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Re: Ridge Pointe Cove Homeowners Association, Inc.

Gentlemen:


Enclosed is an original Articles of Incorporation for Ridge Pointe Cove Homeowners Association, Inc., a corporation not for profit, which needs to be filed with your office. The enclosed check in the amount of \$78.75 represents payment of the following costs:

Filing fee	\$35.00
Designation of Registered Agent	<u>35.00</u>
	\$70.00

Please return verification of the filing to my office by Federal Express. An envelope and completed airbill are enclosed for the return of the document. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
RIDGE POINTE COVE  
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.,  
a Florida corporation not for profit**

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In compliance with the requirements of Florida Statute 617, the undersigned, who is a resident of the State of Florida, and who is of full age, for the purpose of forming a Florida corporation not for profit, hereby certifies:

**ARTICLE I - NAME OF CORPORATION**

The name of the corporation is RIDGE POINTE COVE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC., a corporation not for profit under the provisions of Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes (hereinafter referred to as the "Association").

**ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATION**

The initial principal office of the Association is located at 706 Turnbull Avenue, Ste. 303, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701, or other location designated by the Board of Directors.

**ARTICLE III - REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE**

JESSE E. GRAHAM, SR., ESQ. with an office at 369 North New York Avenue, Third Floor, Winter Park, FL 32789, is hereby appointed the initial Registered Agent of this Association.

**ARTICLE IV  
PURPOSE AND POWERS OF THE ASSOCIATION**

This Association does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof, and the specific purposes for which it is formed are to provide for the maintenance, preservation and architectural control of the Lots and Common Area within that Property described as:

RIDGE POINTE COVE, according to the plat thereof recorded or to  
be recorded in the Public Records of Seminole County, Florida,

together with such Additional Property located in Seminole County, Florida, which may be brought within the jurisdiction of the Association from time to time, as provided in the "Declaration" referred to hereinbelow, and to promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents within the above

described property and any additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of this Association for this purpose to:

A. exercise of all of the powers and privileges and to perform all of the duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for RIDGE POINTE COVE, hereinafter called the "Declaration", applicable to the Property and recorded or to be recorded in the Public Records of Seminole County, Florida, as the same may be amended from time to time as therein provided, said Declaration being incorporated herein as if set forth at length (all capitalized terms, unless otherwise provided herein, shall have the same meaning as defined in the Declaration) and pursuant to Florida Statutes Sections 617.301 through 617.312; as amended;

B. fix, levy, collect, and enforce payment by any lawful means, all charges or assessments pursuant to the terms of the Declaration; to pay all expenses in connection therewith and all office and other expenses incident to the conduct of the business of the Association, including all licenses, taxes or governmental charges levied or imposed against the property of the Association;

C. acquire (by gift, purchase or otherwise), own, hold, improve, build upon, operate, maintain, convey, sell, lease, transfer, dedicate for public use or otherwise dispose of real or personal property in connection with the affairs of the Association;

D. borrow money, and with the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the Lot Owners (excluding the Declarant), mortgage or pledge, any or all of its real or personal property as security for money borrowed or debts incurred;

E. dedicate, sell or transfer all or any part of the Common Area to any public agency, authority, or utility for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the Members. No such dedication or transfer shall be effective unless an instrument has been signed by two-thirds (2/3) of the Lot Owners (excluding the Declarant), agreeing to such dedication, sale or transfer, provided, however, the Association shall have the right to grant permits, easements or licenses to a public agency or utility company for utilities, roads, other purposes reasonably necessary or useful for the proper maintenance or operation of the property, which grants shall not be deemed a dedication, sale or transfer requiring the consent of Members;

F. participate in mergers and consolidations with other nonprofit corporations organized for the same purposes or annex additional residential property and Common Area, provided that any such merger, consolidation, or annexation shall comply with the requirements of the Declaration;

G. have and to exercise any and all powers, rights and privileges which a corporation organized under Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act by law may now or hereafter have or exercise;

H. operate, maintain and manage the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System in a manner consistent with the St. John's River Water Management District Permit No. WD59-0122188-029 requirements and applicable District rules, and shall assist in the enforcement of the restrictions and covenants contained herein. The Association shall levy and collect adequate assessments against Members of the Association for the maintenance, operation and repair of the

Surface Water or Stormwater Management System(s) including but not limited to work within retention areas, drainage structures and drainage easements;

I. operate, maintain and manage the Common Area. The Association shall levy and collect adequate assessments against Members of the Association for the maintenance of the Common Area;

J. with respect to the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System(s), the Association shall have the following duties:

(1) Each property owner shall be responsible for his pro rata share of the maintenance, operation and repair of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System(s). "Surface Water or Stormwater Management System" means a system which is designed and constructed or implemented to control discharges which are necessitated by rainfall events, incorporating methods to collect, convey, store, absorb, inhibit, treat, use or reuse water to prevent or reduce flooding, over-drainage, environmental degradation, and water pollution or otherwise affect the quantity and quality of discharges from the system, as permitted pursuant to Chapters 40C-4, 40C-40, or 40C-42, F.A.C.

(2) Maintenance of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System(s) shall mean the exercise of practices which allow the systems to provide drainage, water storage, conveyance or other surface water or stormwater management capabilities as permitted by the St. John's River Water Management District. Any repair or reconstruction of the surface water or stormwater management system shall be as permitted, or if modified as approved by the St. John's River Water Management District.

(3) Any amendment to the Declaration which alters the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System(s), beyond maintenance in its original condition, including the water management portions of the Common Areas, must have the prior approval of the St. John's River Water Management District.

(4) The St. John's River Water Management District shall have the right to enforce, by a proceeding at law or in equity, the provisions contained in these Articles and the Declaration which relate to the maintenance, operation, and repair of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System(s).

## **ARTICLE V - MEMBERSHIP**

Every person or entity who is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot which is subject by covenants of record to assessment by the Association, including contract sellers, shall be a Member of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of any obligation. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment by the Association.

## ARTICLE VI - VOTING RIGHTS

The Association shall have two (2) classes of voting membership:

A. Class A. Class A Members shall be all Owners, with the exception of the Declarant, and shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot owned. When more than one (1) person holds an interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be Members. The vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot. When reference is made herein or in the Association Bylaws to a majority or a specific percentage or fraction of Members to establish a quorum or to carry a vote, such references shall be deemed to mean and refer to such majority, percentage or fraction entitled to vote on the basis of one (1) vote per Lot.

B. Class B. The Class B Member shall be the Declarant and shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned. The Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A Membership on the happening of any of the following events, whichever occurs earlier:

(1) when seventy-five percent (75%) of all lots which are subject to the Declaration are deeded to Class A Members and have certificates of occupancy issued thereon;

(2) on the date which is ten (10) years after the recording of this Declaration; or

(3) Declarant, in its sole and absolute discretion, elects to terminate the Class B membership by written notice of such election delivered to the Association.

Notwithstanding the cessation of Class B Membership in accordance with the above, if Additional Property is made subject to this Declaration, Class B Membership shall be reinstated for all Lots owned by Declarant so long as seventy-five percent (75%) of the then total number of Lots has not been deeded to Class A Members.

## ARTICLE VII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board of not more than seven (7) directors, who need not be Members of the Association. The initial number of Directors shall be three (3) and may be changed by amendment of the By-Laws of the Association. The names and address of the persons who are to act in the capacity of Directors until the selection of their successors are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Allen N. Goldberg	706 Turnbull Avenue, Ste. 303, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
William W. Cole, Jr.	706 Turnbull Avenue, Ste. 303, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701
Fredric G. Schaub	4760 N. Palmetto Avenue, Winter Park, FL 32792

At the first annual meeting, the Members shall elect one (1) Director for a term of one (1) year, one Director for a term of two (2) years and one (1) Director for a term of three (3) years; and at each annual meeting thereafter the Members shall elect one (1) Director for a term of three (3) years. In the event the number of Directors is more than three (3), additional Directors shall be elected for a term of three (3) years.

The Declarant is entitled to elect or appoint at least one (1) Director as long as Declarant holds for sale in the ordinary course of business at least five percent (5%) of the Lots.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATOR**

The name and address of the incorporator of these Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
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Jesse E. Graham, Sr.	369 North New York Avenue, Winter Park, FL 32789
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#### **ARTICLE IX - OFFICERS**

The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the Officers designated in the By-Laws of the Association as shall be elected by the Board of Directors at its first meeting following the first annual meeting of the general Membership and they shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. Pending the election of the permanent Officers of this Association by the Board of Directors, the following named persons shall be the temporary Officers of the Association until their successors have been duly elected:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>NAME</u>
President	Allan N. Goldberg
Vice President	William W. Cole, Jr.
Secretary/Treasurer	William W. Cole, Jr.

#### **ARTICLE X - BY-LAWS**

By-Laws of the Association will be hereinafter adopted at the first meeting of the Board of Directors. Such By-Laws may be amended or repealed, in whole or in part, at a regular or special meeting of the Members, by a vote of a majority of a quorum of Members present in person or by proxy, except that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)/Veterans Administration (VA) shall have the right to veto amendments while there is a Class B membership.

## **ARTICLE XI - DISSOLUTION**

The Association may be dissolved with the assent given in writing and signed by not less than two-thirds (2/3) of each class of Members. Upon dissolution of the Association, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of the Association shall be dedicated to an appropriate public agency to be used for purposes similar to those for which this Association was created. In the event that such dedication is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed, and assigned to any nonprofit corporation, association, trust, or other organization to be devoted to such similar purposes. In the event of termination, dissolution or final liquidation of the Association, the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the Surface Water or Stormwater Management System(s) must be transferred to and accepted by an entity which would comply with Section 40C-42.027, F.A.C., and be approved by the St. John's River Water Management District prior to such termination, dissolution or liquidation. The dissolution procedures described in this Article XI are also subject to court approval pursuant to the provisions of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

## **ARTICLE XII - DURATION**

Existence of the Association shall commence with the filing of these Articles of Incorporation with the Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida. The Association shall exist in perpetuity.

## **ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS**

Amendment of these Articles of Incorporation may be made at a meeting duly called at which a quorum is present and shall require the approval of at least a two-thirds (2/3) vote which the Members present or represented by proxy are entitled to cast.

## **ARTICLE XIV - CONFLICT**

In the event that any provision of these Articles of Incorporation conflicts with any provision of Declaration, the provision of Declaration in conflict therewith shall control. If any provision of these Articles of Incorporation conflicts with any provision of the Bylaws, the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation shall control.

## **ARTICLE XV - INDEMNIFICATION**

The Directors and Officers of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association to the fullest extent now or hereafter permitted by law and shall not be personally liable for any act, debt, liability or other obligation of the Association. Similarly, Members are not personally liable for any act, debt, liability or obligation of the Association. A Member may become liable to the Association for assessments, fees, etc. as provided in the Declaration or as otherwise provided by law.

ARTICLE XVI - HUD/VA APPROVAL

As long as there is a Class B Membership, the following actions will require the prior approval of HUD/VA: annexation of additional properties, mergers and consolidations, mortgaging of Common Area, dedication of Common Area, dissolution and amendment of these Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purpose of forming this corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, the undersigned, being the Incorporator, has executed these Articles of Incorporation, this 18 day of January, 2002.

INCORPORATOR:

  
Jesse E. Graham, Sr.

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF ORANGE

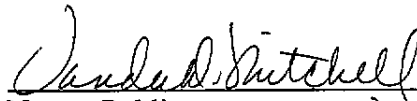
BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2002, personally appeared JESSE E. GRAHAM, SR., who is personally known to/by me or who produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification, and is the person described in and who signed the foregoing, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same freely and voluntarily for the use and purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal the date aforesaid.

Notary Seal:



Vanda D. Mitchell  
MY COMMISSION # CC912143 EXPIRES  
March 10, 2004  
BONDED THRU TROY FAIR INSURANCE, INC.

  
Notary Public,  
Print name: Vanda D. Mitchell  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF  
BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS  
WITHIN THIS STATE NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM  
PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said act:

FIRST, that RIDGE POINTE COVE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at 706 Turnbull Avenue, Ste. 303, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701 has named Jesse E. Graham, Sr., located at 369 North New York Avenue, Third Floor, Winter Park, County of Orange, State of Florida as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

Dated: January 18, 2002

  
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Jesse E. Graham, Sr.

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