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THE HOOD ROAD CENTRE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
FOR
THE HOOD ROAD CENTRE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.**

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, hereby adopts the following articles of incorporation:

ARTICLE 1

NAME

The name of the corporation is **THE HOOD ROAD CENTRE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.** For convenience, the corporation shall be referred to in this instrument as the "Association," these Articles of Incorporation as the "Articles," and the By-Laws of the Association as the "By-Laws."

ARTICLE 2

OFFICE

The principal office and mailing address of the Association shall be at 3555 Northlake Blvd., Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33403, or at such other place as may be subsequently designated by the Board of Directors. All books and records of the Association shall be kept at its principal office or at such other place as may be permitted by the Florida Condominium Act, as it exists on the date hereof (the "Act").

ARTICLE 3

PURPOSE

This Association is organized for the purpose of administering, managing, maintaining and operating that certain condominium located in Palm Beach County, Florida, and known as **THE HOOD ROAD CENTRE, A CONDOMINIUM** (the "Condominium Property" or "Condominium").

ARTICLE 4

DEFINITIONS

The terms used in these Articles shall have the same definitions and meaning as those set forth in the Declaration for the Condominium ("Declaration"), to be recorded in the Public Records of Palm Beach County, Florida, or in the Act, unless herein provided to the contrary, or unless the context otherwise requires.

ARTICLE 5

POWERS

The powers of the Association shall include and be governed by the following:

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- 5.1 General. The Association shall have all of the common-law and statutory powers of a corporation not for profit or for profit under the laws of Florida that are not in conflict with the provisions of these Articles, the Declaration, the By-Laws or the Act.
- 5.2 Enumeration. The Association shall have all of the powers and duties set forth in the Act, and except as limited by the Act, those powers and duties set forth in these Articles, the By-Laws and the Declaration and all of the powers and duties reasonably necessary to operate the Condominium pursuant to the Declaration and as more particularly described in the By-Laws, as they may be amended from time to time, including, but not limited to, the following:
- (a) To make and collect Assessments and other charges against members as Unit Owners, and to use the proceeds thereof in the exercise of its powers and duties.
 - (b) To buy, accept, own, operate, lease, sell, trade and mortgage both real and personal property.
 - (c) To maintain, repair, replace, reconstruct, add to and operate the Condominium Property and Association Property, and other property acquired or leased by the Association.
 - (d) To purchase insurance upon the Condominium Property and Association Property and insurance for the protection of the Association, its officers, directors and Unit Owners.
 - (e) To make and amend reasonable rules and regulations for the maintenance, conservation and use of the Units and the Condominium Property and Association Property, and for the health, comfort, safety and welfare of the Unit Owners.
 - (f) To enforce by legal means the provisions of the Act, the Declaration, these Articles, the By-Laws, and the rules and regulations for the use of the Condominium Property and Association Property.
 - (g) To contract for the management and maintenance of the Condominium Property and Association Property and to authorize a management agent (which may be an affiliate of the Developer) to assist the Association in carrying out its powers and duties by performing such functions as the submission of proposals, collection of Assessments, preparation of records, enforcement of rules and maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Elements and Association Property with such funds as shall be made available by the Association for such purposes. The Association and its officers shall, however, retain at all times the powers and duties granted by the Condominium Act, including, but not limited to, the making of Assessments, promulgation of rules and execution of contracts on behalf of the Association.

- (h) To employ personnel to perform the services required for the proper operation of the Condominium Property and Association Property.
- (i) To borrow money and to execute promissory notes and other loan documents related to any such borrowing.

5.3 Association Property. All funds and the title to all properties acquired by the Association and their proceeds shall be held for the benefit and use of the members in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration, these Articles and the By-Laws.

5.4 Distribution of Income; Dissolution. The Association shall make no distribution of income to its members, directors, or officers, and upon dissolution, all assets of the Association shall be transferred only to another non-profit corporation or a public agency or as otherwise authorized by the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act (Chapter 617, Florida Statutes).

5.5 Limitation. The powers of the Association shall be subject to and shall be exercised in accordance with the provisions hereof and of the Declaration, the By-Laws, and the Act, provided that in the event of conflict, the provisions of the Act shall control over those of the Declaration and By-Laws.

ARTICLE 6

MEMBERS

6.1 Membership. The members of the Association shall consist of all of the record title owners of Units in the Condominium from time to time, and after termination of the Condominium, shall consist of those who were members at the time of such termination and their successors and assigns.

6.2 Assignment. The share of a member in the funds and assets of the Association cannot be assigned, hypothecated or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to the Unit for which that share is held.

6.3 Voting. On all matters upon which the membership shall be entitled to vote, there shall be only one vote allocable to each 100 square feet or portion thereof of each Unit, which vote shall be exercised or cast in the manner provided by the Declaration and By-Laws.

6.4 Meetings. The By-Laws shall provide for an annual meeting of members, and may make provisions for regular and special meetings of members other than the annual meeting.

ARTICLE 7

TERM OF EXISTENCE

The Association shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE 8

INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of this Corporation is:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Neil J. Gaeta	3555 Northlake Blvd. Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33403

ARTICLE 9

OFFICERS

The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the officers holding the offices designated in the By-Laws. The officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors of the Association at its first meeting following the annual meeting of the members of the Association and shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. The By-Laws may provide for the removal from office of officers, for filling vacancies and for the duties and qualifications of the officers. The names and addresses of the officers who shall serve until their successors are designated by the Board of Directors are as follows:

President:	Louis A. Gaeta, Jr. 3555 Northlake Blvd. Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33403
Vice President:	Neil J. Gaeta 3555 Northlake Blvd. Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33403
Secretary and Treasurer:	Arline R. Trezza 3555 Northlake Blvd. Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33403

ARTICLE 10DIRECTORS

- 10.1 Number and Qualification. The property, business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a board consisting of the number of directors determined in the manner provided by the By-Laws, but which shall consist of not less than three (3) directors. During Developer control, Directors need not be members of the Association; however, upon turnover, Directors shall be members of the Association. When Unit Owners other than the Developer, its successors or assigns (the "Developer") own fifteen percent (15%) or more of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association, such Unit Owners, other than the Developer, shall be entitled to elect no less than one-third (1/3) of the members of the Board of Directors.

Such Unit Owners, other than the Developer, are entitled to elect not less than a majority of the members of the Board upon the first occurrence of the following events:

- (a) Three (3) years after fifty percent (50%) of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association have been conveyed to purchasers;
- (b) Three (3) months after ninety percent (90%) of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association have been conveyed to purchasers;
- (c) When all of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association have been completed, some of them have been conveyed to purchasers, and none of the others are being offered for sale by the Developer in the ordinary course of business;
- (d) When some of the Units have been conveyed to purchasers and none of the others are being constructed or offered for sale by the Developer in the ordinary course of business; or
- (e) Seven (7) years after recordation of the Declaration creating the initial phase of the Condominium.

Developer shall have the right to elect a majority of the Board until the first occurrence of any of the above events. Developer is entitled to elect at least one (1) Director as long as Developer holds for sale in the ordinary course of business at least five percent (5%) of the Units in the Condominium. Following the time the Developer relinquishes control of the Association, the Developer may exercise the right to vote any Developer owned Units in the same manner as any other Unit Owner except for purposes of reacquiring control of the Association or selecting the majority members of the Board. The right reserved herein to Developer to elect and maintain Directors may be assigned to and exercised by its successor(s) in interest.

- 10.2 Duties and Powers. All of the duties and powers of the Association existing under the Act, the Declaration, these Articles and the By-Laws shall be exercised exclusively by the Board of Directors, its agents, contractors or employees, subject only to approval by Unit Owners when such approval is specifically required.
- 10.3 Election; Removal. Directors of the Association shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members in the manner determined by and subject to the qualifications set forth in the By-Laws. Directors may be removed and vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled in the manner provided by the By-Laws.
- 10.4 Term of Developer's Directors. The Developer of the Condominium shall appoint the members of the first Board of Directors and their replacements who shall hold office for the periods described in the By-Laws.
- 10.5 First Directors. The names and addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have taken office, as provided in the By-Laws, are as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
Louis A. Gaeta, Jr.	3555 Northlake Blvd. Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33403
Neil J. Gaeta	3555 Northlake Blvd. Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33403
Arline R. Trezza	3555 Northlake Blvd. Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33403

ARTICLE 11

INDEMNIFICATION

- 11.1 Indemnity. The Association shall indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or contemplated action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, by reason of the fact that he is or was a director, employee, officer or agent of the Association, against expenses (including attorney's fees and appellate attorney's fees), judgments, fines and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, unless (a) a court of competent jurisdiction determines, after all available appeals have been exhausted or not pursued by the proposed indemnitee, that he did not act in good faith or in a manner he reasonably believed to be not in, or opposed to, the best interest of the Association, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, that he had reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful, and (b) such

court further specifically determines that indemnification should be denied. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith or did act in a manner which he reasonably believed to be not in, or opposed to, the best interest of the Association, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, that he had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.

- 11.2 Expenses. To the extent that a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any action, suit or proceeding referred to in Section 11.1 above, or in defense of any claim, issue or matter therein, he shall be indemnified against expenses (including attorney's fees and appellate attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred by him in connection therewith.
- 11.3 Advances. Expenses incurred in defending a civil or criminal action, suit or proceeding shall be paid by the Association in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the affected director, officer, employee or agent to repay such amount unless it shall ultimately be determined that he is entitled to be indemnified by the Association as authorized in this Article 11.
- 11.4 Miscellaneous. The indemnification provided by this Article shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification may be entitled under any by-law, agreement, vote of members or otherwise, and shall continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs and personal representatives of such person.
- 11.5 Insurance. The Association shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association, or is or was serving, at the request of the Association, as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprises, against any liability asserted against him and incurred by him in any such capacity, or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the Association would have the power to indemnify him against such liability under the provisions of this Article.
- 11.6 Amendment. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, the provisions of this Article 11 may not be amended without the prior written consent of all persons whose interest would be adversely affected by such amendment.

ARTICLE 12

BY-LAWS

The first By-Laws of the Association shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be altered, amended or rescinded in the manner provided in the By-Laws and the Declaration.

ARTICLE 13

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Articles shall be proposed and adopted in the following manner:

- 13.1 **Notice.** Notice of a proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of any meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be considered and shall be otherwise given in the time and manner provided in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. Such notice shall contain the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be affected thereby.
- 13.2 **Adoption.** Amendments shall be proposed and adopted in the manner provided in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes and in the Act (the latter to control over the former to the extent provided for in the Act).
- 13.3 **Limitation.** No amendment shall make any changes in the qualifications for membership, nor in the voting rights or property rights of members, nor any changes to Article 5 hereof, without the approval in writing of all members and the joinder of all record owners of mortgages upon Units. No amendment shall be made that is in conflict with the Act, the Declaration or the By-Laws, nor shall any amendment make any changes which would in any way affect any of the rights, privileges, powers or options herein provided in favor of or reserved to the Developer, or an affiliate of the Developer, unless the Developer shall join in the execution of the amendment. No amendment to this Section 13.3 shall be effective.
- 13.4 **Developer Amendments.** To the extent lawful, the Developer may amend these Articles consistent with the provisions of the Declaration allowing certain amendments to be effected by the Developer alone.
- 13.5 **Recording.** A copy of each amendment shall be filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to the provisions of applicable Florida law, and a copy certified by the Secretary of State shall be recorded in the Public Records of Broward County, Florida.

ARTICLE 14

**INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE;
ADDRESS AND NAME OF REGISTERED AGENT**

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The initial registered office of this corporation shall be at 3555 Northlake Blvd., Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33403. The initial registered agent of this corporation is Neil J. Gasta at the foregoing registered office address.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation on July 26, 2005.



Name: Neil J. Gasta

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

In compliance with the laws of Florida, the following is submitted:

That desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, in the City of Palm Beach Gardens, County of Palm Beach, State of Florida, the corporation named in the said Articles has named NEIL J. BAETA, located at 3555 ADENLAKE DR. #206, FT. 35162, as its statutory registered agent.

Having been named the statutory registered agent of said corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the same and agree to act in this capacity, and further agree to comply with the provisions of Florida law relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

Dated this 26th day of JULY, 2005.

By: 
Name: NEIL J. BAETA
Registered Agent

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