be located within some Lot boundaries and that such fencing, walls, retaining walls or other barriers may not be removed without the Association's prior written consent. The Declarant reserves a perpetual non-exclusive easement in favor of the Declarant and the Association and their successors, assigns, agents, contractors and designees for such fencing, walls, retaining walls or other barriers.

The Declarant hereby grants to the Association and its successors, assigns, agents, contractors and designees, a perpetual non-exclusive easement in, on, over and upon such portions of the Property as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose of installing, maintaining, repairing, and replacing such fencing, walls, retaining walls and/or other barriers, including, without limitation, the right to enter upon any portion of any Lot for such purpose. Each Owner of a Lot adjacent to such fencing, wall, retaining wall and/or other barrier shall be responsible for maintaining, at its sole cost and expense, the portion of the side of such fence, wall, retaining wall and/or other barrier facing the Owner's Lot in a neat and attractive condition, including, without limitation, such maintenance and repair as may be required by the Association. The side of such fence not facing a Lot shall be maintained by the Association. Subject to the last paragraph of this Section, if the Association determines, in its sole and absolute discretion, that the fencing, walls, retaining walls or other barriers or any portion thereof needs to be replaced, the Association may (but shall not have the obligation) replace the fencing, walls, retaining walls or other barriers or any portion thereof elected by the Association, at the Association's cost and expense (but subject to reimbursement through the assessments levied under the Declaration). Also, the Association may elect, in the Association's sole and absolute discretion, to take over all or a portion of the Owners' maintenance obligations under this Section as to such fencing, walls, retaining walls or other barriers, at the Association's cost and expense (but subject to reimbursement through the assessments levied under the Declaration).

No Owner shall damage, destroy or otherwise interfere with any such fencing, walls, retaining walls or other barriers. As to any damage or injury to such fencing, walls, retaining walls or other barriers caused by an Owner, or his/her/their family, guests, invitees, contractors or agents, such Owner shall reimburse the Association for the Association's hard and soft costs to repair such damage or injury, within 15 days of receipt of an invoice therefor.

Section 8.19 **Adjacent Buffer Tract.** All Owners acknowledge that the Association may enter into an agreement with Marconi at eTown Homeowners Association, Inc. (the "**Adjacent HOA**") regarding Tract "D" according to the plat of eTown Parcel E2 Phase One recorded in Plat Book 72, Pages 110 through 118, of the current public records of Duval County, Florida the ("**Buffer Tract**"). Such agreement may allow for the installation of fencing or other barriers within the Buffer Tract and require the Association to contribute to the maintenance thereof. In the event the Association enters into such agreement with the Adjacent HOA, the following shall apply:

(a) The Association shall be responsible for the maintenance of the Buffer Tract and any fencing and/or other barrier therein. No Owner shall modify, alter or otherwise improve any portion of the Buffer Tract.

(b) No Owner shall damage, destroy or otherwise interfere with any fencing or other barrier located within the Buffer Tract. As to any damage to such fencing or other barrier caused by an Owner, or such Owner's, guests, invitees, contractors or agents, such Owner shall reimburse the Association for all direct and indirect costs and expenses incurred the Association in connection with the repair of such damage, within 15 days of such Owner's receipt of an invoice therefor.

Section 8.20 **Maintenance of Driveways.** Each Lot Owner shall be responsible for maintenance of the driveway serving his/her/their Lot.

Section 8.21 **Common PUD.** Due to the integrated nature of the Property and the lands described in the PUD, no Owner, or any other person or entity shall construct any improvements upon the Property, nor take any action, which in the sole opinion of the Declarant, would result in a violation or modification of the terms and provisions of the PUD, as the same may be amended from time to time, without the prior written consent of the Declarant.

Section 8.22 **Compliance with Laws.** All Owners and other occupants of the Property shall at all times comply with all zoning, environmental, land use, marketing and consumer protection ordinances, statutes and regulations applicable to the Property or to any improvements constructed thereon, as well as all governmental rules, regulations, statutes and ordinances applicable to each Owner in connection with operation of improvements located within the Property. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no approval granted pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration shall excuse any Owner from complying with any and all applicable zoning or land use laws.

Section 8.23 **Platting and Additional Restrictions.** The Declarant shall be entitled at any time, and from time to time, to plat or replat all or any part of the Property, and to file any covenants and restrictions, or amendments to this Declaration, with respect to any portion or portions of the Property owned by the Declarant of CND, without the consent or joinder of any other party.

Section 8.24 **Reservation of Right to Release Restrictions.** If a building or other improvement has been or is proposed to be erected within the Property in such a manner as to constitute a violation of, variance from, or encroachment into, the covenants and restrictions set forth in, or easements granted or reserved by, this Declaration, the Declarant shall have the right to waive or release the violation, variance or encroachment without the consent or joinder of any person so

long as the Declarant, in the exercise of its sole discretion, determines in good faith that such waiver or release will not materially and adversely affect the health and safety of Owners, the value of adjacent portions of the Property, and the overall appearance of the Property.

Section 8.25 **Easements for Ingress, Egress, Utilities and Drainage.** The Declarant reserves for itself, its successors, assigns and designees, a right-of-way and perpetual, nonexclusive easement for ingress and egress and to construct, maintain and use utilities, electric, telephone and street lighting poles, wires, cables, conduits, storm sewers, sanitary sewers, water mains, gas, sewer, water lines, drainage ways and structures, or other public conveniences or utilities, on, in and over, (i) any portion of the Common Area; and (ii) any area designated as an easement, private street or right-of-way area on any plat of all or any portion of the Property.

Section 8.26 **Drainage Flow.** Drainage flow shall not be obstructed or diverted from drainage easements. The Declarant or the Association may, but shall not be required to, cut drainways for surface water wherever and whenever such action may appear to be necessary to maintain reasonable aesthetic standards relative to the Property and surrounding properties. These easements include the right to cut any trees, bushes or shrubbery, make any grading of the land, or to take any other reasonable action necessary to install utilities and to maintain reasonable aesthetic standards, but shall not include the right to disturb any permanent improvements erected upon a Lot which are not located within the specific easement area designated on the plat or otherwise reserved in this Declaration. All Lots shall at all times be graded so as to comply with the Neighborhood Grading Plan approved by the COJ and all permits issued by the SJRWMD.

Section 8.27 **Future Easements.** Declarant reserves the right to impose further restrictions and to grant or dedicate additional easements and rights of way on any portions of the Property owned by Declarant or CND. In addition, Declarant hereby expressly reserves the right to grant easements and rights-of-way over, under and through the Common Area so long as Declarant or CND shall own any portion of the Property. The easements granted by Declarant shall not materially or adversely affect any improvements or unreasonably interfere with the enjoyment of the Common Area.

Section 8.28 **Cable Television, Radio or Other Communication Lines.** The Declarant reserves for itself, and its successors and assigns, a perpetual, easement for the installation, maintenance and operation of cables for the transmission of cable television, radio, or other electronic communications of any form, on, in, and over (i) any area designated as an easement, private street, or right of way on any plat of all or any portion of the Property, and (ii) any portion of the Common Area. All cables located within the Property shall be installed and maintained underground. For purposes of this Section 8.28, the term "cables" shall include without limitation, all wire, coaxial, fiber optic, or other cable types intended for the transmission of electronic communications.

Section 8.29 **Reserved Easements.** The Declarant reserves for itself, the Association, and their respective agents, employees, successors or assigns, easements, in, on, over and upon each Lot and the Common Area as may be reasonably necessary for the purpose of installing, enhancing, creating, preserving, maintaining or improving the Buffer Tract, Roadways, landscaped areas, conservation areas, wetland areas, lakes, ponds, hammocks, wildlife preserves or other Common Areas.

Section 8.30 **Mailboxes; Mailbox Easement.**

(a) If the Property does not utilize a centralized mail delivery system (e.g., clustered-type mailboxes), a mailbox shall be constructed on each Lot in compliance with the applicable Architectural Criteria, and such mailbox shall constitute the sole location for the delivery of mail to the occupants of such Lot. If cluster-type mailboxes are installed by the Declarant on the Property, such cluster-type mailboxes shall be owned and maintained by the Association, at the Association's sole cost and expense. The Board shall have the right to establish, modify and enforce policies and procedures for the use of such cluster-type mailboxes, which shall include, without limitation, a charge for replacement mailbox keys.

(b) Declarant reserves for itself, its successors, assigns and designees, and grants to the Association and the Association's successors, assigns and designees, a non-exclusive, perpetual easement over, under, across and through the area of each Lot from the front Lot line of each Lot and extending on a parallel line five (5) feet into each Lot for ingress, egress, installation, replacement, repair, maintenance, and use of cluster-type mailboxes. This easement shall be in addition to, rather than in place of, any other easements referenced in this Declaration or other easements of record.

Section 8.31 **Subdivision Development Activities of Declarant.** During the time that Declarant shall be engaged in the construction of roadways, utilities and other infrastructure within the Property, Declarant reserves the right to enter upon each Lot for the purpose of clearing trees and vegetation, and the excavation and filling of areas (including permitted jurisdictional wetlands) that in the judgment of the Declarant need to be cleared and filled for the installation of utilities, proper grading of right-of-way areas, or for aesthetic reasons. All areas to be disturbed on any Lot shall be filled with suitable fill material to an elevation equal to or higher than the existing grade. All work performed by the Declarant or its contractors on all Lots pursuant to this Section 8.31 shall be performed in accordance with all applicable construction and environmental permits. The Declarant shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless each Owner from and against any and all claims, liability or damages arising in connection with any clearing or filling activities conducted by the Declarant on each such Owner's lot.

Section 8.32 **Hazardous Materials.** No Owner shall cause or permit any "Hazardous Substances" (as defined below) to be generated, placed, held, stored, used, located or disposed of on the Property, except for Hazardous Substances commonly and legally used for household cleaning purposes and subject to compliance with all applicable laws, statutes, codes, ordinances and rules and regulations. "Hazardous Substances" shall mean any hazardous wastes and toxic substances, including, without limitation, those regulated under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, as amended in 1984; (42 U.S.C. Sec. 6901 *et seq.*); the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended in 1986; (42 U.S.C. Sec. 9601 *et seq.*); the Federal Toxic Substances Control Act; (15 U.S.C. Sec. 2601 *et seq.*); the Clean Air Act; (42 U.S.C. Sec. 7401 *et seq.*); the Pollutant Spill Prevention and Control Act; (F.S. Chapter 376 *et seq.*); and any other state, federal or local statutes or ordinances pertaining to environmental contamination, together with all rules, regulations, orders and the like, applicable to the same.

Section 8.33 **Trash**. No rubbish, trash, garbage or other waste material shall be kept or stored on any Lot, except for in trash receptacles which shall not be visible from any portion of the Common Area or any other Lot. Except as may be permitted by the Board, trash receptacles shall be placed curbside no earlier than 5:00 P.M. of the day prior to pick-up by garbage and trash removal services, and shall be removed from curbside no later than 10:00 P.M. of the day of pick-up. Declarant reserves the right, but is not obligated, to impose (and modify from time-to-time) and enforce rules and regulations relating to trash receptacles and the trash collection procedures for the Property. This Section shall not apply to construction sites; provided that construction sites shall be kept in a neat and orderly condition.

Section 8.34 **Clothing Lines**. No clothing lines, clothing or any other items shall be hung, dried or aired in a manner which is visible from any portion of the Common Area or any other Lot.

Section 8.35 **Firearms**. The discharge of firearms within the Property is prohibited. No firearms are allowed within the Common Area unless the firearm is carried by a certified law enforcement officer. The term "firearms" includes "BB" guns, "airsoft" guns, and any other guns (toy or otherwise) which shoot a projectile, regardless of size. Notwithstanding anything in this Declaration, the Articles or the Bylaws to the contrary, the Association shall not be obligated to take any action to enforce this Section.

Section 8.36 **Leasing**. For purposes of this Declaration, "leasing" is the exclusive occupancy of a Residential Dwelling Unit by any person other than the Owner, for which the Owner receives any consideration or benefit. All leases for Residential Dwelling Units shall (i) be in writing; (ii) have a term of at least twelve (12) months; (iii) lease the Residential Dwelling Unit in its entirety (e.g. separate rooms within the same Residential Dwelling Unit may not be separately leased); and (iv) include a provision by which the lessee agrees to be bound by the terms and conditions of this Declaration and any rules and regulations of the Association. Any Owner leasing its Residential Dwelling Unit shall remain responsible for the terms and conditions of this Declaration and any rules and regulations of the Association.

Section 8.37 **Pools**. No above-ground pools shall be erected, constructed or installed on any Lot; provided that above-ground Jacuzzis or spas are permitted (subject to approval in accordance with Article V above).

Section 8.38 **Air Conditioning Units**. No window air conditioning units may be installed on any Lot. All air conditioning units shall be screened from view from the Common Area and other Lots.

Section 8.39 **On-Site Fuel Storage**. No on-site storage of gasoline, fuels or other flammable or explosive matters shall be permitted on any Lot, except that up to five (5) gallons of gasoline may be stored on a Lot for emergency purposes and operation of lawn equipment.

Section 8.40 **Play Equipment**. Except as may be permitted by the Board, all bicycles, tricycles, scooters, skateboards and other play equipment, wading pools, baby strollers and similar

items shall be stored so that such items are not visible from any portion of the Common Area or any other Lot.

Section 8.41 **No Solicitation**. No solicitation shall be allowed at any time within the Property, except by the Declarant or its successors, assigns or designees during the marketing or the sale of Lots or houses.

Section 8.42 **Guests, Tenants and Invitees**. Each Owner shall be responsible for the actions of family members, guests, employees, agents, tenants or other invitees, and shall ensure that such individuals comply with this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws and the rules and regulations of the Association. Each Owner shall be liable for the expense of any maintenance, repair or replacement rendered necessary by his/her/their act, neglect or carelessness or by that of any family members, guests, employees, agents, tenants or other invitees.

Section 8.43 **Conservation Areas**. As used in this Section, the term "conservation areas" means any land within the Property (or annexed into the Property as provided in this paragraph), except for Lots, designated or identified, at any time and from time-to-time, on a plat, by any permit or approval issued by any applicable governmental authority, or by Declarant, in Declarant's sole and absolute determination, as a conservation area, buffer area, or upland or wetland preservation, enhancement or creation area. Declarant may, at any time and from time-to-time, evidence the designation of any land as part of the conservation areas under this Section and/or annex any land which is contiguous to the Property then subject to this Declaration (for purposes of this Section 8.43, property separated only by public or private roads, water bodies, golf courses, or open space shall be deemed contiguous) into the Property subject to this Declaration and into the conservation areas under this Section by the recording in the current public records of Duval County, Florida of a Supplementary Declaration executed by the Declarant (without the consent and joinder of the Association or any other Owner). Each Owner and the Association acknowledge and agree that the conservation areas may provide mitigation or otherwise be a condition or requirement for the development of the Property and/or any other lands outside of the Property.

Subject to all applicable laws, permits, approvals, and recorded conservation easements, at any time and from time to time, Declarant shall have the right to specifically define, amend, revise or modify (including, without limitation, removing land from the conservation areas and making any other uses of such land) the boundaries of the conservation areas or any portion thereof, and Declarant's determination of the boundary and the extent of any conservation areas shall be dispositive for all purposes. At any time and from time-to-time, Declarant shall have the right to execute and record an instrument which shall specifically define or amend the boundary and the extent of any conservation areas.

Declarant hereby reserves for itself, and its agents, employees, contractors, successors, assigns and designees, a perpetual easement, in, on, over, under and through the conservation areas for the purposes of ingress and egress and to perform any work, installations, maintenance, replacements, monitoring or other activities required under any current or future permits or approvals affecting the conservation areas.

The Association shall cooperate with Declarant as to Declarant's permitting of the Property or any other lands so as to allow the inclusion of the conservation areas or any portion thereof selected

by Declarant in Declarant's permits, including, without limitation, executing and promptly delivering to Declarant (no later than five (5) days after request therefor) any permit applications, consents, conservation easements or other documents as may be required by Declarant. The Association shall be deemed to have assumed any assignment of any or all rights and/or obligations (including, without limitation, the obligation to perform any creation, enhancement, preservation, monitoring or maintenance work and/or the obligation to be the operation and maintenance entity under any permit or approval) under any current or future permits or approvals affecting the conservation areas which are assigned by Declarant to the Association. Without limitation of the automatic nature of such assignment and assumption, within ten (10) days of request from the Declarant to the Association, the Association shall execute and deliver to Declarant any instruments as may be required by the Declarant or any governmental authority to confirm such assignment and assumption.

Upon the recordation of any deed or deeds conveying the conservation areas or any portion thereof to the Association, with or without the consent or joinder of the Association and regardless of whether or not such conservation areas have been designated as Common Area hereunder, the Association shall be conclusively deemed to have accepted the conveyance evidenced by such deed or deeds, subject to all covenants, easements, restrictions and other matters of record.

Notwithstanding anything in the Declaration to the contrary, (i) the rights of Declarant under this Section 8.43 are personally held by the named Declarant set forth in the first paragraph of this Declaration and may only be assigned by a recorded assignment executed by such named Declarant (or any specific assignee of such named Declarant as described in this paragraph) which specifically references the assignment of this Section 8.43, (ii) the terms and provisions of this Section 8.43 shall not be amended or terminated without the consent and joinder of such named Declarant (or any specific assignee of such named Declarant as described in this paragraph) and any attempt to do so shall be void *ab initio*, and (iii) the terms and provisions of this Section 8.43 shall control over any inconsistent terms and provisions otherwise set forth in this Declaration.

Section 8.44 **Flags and Flagpoles.** Any Owner may erect a freestanding flagpole no more than twenty (20) feet high on any portion of the Lot if the flagpole does not obstruct sightlines at intersections and is not erected within or upon an easement. The flagpole and display are subject to all building codes, zoning setbacks, and other applicable governmental regulations, including, but not limited to, applicable county or municipal ordinances. Furthermore, and notwithstanding any provision in this Declaration to the contrary, any Owner may display one portable, removable United States flag or official flag of the State of Florida in a respectful manner, and one portable, removable official flag, in a respectful manner, not larger than four and one-half feet (4.5) by six (6) feet, which represents the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard, or a POW-MIA flag.

Section 8.45 **Garage Sale, Yard Sale, Estate Sale.** Without the prior written consent of the Association, no garage sales, yard sales or estate sales, which include the sale of household type items or furnishings displayed on the driveway, yard or in the garage shall be permitted on any portion of the Property.

**ARTICLE IX**  
**EXTERIOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT**

Section 9.1 **Exterior Maintenance.** Each Owner shall be responsible for maintaining his/her/their Residential Dwelling Unit, Lot and any improvements located thereon (including, without limitation, painting, roof repair and replacement, repair of gutters, downspouts, and exterior building surfaces) in accordance with this Declaration and any rules and regulations of the Association. If any Owner fails to maintain his/her/their Residential Dwelling Unit, Lot and any improvements located thereon in accordance with this Declaration and any rules and regulations of the Association, then the Association may provide maintenance upon any Lot or Limited Common Area requiring same, when necessary, in the opinion of the Board. Each affected Owner shall have twenty (20) days within which to perform the required maintenance after being notified in writing by the Association that such maintenance is necessary before the Association undertakes the maintenance.

Section 9.2 **Assessments of Costs.** The cost of any maintenance undertaken by the Association under the provisions of Section 9.1 shall be assessed against each Lot upon which such maintenance is performed or, in opinion of the Board, benefiting from same. Exterior maintenance assessments shall not be considered a part of the annual or special assessments imposed upon the Property pursuant to Article VI hereof. Any exterior maintenance assessment shall be a lien upon each Lot assessed and the personal obligation of the Owner of each such Lot and shall become due and payable in all respects, together with interest, attorneys' fees, and costs of collection, as provided for in Article VI, and shall be subordinate to mortgage liens to the extent provided by Article VI.

Section 9.3 **Access.** For the purpose of performing the maintenance authorized by this Article IX, the Association, through its duly authorized agents or employees, shall have the right, after the notice to the Owner provided under Section 9.1, to enter upon any Lot at reasonable hours on any day except Sunday. In the case of emergency repairs, access will be permitted at any time with only such notice as under the circumstances is practically affordable.

**ARTICLE X**  
**NOTICE OF PERMIT REQUIREMENTS**

Section 10.1 **Jurisdictional Areas and Permits.** THE PROPERTY HAS BEEN OR WILL BE DEVELOPED IN ACCORDANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS OF ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PERMIT NUMBER 126414-48, AS MAY BE AMENDED (THE "PERMIT"). THE PERMIT IS OR WILL BE OWNED BY THE ASSOCIATION AND THE ASSOCIATION HAS THE OBLIGATION TO ASSURE THAT ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS THEREOF ARE ENFORCED. THE ASSOCIATION SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO BRING AN ACTION, AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, AGAINST ANY OWNER VIOLATING ANY PROVISION OF THE PERMIT. THE ST. JOHNS RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO ENFORCE, BY A PROCEEDING AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THE COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS WHICH RELATE TO THE MAINTENANCE, OPERATION AND REPAIR OF THE SURFACE WATER OR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.

FURTHER, ANY OWNER OWNING A LOT WHICH CONTAINS OR IS ADJACENT TO JURISDICTIONAL WETLANDS OR CONSERVATION AREAS AS ESTABLISHED BY THE ACOE OR SJRWMD OR BY ANY APPLICABLE CONSERVATION EASEMENT SHALL BY ACCEPTANCE OF TITLE TO THE LOT, BE DEEMED TO HAVE ASSUMED THE OBLIGATION TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PERMIT AS THE SAME RELATE TO SUCH OWNER'S LOT AND SHALL AGREE TO MAINTAIN SUCH JURISDICTIONAL WETLANDS AND CONSERVATION AREAS IN THE CONDITION REQUIRED UNDER THE PERMIT. IN THE EVENT THAT AN OWNER VIOLATES THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE PERMIT AND FOR ANY REASON THE DECLARANT OR THE ASSOCIATION IS CITED THEREFORE, THE OWNER AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD THE DECLARANT AND THE ASSOCIATION HARMLESS FROM ALL COSTS ARISING IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION ALL COST AND ATTORNEYS' FEES, AS WELL AS ALL COSTS OF CURING SUCH VIOLATION. NO PERSON SHALL ALTER THE DRAINAGE FLOW OF THE SURFACE WATER OR STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM OR ANY PORTION OF THE JURISDICTIONAL WETLANDS OR CONSERVATION AREAS, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION, ANY BUFFER AREAS, SWALES, TREATMENT BERMS OR SWALES, WITHOUT THE PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE SJRWMD, AS APPLICABLE.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS GRANTED BY DECLARANT**

Section 11.1 **Easement for Ingress and Egress**. All Owners and their guests, invitees, agents and employees, and all delivery, pickup and fire protection services, police, and other authorities of the law, United States mail carriers, representatives of the utilities authorized by the Association to serve the Property, holders of mortgage liens on any portion of the Property and such other persons as the Declarant or the Association may designate from time to time, shall have and are hereby granted the non-exclusive and perpetual right of vehicular and pedestrian ingress and egress over and across all paved areas located within the real property more particularly described on **Exhibit F** attached hereto and made a part hereof (the "**Roadways**"). To the extent that additional lands are made subject to this Declaration pursuant to Section 3.2 hereof, the easement granted hereby may be expanded to include additional roadways by specific reference thereto contained in one or more Supplementary Declarations referenced in Section 3.2 hereof.

Section 11.2 **Rights to Restrict Access**. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Declaration to the contrary, the Declarant and the Association shall have the unrestricted and absolute right to deny ingress to any person who, in the opinion of the Declarant or the Board, may create or participate in a disturbance or nuisance on any part of the Property or on any land owned by the Declarant which is adjacent to or near the Property. The Declarant and the Association shall have the right, but no obligation, from time to time to control and regulate all types of traffic on the Roadways referenced in this Article XI including the right to prohibit use of the Roadways by traffic or vehicles (including and without limitation, motorcycles and "go carts") which in the sole opinion of the Declarant or the Board would or might result in damage to the Roadways or pavement or other improvements, or create a nuisance for the residents, and the right, but no obligation, to control and prohibit parking on all or any part of such Roadways. The Declarant

and the Association shall have the right, but no obligation, to remove or require the removal of any fence, wall, hedge, shrub, bush, tree or other things natural or artificial, placed on or located on any portion of the Property, if the location of the same will in the sole judgment and opinion of the Declarant or the Board, obstruct the vision of a motorist upon any of the Roadways referenced in this Article XI. In the event and to the extent that the Roadways or easements over and across the Roadways for ingress and egress shall be dedicated to or otherwise acquired by the public, the preceding provisions of this Section 11.2 thereafter shall be of no further force or effect.

Section 11.3 **Rights of Declarant to Alter Roadways.** Declarant and its successors and assigns shall have the sole and absolute right at any time, with the consent of the COJ or the governing body of any municipality or other governmental body or agency then having jurisdiction over the Property, to dedicate to the public all or any part of the Roadways and all or any part of the easements reserved herein or on any plat of any portion of the Property. In addition, Declarant shall have the right to redesignate, relocate or terminate any of the easement areas described in Section 11.1 without the consent or joinder of any party so long as no Lot is denied reasonable access to a public dedicated street or highway by such redesignation, relocation or closure.

## **ARTICLE XII** **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Section 12.1 **Declarant's Reserved Rights re: Easements.** Notwithstanding any provision of this Declaration to the contrary, the Declarant shall have the right to specifically define or amend the boundaries or extent of any easement, license, or use right reserved or granted pursuant to the terms hereof. At any time, the Declarant shall have the right to execute and record an instrument which shall specifically define or amend the boundary and extent of any such easement, license or use right, or the Declarant may specifically define or amend such boundaries by the designation thereof on one or more recorded plats of portions of the Property. The Declarant's determination of the boundary and extent of any easement, license or use right reserved or granted pursuant to this Declaration in accordance with this Section 12.1, shall be dispositive for all purposes; provided nothing contained in this Section 12.1 shall authorize the Declarant to take any action that would have a material and adverse effect on any improved portion of the Property.

Section 12.2 **Remedies for Violations.** If any Owner or other person shall violate or attempt to violate any of the covenants or restrictions set forth herein or any other rules and regulations of the Association, it shall be lawful for the Association, the Declarant, or any Owner (i) to prosecute proceedings at law for the recovery of damages against those so violating or attempting to violate any such covenant; or (ii) to maintain any proceeding against those so violating or attempting to violate any such covenant for the purpose of preventing or enjoining all or any such violations, including mandatory injunctions requiring compliance with the provisions of this Declaration. The ACOE and the SJRWMD shall have the right to enforce, by a proceeding at law or in equity, the provisions contained in this Declaration which relate to the maintenance, operation and repair of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System and/or jurisdictional wetlands or conservation areas subject to the control of the ACOE or SJRWMD. In the event litigation shall be brought by any party to enforce any provisions of this Declaration, the prevailing party in such proceedings shall be entitled to recover from the non-prevailing party or parties, reasonable attorneys' fees for pre-trial preparation, trial, and appellate proceedings. The remedies in this section shall be construed as cumulative of all

other remedies now or hereafter provided or made available elsewhere in this Declaration, or by law. For the avoidance of doubt, any Owner or other person's violation or attempted violation any of the covenants or restrictions set forth herein shall not be deemed a Dispute (as defined in Section 12.3 below) subject to the provisions of Section 12.3 hereof.

Additionally, the Association shall be authorized to levy fines against Owners for violations of the terms and conditions of this Declaration, the Articles, and the Bylaws, and any and all rules and regulations of the Association. No fine may exceed \$100.00 for any single violation, except that a fine may be levied on the basis of each day of a continuing violation. In such event, the fine shall not exceed \$1,000.00 in the aggregate. A fine of \$1,000.00 shall constitute a lien against an Owner's Lot. No fine may be levied except after giving at least fourteen (14) days' written notice and opportunity for a hearing before a committee comprised of at least three (3) Owners appointed by the Board, as provided in Section 720.305(2)(b), Florida Statutes.

### Section 12.3 Dispute Resolution.

(a) By acceptance of a deed to a Lot, each Owner specifically agrees that the purchase of a Lot involves interstate commerce and that any Dispute (as hereinafter defined) shall first be submitted to mediation and, if not settled during mediation, shall thereafter be submitted to binding arbitration as provided by the Federal Arbitration Act (9 U.S.C. §§1 et seq.) and not by or in a court of law or equity. "Disputes" (whether sounding in contract, warranty, tort, statutory or otherwise), shall include, without limitation, any and all controversies, disputes or claims (1) arising under, or related to any dealings between the Lot Owner and the Declarant or CND; (2) arising by virtue of any representations, promises or warranties alleged to have been made by the Declarant or the Declarant's representatives; (3) relating to personal injury or property damage alleged to have been sustained by the Owner, the Owner's heirs, successors, or any other occupants of the Lot; or (4) issues relating to the validity or enforceability of this Section 12.3. Each Owner agrees to the foregoing on behalf his or herself and such Owner's heirs, successors, assigns and other occupants of the Lot with the intent that all such parties be bound by this Section 12.3. Any Dispute shall be submitted for binding arbitration within a reasonable time after such Dispute has arisen. Nothing herein shall extend or otherwise toll the applicable time period by which a claim or cause of action may be asserted under the applicable statute of limitations or statute of repose, and in no event shall the Dispute be submitted for arbitration after the date when institution of a legal or equitable proceeding based on the underlying claims in such Dispute would be barred by the applicable statute of limitations or statute of repose.

(b) Any and all mediations commenced by any Owner, or any of such Owner's heirs, successors or assigns, or the Declarant shall be filed with and administered by the American Arbitration Association or any successor thereto ("AAA") in accordance with the AAA's Home Construction Mediation Procedures in effect on the date of the request. If there are no Home Construction Mediation Procedures currently in effect, then the AAA's Construction Industry Mediation Rules in effect on the date of such request shall be utilized. Any party who will be relying upon an expert report or repair estimate at the mediation shall provide the mediator and the other parties with a copy of the reports. If one or more issues directly or indirectly relate to alleged deficiencies in design, materials or construction, all parties and their experts shall be allowed to inspect, document (by photograph, videotape or otherwise) and test the alleged deficiencies prior to

mediation. Unless mutually waived in writing by the parties, submission to mediation is a condition precedent to either party taking further action with regard to any matter covered hereunder.

(c) If the Dispute is not fully resolved by mediation, the Dispute shall be submitted to binding arbitration and administered by the AAA in accordance with the AAA's Home Construction Arbitration Rules in effect on the date of the request. If there are no Home Construction Arbitration Rules currently in effect, then the AAA's Construction Industry Arbitration Rules in effect on the date of such request shall be utilized. Any judgment upon the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in and enforced by any court having jurisdiction over such Dispute. If the claimed amount exceeds Two Hundred Fifty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$250,000.00) or includes a demand for punitive damages, the Dispute shall be heard and determined by three (3) arbitrators; however, if mutually agreed to by the Lot Owner and the Declarant, then the Dispute shall be heard and determined by one arbitrator. Arbitrators shall have expertise in the area(s) of Dispute, which may include legal expertise if legal issues are involved. All decisions respecting the arbitrability of any Dispute shall be decided by the arbitrator(s). At the request of any party, the award of the arbitrator(s) shall be accompanied by detailed written findings of fact and conclusions of law. Except as may be required by law or for confirmation of an award, neither a party nor an arbitrator may disclose the existence, content, or results of any arbitration hereunder without the prior written consent of both parties.

(d) The waiver or invalidity of any portion of this Section shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the remaining portions of this Section. By acceptance of a deed to a Lot, each Owner specifically agrees (i) that any Dispute involving the Declarant's affiliates, directors, officers, employees and agents and/or any CND's affiliates, directors, officers, employees, and/or agents shall also be subject to mediation and arbitration as set forth herein, and shall not be pursued in a court of law or equity; (ii) that the Declarant may, at its sole election, join the Declarant's contractors, subcontractors and suppliers, as well as any warranty company and insurer as parties in the mediation and arbitration; and (iii) that the mediation and arbitration will be limited to the parties specified herein.

(e) To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, by acceptance of a deed to a Lot, each Owner specifically agrees that no finding or stipulation of fact, no conclusion of law, and no arbitration award in any other arbitration, judicial, or similar proceeding shall be given preclusive or collateral estoppel effect in any arbitration hereunder unless there is mutuality of parties. In addition, by acceptance of a deed to a Lot, each Owner agrees that no finding or stipulation of fact, no conclusion of law, and no arbitration award in any arbitration hereunder shall be given preclusive or collateral estoppel effect in any other arbitration, judicial, or similar proceeding unless there is mutuality of parties.

(f) Unless otherwise recoverable by law or statute, each party shall bear its own costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, for any mediation and arbitration. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a party unsuccessfully contests the validity or scope of arbitration in a court of law or equity, the non-contesting party shall be awarded reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses incurred in defending such contest, including such fees and costs associated with any appellate proceedings. In addition, if a party fails to abide by the terms of a mediation settlement or arbitration award, the other

party shall be awarded reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses incurred in enforcing such settlement or award.

(g) An Owner may obtain additional information concerning the rules of the AAA by visiting its website at [www.adr.org](http://www.adr.org) or by writing the AAA at 335 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10017.

(h) The Declarant supports the principles set forth in the Consumer Due Process Protocol developed by the National Consumer Dispute Advisory Committee and agrees to the following:

(i) Notwithstanding the requirements of arbitration stated in this Section 12.3, each Owner shall have the option, after pursuing mediation as provided herein, to seek relief in a small claims court for disputes or claims within the scope of the court's jurisdiction in lieu of proceeding to arbitration. This option does not apply to any appeal from a decision by a small claims court.

(ii) Prior to the date on which Declarant turns over control of the Association to the Owners other than Declarant, the Declarant agrees to pay for one (1) day of mediation (mediator fees plus any administrative fees relating to the mediation). Any mediator and associated administrative fees incurred thereafter shall be shared equally by the parties.

(iii) The fees for any claim pursued through arbitration in an amount of Ten Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$10,000.00) or less shall be apportioned as provided in the Home Construction Arbitration Rules of the AAA or other applicable rules.

(i) Notwithstanding the foregoing, if either the Declarant or an Owner seeks injunctive relief, and not monetary damages, from a court because irreparable damage or harm would otherwise be suffered by either party before mediation or arbitration could be conducted, such actions shall not be interpreted to indicate that either party has waived the right to mediate or arbitrate. The right to mediate and arbitrate should also not be considered waived by the filing of a counterclaim by either party once a claim for injunctive relief had been filed with a court.

(j) THE DECLARANT AND EACH OWNER BY ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED TO A LOT SPECIFICALLY AGREE THAT THE PARTIES MAY BRING CLAIMS AGAINST THE OTHER ONLY ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS AND NOT AS A MEMBER IN ANY PURPORTED CLASS OR REPRESENTATIVE ACTION OR COLLECTIVE PROCEEDING. THE ARBITRATOR(S) MAY NOT CONSOLIDATE OR JOIN CLAIMS REGARDING MORE THAN ONE PROPERTY AND MAY NOT OTHERWISE PRESIDE OVER ANY FORM OF A CONSOLIDATED, REPRESENTATIVE, OR CLASS PROCEEDING. ALSO, THE ARBITRATOR(S) MAY AWARD RELIEF (INCLUDING MONETARY, INJUNCTIVE, AND DECLARATORY RELIEF) ONLY IN FAVOR OF THE INDIVIDUAL PARTY SEEKING RELIEF AND ONLY TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY TO PROVIDE RELIEF NECESSITATED BY THAT PARTY'S INDIVIDUAL CLAIM(S). ANY RELIEF AWARDED CANNOT BE AWARDED ON CLASS-WIDE OR MASS-PARTY BASIS OR OTHERWISE AFFECT PARTIES WHO ARE NOT A PARTY TO THE ARBITRATION. NOTHING IN THE FOREGOING

PREVENTS THE DECLARANT FROM EXERCISING ITS RIGHT TO INCLUDE IN THE MEDIATION AND ARBITRATION THOSE PERSONS OR ENTITIES REFERRED TO IN SECTION 12.3(D) ABOVE.

(k) For the purposes of clarity, this Section 12.3 is solely applicable Disputes between each individual Owner and the Declarant and/or CND and nothing contained within this Section 12.4 shall preclude the Association from filing an action against the Declarant or any Owner in a court of law or equity.

Section 12.4 **Severability**. Invalidation of any of the provisions of this Declaration by judgment or court order shall not affect or modify any of the other provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 12.5 **Additional Restrictions**. No Owner, without the prior written consent of the Declarant, may impose any additional covenants or restrictions on any part of the Property, but the Declarant may include in any contract or deed hereafter made and covering all or any part of the Property, any additional covenants or restrictions applicable to the Property so covered which are not inconsistent with and which do not lower standards established by this Declaration.

Section 12.6 **Titles**. The addition of titles to the various sections of this Declaration are for convenience and identification only and the use of such titles shall not be construed to limit, enlarge, change, or otherwise modify any of the provisions hereof, each and all of which shall be construed as if not entitled.

Section 12.7 **Termination or Amendment**. The covenants, restrictions, easements and other matters set forth herein shall run with the title to the Property and be binding upon each Owner, the Declarant, the Association, and their respective successors and assigns for a period of fifty (50) years, and shall be automatically renewed for successive ten (10) year periods unless terminated as herein provided. The Owners holding two-thirds (2/3) or more of the total votes of the Association may alter, amend or terminate these covenants provided, however, that no such termination or amendment shall be effective without the written consent and joinder of the Declarant if (i) the Declarant owns any land within the Property, or (ii) the amendment or termination affects Declarant's reserved easement rights under this Declaration. Further, until such time as the Declarant shall no longer hold a majority of the votes in the Association, subject to the requirements of Section 720.3075(5), Florida Statutes (2022), the Declarant shall have the unilateral right to amend this Declaration without the consent or joinder of any other party in any manner which does not materially and adversely affect the value of any Lot or other building parcel located within the Property. Any amendment to this Declaration which alters any provision relating to the Stormwater Management System, beyond maintenance in its original condition, including mitigation or preservation areas and the water management portions of the Common Area, must have the prior written approval of the SJRWMD. Any amendment to this Declaration which amends the responsibilities or obligations of the parties with respect to the ACOE Permit, must have prior written approval of ACOE. Any amendment to this Declaration shall be executed by the Association and the Declarant, if applicable, and shall be recorded in the current public records of Duval County, Florida.

Section 12.8 **Assignment of Permit Responsibilities and Indemnification.** In connection with the platting and development of the Property, the Declarant may assume certain obligations in connection with the Permits. The Declarant may at any time assign to the Association, and the Association shall accept, the Permits and all of the Declarant's obligations and responsibilities for compliance with the Permits. Following such assignment the Association shall indemnify, defend and hold the Declarant harmless from all suits, enforcement actions, damages, liability and expenses in connection with any violation of the Permits occasioned wholly or in part by any act or omission of the Association or its agents, contractors, employees, servants or licensees.

Section 12.9 **Enforcement by SJRWMD.** The SJRWMD shall have the right to enforce, by a proceeding at law or in equity, the provision contained in this Declaration that relate to the maintenance, operation, and repair of the surface water or stormwater management system.

Section 12.10 **Conflict or Ambiguity in Documents.** To the extent of any conflict, ambiguity, or inconsistency between this Declaration, the Articles, or the Bylaws, the terms of this Declaration shall control both the Articles and Bylaws.

Section 12.11 **Usage.** Whenever used, the singular shall include the plural and the singular, and the use of any gender shall include all genders.

Section 12.12 **Effective Date.** This Declaration shall become effective upon its recordation in the current public records of Duval County, Florida.

Section 12.13 **Recreational Facilities.** All trails, parks and other recreational facilities furnished by the Declarant or the Association shall be used at the risk of the user, and neither the Declarant nor the Association shall be liable to any person for any claim, damage or injury occurring thereon or related thereto. Each Owner hereby releases and agrees to indemnify, defend and hold the Declarant, the Association, and their respective members, partners, shareholders, directors, officers, employees and agents harmless with respect to any claims, demands, losses, costs, fees, expenses and causes of action related to, or in any way pertaining to, use of any recreational facilities furnished by the Declarant or the Association (including, without limitation, anything alleged to relate to any alleged sole or comparative negligence by the Declarant or the Association).

Section 12.14 **Disclaimers as to Water Bodies.** NEITHER THE DECLARANT, THE ASSOCIATION, NOR ANY OF THEIR SUCCESSORS, ASSIGNS, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, COMMITTEE MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, MANAGEMENT AGENTS, CONTRACTORS OR SUB-CONTRACTORS (COLLECTIVELY, THE "LISTED PARTIES") SHALL BE LIABLE OR RESPONSIBLE FOR MAINTAINING OR ASSURING THE WATER QUALITY OR LEVEL IN ANY LAKE, POND, CANAL, CREEK, STREAM OR OTHER WATER BODY ADJACENT TO OR WITHIN THE PROPERTY, EXCEPT AS SUCH RESPONSIBILITY MAY BE SPECIFICALLY IMPOSED BY AN APPLICABLE GOVERNMENTAL OR QUASI-GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY OR AUTHORITY. FURTHER, ALL OWNERS AND USERS OF ANY PORTION OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED ADJACENT TO OR HAVING A VIEW OF ANY OF THE AFORESAID WATER BODIES SHALL BE DEEMED, BY VIRTUE OF THEIR ACCEPTANCE OF THE DEED TO OR USE OF, SUCH PROPERTY, TO HAVE

AGREED TO HOLD HARMLESS THE LISTED PARTIES FOR ANY AND ALL CHANGES IN THE QUALITY AND LEVEL OF THE WATER IN SUCH BODIES.

ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT FROM TIME TO TIME ALLIGATORS, POISONOUS SNAKES, AND OTHER WILDLIFE MAY INHABIT OR ENTER INTO WATER BODIES AND NATURAL AREAS WITHIN THE PROPERTY AND MAY POSE A THREAT TO PERSONS, PETS AND PROPERTY, BUT THAT THE LISTED PARTIES ARE UNDER NO DUTY TO PROTECT AGAINST, AND DO NOT IN ANY MANNER WARRANT AGAINST, ANY DEATH, INJURY OR DAMAGE CAUSED BY SUCH WILDLIFE.

ALL PERSONS ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT LAKE BANKS AND SLOPES WITHIN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE PROPERTY MAY BE STEEP AND THAT DEPTHS NEAR SHORE MAY DROP OFF SHARPLY. BY ACCEPTANCE OF A DEED TO, OR USE OF, ANY LOT OR OTHER PORTION OF THE PROPERTY, ALL OWNERS OR USERS OF SUCH PROPERTY SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE AGREED TO HOLD HARMLESS THE LISTED PARTIES FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY OR DAMAGES ARISING FROM THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OR TOPOGRAPHY OF ANY LAKE BANKS, SLOPES, OR LAKE BOTTOMS LOCATED THEREIN.

Section 12.15 **Disclaimer of Liability of Association.** NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING CONTAINED HEREIN OR IN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, BY-LAWS, ANY RULES OR REGULATIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION OR ANY OTHER DOCUMENT GOVERNING OR BINDING THE ASSOCIATION (COLLECTIVELY, THE "ASSOCIATION DOCUMENTS"), THE ASSOCIATION SHALL NOT BE LIABLE OR RESPONSIBLE FOR, OR IN ANY MANNER A GUARANTOR OR INSURER OF, THE HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE OF ANY OWNER, OCCUPANT OR USER OF ANY PORTION OF THE PROPERTIES INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, RESIDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES, GUESTS, INVITEES, AGENTS, SERVANTS, CONTRACTORS OR SUBCONTRACTORS OR FOR ANY PROPERTY OF ANY SUCH PERSONS. WITHOUT LIMITING THE GENERALITY OF THE FOREGOING:

(A) IT IS THE EXPRESS INTENT OF THE ASSOCIATION DOCUMENTS THAT THE VARIOUS PROVISIONS THEREOF WHICH ARE ENFORCEABLE BY THE ASSOCIATION AND WHICH GOVERN OR REGULATE THE USES OF THE PROPERTIES HAVE BEEN WRITTEN, AND ARE TO BE INTERPRETED AND ENFORCED, FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF ENHANCING AND MAINTAINING THE ENJOYMENT OF THE PROPERTIES AND THE VALUE THEREOF;

(B) THE ASSOCIATION IS NOT EMPOWERED, AND HAS NOT BEEN CREATED, TO ACT AS AN ENTITY WHICH ENFORCES OR ENSURES THE COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES, STATE OF FLORIDA, ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AND/OR ANY OTHER JURISDICTION OR THE PREVENTION OF TORTIOUS ACTIVITIES; AND

(C) ANY PROVISIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION DOCUMENTS SETTING FORTH THE USES OF ASSESSMENTS WHICH RELATE TO HEALTH, SAFETY AND/OR

WELFARE SHALL BE INTERPRETED AND APPLIED ONLY AS LIMITATIONS ON THE USES OF ASSESSMENT FUNDS AND NOT AS CREATING A DUTY OF THE ASSOCIATION TO PROTECT OR FURTHER THE HEALTH, SAFETY OR WELFARE OF ANY PERSON(S), EVEN IF ASSESSMENT FUNDS ARE CHOSEN TO BE USED FOR ANY SUCH REASON.

EACH OWNER (BY VIRTUE OF HIS/HER/THEIR ACCEPTANCE OF TITLE TO HIS/HER/THEIR LOT) AND EACH OTHER PERSON HAVING AN INTEREST IN OR LIEN UPON, OR MAKING ANY USE OF, ANY PORTION OF THE PROPERTIES (BY VIRTUE OF ACCEPTING SUCH INTEREST OR LIEN OR MAKING SUCH USES) SHALL BE BOUND BY THIS ARTICLE AND SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE AUTOMATICALLY WAIVED ANY AND ALL RIGHTS, CLAIMS, DEMANDS AND CAUSES OF ACTION AGAINST THE ASSOCIATION ARISING FROM OR CONNECTED WITH ANY MATTER FOR WHICH THE LIABILITY OF THE ASSOCIATION HAS BEEN DISCLAIMED IN THIS ARTICLE.

AS USED IN THIS ARTICLE, "ASSOCIATION" SHALL INCLUDE WITHIN ITS MEANING ALL OF THE ASSOCIATION'S DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, COMMITTEE AND BOARD MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, CONTRACTORS (INCLUDING MANAGEMENT COMPANIES), SUBCONTRACTORS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE SHALL ALSO INURE TO THE BENEFIT OF THE DECLARANT AND ALL PARTIES RELATED THERETO, ALL OF WHICH SHALL BE FULLY PROTECTED HEREBY.

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**GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**, a Florida nonprofit corporation

By: [Signature]  
Name: Keth Donnelly  
Its: Treasurer/secretary

STATE OF FLORIDA        }  
  }SS  
COUNTY OF DUVAL        }

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 26 day of January, 2023, by means of  physical presence or  online notarization by KETH DONNELLY, as Land Acquisition Mgr. of **GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**, a Florida nonprofit corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

[Signature]  
Print: KIMBERLY HUMBLER  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
State of Florida at Large  
Commission # HH104089  
My Commission Expires:  
Personally Known   
or Produced I.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
[check one of the above]  
Type of Identification Produced \_\_\_\_\_



**KIMBERLY HUMBLER**  
Commission # HH 104089  
Expires March 14, 2025  
Bonded Thru Budget Notary Services

**EXHIBIT A****LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY**

ALL OF TRACT "A" AS DEPICTED ON THE PLAT OF APEX TRAIL EXTENSION, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 78, PAGES 60 THROUGH 64 OF THE CURRENT PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE, DUVAL COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH A PORTION OF SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST OF SAID COUNTY, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING, COMMENCE AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE EASTERLY TERMINUS OF APEX TRAIL, A 175 FOOT RIGHT OF WAY AS PRESENTLY ESTABLISHED; THENCE SOUTH 89°37'47" WEST, ALONG THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF SAID APEX TRAIL, 225.00 FEET TO A POINT LYING ON THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ETOWN PARKWAY, A VARIABLE WIDTH RIGHT OF WAY AS PRESENTLY ESTABLISHED; THENCE NORTH 45°22'13" WEST, DEPARTING SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE AND ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 212.13 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°22'13" WEST, CONTINUING ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, 455.39 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°37'47" EAST, DEPARTING SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID ETOWN PARKWAY PHASE 1 AND ALONG THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF ETOWN PARCEL E2 PHASE ONE, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 72, PAGES 110 THROUGH 118, OF SAID CURRENT PUBLIC RECORDS, A DISTANCE OF 1193.98 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 12°52'42" EAST, DEPARTING SAID SOUTHERLY LINE OF ETOWN PARCEL E2 PHASE ONE, A DISTANCE OF 31.45 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 49°04'12" EAST, 34.92 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 06°46'13" EAST, 33.44 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 75°37'16" EAST, 34.45 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 57°37'04" EAST, 24.93 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 39°57'00" WEST, 11.14 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 07°06'04" EAST, 16.65 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 74°33'02" EAST, 26.64 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 24°21'19" EAST, 26.32 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 30°50'16" EAST, 38.32 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 78°17'35" EAST, 35.22 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 35°32'33" EAST, 27.38 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 48°04'33" WEST, 19.58 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 13°39'53" WEST, 32.03 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 12°29'15" EAST, 21.25 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 15°51'38" EAST, 46.12 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 09°40'08" WEST, 21.22 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 14°10'13" WEST, 38.58 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 01°26'03" EAST, 27.93 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 13°24'54" WEST, 42.64 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 14°34'28" EAST, 58.56 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 10°02'43" EAST, 64.99 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 25°30'48" EAST, 45.36 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 26°09'32" WEST, 28.03 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 10°12'31" EAST, 38.90 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 32°26'25" EAST, 36.30 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 20°30'54" EAST, 37.44 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 03°57'39" EAST, 56.77 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 08°18'25" EAST, 9.85 FEET TO A POINT LYING ON THE NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF APEX TRAIL, A VARIABLE WIDTH RIGHT OF WAY AS PRESENTLY ESTABLISHED; THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE AND ALONG A NON-TANGENT CURVE CONCAVE SOUTHWESTERLY HAVING A RADIUS OF 2300.00 FEET, THROUGH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 25°46'11", AN ARC LENGTH OF 1034.46 FEET TO A POINT ON SAID CURVE, SAID ARC

BEING SUBTENDED BY A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF NORTH  $76^{\circ}42'40''$  WEST, 1025.76 FEET; THENCE SOUTH  $67^{\circ}32'53''$  WEST, CONTINUING ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE AND ALONG A NON-TANGENT LINE, 65.94 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

**EXHIBIT B**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

*[Attached on following page]*

# State of Florida



## Department of State

I certify from the records of this office that GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, filed on January 9, 2023.

The document number of this corporation is N23000000196.

I further certify that said corporation has paid all fees due this office through December 31, 2023, and its status is active.

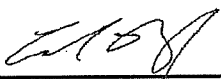
I further certify that said corporation has not filed Articles of Dissolution.

I further certify that this is an electronically transmitted certificate authorized by section 15.16, Florida Statutes, and authenticated by the code, 123A00001888-012523-N23000000196-1/1, noted below.

Authentication Code: 123A00001888-012523-N23000000196-1/1

Given under my hand and the  
Great Seal of the State of Florida,  
at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the  
Twenty-fifth day of January, 2023



  
Secretary of State

# State of Florida



## Department of State

I certify the attached is a true and correct copy of the Restated Articles of Incorporation, filed on January 25, 2023, for GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida corporation, as shown by the records of this office.

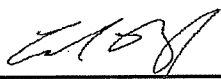
I further certify the document was electronically received under FAX audit number H23000032483. This certificate is issued in accordance with section 15.16, Florida Statutes, and authenticated by the code noted below.

The document number of this corporation is N23000000196.

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Given under my hand and the  
Great Seal of the State of Florida,  
at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the  
Twenty-fifth day of January, 2023



  
Secretary of State

**ARTICLES OF RESTATEMENT  
OF  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.,  
a Florida corporation not for profit  
Document No. N23000000196**

**THESE ARTICLES OF RESTATEMENT OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.,** a Florida corporation not for profit ("**Articles of Restatement**"), are made effective January 24th, 2023, by **GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.,** a Florida corporation not for profit (the "**Association**").

**RECITALS:**

Pursuant to Section 617.1007, Florida Statutes, the Association desires to restate its Articles of Incorporation as more particularly described hereafter. These Articles of Restatement contain amendments to the Articles of Incorporation requiring member approval that were approved by the affirmative vote of a majority the total Members of the Association as of January 24, 2023, in the manner prescribed by Article XI of the corporation's Articles of Incorporation.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Association hereby restates its Articles of Incorporation in its entirety as set forth below.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the Association has executed these Articles of Restatement effective as of the date first above written.

**[Signatures on next page]**

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**GRANVILLE AT ETOWN  
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a  
Florida not-for-profit corporation**

By: [Signature]  
Name: Heather Donnelly  
Title: Treasurer/Secretary

STATE OF FLORIDA }  
COUNTY OF St. Johns } SS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 25 day of January, 2023, by Heather Donnelly, the Land Acquisition Mgr of **GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**, a not-for-profit corporation, on behalf of the corporation.

[Signature: Kimberly Humbles]  
(Print Name) KIMBERLY HUMBLES  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
State of Florida at Large  
Commission #: HH 104089  
My Commission Expires: 3.14.25  
Personally Known ✓  
or Produced I.D. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**KIMBERLY HUMBLES**  
Commission # HH 104089  
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I. **NAME AND DEFINITIONS.**

The name of this corporation shall be Granville at eTown Homeowners Association, Inc. (the "Association"). All defined terms contained in these Articles shall have the same meanings as such terms are defined by the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions for Granville at eTown to be recorded in the current public records of Duval County, Florida (the "Declaration").

II. **PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND MAILING ADDRESS.**

The location of the Association's principal office and its mailing address shall be 680 Crosswater Parkway, Ponte Vedra, Florida 32081, or at such other place as may be established by resolution of the Association's Board of Directors from time to time.

III. **PURPOSES.**

The general nature, objects and purposes of the Association are:

A. To promote matters of common interest and concern of the Owners of property within the real property subject to the terms and provision of the Declaration.

B. To own, maintain, repair and replace the Common Area, including without limitation the structures, landscaping and other improvements located thereon, for which the obligation to maintain and repair has been delegated to and accepted by the Association.

C. To operate, maintain and manage the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System in a manner consistent with all permits issued by the St. Johns River Water Management District and the United States Army Corps of Engineers, and all laws and regulations pertaining thereto, and to assist in the enforcement of the Declaration which relate to the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System.

D. To cooperate with other associations responsible for administration of adjacent or contiguous properties in matters of common interest to the Association and such other associations and to contribute to such common maintenance interests whether within or without the Property.

E. To provide, purchase, acquire, replace, improve, maintain, operate and repair such buildings, structures, landscaping, equipment, and to provide such other services for the benefit of the members of the Association, as the Board of Directors in its discretion determines necessary, appropriate, and/or convenient.

F. To operate without profit for the sole and exclusive benefit of its Members.

G. To perform all of the functions contemplated for the Association and undertaken by the Board of Directors pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Declaration.

**IV. GENERAL POWERS.**

The general powers that the Association shall have are as follows:

A. To hold funds solely and exclusively for the benefit of the Members for purposes set forth in these Articles of Incorporation.

B. To promulgate and enforce rules, regulations, bylaws, covenants, restrictions and agreements to effectuate the purposes for which the Association is organized.

C. To delegate power or powers where such is deemed in the interest of the Association.

D. To purchase, lease, hold, sell, mortgage or otherwise acquire or dispose of real or personal property, to enter into, make, perform or carry out contracts and agreements of every kind with any person, firm, corporation, community development district or association (including, without limitation, contracts for services to provide for operation and routine custodial maintenance of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System); to do any and all acts necessary or expedient for carrying on any and all of the activities and pursuing any and all of the objects and purposes set forth in the Declaration and these Articles of Incorporation and not forbidden by the laws of the State of Florida.

E. To fix assessments to be levied against all or any portion of the Property to defray expenses and costs of effectuating the objects and purposes of the Association and to create reasonable reserves for such expenditures, and to authorize its Board of Directors to enter into agreements with other property owners' associations or maintenance entities for the collection of such assessments. The foregoing shall include the power to levy and collect adequate assessments against the Members for the costs of maintenance and operation of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System. Such assessments shall be used for the maintenance and repair of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System, including but not limited to, work within retention areas, drainage structures and drainage easements.

F. To charge recipients for services rendered by the Association and the users of the Association property where such is deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors of the Association and permitted by the Declaration.

G. To pay taxes and other charges, if any, on or against property owned, accepted, or maintained by the Association.

H. To borrow money and, from time to time, to make, accept, endorse, execute and issue debentures, promissory notes or other obligations of the Association for monies borrowed, or in payment for property acquired, or for any of the other purposes of the Association, and to secure the payment of such obligations by mortgage, pledge, or other instrument of trust, or by lien upon, assignment of or agreement in regard to all or any part of the property rights or privileges of the Association wherever situated.

I. To merge with any other association which may perform similar functions located within the same general vicinity of the Property.

J. In general, to have all powers conferred upon a corporation by the laws of the State of Florida, except as prohibited herein and by the terms and conditions set forth in the Declaration.

V. **MEMBERS.**

The members ("Members") shall consist of the Declarant and each other Owner of a Lot or other parcel within the Property on which one or more residential dwelling units have been completed. Such completion shall be evidenced by a certificate of occupancy or similar authorization by the City of Jacksonville or other governmental entity having jurisdiction.

VI. **VOTING AND ASSESSMENTS.**

A. Subject to the restrictions and limitations hereinafter set forth, each Member shall be entitled to the number of votes in the Association computed as follows:

1. The Members, other than the Declarant, who are Owners shall have one (1) vote for each Lot owned by them. The votes of Members who are Owners shall be exercised directly by such Owners or their authorized representatives.

2. The Declarant shall have the number of votes equal to the number of votes allocated to the Members other than the Declarant, plus one (1) vote. The Declarant shall have such voting rights until the first to occur of: (i) three (3) months after ninety percent (90%) of the Lots in all phases of Property (including any lands which may be annexed into the Property pursuant to the Declaration) have been conveyed to Members other than builders, contractors, or others who purchase a Lot for the purpose of constructing improvements thereon for resale, or (ii) such earlier date as the Declarant may elect to terminate such voting rights by notice to the Association. Thereafter, the Declarant shall have one (1) vote for each Lot owned by the Declarant.

B. When an Owner who is a Member is comprised of one or more persons or entities, all such persons shall be Members, and the vote(s) for the applicable portions of the Property shall be exercised as they among themselves shall determine. The votes allocated to any Owner pursuant to these Articles, cannot be divided for any issue and must be voted as a whole, except where otherwise required by law. The affirmative vote of a majority of the votes allocated to the Members cast at any meeting of the Members duly called at which a quorum is present, or cast by written ballot by a quorum of the membership, shall be binding upon the Members and the Association.

C. The Association will obtain funds with which to operate by assessment of the Owners in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration, as supplemented by the provisions of the Articles and Bylaws of the Association relating thereto. Any Member who is delinquent in the payment of assessments due the Association shall be deemed to be not in good standing with the Association for the period of time that such delinquency shall continue.

**VII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

A. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of three (3) Directors. Directors need not be Members of the Association and need not be residents of the State of Florida. Until such time that the Members other than the Declarant become entitled to elect a majority of the members of the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 720.307, Florida Statutes, as the same may be amended from time to time, the Declarant shall have the right to appoint all of the Directors; provided, however, the Members other than the Declarant shall become entitled to elect one (1) Director at the annual meeting of the Association following the date that fifty percent (50%) of the Lots in all phases of Property (including any lands which may be annexed into the Property pursuant to the Declaration) have been conveyed to Members other than builders, contractors, or others who purchase a Lot for the purpose of constructing improvements thereon for resale. The Declarant shall be entitled to elect at least one (1) Director for so long as the Declarant holds for sale in the ordinary course of business, at least five percent (5%) of the Lots in all phases of Property (including any lands which may be annexed into the Property pursuant to the Declaration). To the fullest extent permitted by law, Declarant's determination of phasing and the number of Lot to be developed on the Property (as may be expanded) shall be controlling for all purposes of these Articles.

B. Elections shall be by plurality vote. At the first annual election of the Board of Directors, the terms of office of the elected Directors shall be established at one (1) year. In no event can a Board member appointed by the Declarant be removed except by action of the Declarant. Any Director appointed by the Declarant shall serve at the pleasure of the Declarant, and may be removed from office, and a successor Director may be appointed, at any time by the Declarant.

C. The names and addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until the first annual meeting of the Members and until their successors are elected or appointed and have qualified, are as follows:

Pete Prikaszky  
680 Crosswater Parkway  
Ponte Vedra, Florida 32081

KC Middleton  
680 Crosswater Parkway  
Ponte Vedra, Florida 32081

Keith Donnelly  
680 Crosswater Parkway  
Ponte Vedra, Florida 32081

**VIII. OFFICERS.**

The Officers of the Association shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board may from time to time by resolution create. Any two (2) or more offices may be held by the same person except the offices of President and Secretary. Officers shall be elected for one (1) year terms in accordance with the procedure set forth in the Bylaws. The names of the officers who are to manage the affairs of the Association until the first annual meeting of the Members and until their successors are duly elected and qualified are:

President	Pete Prikaszky
Vice President	KC Middleton
Treasurer/Secretary	Keith Donnelly

**IX. CORPORATE EXISTENCE.**

The Association shall have perpetual existence. These Articles shall become effective upon filing as prescribed by law.

**X. BYLAWS.**

The Board of Directors shall adopt Bylaws consistent with these Articles. Such Bylaws may be altered, amended, or repealed by resolution of the Board of Directors.

**XI. AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND BYLAWS.**

These Articles may be altered, amended or repealed upon the affirmative vote of Members holding a majority of the total votes allocated to the Members pursuant to these Articles.

**XII. INCORPORATOR.**

The name and address of the Incorporator is as follows:

Pete Prikaszky  
680 Crosswater Parkway  
Ponte Vedra, Florida 32081

**XIII. INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS.**

A. To the extent allowed by law, the Association hereby indemnifies any Director or officer made a party or threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding:

1. Whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative, other than one by or in the right of the Association to procure a judgment in its favor, brought to impose a liability or penalty on such person for an act alleged to have been committed by such person in his capacity

as a Director or officer of the Association or as a director, officer, employee or agent of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise which he served at the request of the Association, against judgments, fines, amounts paid in settlement and reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, actually and necessarily incurred as a result of such action, suit or proceeding or any appeal thereof, if such person acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such action was in the best interests of the Association, and in criminal actions or proceedings, without reasonable grounds for belief that such action was unlawful. The termination of any such action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not in itself create a presumption that any such Director or officer did not act in good faith in the reasonable belief that such action was in the best interest of the Association or that he had reasonable grounds for belief that such action was unlawful.

2. By or in the right of the Association to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of his being or having been a Director or officer of the Association, or by reason of his being or having been a director, officer, employee or agent of any other corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise which he served at the request of the Association, against the reasonable expenses including attorneys' fees, actually and necessarily incurred by him in connection with the defense or settlement of such action, or in connection with an appeal therein if such person acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such action was in the best interest of the Association. Such person shall not be entitled to indemnification in relation to matters to which such person has been adjudged to have been guilty of gross negligence or misconduct in the performance of his duty to the Association unless, and only to the extent that, the court, administrative agency, or investigative body before which such action, suit or proceeding is held shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification for such expenses which such tribunal shall deem proper.

B. The Board of Directors shall determine whether amounts for which a Director or officer seek indemnification were properly incurred and whether such Director or officer acted in good faith in a manner he reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the Association, and whether, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, he had no reasonable ground for belief that such action was unlawful. Such determination shall be made by the Board of Directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of Directors who were not parties to such action, suit or proceeding.

C. The foregoing rights of indemnification shall not be deemed to limit in any way the powers of the Association to indemnify under applicable law.

#### XIV. TRANSACTION IN WHICH DIRECTORS OR OFFICERS ARE INTERESTED.

A. No contract or transaction between the Association and one or more of its Directors or officers, or between the Association and any other corporation, partnership, association, or other organization in which one or more of its Directors or officers are Directors or officers, or in which they have a financial interest, shall be invalid, void or voidable solely for this reason, or solely because the Director or officer is present at or participates in the meeting of the Board or committee thereof which authorizes the contract or transaction, or solely because his or their votes are counted

for such purpose. All such contracts or transactions shall, however, be fair and reasonable and upon terms reasonably comparable to those which could be obtained in arms-length transactions with unrelated entities. No Director or Officer of the Association shall incur liability by reason of the fact that he is or may be interested in any such contract or transaction.

B. Interested Directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors or of a committee which authorized the contract or transaction.

#### XV. DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

A. Upon dissolution of the Association, all of its assets remaining after provisions for creditors and payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution shall be distributed in the following manner:

1. Dedication to any applicable municipal or other governmental authority of any property determined by the Board of Directors of the Association to be appropriate for such dedication and which the authority is willing to accept.

2. Remaining assets shall be distributed among the Members, subject to the limitation set forth below, each Member's share of the assets to be determined by multiplying such remaining assets by a fraction the numerator of which is all amounts assessed by the Association since its organization against the portion of Property which is owned by the Member at that time, and the denominator of which is the total amount (excluding penalties and interest) assessed by the Association against all properties which at the time of dissolution are part of the Property. The year of dissolution shall count as a whole year for purposes of the preceding fractions.

B. The Association may be dissolved upon a resolution to that effect being approved by a majority of the Board of Directors and by two-thirds (2/3) of the Members. In the event of incorporation by annexation or otherwise, of all or part of the Property by a political subdivision of the State of Florida, the Association may be dissolved in the manner set forth above.

C. In the event of termination, dissolution, merger, or final liquidation of the Association, the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the surface water or stormwater management system must be transferred to and accepted by an entity that would comply with Section 40C-42.027, Florida Administrative Code, and be approved by the St. Johns River Water Management District prior to such termination, dissolution, merger, or liquidation. Further, such termination, dissolution, merger, or liquidation shall require the approval of the Army Corps of Engineers.

**XVI. MERGERS AND CONSOLIDATIONS.**

Subject to the provisions of the Declaration applicable to the Property and to the extent permitted by law, the Association may participate in mergers and consolidations with other nonprofit corporations organized for the same purposes, provided that any such merger or consolidation shall be approved in the manner provided by Chapter 617, Florida Statutes as the same may be amended from time to time. For purposes of any vote of the Members required pursuant to said statutes, for so long as the Declarant shall own any portion of the Property, any such merger or consolidation shall require the Declarant's prior approval.



January 25, 2023

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Division of Corporations

GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
680 CROSSWATER PARKWAY  
PONTE VEDRA, FL 32081US

Re: Document Number N23000000196

The Restated Articles of Incorporation for GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida corporation, were filed on January 25, 2023.

The certification you requested is enclosed. To be official, the certification for a certified copy must be attached to the original document that was electronically submitted and filed under FAX audit number H23000032483.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please telephone (850) 245-6050, the Amendment Filing Section.

Tammi Cline  
Regulatory Specialist II Supervisor  
Division of Corporations Letter Number: 123A00001888

**EXHIBIT C**  
**BYLAWS**  
**OF**  
**GRANVILLE AT ETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**I. DEFINITIONS.**

All defined terms contained herein which are defined in the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions for Granville at eTown ("Declaration") to be recorded in the current public records of Duval County, Florida, and in the Articles of Incorporation of Granville at eTown Homeowners Association, Inc., shall have the same meanings as such terms are defined in the Declaration and Articles of Incorporation.

**II. LOCATION OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE.**

The office of Granville at eTown Homeowners Association, Inc. ("Association") shall be at 680 Crosswater Parkway, Ponte Vedra, Florida 32081, or at such other place as may be established by resolution of the Board of Directors of the Association from time to time.

**III. VOTING RIGHTS AND ASSESSMENTS.**

A. Every person or entity who is a record fee simple owner of a Lot or any other portion of the Property on which one or more residential dwelling units have been completed (which shall be evidenced by a certificate of occupancy or similar authorization by the City of Jacksonville or other governmental entity having jurisdiction), and the Declarant as long as it owns any Property subject to the Declaration, shall be a member of the Association (the "Members") as provided in the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, and shall have the voting rights as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation, provided that any such person or entity who holds such interest only as a security for the performance of an obligation shall not be a Member. Membership shall be appurtenant to, and may not be separated from, ownership of any parcel within the Property.

B. Assessments and installments thereon not paid when due shall bear interest from the date when due until paid at the highest lawful rate and shall result in the suspension of voting privileges during any period of such non-payment.

**IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

A. A majority of the Board of Directors of the Association (the "Board") shall constitute a quorum to transact business at any meeting of the Board, and the action of the majority present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall constitute the action of the Board.

B. Any vacancy occurring on the Board because of death, resignation or other termination of services of any Director, shall be filled by the Board, except that the Declarant, to

the exclusion of other Members and/or the Board itself, shall fill any vacancy created by the death, resignation, removal or other termination of services of any Director appointed by the Declarant. A Director elected or appointed to fill a vacancy shall be elected or appointed for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office and thereafter until his successor shall have been elected or appointed, and qualified.

**V. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS.**

A. Nominations for the election of Board members (other than Board members appointed by the Declarant) shall be made by the Nominating Committee described in Article IX hereof, or upon petition in accordance with Section C. of this Article V. The Nominating Committee shall make as many nominations as it shall in its discretion determine.

B. The Declarant shall, within fourteen (14) days of the date set for the annual meeting of the Association, notify the Secretary of the names of the Directors that such Owner is appointing to the Board.

C. Petitions for nominees shall also be accepted if signed by Members representing one-third (1/3) of the total votes held by the Members, and if received by the Secretary of the Association not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for the annual meeting of the Members. Nominations and notification of the vacancies being filled by the Declarant shall be placed on the written ballot referenced in Section D of this Article V.

D. All elections to the Board shall be made on written ballots to be voted at the annual meeting, or in the discretion of the Board, by mail, provided such ballots are mailed to the Members not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the date fixed for the annual meeting. The ballots shall (i) describe the vacancies to be filled by the Members, (ii) set forth the names of those nominated for each such vacancy, and (iii) set forth the names of those appointed to the Board by the Declarant. Each Member may cast the number of votes to which such Member is entitled as set forth in the Articles of Incorporation.

E. In order for an election of members of the Board to be valid and binding, the election must occur at a meeting of the Members at which a quorum is present; or if the election is conducted by mail, the Association must receive as of the date established by the Board for receipt of ballots, a number of ballots representing not less than a quorum of the Members.

F. The members of the Board elected or appointed in accordance with the procedures set forth in this Article V shall be deemed elected or appointed as of the date of the annual meeting of the Members.

**VI. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

A. The Board of Directors shall have power:

1. To call meetings of the Members.

2. To appoint and remove at its pleasure all officers, agents and employees of the Association; and to prescribe their duties, fix their compensation, and require of them such security or fidelity bond as it may deem expedient. Nothing contained in these Bylaws shall be construed to prohibit the employment of any Member, Officer or Director of the Association in any capacity whatsoever.

3. To establish, levy and assess, and collect the annual and special assessments necessary to operate the Association and carry on its activities, and to create such reserves as may be deemed appropriate by the Board.

4. To collect assessments on behalf of any other property owners association entitled to establish, levy and collect assessments from the Members of the Association.

5. To appoint committees, adopt and publish rules and regulations governing the use of the Common Areas or any portion thereof and the personal conduct of the Members and their guests thereon, including reasonable admission charges if deemed appropriate.

6. To authorize and cause the Association to enter into contracts for the day-to-day operation of the Association and the discharge of its responsibilities and obligations.

7. To cause the financial records of the Association to be compiled, reviewed, or audited by an independent certified public accountant at such periodic intervals as the Board may determine in its sole discretion.

8. To exercise for the Association all powers, duties and authority vested in or delegated to the Association, except those reserved to Members in the Declaration or the Articles of Incorporation of the Association.

B. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors:

1. To cause to be kept a complete record of all of its acts and corporate affairs.

2. To supervise all officers, agents and employees of this Association to insure that their duties are properly performed.

3. With reference to assessments of the Association:

(i) To fix the amount of annual assessments against each Member for each annual assessment period at least thirty (30) days in advance of such date or period;

(ii) To prepare and maintain a roster of the Members and assessments applicable thereto which shall be kept in the office of the Association and shall be open to inspection by any Member; and

(iii) To send written notice of each assessment to every Member subject thereto.

**VII. DIRECTORS MEETINGS.**

A. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on such date and at such time as the Board may establish. Notice of such meetings is hereby waived.

B. Special meetings of the Board shall be held when called by the President or Vice President of the Association or by any two (2) Directors, after not less than three (3) days notice to each Director.

C. Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to all Members and notices of meetings shall be posted in a conspicuous place within the Property at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance, except in an emergency. Notice of any meeting of the Board of Directors during which assessments are to be established, shall specifically contain a statement that the assessments shall be considered and a statement of the nature of such assessments.

D. The transaction of any business at any meeting of the Board, however called and noticed, or wherever held, shall be as valid as though made at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice, if a quorum is present and, if either before or after the meeting, each of the Directors not present signs a waiver of notice, or a consent to the holding of such meeting, or an approval of the minutes thereof. All such waivers, consents and approvals shall be filed with the corporate records of the Association and made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

**VIII. OFFICERS.**

A. The Officers of the Association shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and such other officers as may be determined from time to time by the Board, in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation of the Association. The President shall be a member of the Board, but the other Officers need not be.

B. The Officers of the Association shall be elected by the Board at the annual meeting of the Board, which shall be held immediately following the annual meeting of the Association. New offices may be created and filled at any meeting of the Board. Each Officer shall hold office until his successor shall have been duly elected.

C. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, or other termination of service, may be filled by the Board for the unexpired portion of the term.

D. All Officers shall hold office for terms of one (1) year.

E. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board, shall see that orders and resolutions of the Board are carried out and shall sign all notes, checks, leases, mortgages, deeds and all other written instruments.

F. The Vice President, or the Vice President so designated by the Board if there is

more than one Vice President, shall perform all the duties of the President in his absence. The Vice President(s) shall perform such other acts and duties as may be assigned by the Board.

G. The Secretary shall be ex officio the secretary of the Board, and shall record the votes and keep the minutes of all meetings of the Members and of the Board of Directors in a book to be kept for that purpose. The Secretary shall keep all records of the Association and shall record in the book kept for that purpose all the names of the Members of the Association together with their addresses as registered by such members.

H. The Treasurer shall receive and deposit in appropriate bank accounts all monies of the Association, and shall disburse such funds as directed by resolution of the Board, provided however, that a resolution of the Board shall not be necessary for disbursement made in the ordinary course of business conducted within the limits of a budget adopted by the Board. The Treasurer may, but need not, be a required signatory on checks and notes of the Association.

I. The Treasurer, or his appointed agent, shall keep proper books of account and cause to be prepared at the completion of each fiscal year an annual budget and an annual balance sheet statement, and the budget and balance sheet statement shall be open for inspection upon reasonable request by any Member.

J. With the approval of the Board of Directors, any or all of the Officers of the Association may delegate their respective duties and functions to a licensed and qualified property manager, provided, however, such property manager shall at all times be subject to the supervision and control of the Board of Directors.

## **IX. COMMITTEES.**

A. The standing committees of the Association shall be the Nominating Committee and the Architectural Review Board. The Nominating Committee and Architectural Review Board shall have the duties, authority and functions as described in the Declaration and as elsewhere described in these Bylaws.

B. The Board shall have the power and authority to appoint such other committees as it deems advisable. Any committee appointed by the Board shall consist of a Chairman and two (2) or more other members and shall include a member of the Board. Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of the Board, and shall perform such duties and functions as the Board may direct.

## **X. BOOKS AND RECORDS.**

The books, records and papers of the Association shall at all times, during reasonable business hours, be subject to inspection by any Member. The Association shall retain the minutes of all meetings of the Members and the Board of Directors for not less than seven (7) years.

**XI. MEETINGS OF MEMBERS.**

A. The annual meeting of the Members shall be held prior to April 30th of each year, at such time as the Board may designate, or at such other date and time as may be selected by the Board.

B. Special meetings of the Members for any purpose may be called at any time by the President, the Vice President, the Secretary or Treasurer, by any two or more members of the Board or upon the written request of Members holding a majority of all the votes allocated to the entire Membership.

C. Notice of all meetings of the Members shall be given to the Members by the Secretary. Notice may be given to the Member either personally or by sending a copy of the notice through the mail, postage fully prepaid, to his address appearing on the books of the Association. Each Member shall be responsible for registering his address and telephone number with the Secretary and notice of the meeting shall be mailed to him at such address. Notice of the annual meeting of the Members shall be delivered at least fourteen (14) days in advance. Notice of any other meeting, regular or special, shall be mailed at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting and shall set forth in general the nature of the business to be transacted; provided, however, that if the business of any meeting shall involve any action as governed by the Articles of Incorporation or the Declaration in which other notice provisions are provided for, notice shall be given or sent as therein provided.

D. The presence, in person or by proxy, of the Members holding not less than twenty percent (20%) of the total votes in the Association as established by the Articles of Incorporation, shall constitute a quorum of the Membership for any action governed by the Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws.

**XII. PROXIES.**

A. At all meetings of the Members, each Member may vote in person or by limited or general proxy.

B. All proxies shall be in writing and shall state the date of the proxy and the date, time and place of the meeting for which the proxy is given, and must be signed by the authorized Member giving the proxy. A proxy shall be effective only for the specific meeting for which it is given, as such meeting may be lawfully adjourned and reconvened from time to time. No proxy shall extend beyond a period of ninety (90) days from the date of the meeting for which it was originally given, and every proxy shall automatically cease upon the sale by the Member of his interest in the Property. All proxies shall be revocable at any time at the pleasure of the Member who executes same, and may include powers of substitution.

C. For elections of the Board of Directors, the Members shall vote in person or by proxy at a meeting of the Members, or by a written ballot that each Member personally casts.

**XIII. SEAL.**

The Association shall have a seal in circular form having within its circumference the words:

Granville at eTown Homeowners Association, Inc., not for profit corporation, 2022.

**XIV. AMENDMENTS.**

These Bylaws may be altered, amended or rescinded by majority vote of the Board of Directors at a duly constituted meeting of the Board. Amendments shall be effective on the date of passage by the Board and no amendment need be recorded in the current public records of Duval County, Florida.

**XV. INCONSISTENCIES.**

In the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of these Bylaws and the Declaration or Articles of Incorporation, the provisions of the Declaration and Articles of Incorporation shall control.

**EXHIBIT D**

**DESIGNATED COMMON AREA**

Declarant hereby designates the following real property for the common use and enjoyment of the owners within the Property: all alleys, Roadways, Surface Water or Stormwater Management System, irrigation systems situated in or benefiting Common Area, walkways, trails, parks, street lighting, entry features and signage, entry gates, lakes, ponds, and watercourse, access, utility and drainage easements and related facilities.

**EXHIBIT E**

**FENCES & RETAINING WALLS**

Fences, masonry walls and/or retaining walls are or will be installed on Tracts "D", "F" and "I" all as depicted on the Plat of Granville at eTown to be recorded in the current public records of Duval County, Florida.

**EXHIBIT F**

**ROADWAYS**

Catalyst Road and Isotope Court both as depicted on the Plat of Granville at eTown to be recorded in the current public records of Duval County, Florida.