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AMENDED AND RESTATED DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR THE FOOTHILLS

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR THE FOOTHILLS (the "Amended and Restated Declaration") is made effective as of the date of its recording in the Official Records of Yavapai County, Arizona.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, on March 14, 1996, Chamberlain Development, L.L.C. (the "Declarant") and American Title Insurance Agency of Yavapai, Inc. ("Fee Title Holder") recorded the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Foothills (the "Original Declaration"), in Book 3171, at Page 494, in the official records of the Yavapai County Recorder's Office, as to the tract of land located in the State of Arizona, County of Yavapai, which is more particularly described therein (the "Original Real Property").

WHEREAS, Declarant and Fee Title Holder have recorded the following amendments to the Original Declaration:

- (i) On March 24, 1998, the First Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Foothills was recorded in Book 3557, at Page 498, and re-recorded on April 15, 1998, in Book 3565, at page 189, in the official records of the Yavapai County Recorder's Office (the "First Amendment"),
- (ii) On April 11, 2000, the Second Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Foothills was recorded in in Book 3746, at Page 430, in the official records of the Yavapai County Recorder's Office (the "Second Amendment"),
- (iii) On May 24, 2000, the Third Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Foothills was recorded in in Book 3756, at Page 669, in the official records of the Yavapai County Recorder's Office (the "Third Amendment"),
- (iv) On September 29, 2000, the Fourth Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Foothills was recorded in Book 3783, at Page 906, in the official records of the Yavapai County Recorder's Office (the "Fourth Amendment"), and
- (v) On January 9, 2003, the Fifth Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Foothills was recorded in in Book 3991, at Page 456, in the official records of the Yavapai County Recorder's Office (the "Fifth Amendment").

WHEREAS, the Original Declaration as amended by the First Amendment, the Second Amendment, the Third Amendment, the Fourth Amendment, and the Fifth Amendment is hereinafter referred to as the "Declaration."

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13.14 of the Declaration, the Declaration may be amended by the affirmative written assent or vote of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the voting power of the Members of The Foothills Property Owners Association, Inc. (the "Association").

WHEREAS, not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the voting power of the Members of the Association have provided to the Association their affirmative written assent of the amendment and restatement of the Declaration as set forth in this Amended and Restated Declaration.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Original Declaration is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to provide as follows:

NOW, THEREFORE, subject to all provisions of this Declaration, the Real Property shall be held, conveyed, mortgaged, encumbered, leased, rented, used, occupied, sold, and improved subject to the following declarations, limitations, covenants, conditions, restrictions, and easements. This Declaration is being recorded to establish a general plan of development and use of the Real Property and to enhance and protect the value and attractiveness of the Real Property and every part thereof, in accordance with the plan for the improvement of the Real Property and the division thereof into Lots and Common Area. All of the limitations, covenants, conditions, restrictions, and casements shall constitute covenants which shall run with the land and shall be binding upon the Lot Owners, their successors and assigns and all parties having or acquiring any right, title, or interest in or to any part of the Real Property.

1. DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY SUBJECT TO DECLARATION

- 1.1 <u>Description of Project.</u> The Project shall be composed of the Common Area and residential Lots located on Real Property. Upon conveyance of a residential Lot to an Owner, each Owner shall also receive a nonexclusive right to use the Common Area. The maximum number of residences on the Real Property shall not exceed the maximum number allowed by the City of Prescott.
 - 1.2 <u>Name of Project.</u> The Project shall be referred to as "The Foothills."
- 1.3 No Severance of Residence Estate. No Owner shall be entitled to sever or partition his interest in his Lot from his right and easement to use and enjoy the Common Area. The right to use the Common Area as established by this Declaration shall not be separated, severed, partitioned or separately conveyed, encumbered, or otherwise transferred, whether together or separately, and such right to use the Common Area shall conclusively be deemed transferred or encumbered with the Lot to which it is appurtenant even though the description in the instrument of conveyance or encumbrance may refer only to the Lot. Nothing contained in this Article should be construed to preclude an Owner from creating a co-tenancy in the ownership of a Lot with any other Person or Persons.

2. RIGHTS OF ENJOYMENT

- 2.1 <u>Members' Right of Enjoyment.</u> Every member of the Association shall have a nonexclusive easement for use and enjoyment in and to the Common Area, and such right shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the fee interest in every Lot, subject to all of the easements, covenants, conditions, restrictions and other provisions of record and as contained in this Declaration, including without limitation, the following:
 - (a) The right of the Association to limit the use of the Common Area by guests of members or by Persons who are not Members, but who are in possession

of a Residence or own a portion of, or less than the entire ownership interest of, a Residence.

- (b) The right of the Association to establish reasonable rules and regulations pertaining to the use of the Common Area.
- (c) The right of the Association to borrow money for the purpose of improving, replacing, restoring or expanding the Common Area or adding new Common Areas and in aid thereof, to mortgage said property, provided that the prior affirmative vote or approval of the Members entitled to cast two-thirds (2/3) of the voting power of the Association has been obtained to mortgage said property, and provided further that the rights of the lender thereunder shall be subordinate to the rights of the Members.
- (d) The right of the Association to suspend the right of a Member or any Person (including without limitation a member of the family of a Member) to use the Common Area or any portion thereof designated by the Association's Board or Directors during any time in which any assessment respecting such Member remains unpaid and delinquent, or for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days for any single infraction of the Association Rules or breach of this Declaration, and up to one year for any subsequent violation of the same or similar provision of the Association Rules or this Declaration. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Association shall not have the right hereunder to suspend any Member's right to use any portion of the Real Property necessary for such Member to gain access to his Lot.
- (e) The right of the Association, subject to the approval rights of institutional mortgagees pursuant to the Article hereof entitled "Rights of Lenders", to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Area to any public agency, authority, utility, or other entity. No such dedication or transfer shall be effective unless an instrument signed by Members entitled to cast two-thirds (2/3) of the voting power of the Association has been recorded, agreeing to such dedication or transfer. The certificates of the President and the Secretary of the Association attached to such instrument certifying that the members signing such instrument represent three-fourths (3/4) of the voting power of the Association shall be deemed conclusive proof thereof.
- 2.2 <u>Delegation of Use.</u> Any Member may delegate his right of enjoyment to the Common Area to the Members of his family or his tenants who reside in his Residence, or to his guests, subject to rules and regulations adopted by the Association's Board of Directors.
- 2.3 <u>Waiver of Use.</u> No Member may exempt himself (and no Member shall be exempt from) personal liability for assessments or release any Lot owned by him from the liens, charges and other provisions of this Declaration or the Association's Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws or Rules, by voluntary waiver of, or suspension or restriction of such Member's right to the use and enjoyment of the Common Area or the abandonment of such Member's Residence.

3. USE RESTRICTIONS

3.1 <u>Land Use and Building Type.</u> No Lot shall be used except for residential purposes. No building shall be erected, altered, placed, or permitted to remain on any Lot

other than one detached single-family dwelling, which may include patio walls, swimming pool, garages, carports, servants' quarters, guest houses, ramadas, or other similar residential structures, built within the established building envelope. No business, commercial use, trade, or manufacturing of any nature or description shall be carried on or transacted on any portion of the Real Property nor shall any part of the Real Property be used as a hospital or sanitarium or other place for hire for the care or entertainment of persons suffering from any disease or disability whatsoever.

- 3.2 Lot Ownership and Dimensions. None of the Lots shall be re-subdivided into smaller lots nor conveyed or encumbered in less than the full original dimensions of such Lot, except for public utilities, provided that this restriction shall not prevent the conveyance or encumbrance of adjoining or contiguous Lots or parts of lots in such a manner as to create parcels of land in a common ownership having the same or a greater street frontage than originally provided and described for any one of the Lots, portions of which are so conveyed or encumbered. Thereafter such part of adjoining or contiguous Lots in such common ownership, shall, for the purpose of these restrictions, be considered as one Lot. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the dedication or conveyance of portions of Lots for public utilities, in which event the remaining portion of any such Lot shall, for the purpose of this provision, be treated as a whole Lot.
- 3.3 <u>Building Erection and Setbacks.</u> No building shall be erected on any area which is reserved for road purposes or is now dedicated for streets or easements, nor upon any area subsequently granted for utilities or drainage purposes. No building or structures shall be moved from other locations onto any lot, and all improvements erected on a Lot shall be of new construction. No structure of a temporary nature, such as a trailer, shack, barn, or other out-building shall be used on any Lot at any time, either temporarily or permanently. All City of Prescott building setback requirements shall apply to the Real Property. The location of any improvement shall be subject to the approval of the Architectural Control Committee.
- 3.4 <u>Size.</u> The floor area of the primary residential dwelling on each Lot, exclusive of porches, garages, patios, showrooms, or any other similar extensions or projections, shall not be less than 2,000 square feet of livable area. When there is a second story or a basement, the ground level must be at least 1,400 square feet. Each dwelling must provide a double garage. Any variation from these minimum square footage requirements must be approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee as provided in Section 4.1 below.
 - 3.5 Roofs. Combustible wood shakes or shingles are prohibited.
- 3.6 <u>Fences.</u> There shall be no fencing except for specific purposes such as screening, child containment, animal control, or architectural effect. Plans showing the length, height, design, material, finishes, and colors of fences must be submitted to and approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee.
- 3.7 <u>Easements.</u> Easements for installation and maintenance of utilities and for drainage facilities have been created as shown on the plat of subdivision of the Real Property. Within these easements, or any easements subsequently granted for utilities or drainage purposes or permitted in writing by the applicable utility company or governmental authority, no structure, planting, or other materials shall be placed or permitted to remain which may interfere with the installation and maintenance of the utility facilities. The aforementioned easements and all improvements located

thereon shall be maintained continuously by the owner of that Lot, except for those improvements for which a public authority or utility company is responsible.

- 3.8 Obstructive Materials. Firewood, repair materials, storage sheds, tools, lawn equipment, and other, temporary, or permanent equipment must be screened or stored completely to not be visible from any street or any other Lot. Air conditioners and coolers must not be mounted on the roof of a Residence. Ham radio towers must be of the electrically or automatically raised type when in use and lowered from view when not in use.
- 3.9 <u>Garages.</u> No garage or other building shall be erected on a Lot until a Residence has been erected on such Lot. During or after the erection of such Residence, the garage or other out-building may be used for non-paying guests or for actual servants or employees of the occupants of the main residential building, provided no such quarters shall be rented or used for income purposes. Garage doors must always remain closed except when in use in entering or leaving the Lot.
- 3.10 <u>Driveways; Walks.</u> All driveways and walkways must be constructed of concrete masonry, wood, or similar materials. No asphalt pavement or gravel will be permitted.
- 3.11 Signs. No emblem, poster, advertisement, logo, sign or billboard of any kind, including, but not limited to, "For Sale" or "For Rent" signs, shall be displayed on any Lot without the prior written approval of the Architectural Control Committee; except for the following signs: one "for sale" sign and one "for lease" sign may be posted on the Lot, which conforms with industry standards: not to exceed 18" x 24" plus a "rider" not to exceed 6" x 24". All "for sale" signs and "for lease" signs must be commercially produced; (ii) temporary open house signs may be displayed on a Lot as permitted by A.R.S. §33-1808, as amended, and by any successor statute thereto, provided, however, open houses shall not be held before 8:00 a.m. or after 6:00 p.m.; (iii) any signs as may be required by legal proceedings; (iv) such signs as are approved by the Architectural Control Committee; and (v) political signs maybe displayed on a Lot subject to the following: Political signs may be displayed not more than seventy-one (71) days prior to any election. Political signs must be removed within ten(10) days after an election day. The total political sign area cannot exceed the maximum size limit established from time to time by applicable City of Prescott ordinances. All political signs must be commercially produced. No signs may be displayed on the Common Area.
- 3.12 <u>Nuisance.</u> No obnoxious or offensive activity shall be carried on upon any Lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or become an annoyance or nuisance to the any Owner or Resident of the Real Property. No rubbish or debris of any kind shall be placed or permitted to accumulate upon any Lot so as to render any such property in the vicinity thereof unsanitary, unsightly, offensive, or detrimental to any other property in the vicinity thereof or to its occupants. No motor vehicles shall be operated on the Real Property so as to create a loud or annoying noise which is hereby deemed a nuisance. No nuisance shall be permitted to exist or operate upon the Real Property so as to be offensive or detrimental to any other portion of the Real Property in the vicinity thereof or to its occupants. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing provisions, no exterior horns, whistles, bells, or other sound devices, except security devices used exclusively for security purposes, shall be located, use, or placed

on any such property within the Real Property. The Board in its sole discretion shall have the right to determine the existence of any such nuisance. Any decision rendered by the Board of Directors shall be enforceable as other restrictions contained herein.

- 3.13 <u>Livestock and Poultry.</u> No animals, including livestock or poultry of any kind, shall be raised, bred, or kept on any Lot, except a reasonable number of dogs, cats, or other generally recognized household pets may be kept, provided that they are not kept, bred, or maintained for any commercial purposes. Dogs shall be kept within structures or fences or on secured leashes. No animal shall be allowed to make an unreasonable amount of noise or to become a nuisance. Upon the written request of any Owner, the Board shall conclusively determine, in its sole discretion, whether a particular animal is a nuisance or the number of animals on any such property is unreasonable. Any decision rendered by the Board shall be enforceable as other restrictions contained herein.
- Landscaping. All landscaping shall be completed, either by the Owner or 3.14 by the contractor, no later than six (6) months following the date of final inspection by the City of Prescott. Landscape design shall be submitted to and approved by the Architectural Control Committee. The native trees and shrubs are one of Real Property's' major attractions, thus everything reasonably possible must be done to preserve the natural environment of the Real Property consistent with Section 3.24. The Architectural Control Committee may, at the Lot Owner's expense: (i) require replacement or substitute landscaping for trees or shrubs cut or removed without prior approval of the Architectural Committee; and (ii) enter upon any Lot and remove any tree infested with IPS beetles and/or other destructive insects or diseases if, within five (5) days after receiving notification from the Architectural Control Committee such removal is not accomplished by the Owner. The Association may require conformity to the standards set forth in this Section 3.14 and in Section 3.24 at the Lot Owner's expense. If the Lot Owner does not comply with such standards within sixty (60) days of notification by the Association, then the Association may enter the Lot and complete the work at Owner's expense.
- 3.15 <u>Garbage and Refuse Disposal.</u> No Lot shall be used or maintained as a dumping ground for rubbish, trash, garbage, or other waste. No substance, animal thing or material shall be kept upon the Real Property that will emit a foul or obnoxious odor, or cause any notice that might disturb the peace, quiet, comfort or serenity of the occupants of the surrounding portions of the Real Property. All equipment for the storage or disposal of such waste materials shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition and shall be enclosed so as not to be visible from any street or any other Lot except when placed at the curbing on days regularly scheduled for the purpose of collection.
- 3.16 <u>Windows.</u> Prior to installation of any reflective materials for use on the windows of any building on the Real Property, approval and consent must be obtained from the Architectural Control Committee. No windows in the front or sides of any building shall at any time be covered with aluminum foil, bed sheets, newspapers, or any other like materials. Only proper drapes, blinds or shutters will be allowed.
- 3.17 <u>Limitation of Vehicles.</u> Motorcycles, mopeds, mini-bikes, trail bikes, and other motor vehicles shall not be operated on Real Property except within the traveled areas of the private roads. All such vehicles shall be equipped with a muffler in good working order and in constant use to prevent excessive or unusual noise. No repair or maintenance work shall be performed on any motor vehicle or other piece of equipment,

except wholly inside a garage. Disabled vehicles and equipment shall be stored in a garage or removed from the Real Property. Each Owner shall provide adequate paved off-street parking spaces to accommodate the intended use of the owner's lot (i.e., all of the owners' vehicles must be parked on his/her lot) and shall not park or permit others to park on unpaved portions of the Lot. (Garage space used for storage does not qualify as paved parking). Except for permitted construction purposes or limited temporary parking for loading or unloading pursuant to rules adopted by the Board, no vehicle in excess of 6,500 pounds gross weight, no commercial vehicle, industrial equipment, recreational vehicle, boat, boat trailer, utility trailer, mounted or unmounted camper, motor home, travel trailer, or similar vehicle may be parked on any Lot on paved or unpaved parking areas.

- 3.18 <u>Care of Properties.</u> All vacant Lots shall be at all times kept free of rubbish and litter, so as to present a clean and neat appearance. The yards and grounds in connection with all improved Lots shall be at all times kept in a neat condition to an extent sufficient to maintain an appearance in keeping with that of typical improved Lots in the Project. During prolonged absence, the Owner of each Lot will arrange for the care of his Lot during such absence.
- 3.19 <u>Oil and Mining Operations</u>. No oil drilling, oil development operations, oil refining, quarrying, or mining operations of any kind shall be permitted on any Lot, nor shall oil wells, tanks, tunnels, mineral excavations, or shafts be permitted upon or in any Lot. No derrick or other structure designed for use in boring for oil or natural gas shall be erected, maintained, or permitted upon any Lot.
- 3.20 <u>Timeliness of construction</u>. All plans must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee before any construction starts. After obtaining a building permit, all construction must be complete without delay, within eighteen (18) months. If there are delays caused by act of God, strikes, actual inability of the owner to procure delivery of necessary materials, or by interference by other persons beyond the owner's control, the Board will consider an extension not to exceed two (2)months. The financial inability of the owner or his contractor to secure labor or materials or to discharge liens or attachments shall not be deemed a cause beyond his control.

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- 3.21 <u>Fire.</u> In the event any home or structure is destroyed or partially destroyed by fire, act of God, or because of any other act or thing, said damage must be repaired and the Improvement reconstructed within eighteen (18) months after the date such damage occurred.
- 3.22 <u>Sight Distance at Intersections.</u> No fence, wall, hedge or shrub planting which obstructs sight lines at elevations two (2) feet above the roadways shall be permitted to remain on any corner Lots within the triangular area formed by the street property lines and a line connecting them at points fifty (50) feet from the property lines, or in the case of a rounded property corner from the intersection of the street property lines extended. No tree shall be permitted to remain within such distance of such intersections unless the foliage line is maintained at sufficient height to prevent obstruction of such sight lines.
- 3.23 <u>Exterior Lighting.</u> The ordinances of the City of Prescott commonly known as the Outdoor Lighting Requirements (Code §3-12-1 through 3-12-17), as amended from time to time by the City of Prescott, are hereby incorporated in this Declaration as

though fully set forth herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, all exterior light fixtures shall be subject to the approval of the Architectural Control Committee which shall not approve any lighting which has an obtrusive appearance or casts a glare visible on any other property in the Project.

- 3.24 <u>Removal of Trees.</u> Cutting down or removing any trees outside the perimeter of the foundation of the Residence shall not be permitted. For each tree that is three inches in diameter, one foot above the ground, removed from the Lot, a new tree (of suitable size and type as determined by the Architectural Control Committee) will be planted and will be part of the landscape plan submitted for approval to the Architectural Control Committee. (On improved lots, the foregoing rule applies except in the case of firewise considerations or disease. The ACC will be made aware of the tree to be removed.)
- 3.25 <u>Noise Control.</u> Any vibration, noise, sound, or disturbance that is objectionable due to intermittent, beat, frequency, shrillness or loudness shall be prohibited. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no radio, stereo or other broadcast units of any kind and no amplifiers or loudspeakers of any kind shall be placed, allowed or maintained outside, or be directed to the outside of any Residence or other Improvement, or any Residence or other Improvement under construction, and no construction activities shall be performed on Sundays.
- 3.26 <u>Smoke Reduction.</u> Smoke reduction or other emission control devices shall be required at the top of chimneys to reduce the amount of smoke from fireplaces or wood stoves, if economically available. The Architectural Control Committee shall determine economic availability, from time to time, based on a review of existing and newly developed products. Upon such periodic review, the Board of Directors may require the installation of such devices on existing homes.
- 3.27 <u>City Ordinances Incorporated.</u> The ordinances of the City of Prescott commonly known as the Hillside Development Standards (Section 6.8 of Article 6) and the General Development Standard (Article 6), as either may be amended from time to time by the City of Prescott, are hereby incorporated in this Declaration as though fully set forth herein. Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that any rule, regulation, or standard adopted by the Board of Directors, or the Architectural Control Committee is more restrictive than such City Ordinances, the more restrictive rule or regulation shall prevail.
- 3.28 <u>Building Permits.</u> No Owner shall be permitted to apply for a building permit for any Improvement to be erected on any Lot until the Architectural Control Committee has approved the plans for such Improvement. The Architectural Control Committee shall have thirty (30) days after plans for an Improvement are submitted to it to accept or reject the plans. If the Architectural Control Committee does not reject such plans within said thirty (30) day period, the plans shall be deemed approved.
- 3.29 <u>Leases.</u> The leasing of Lots and the Improvements thereon, including the Residences thereon shall be subject to the following restrictions and limitations:
- (a) <u>"Lease" defined</u>. As used herein, the term "Lease" is defined to include all agreements, contracts, grants, memorandums, conveyances, lets, assignments, or rents that give a non-Owner of a Lot access to or right to use a Lot or the Residence thereon. A Lease

may exist whether it is in writing, or not, and regardless of the amount or nature of consideration exchanged to enjoy the benefit of a Lease. The Board's determination of what constitutes a Lease and what constitutes the leasing or subleasing of a Lot, or a Residence thereon shall be conclusive and binding on the Owner of the Lot.

- (b) <u>Minimum Lease Term</u>. No Owner shall lease a Lot or a Residence thereon for a Lease term of less than sixty (60) consecutive days.
- (c) <u>Lease of Entire Lot and Residence</u>. No Owner may lease less than the Owner's entire Lot and the Residence thereon.
- (d) <u>Lease to Single Family</u>. An Owner may lease his Lot or the thereon only to a Single Family.
- (e) <u>No Sublease</u>. No Lot, Residence or any portion thereof may be subleased.
- (f) Owner Responsibilities. The Owner of the leased Lot or Residence shall remain responsible for compliance by the Owner's tenants and the tenants' family and guests with the Declaration, the Bylaws, the Association Rules and all applicable federal, state and local statutes, ordinances and regulations and shall be responsible for any violations thereof by his tenants or by his tenants' family or guests. The Owner shall be obligated to provide copies of this Declaration, the Bylaws and the Association Rules to the tenants.
- (g) <u>Leasing Rules and Regulations</u>. Subject to the provisions of this Declaration, the Board shall be entitled to adopt, amend, and repeal rules governing the leasing of Lots and the Residences thereon.

4 ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

Architectural Control. No Improvement shall be commenced, erected, or maintained within any portion of the Real Property unless and until detailed plans and specifications have first been submitted to and approved by the Architectural Control Committee established pursuant to Section 4.2 below. The plans and specifications shall show the nature, size, height, shape and design of the proposed improvements, structural details, identity, type and quality of proposed materials, finishes, exterior colors, site location, grades, and dwelling elevations, as well as any other matters required by this Declaration or by the architectural standards described in Section 4.4 below, and shall include a site plan of the building site proposed to be improved. Site plans shall show: (i) locations of all trees over three inches in trunk diameter one foot from the ground; (ii) trees to be removed to permit construction; (iii) locations of all easements; (iv) dimensions and bearings of the boundaries of the Lot; (v) existing grades and grade changes; (vi) structure location within building envelope; and (vii) driveways and parking areas. A landscape design must be submitted with the building blueprints for approval. No Improvement shall be commenced, erected, or maintained within the Real Property except in compliance with this Declaration and with the approved plans and specifications for such Improvement. The Architectural Control Committee shall have full authority over the following matters: (i) Improvement location as it relates to topography; (ii) removal of trees; (iii) design of, materials used in, and construction of, the Improvements; and (iv) all restrictions set forth in this Declaration; provided, however, that the approval of the Architectural Control Committee shall not be unreasonably withheld.

- 4.2 <u>Establishment of Committee.</u> The right to approve or disapprove plans and specifications for Improvements on the Real Property shall be vested in an Architectural Control Committee consisting of at least three (3) members who shall be appointed from time to time by the Association's Board of Directors. The Chair of the Architectural Control Committee shall be a member of the Board of Directors. The members of the Architectural Control Committee need not be architects, owners, or occupants of the Real Property, and do not need to possess any special qualifications. Architectural Control Committee members shall serve for a term of one (1) year and may be reappointed or reelected; provided that such members may be removed by the Board at any time during their term of office, with or without cause. Upon removal of a member of the Architectural Control Committee, the Board shall appoint a replacement member as soon as possible.
- 4.3 <u>Meetings.</u> The Architectural Control Committee shall meet as often as determined appropriate by the members of the committee. A quorum for such meetings shall consist of a majority of the members of the Architectural Control Committee, and the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Architectural Control Committee shall be necessary for any decision of the Architectural Control Committee. The Architectural Control Committee shall keep and maintain a record of all actions taken at its meetings.
- Architectural Standards and Committee Procedures. The Architectural Control Committee shall promulgate written architectural standards and procedures to be followed by Owners in preparing and submitting plans and specifications and which will be used by the Architectural Control Committee in reviewing plans and specifications for proposed Improvements, in rendering its decisions and otherwise performing its functions under this Declaration. The standards and procedures adopted from time to time by the Architectural Control Committee must be approved by the Board prior to their implementation and once approved by the Board shall be effective as Association Rules. The decision of the Architectural Control Committee shall be final on all matters submitted to it pursuant to this Declaration. The architectural standards and procedures shall not be inconsistent with the terms of this Declaration and if there are any inconsistencies, the provisions of this Declaration shall control.
- 4.5 <u>Fee.</u> The Architectural Control Committee may charge a reasonable processing fee to defray its costs in considering any requests for approvals submitted to it. The appropriate fee shall be paid at the time the request for approval is submitted.
- 4.6 <u>Compensation</u>; <u>Delegations</u>. Unless authorized by the Board, the members of the Architectural Control Committee shall not receive any compensation for services rendered. All members shall be entitled to reimbursement (by the applicable Owners) for reasonable expenses incurred by them in connection with the performance of any Architectural Control Committee function or duty. Professional consultants retained by the Architectural Control Committee shall be paid such compensation as the Architectural Control Committee determines which amount shall be reimbursed by the applicable Owner within ten (10) days of the Association's demand for such reimbursement. The Architectural Control Committee may delegate its plan review responsibilities, except final plan approval, to one or more of its members or to architectural consultants which it retains.

4.7 non-Liability. None of the Association, the Board members, any member of the Architectural Control Committee, or any agent, employee or other party providing architectural consulting services to the Architectural Control Committee shall be liable in damages to anyone submitting plans to it for approval or to any Owner or other Person by reason of mistake in judgment, negligence, or nonfeasance arising out of or in connection with the approval or disapproval or failure to approve any plans submitted to the Architectural Control Committee, and each Owner or other Person submitting plans agrees, by submission of such plans and specifications, that he will not bring any action or suit against the Association, the Board members, or the members of the Architectural Control Committee, or their agents or employees, or parties providing architectural consulting services to the Architectural Control Committee, to recover damages as above described, including, without limitation, to recover damages arising out of or in connection with flooding, natural disaster or soil conditions. Approval by the Architectural Control Committee shall not be deemed to be a representation or warranty that the owner's plans and specifications or the actual construction of improvements are free from defects (design, construction or otherwise) or are free from hazards, such as flooding, natural disaster or adverse soil conditions or comply with applicable governmental ordinances or regulations, including, but not limited to, rezoning ordinances and local building codes. It shall be the sole responsibility of the Owner or other Person submitting plans to the Architectural Control Committee or performing any construction, to comply with all such ordinances, regulations, and codes. Each Owner understands that due to the location and condition of the Owner's Lot there may be certain inherent risks including, but not limited to, those related to flooding, soil conditions or natural disaster and agrees for himself, his family, guests and invitees (the "Releasing Parties") to release the Association, the Board members, the members of the Architectural Control Committee, their agents, employees and parties providing architectural consulting services to the Architectural Control Committee from any and all liability arising from any damage or injury to the Person or property of the Releasing Parties rising out of or in connection with such hazards.

5. THE ASSOCIATION

- 5.1 <u>Conveyance of Common Area.</u> The Common Area of Real Property has been conveyed to and is owned by the Association subject to the covenants, conditions and restrictions set forth in this Declaration.
- 5.2 <u>General Duties and Powers.</u> In addition to the duties and powers enumerated in its Articles and Bylaws, or elsewhere provided for herein, and without limiting the generality thereof, the Association shall have the specific duties and powers specified in this Article and in the Arizona Nonprofit Corporation Act, A.R.S. §§ 10-3101 through 10-11702 (the "Nonprofit Corporation Act").
- 5.3 <u>General Duties of the Association.</u> The Association, through its Board, shall have the duty and obligation to:
 - (a) enforce the provisions of this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws, and the Association Rules by appropriate means and carry out the obligations of the Association hereunder;
 - (i) maintain and otherwise manage the following: all easements and real property and all facilities, Improvements, and landscaping thereon in which

the Association holds an interest, subject to the terms of any instrument transferring such interest to the Association;

- (ii) all personal property in which the Association holds an interest, subject to the terms of any instrument transferring such interest to the Association; and
- (iii) all property, real or personal, which the Association is obligated to repair or maintain pursuant to this Declaration;
- (c) pay all real and personal property taxes and other charges assessed to or payable by the Association; and
- (d) obtain for the benefit of the Common Area, water, electric, refuse collections and other services;
- (e) establish a committee to govern issues set forth in this Declaration as being within the purview of the Architectural Control Committee as well as other issues the Board deems suitable for the Architectural Control Committee.
- 5.4 <u>General Powers of the Association.</u> The Association, through its Board, shall have the power, but not the obligation, to:
 - (a) employ a manager or other Persons and contract with independent contractors or managing agents who have professional experience in the management of residential developments like the Project, to perform all or any part of the duties and responsibilities of the Association;
 - (b) acquire interests in real or personal property for offices or other facilities that may be necessary or convenient for the management of the Project, the administration of the affairs of the Association or for the benefit of the Members;
 - (c) borrow money as may be needed in connection with the discharge by the Association of its powers and duties;
 - (d) provide maintenance of the Common Area, including drainage corridors, retention areas, street medians, and other maintenance items to the extent determined desirable by the Board; and
 - (e) negotiate and enter into contracts with institutional mortgagees and mortgage insurers and guarantors as may be necessary or desirable to facilitate the availability of loans secured by mortgages within the Project.
- 5.5 Association Rules. The Board shall be empowered to adopt, amend, or repeal such rules and regulations as it deems reasonable and appropriate (the "Association Rules"), binding upon all Persons subject to this Declaration and governing the use and/or occupancy of the Common Area, the Lots, and any other part of the Project. The Association Rules may include the establishment of a system of fines and penalties enforceable as special assessments. The Association Rules shall govern such matters in furtherance of the purposes of the Association, including, without limitation, the use of the Common Area; provided, however, that the Association Rules may not discriminate among Owners except as expressly provided or permitted herein, and shall not be inconsistent with this Declaration, the Articles or the Bylaws. A copy of the Association Rules as they may from time to time be adopted, amended, or repealed

or a notice setting forth the adoption, amendment, or repeal of specific portions of the Association Rules shall be available to each Owner. The Association Rules shall have the same force and effect as if they were set forth in and were part of this Declaration and shall be binding on the Owners and all other Persons having any interest in, or making any use of, the Real Property, whether or not actually received thereby. The Association Rules, as adopted, amended, or repealed, shall be available at the principal office of the Association to each Owner or other Person reasonably entitled thereto, upon request. In the event of any conflict between any provision of the Association Rules and any provisions of this Declaration or the Articles or Bylaws, the provisions of the Association Rules shall be deemed to be superseded by the provisions of this Declaration, the Articles, or the Bylaws to the extent of any such conflict.

- 5.6 <u>Indemnification</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by law, every director and every officer of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association, and every other Person serving as an employee or direct agent of the Association, or on behalf of the Association as a member of a committee or otherwise, may, in the discretion of the Board, be indemnified by the Association, against all expenses and liabilities, including attorneys' fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him in connection with any proceeding to which he may be a party, or in which he may become involved, by reason of his being or having served in such capacity on behalf of the Association, or any settlement thereof, whether or not he is a director, officer or serving in such other specified capacity at the time such expenses are incurred, provided that the Board shall determine, in good faith, that such officer, director, or other Person, did not act, fail to act, or refuse to act willfully or with gross negligence or fraudulent or criminal intent in the performance of his duties. The foregoing rights of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which such Persons may be entitled at law or otherwise.
- 5.7 <u>Non-Liability of Officials.</u> To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Board, or any other committees of the Association nor any member thereof, nor any directors or officers of the Association, shall be liable to any Owner, tenant, the Association or any other Person for any damage, loss or prejudice suffered or claimed on account of any decision, approval or disapproval of plans or specifications (whether or not defective), course of action, act, inaction, omission, error, negligence or the like made in good faith and which the Board, or such committees or Persons reasonably believed to be within the scope of their respective duties.
- 5.8 Easements. In addition to the blanket easements granted in Article 8 hereof, the Association is authorized and empowered to grant upon, over, across, through or under the Common Area owned or controlled by the Association such permits, licenses, easements and rights-of-way for sewer lines, water lines, underground conduits, storm drains, television cable and other similar public or private utility purposes, roadways or other purposes as may be reasonably necessary and appropriate for the orderly maintenance, preservation and enjoyment of the Common Area or for the preservation of the health, safety, convenience and welfare of the Owners and Members, provided that any damage to a Residence resulting from such grant shall be repaired by the Association at its expense.
- 5.9 <u>Accounting.</u> The Association, always, shall keep, or cause to be kept, true and correct records of account in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, which shall specify in reasonable detail all expenses incurred and funds accumulated from assessments or otherwise.

- 5.10 Records. Subject to applicable statutory exceptions under the Nonprofit Corporation Act and under the Arizona Planned Community Act, Act, A.R.S. § 33-801 et seq. (the "Planned Community Act"), the Association shall, upon reasonable written request and during reasonable business hours, make available for inspection by each Owner the books, records and financial statements of the Association together with current copies, as amended from time to time, of this Declaration and the Articles, Bylaws and Association Rules.
- 5.11 <u>Delegation of Powers.</u> The Association shall have the right, according to law, to delegate to committees, officers, employees or agents any of its duties and powers under this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws and the Association Rules; provided, however, no such delegation to a professional management company or otherwise shall relieve the Association of its obligation to perform any such delegated duty.
- 5.12 Emergency Powers. The Association or any Person authorized by the Association may enter any Lot in the event of any emergency involving illness or potential danger to life or property. Such entry shall be made with as little inconvenience to the Owner as practicable, and any damage caused thereby shall be repaired by the Association unless covered by insurance carried by the Owner.

6. ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

- 6.1 <u>Membership.</u> Every Owner shall be a Member of the Association. The terms and provisions set forth in this Declaration, which are binding upon all Owners, are not exclusive, as Owners shall, in addition, be subject to the terms and provisions of the Articles, the Bylaws and the Association Rules to the extent the provisions thereof are not in conflict with this Declaration. Membership in the Association shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from the interest of the Owner in a Lot. Ownership of a Lot shall be the sole qualification for membership; provided, however, a Member's voting rights or privileges in the Common Area, or both, may be regulated or suspended as provided in this Declaration, the Bylaws, or the Association Rules. Not more than one membership shall exist based upon ownership of a single Lot.
- 6.2 <u>Transfer.</u> The membership held by any Owner shall not be transferred, pledged, or alienated in any way, except that such membership shall automatically be transferred to the transferee of the interest of an Owner in a Lot. Any attempt to make a prohibited transfer is void and will not be reflected upon the books and records of the Association. The Association shall have the right to record the transfer upon the books of the Association without any further action or consent by the transferring Owner.
- 6.3 <u>Voting Rights.</u> All voting rights in the Association shall be vested in the Members of the Association, each of whom shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot in which they hold the interest required for membership. When more than one Person owns a portion of the interest in a Lot required for membership, each such Person shall be a Member and the vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot. The vote for each Lot shall be cast as a unit, and fractional votes shall not be allowed. If joint Owners are unable to agree among themselves as to how their vote or votes should be cast, they shall lose their right to vote on the matter in question. If any Owner casts a vote representing a certain Lot, it will thereafter be conclusively presumed for all purposes that he was acting with the

authority and consent of all other Owners of the same Lot. If more than one vote is cast for a particular Lot, none of such votes shall be counted and such votes shall be deemed void.

- 6.4 <u>Corporate or Trust Membership.</u> In the event any Lot is owned by a corporation, partnership, trust, or other association, the corporation, partnership, trust or association shall be a Member and shall designate in writing at the time of acquisition of the lot an individual who shall have the power to vote said membership, and in the absence of such designation and until such designation is made, the chief executive officer, if any, or the first listed trustee of the trust, of such corporation, partnership, trust or association, shall have the power to vote the membership, and if there is no chief executive officer, then the board of directors or general partner of such corporation, partnership, trust or association shall designate who shall have the power to vote the membership.
- Suspension of Voting Rights. In the event any Owner is in arrears in the payment of any assessments or other amounts due under any of the provisions of this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws or the Association Rules for a period of fifteen (15) days, said Owner's right to vote as a Member of the Association shall be suspended and shall remain suspended until all payments, including accrued interest and attorneys' fees, are brought current. In the event any Owner is in default of any non-monetary obligation of this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws or the Association Rules, and remains in default for more than ten (10) days after notice from the Association to cure such default, said Member's right to vote shall be suspended until the non-monetary obligation is cured.

7. COVENANT FOR ASSESSMENTS

- 7.1 <u>Creation of Lien and Personal Obligation.</u> Each Owner of any Lot, by acceptance of a deed or other conveyance creating in such Owner the interest required to be deemed an Owner, whether or not it shall be so expressed in any such deed or other conveyance, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association: annual assessments, supplemental assessments, and special assessments, such assessments and other fees to be fixed, established and collected from time to time as provided in this Declaration. Such assessments and fees, together with interest thereon, late charges, attorneys' fees and court costs, and other costs of collection thereof, as hereinafter provided, shall be a continuing lien upon the Lot against which each such assessment is made. Each such assessment, together with such interest, late charges, costs, and attorneys' fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the Owner of such Lot at the time when the assessment becomes due.
- 7.2 <u>Purposes of Assessments.</u> The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively for (a) payment of expenses in connection with the upkeep, maintenance and improvement of the Common Area and such portion of the Lots and such Improvements located thereon as the Association is obligated to maintain under the provisions of the Declaration, and (b) promotion of the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the Owners and residents of Lots within the Real Property.

7.3 Maximum Annual Assessments.

(a) The Board may, without a vote of the membership of the Association, increase the maximum annual assessment during each fiscal year of the Association by the greater of (i) an amount proportional to the amount of increase during the prior fiscal year in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (all

- items), U.S. City Average, published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics (1967=100), or in the event said index ceases to be published, by any successor index recommended as a substitute therefore by the United States government, or if none, the most reasonably comparable index available as determined by the Board, or (ii) five percent (5%).
 - (b) The maximum annual assessment may be increased by an amount greater than the maximum increase allowed pursuant to Section 7.3(a) above only with the approval of Members representing at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes entitled to be cast by Members who are voting in person or by absentee ballot at a meeting duly called for such purpose.
 - (c) The Board may fix the annual assessment at any amount not more than the maximum annual assessment.
- Supplemental Assessments. In the event the Board shall determine that its funds budgeted or available in any fiscal year are or will become inadequate to meet all expenses of the Association, for any reason, including without limitation, nonpayment of assessments by the Members, it shall determine the approximate amount of such inadequacies for such fiscal year and prepare a supplemental budget and may levy a supplemental assessment against each Lot in such amount as the Board deems necessary in order to obtain the amount of such inadequacies. Notice of any such supplemental assessment shall be given to each Owner. The supplemental assessment shall be paid on such dates and in such installments as may be determined by the Board. No supplemental assessment shall be levied by the Board until such assessment has been approved by members entitled to cast at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes entitled to be cast by Members who are voting in person or by absentee ballot at a meeting duly called for such purpose.
- 7.5 Special Assessments. In addition to the annual and supplemental assessments, the Association may levy, in any assessment year, a special assessment applicable only to that fiscal year for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement of the Common Area, including fixtures and personal property related thereto, or for any other lawful Association purpose, provided that, unless otherwise provided herein, any such special assessment shall have the assent of Members having at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes entitled to be cast by Members who are voting at a meeting duly called for such purpose.
- Notice and Quorum for Any Action on Assessments. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any action authorized under Sections 7.3, 7.4 or 7.5 of this Declaration shall be sent to all Members not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days in advance of the meeting. At the first such meeting called; the presence of Members entitled to cast sixty percent (60%) of all the votes of Members shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not present, another meeting may be called subject to the same notice requirement, and the required quorum at the subsequent meeting shall be one-half (1/2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the preceding meeting.
- 7.7 <u>Uniform Rate of Assessment.</u> Annual, supplemental, and special assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Lots.

- 7.8 <u>Due Dates.</u> The Board shall fix the amount of the annual assessment against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of the fiscal year, and the annual assessment for the current fiscal year shall remain in effect until the thirtieth day after the Board fixes the annual assessment for the upcoming fiscal year. Written notice of the annual assessment shall be sent to every Owner subject thereto prior to the commencement of the fiscal year; provided, however, that failure to give such notice shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the assessments as fixed by the Board. The Board may require that the annual, supplemental, or special assessments be paid in installments. Unless otherwise specified by the Board, special and supplemental assessments shall be due thirty (30) days after they are levied by the Association and notice of the assessment is sent to each Owner.
- 7.9 Effect of Nonpayment of Assessments; Remedies of the Association. Any assessment, or any installment of an assessment, not paid within thirty (30) days after the assessment, or the installment of the assessment, first became due shall be deemed delinquent and shall bear interest from the due date at the rate of 14% per annum. Each Owner shall also pay a late charge equal to ten percent (10%) of the assessment for each delinquent assessment or installment of an assessment. Any assessment, or any installment of an assessment, which is delinquent shall become a continuing lien on the Lot against which such assessment was made. The Association may, but is not required to, record of a "Notice of Claim of Lien" which shall set forth (a) the name of the delinquent Owner as shown on the records of the Association, (b) the legal description, street address and number of the Lot against which the claim of lien is made, (c) the amount claimed as of the date of the recording of the notice including interest, collection costs, late charges, lien recording fees and attorneys' fees, and (d) the name and address of the Association. The Association's lien shall have priority over all liens or claims except for tax liens for real property taxes on the Lot, assessments on the Lot in favor of any municipal or other governmental body and the liens which are specifically described in Section 7.10 of this Declaration.

Before recording a Notice of Claim of Lien against any Lot, the Association shall present to the defaulting Owner a written demand for payment. Said demand shall state the date and amount of the delinquency. Each default shall constitute a separate basis for a demand or claim of lien, but any number of defaults may be included within a single demand or claim of lien. If such delinquency is not paid within ten (10) days after delivery of such demand, the Association may proceed with recording a Notice of Claim of Lien against the Lot of the defaulting Owner. The Association shall not be obligated to release any lien recorded pursuant to this Section 7.9 until all delinquent assessments, interest, lien fees, late charges and attorneys' fees have been paid in full whether or not all such amounts are set forth in the Notice of Claim of Lien.

The Association shall have the right, at its option, to enforce collection of any delinquent assessments together with interest, late charges, attorneys' fees and any other sums due to the Association in any manner allowed by law including, but not limited to, (a) bringing an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the delinquent assessments (such action may be brought without waiving any lien securing any such delinquent assessments) and (b) bringing an action to foreclose its lien against the Lot in the manner provided by law for the foreclosure of a realty mortgage. The Association shall have the power to bid at any foreclosure sale and to purchase, acquire, hold, lease, mortgage and convey any and all Lots purchased at such sale.

- 7.10 <u>Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages</u>. The lien of the assessments provided for in this Declaration shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage encumbering the Lot. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the assessment lien. However, the sale or transfer of any Lot pursuant to judicial or non-judicial foreclosure or any proceeding in lieu thereof shall extinguish the lien of such assessment as to payments which became due prior to such sale or transfer. No sale or transfer shall relieve such Lot or the Owner thereof from personal liability for any assessments then due or thereafter becoming due or from the lien for assessments thereafter becoming due.
- 7.11 Exemption of Owner. No Owner of a Lot may exempt himself from liability for annual, supplemental or special assessments levied against his Lot or for other amounts which he may owe to the Association under this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws or the Association Rules by waiver or non-use of any of the Common Area facilities or by the abandonment of his lot.
- 7.12 <u>Unallocated Tax Assessments.</u> In the event that any taxes are assessed against the personal property of the Association, said taxes shall be included in the assessments made under the provisions of this Article, and, if necessary, a supplemental or special assessment may be levied against the Lots in an amount equal to said taxes, to be paid in two installments, each of which shall be due thirty (30) days prior to the due date of each installment of taxes.
- 7.13 <u>Certificate of Payment.</u> The Association shall, within fifteen (15) days of a request from an Owner, furnish to such Owner a certificate in writing signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the assessments on a particular Lot have been paid and the amount of any unpaid assessments. The Association may charge the Owner requesting a certificate a reasonable fee (as established by the Board) for each such certificate. Such a certificate shall be conclusive evidence of payment of any assessment described in the certificate as having been paid.
- 7.14 Maintenance of Reserve Fund. Out of the annual assessments, the Association will establish and maintain a reserve fund for the periodic maintenance, repair, and replacement of Improvements to the Common Area and such Improvements on the Lots as the Association is obligated to maintain under the provisions of this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws, or the Association Rules. The Board will review and update the Association's reserve study at least every four years. The reserve study information will be used in establishing the amounts of the annual reserve contributions and the amounts of the annual, supplemental, and special assessments. Each reserve study shall include the costs of applicable Firewise requirements for the Common Area.
- 7.15 <u>Homestead Waiver.</u> Each Owner, to the extent permitted by law, by the acceptance of a deed or other conveyance of a Lot, waives, to the extent of any liens created pursuant to this Declaration, whether such liens are now in existence or are created at any time in the future, the benefit of any homestead or exemption laws of the State of Arizona now in effect, or in effect from time to time hereafter.

8. EASEMENTS

8.1 <u>Utility Easement.</u> There is hereby created a blanket easement upon, across, over and under the Common Area for ingress, egress, installation, replacing, repairing, and

maintaining all utilities, including but not limited to, water, sewers, gas, telephones, electricity, and a cable television system. By virtue of this easement, it shall be expressly permissible for the providing utility to erect and maintain any necessary facilities and equipment on the Common Area. This easement shall in no way affect any other recorded easements on the Common Area.

- 8.2 <u>Easement for Encroachments</u>. Each Lot and the Common Area shall be subject to an easement for encroachments created by construction, settling, overhangs, and discrepancies between the Plat and construction, as originally designed or as constructed by Declarant or its agents or contractors. A valid easement for said encroachments and for the maintenance of same, so long as it stands, shall and does exist. In the event a building containing an encroachment is partially or totally destroyed, and then rebuilt, the Owners agree that minor encroachments of parts of the adjacent Residence due to construction shall be permitted and that a valid easement for said encroachments and the maintenance thereof shall exist. Notwithstanding any provision in this section to the contrary, any encroachment permitted by Section 8.2 shall not exceed one (1) foot.
- 8.3 Easements for Ingress and Egress. Easements for ingress and egress are hereby reserved to, the Owners, and their families, guests, tenants and invitees for pedestrian traffic over, through and across sidewalks, paths, walks and lanes as the same from time to time may exist upon the Common Area; and for vehicular traffic over, through and across such portions of the Common Area as from time-to-time may be paved and intended for such purposes; and for such other purposes reasonably necessary to the use and enjoyment of their Lot or the Common Area.
- 8.4 <u>Association's Right of Entry.</u> During reasonable hours, the Association, any member of the Architectural Control Committee, any member of the Board or any authorized representative of them, shall have the right to enter upon and inspect any land surrounding any residential structure on the Real Property, excluding the interior of any Residence located thereon, for the purpose of making inspections to determine whether the provisions of this Declaration and the Association Rules are being complied with by the Owner of each Lot.
- 8.5 <u>Association's Easement for Performing Maintenance Responsibilities.</u> The Association shall have an easement upon, across, over and under the Common Area and the Lots for the purpose of repairing, maintaining, and replacing the Common Area and those portions of the Lots which the Association is obligated to maintain under Article 9 of this Declaration.

9. MAINTENANCE

- 9.1 <u>Maintenance of Common Area by Association.</u> The Association shall be responsible for the maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Area and may, without any approval by the Owners, do any of the following:
- (a) Reconstruct, repair, replace or refinish any Improvement or portion thereof upon any such area (to the extent that such work is not done by a governmental entity, if any, responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of such area)
- (b) Construct, reconstruct, repair, replace or refinish any portion of the Common Area used as a road, street, walk, driveway, or parking area;

- (c) Replace injured and diseased trees or other vegetation in any such area, and plant trees, shrubs, and ground cover to the extent that the Board deems necessary for the conservation of water and soil and for aesthetic purposes;
- (d) Place and maintain upon any such area such signs as the Board may deem appropriate for the proper identification, use and regulation thereof;
- (e) Maintain paved private driveways originally installed by the Declarant; (the "Declarant-Installed Driveways");
- (f) Maintain the Common Areas to the standards set forth in Section 3.30 of this Declaration; and
- (g) Do all such other and further acts which the Board deems necessary to preserve and protect the Common Area and the beauty thereof, in accordance with the general purposes specified in this Declaration.
- 9.2 <u>Maintenance of Lots by Owners</u>. Each Owner of a Lot shall be solely responsible for the maintenance of all portions of the Lot. The Owner of each Lot shall at all times fulfil his obligations under this Section 9.2 so that the land and Improvements comprising his lot shall be in good condition and repair. Such obligations of the Owner shall include keeping all shrubs, trees, grass, plantings, and landscaping of every kind properly cultivated and free of trash, weeds, and other unsightly material. All maintenance of the exterior of the Residence, including without limitation, walls, fences, and roofs, shall be accomplished in accordance with the Association Rules and this Declaration and, if required by the Association Rules or this Declaration, only after approval of the Architectural Control Committee.
- 9.3 <u>Damage or Destruction by Owners</u>. No Owner shall in any way (a) damage or destroy any Common Area or (b) interfere with the activities of the Association in connection therewith. Any expenses incurred by the Association by reason of any such act of an Owner shall be paid by said Owner to the Association upon its demand to the extent that the Owner is liable therefor under Arizona law. Such amounts shall be a lien on any Lot(s) owned by such Owner, and the Association may enforce collection of any such amounts in the same manner as provided in Article 7 of this Declaration for the collection and enforcement of assessments.
- 9.4 <u>Nonperformance by Owners.</u> If any Owner fails to maintain any portion of the land and Improvements comprising his Lot which he is obligated to maintain under the provisions of this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws or the Association Rules, then the Association shall have the right, but not the obligation, to enter upon such Owner's Lot to perform the maintenance and repairs not performed by the Owner, and the cost of any such work performed by or at the request of the Association shall be paid for by such Owner upon demand from the Association. Such amounts shall be a lien upon the Owner's Lot and the Association may enforce collection of such amounts in the same manner and to the same extent as provided in Article 7 of this Declaration for the collection and enforcement of assessments.
- 9.5 <u>Total or Partial Destruction.</u> If any Residence is totally or partially destroyed, the Owner shall either rebuild the structure in a timely manner or demolish the structure and remove the debris from the Real Property in a timely manner. If the Owner fails to comply with Section 9.5, the Association may undertake the work on the Owner's behalf and charge the

Owner therefor. The Association may enforce collection of such amounts in the same manner and to the same extent as provided in Article 7 of this Declaration for the collection and enforcement of assessments.

- 9.6 <u>Payment of Utility Charges.</u> Each Lot shall be separately metered for water, sewer and electrical service, and all charges for such service to the Lot shall be the sole obligation and responsibility of the Owner of each Lot. All bills for water, sewer and electrical service to the Common Area shall be billed to the Association, and the Association shall be responsible for the payment of such charges. The cost of water, sewer and electrical service to the Common Area shall be a common expense of the Association and shall be included in the budget of the Association.
- 9.7 <u>Boundary Fences.</u> The rights and duties of Owners of Lots with respect to boundary fences placed on the boundary line between separate Lots ("Boundary Fences") shall be governed by the following provisions:
 - (a) Each of the adjoining Owners shall assume the burden and be entitled to the benefit of the restrictive covenants contained in this Declaration, and to the extent consistent with this Declaration, the general rules of law regarding boundary fences shall be applied.
 - (b) The cost of reasonable repair and maintenance of a boundary fence shall be shared by the adjoining Owners of such wall in proportion to the use thereof, without prejudice, however, to the right of any Owner to require a larger contribution from the adjoining Owner under any rule of law regarding liability for negligent or willful acts or omissions.
 - (c) In the event any boundary fence is damaged or destroyed by some cause other than the act of one of the adjoining Owners, his agents, tenants, licensees, guests or family (including ordinary wear and tear and deterioration from lapse of time) then, in such event, both such adjoining Owners shall proceed forthwith to rebuild or repair the same to as good condition as formerly at their joint and equal expense.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Section 9.7, an Owner who, by his negligent or willful act, causes any boundary fence to be exposed to the elements shall bear the whole cost of furnishing the necessary protection against such elements.
- (e) The right of any Owner to make a contribution from any other Owner under this Section 9.7 shall be appurtenant to the land and shall pass to such Owners and their successors in the title.
- (f) In addition to meeting the other requirements of this Declaration and of any other building code or similar regulations or ordinances, any Owner proposing to modify, make additions to or rebuild a boundary fence shall first obtain the written consent of the adjoining Owner and of the Architectural Control Committee.
- (g) In the event of a dispute between Owners with respect to the repair or the rebuilding of a boundary fence or with respect to sharing of the cost thereof, then, upon written request of both of such Owners addressed to the Board, the matter shall be submitted to arbitration by the Board under such rules as made from time to time to be adopted by the Board. The decision of the Board shall be final' and conclusive.

- (h) The provisions of this Section 9.7 shall be binding upon the heirs and assigns of any Owners, but no Person shall be liable for any act or omission respecting the boundary fence except such as took place while he was an Owner.
- (i) In the event any boundary fence encroaches upon a Lot or the Common Area, a valid easement for such encroachment and for the maintenance of the boundary fence shall and does exist in favor of the Owners of the Lots which share such boundary fence.

9.8 <u>Maintenance of Walls other than Boundary Fences.</u>

- (a) Walls or fences (other than Boundary Fences) located on a Lot shall be maintained, repaired, and replaced by the Owner of the Lot.
- (b) Any wall or fence which is placed on the boundary line between a Lot and the Common Area shall be maintained, repaired, and replaced by the Owner of the Lot except that the Association shall be responsible for the repair and maintenance of the side of the wall or fence which faces the Common Area.

10. <u>INSURANCE</u>

- 10.1 <u>Scope of Coverage</u>. The Association shall maintain, to the extent reasonably available, the following insurance coverage:
- (a) Property insurance on the Common Area insuring against all risk of direct physical loss, insured in an amount equal to the maximum insurable replacement value of the Common Area, as determined by the Board; provided, however, that the total amount of insurance after application of any deductibles shall not be less than one hundred percent (100%) of the current replacement cost of the insured property, exclusive of land, excavations, foundations and other items normally excluded from a property policy;
- (b) Comprehensive general liability insurance, including medical payments insurance, in an amount determined by the Board, but not less than \$1,000,000.00. Such insurance shall cover all occurrences commonly insured against for death, bodily injury and property damage arising out of or in connection with the use, ownership or maintenance of the Common Area and all other portions of the Real Property which the Association is obligated to maintain under this Declaration, and shall also include hired automobile and non-owned automobile coverages with cost liability endorsements to cover liabilities of the owners as a group to an Owner;
- (c) Workers' compensation insurance to the extent necessary to meet the requirements of the laws of Arizona;
- (d) Such other insurance as the Board shall determine from time to time to be appropriate to protect the Association or the Owners;
 - (e) Agreed Amount" and "Inflation Guard" endorsements;
- (f) The insurance policies purchased by the Association shall, to the extent reasonably available, contain the following provisions:
- (i) That there shall be no subrogation with respect to the Association, its agents, servants, and employees, with respect to Owners and members of their households;

- (ii) That no act or omission of any Owner (unless acting within the scope of his authority on behalf of the Association) will void the policy or be a condition to recovery on the policy;
- (iii) That the coverage afforded by such policy shall not be brought into contribution or proration with any insurance which may be purchased by Owners or their mortgagees;
- (iv) A "severability of interest" endorsement which shall preclude the insurer from denying the claim of an Owner because of the negligent acts of the Association or other Owners;
- (v) Statement of the name of the insured as "The Foothills Property Owners' Association, Inc."; and
- (vi) For policies of hazard insurance, a standard mortgagee clause providing that the insurance carrier shall notify the first mortgagee named in the policy at least ten (10) days in advance of the effective date of any substantial modification, reduction, or cancellation of the policy.
- 10.2 <u>Insurance on Lots of Residences</u>. The Association shall not be obligated to obtain property insurance, liability insurance, flood insurance or any other type of insurance covering the Lots, Residences or the Improvements located thereon. The procurement and maintenance of insurance on each Lot or Residence, including all landscaping on such Lot or Residence shall be the sole obligation of the Owner thereof. Each Owner shall also be responsible for obtaining all liability insurance, personal property insurance and any other type of insurance to the extent desired by such Owner.
- 10.3 <u>Certificates of Insurance</u>. An insurer that has issued an insurance policy under this Article 10 shall issue certificates or a memorandum of insurance to the Association and, upon request, to any Owner or mortgagee. Any insurance obtained pursuant to this Article 10 may not be cancelled until thirty (30) days after notice of the proposed cancellation has been mailed to the Association, each Owner, and each mortgagee to whom certificates of insurance have been issued.
- 10.4 Fidelity Bonds. The Association shall maintain blanket fidelity bonds or employee dishonesty policies for all officers, directors, trustees and employees of the Association and all other Persons handling or responsible for funds of or administered by the Association, including, without limitation, any management agent to whom the Association has delegated some or all of the responsibility for the handling of such funds. The total amount of fidelity bond or employee dishonesty policy coverage shall be based upon the best business judgment of the Board, and shall not be less than the estimated maximum amount of funds, including reserve funds, in the custody of the Association or the management agent, as the case may be, at any given time during the term of each bond or policy. In no event shall the aggregate amount of such fidelity bonds or such policy be less than a sum equal to three months of annual assessments on all Lots plus adequate reserve funds. Fidelity bonds and employee dishonesty policy obtained by the Association must also:
 - (a) Name the Association as an obligee/insured;
 - (b) Contain waivers by the issuers of the bonds of all defenses based upon the exclusion of Persons serving without compensation from the definition of "employees" or similar terms or expressions; and 28

- (c) Provide that they may not be cancelled or substantially modified (including cancellation from non-payment of premium) without at least ten (10) days prior written notice to the Association and each first mortgagee of a Lot.
- 10.5 <u>Payment of Premiums.</u> The premiums for any insurance obtained by the Association pursuant to Sections 10.1 and 10.4 of this Article shall be included in the budget of the Association and shall be paid by the Association.
- 10.6 <u>Payment of Insurance Proceeds.</u> With respect to any loss to the Common Area covered by property insurance obtained by the Association in accordance with this Article 10, the loss shall be adjusted with the Association and the insurance proceeds shall be payable to the Association.
- 10.7 <u>Annual Insurance Review.</u> The Board shall annually determine whether the amounts and types of insurance it has obtained provide adequate coverage for the Common Area in light of increased construction costs, inflation, practice in Yavapai County, Arizona, or any other factor which tends to indicate that either additional insurance policies or increased coverage under existing policies are necessary or desirable to protect the interests of the owners and of the Association. If the Board determines that increased coverage or additional insurance is appropriate, it shall obtain the same.

11. EMINENT DOMAIN

- 11.1 <u>Definition of Taking.</u> The term "taking" as used in this Article shall mean condemnation by eminent domain or sale under threat of condemnation of all or any portion of the Common Area.
- 11.2 Representation by Board in Condemnation Proceedings. In the event of a threatened taking of all or any portion of the Common Area, the Members hereby appoint the Board, and such Persons as the Board may delegate to represent all of the Members in connection with the taking. The Board shall act in its sole discretion with respect to any awards being made in connection with the taking and shall be entitled to make a voluntary sale to the condemner in lieu of engaging in a condemnation action.
- 11.3 <u>Inverse Condemnation.</u> The Board is authorized to bring an action in inverse condemnation. In such event, the provisions of this Article shall apply with equal force.
- 11.4 <u>Award for Common Area.</u> Any awards received on account of a taking of the Common Area shall be paid to the Association. The Board may in its sole discretion retain any award in the general funds of the Association or distribute pro rata all or a portion thereof to the Members. The rights of an Owner and the mortgagee of his Lot as to any pro rata distribution shall be governed by the provisions of the mortgage encumbering such Lot.

12. RIGHTS OF LENDERS

12.1 <u>Filing Notice</u>; <u>Notices and Approvals</u>. A mortgagee shall not be entitled to receive any notice which this Declaration requires the Association to deliver to mortgagees unless and until such mortgagee, or its mortgage servicing contractor, has delivered to the Board a written notice stating that such mortgagee is the holder of a mortgage

encumbering a Lot within the Real Property. Such notice need not state which Lot or Lots are encumbered by such mortgage but shall state whether such mortgagee is a first mortgagee. Wherever the approval of all or a specified percentage of mortgagees is required pursuant to this Declaration, it shall be deemed to mean the vote or approval of all or a specified percentage only of those mortgagees which have delivered such notice to the Board. Notwithstanding the fore going, if any right of a mortgagee under this Declaration is conditioned on a specific written request to the Association, in addition to having delivered the notice provided in this Section 12, a mortgagee must also make such request, either in a separate writing delivered to the Association or in the notice provided above in this Section 12, in order to be entitled to such right. Except as provided in this Section 12, a mortgagee's rights pursuant to this Declaration, including, without limitation, the priority of the lien of mortgages over the lien of assessments levied by the Association hereunder, shall not be affected by the failure to deliver a notice to the Board. Any notice or request delivered to the Board by a mortgagee shall remain effective without any further action by such mortgagee for so long as the facts set forth in such notice or request remain unchanged.

- 12.2 <u>Priority of Mortgage Lien.</u> No breach of the covenants, conditions or restrictions herein, nor the enforcement of any lien provisions herein, shall affect, impair, defeat or render invalid the lien or charge of any mortgage made in good faith and for value encumbering any Lot, but all of said covenants, conditions and restrictions shall be binding upon and effective against any Owner whose title is derived through foreclosure or trustee's sale, or otherwise, with respect to a Lot except as otherwise provided in this Article 12.
- 12.3 <u>Curing Defaults.</u> A mortgagee or the immediate transferee of such mortgagee, who acquires title by judicial foreclosure, deed in lieu of foreclosure or trustee's sale shall not be obligated to cure any breach of the provisions of this Declaration which is non-curable or of a type which is not practical or feasible to cure. The determination of the Board made in good faith as to whether a breach is non-curable or not practical or feasible to cure shall be final and binding on all mortgagees.
- 12.4 <u>Resale.</u> It is intended that any loan to facilitate the resale of any Lot after judicial foreclosure, deed in lieu of foreclosure or trustee's sale is a loan made in good faith and for value and entitled to all of the rights and protections afforded to other mortgages.

12.5 Relationship with Assessment Liens.

(a) Where the first mortgage of a first mortgage of record or another Person obtains title to a Lot as a result of foreclosure, trustee's sale or deed in lieu thereof, of any such first mortgage, such first mortgage or other Person shall not be liable for the share of the common expenses or assessments by the Association chargeable to such Lot which became due prior to the acquisition of title to such Lot by such first mortgagee or other Person, and the assessment lien therefor on such Lot shall be extinguished. Such an unpaid share of common expenses or assessments shall be deemed to be common expenses collectible from all of the Lots. In a voluntary conveyance of a Lot, the grantee of the same shall not be personally liable for assessments or any other charges due to the Association in connection with that Lot which accrued prior to the conveyance unless liability therefor is specifically assumed by the grantee. Any such grantee shall be entitled to a statement from the Association setting forth the amount of the unpaid assessments due the Association, and such grantee shall not be liable for nor shall the Lot conveyed be subject to a lien for any unpaid assessments made by the Association

against the grantor in excess of the amount set forth in the statement, provided however, the grantee shall be liable for any such assessment becoming due after the date of any such statement.

- (b) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to release any Owner from his obligations to pay for any assessment levied pursuant to this Declaration.
- 12.6 <u>Mortgagees Furnishing Information</u>. Mortgagees are hereby authorized to furnish information to the Board concerning the status of any mortgage.
- 12.7 <u>Conflicts.</u> In the event of any conflict between any of the provisions of this Article 12 and any of the other provisions of this Declaration, the provisions of this Article shall control.

13. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 13.1 <u>Enforcement.</u> The Association, or any Owner, shall have the right to enforce, by proceedings at law or in equity, all restrictions, conditions, covenants and reservations, now or hereafter imposed by the provisions of this Declaration or any amendment thereto, including the right to prevent the violation of any such restrictions, conditions, covenants, or reservations and the right to recover damages or other dues for such violation. The Association or any Owner shall also have the right to enforce, by proceedings at law or in equity, the provisions of the Association's Articles and Bylaws and any amendments thereto. Notwithstanding the foregoing, an individual Owner shall have no right to enforce the collection of any assessment levied against any other Owner under Article 7 above or to enforce any assessment liens or any other liens, fines, or charges.
- 13.2 <u>No Waiver.</u> Failure by the Association or by any Owner to enforce any covenant, condition, or restriction herein contained, or the Articles, the Bylaws or the Association Rules in any certain instance or on any particular occasion shall not be deemed a waiver of such right on any such future breach of the same or any other covenant, condition or restriction.
- 13.3 <u>Cumulative Remedies.</u> All rights, options and remedies of the Association, the Owners or the mortgagees under this Declaration are cumulative, and not one of them shall be exclusive of any other, and the Association, the Owners and the mortgagees shall have the right to pursue any one or all of such rights, options and remedies or any other remedy or relief which may be provided by law, whether or not stated in this Declaration.
- 13.4 <u>Severability.</u> Invalidation of any one or a portion of these covenants, conditions or restrictions by judgment or court order shall in no way affect any other provisions which shall remain in full force and effect.
- 13.5 <u>Violations and Nuisance.</u> Every act or omission whereby any provision of the Declaration is violated in whole or in part is hereby declared to be a nuisance and may be enjoined or abated, whether or not the relief sought is for negative or affirmative action, by the Association or any owner.
- 13.6 <u>Violation of Law.</u> Any violation of any state, municipal, or local law, ordinance, or regulation, pertaining to the ownership, occupation, or use of any property within the Real Property is hereby declared to be a violation of this Declaration and subject to any or all of the enforcement procedures set forth herein.

- 13.7 <u>Joint and Several Liability.</u> In the case of joint ownership of a Lot, the liabilities, and obligations of each of the joint Owners set forth in or imposed by this Declaration shall be joint and several.
- 13.8 <u>Attorneys' Fees.</u> In the event the Association employs an attorney to enforce any lien granted to it under the terms of this Declaration or to collect any assessments or other amounts due from an Owner or to enforce compliance with or recover damages for any violation or noncompliance with this Declaration, the Articles, the Bylaws, and/or the Association Rules, the prevailing party in any such action shall be entitled to recover from the other party its reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in any such action.
- Binding Effect. By acceptance of a deed or by acquiring any ownership interest in any of the Real Property subject to this Declaration, each Person, for himself, his heirs, personal representatives, successors, transferees and assigns, binds himself, his heirs, personal representatives, successors, transferees and assigns, to all of the provisions, restrictions, covenants, conditions, rules and regulations now or hereafter imposed by this Declaration and any amendments thereof. In addition, each such Person by so doing thereby acknowledges that this Declaration sets forth a general scheme for the improvement and development of the Real Property and hereby evidences his interest that all the restrictions, conditions, covenants, rules and regulations contained in this Declaration shall run with the land and be binding on all subsequent and future owners, grantees, purchasers, assignees, lessees and transferees thereof. Furthermore, each such Person fully understands and acknowledges that this Declaration shall be mutually beneficial, prohibitive, and enforceable by the various subsequent and future owners. The Owners, their successors, assigns and grantees, covenant and agrees that the interest of each Owner by virtue of his purchase of a Lot within the Real Property (specifically, fee ownership of the Lot including all rights and easements granted to him by this Declaration and by the deed of conveyance) and the other rights created by this Declaration shall not be separated or separately conveyed, and each shall be deemed to be conveyed or encumbered with its respective Lot even though the description in the instrument of conveyance or encumbrance may refer only to the Lot.
- 13.10 <u>Notices.</u> Any notice to be given under the provisions of this Declaration shall be in writing and may be delivered as follows:
- (a) Notice to an Owner shall be deemed to have been properly delivered when delivered personally or placed in the first class United States mail, postage prepaid, to the most recent address furnished by such Owner in writing to the Association for the purpose of giving notice, or if no such address shall have been furnished, then to the street address of such Owner's residence. In the case of co-Owners, any such notice may be delivered or sent to any one of the co-Owners on behalf of all co-Owners and shall be deemed delivered to all such co-Owners.
- (b) Notice to the Association shall be deemed to have been properly delivered when delivered personally or placed in the first-class United States mail, postage prepaid, addressed as follows:

The Foothills Property Owners' Association, Inc. PO Box 2657
Prescott, Arizona 86302

Any of the above notices so deposited in the mail shall be deemed delivered seventy-two (72) hours after such deposit.

- 13.11 Term. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the Real Property for a term of thirty (30) years from the date the Original Declaration was recorded. Thereafter, they shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years each. This Declaration may be terminated at any time by the affirmative vote of not less than two thirds (2/3) of the Owners as provided in Title 10 of the Arizona Statutes (10-11402). Any termination of this Declaration shall be evidenced by a Declaration or Termination signed by the President or Vice-President of the Association and recorded with the County Recorder of Yavapai County, Arizona.
- 13.12 <u>Amendments.</u> Subject to the other provisions of this Declaration, this Declaration may be amended by affirmative written assent or vote, or any combination thereof, of the Owners of not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the Lots. An amendment or modification that requires the vote and written assent of the Members as hereinabove provided shall be effective when executed by the President and Secretary of the Association who shall certify that the amendment or modification has been approved as hereinabove provided, and when recorded in the official records of Yavapai County Arizona. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Section 9.1(e) of this Declaration shall not be amended in any respect or deleted without the written consent of the Owners of any of the Lots then using the Declarant Installed Driveway directly affected by such amendment or deletion.
- 13.13 <u>Survival of Liability.</u> The termination of membership in the Association shall not relieve or release any such former Member from any liability or obligation incurred under or in any way connected with the Association during the period of such membership, or impair any rights or remedies which the Association may have against such former Member arising out of, or in any way connected with such membership and the covenants and obligations incident thereto.
- 13.14 <u>Statutory Construction.</u> In the event of any discrepancies, inconsistencies, or conflicts between the provisions of this Declaration and the Articles, the Bylaws or the Association Rules, the provisions of this Declaration shall prevail.
- 13.15 <u>Gender and Number</u>. Wherever the context of this Declaration so requires, words used in the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter genders; words used in the neuter gender shall include the masculine and feminine genders; words in the singular shall include the plural; and words in the plural shall include the singular.
- 13.16 <u>Captions and Titles</u>. All captions, titles or headings of the parts and sections in this Declaration are for the purpose of reference and convenience only and are not to be deemed to limit, modify, or otherwise affect any of the provisions hereof, or to be used in determining the intent or context thereof.
- 13.17 <u>Interpretation of the Covenants</u>. Except for judicial construction, the Board shall have the exclusive right to construe and interpret the provisions of this Declaration. In the absence of any adjudication to the contrary by a court of competent jurisdiction, the Board's construction or interpretation of the provisions hereof shall be final, conclusive, and binding as to all Persons and property benefitted or bound by the covenants and provisions hereof.
- 13.18 <u>Definitions</u>. The following words, phrases or terms used in this Declaration shall have the following meanings:

- (a) "<u>Architectural Control Committee</u>" shall mean the Architectural Control Committee appointed by the Association pursuant to this Declaration.
- (b) "<u>Articles</u>" shall mean the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, as amended from time to time.
- (c) "<u>Association</u>" shall mean The Foothills Property Owners' Association, Inc., an Arizona non-profit corporation and any successor thereto.
- (d) "<u>Association Rules</u>" shall mean the rules and regulations adopted by the Association pursuant to Section 5.5 of this Declaration, as amended from time to time
 - (e) "Board" shall mean the Board of Directors of the Association.
- (f) "<u>Bylaws</u>" shall mean the Bylaws of the Association, as amended from time to time.
- (g) "<u>Common Area</u>" shall mean the real property that shall have been deeded by the Declarant to the Association, including Tract C and Tract D, THE FOOTHILLS and Tract A and Tract B, AMENDED PLAT OF PHASES 2 AND 3 OF THE FOOTHILLS, records of Yavapai County, Arizona, together with any additional real property hereafter acquired by the Association within the Real Property.
- (h) "Declarant-Installed Driveways" shall mean the paved private driveways originally installed by the Declarant as follows and designated as "Ingress, Egress and Public Utility Easements" on Page 95 of the AMENDED PLAT OF PHASES 2 AND 3 OF THE FOOTHILLS, in Book 34 of Maps, records of Yavapai County, Arizona.
- (i) "<u>Declaration</u>" shall mean the covenants, conditions and restrictions herein set forth in this entire document, as it may from time to time be amended or supplemented.
- (j) "Improvement" shall mean all physical structures including, but not limited to, residential buildings, auxiliary buildings, parking areas, driveways, recreational amenities, fences and walls, privacy gates, if any, trash receptacles, cluster mailboxes, and all landscaping, including, but not limited to, the complete irrigation system, hedges, plantings, trees and shrubs of every type and kind.
- (k) "<u>Lot</u>" shall mean and refer to any plot of land shown upon the Plats, except any such plots designated as a "Tract" or "Exception" thereon.
 - (1) "Member" shall mean any Person who is a Member of the Association.
- (m) "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record Owner, whether one or more Persons of equitable or beneficial title (or legal title if same has merged) of any Lot. Owner shall include the purchaser of a Lot under an executory contract for the sale of real property. The foregoing does not include Persons who hold an interest in any Lot merely as a security

for the performance of an obligation.

- (n) "Person" means a natural person, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, living trust, partnership, association, joint venture, government, governmental Project, or agency, or other legal or commercial entity.
- (o) "<u>Plat</u>" or "<u>Plats</u>" means the following plats: (i) the plat of THE FOOTHILLS, recorded in Book 32 of Maps, at Pages 94 through 96, inclusive, and thereafter Affidavit of Scrivener's Error recorded in Book 3507, at Page 13 of the Official Records of the Yavapai County Recorder's Office, and (ii) THE AMENDED PLAT OF PHASES 2 AND 3 OF THE FOOTHILLS, recorded in Book 34 of Maps, at Pages 94 through 96, inclusive, and all amendments, supplements and corrections thereto.
- (p) "<u>Real Property</u>" or "<u>Project</u>" shall mean all of the Lots and Common Area within The Foothills, as set forth on the Plats and as more fully described as follows:

Lots 8 through 29, inclusive, and Lots 61 through 67, inclusive, and Tracts C and D, THE FOOTHILLS, according to the plat of record in Book 32 of Maps, at Pages 94 through 96, inclusive, and thereafter Affidavit of Scrivener's Error recorded in Book 3507, at Page 13 of the Official Records of the Yavapai County Recorder's Office, and

Lots 1 through 7, inclusive, Lots 30 through 60, inclusive, and Lots 68 through 87, inclusive and Tracts A and B, THE AMENDED PLAT OF PHASES 2 AND 3 OF THE FOOTHILLS, according to the plat of record in the office of the County Recorder of Yavapai County, Arizona, recorded in Book 32 of Maps, at Pages 94 through 96, inclusive.

- (q) "<u>Residence</u>" shall mean any building, or portion of a building, situated upon a Lot and designed and intended for independent ownership and for use and occupancy as a residence.
- (r) "Single Family" means a group of one or more persons each related to the other by blood, marriage or legal adoption, or a group of not more than __TEN____(_10___) persons not all so related, together with their domestic servants, who maintain a common household in a Residence.