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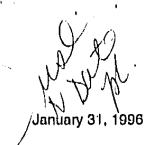
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SUBJECT: SQUARE LAKE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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We have received your document for SQUARE LAKE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0803, Florida Statutes, requires that the board of directors never have fewer than three directors.

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation. A statement making reference to the bylaws is acceptable.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days; or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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Teresa Brown Corporate Specialist

Letter Number: 496A00004233

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SQUARE LAKE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

SECRETARY OF THE 3: OF

(A Corporation not for profit)

We, The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a non-profit corporation under the Florida Statues, do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation:

#### ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation (hereinafter called the Association) is: SQUARE LAKE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. The principal address and the registered address of the corporation shall be: 950 Square Lake Drive, Bartow, Florida 33830. The mailing address of the corporation is 950 Square Lake Drive, Bartow, Florida 33830.

#### ARTICLE II

The purposes for which the Association is formed are to provide for Square Lake Planed Unit Development the maintenance and preservation of the residential lots and common areas, to include: operation and maintenance of the surface water management system as permitted by the Southwest Florida Water Management District including all lakes, retention areas, water management areas, ditches, culverts, structures, and related appurtenances, within a certain subdivided tract of real property described as, "Square Lake", a subdivision and any replatted portions thereof in Polk County, F.orida, and to promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents within the above described subdivision and such additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of the Association for such purposes.

In furtherance of such purposes, the Association shall have power to:

- (a) Perform all of the duties and obligations of the association as set forth in a certain Declaration of Convenants, Conditions and Restrictions (the Declaration) to the subdivision and to be recorded in the Public Records of Polk County, Florida.
- (b) Affix, levy, and collect, and enforce payment by any lawful means of, all charges and assessments pursuant to the terms of the Declaration, and pay all expenses in connection therewith, and all office and other expenses in connection therewith, and all office and other expenses incidental to the conduct of the business of the association, including all licenses, taxes, or governmental charges levied on or imposed against the property of the Association:
- (c) Acquire (by gift, purchase, or otherwise), own, hold, and improve, build upon, operate, maintain convey, sell, lease, transfer, dedicate to public use, or otherwise dispose of real and personal property in connection with the affairs of the Association:
- (d) Dedicate, sell or transfer all or any part of the common areas to the county, any municipality, public agency, authority or utility for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed upon by the members. No such dedication or transfer shall be

effective unless an instrument has been signed by a majority of the members, agreeing to such dedication, sale or transfer:

(e) Have and exercise any and all powers, rights, and privileges that a nonprofit corporation organized under the Florida Statutes by law may now or hereafter have or exercise.

The Association is organized and shall be operated exclusively for the purposes set forth above. The activities of the Association will be financed by assessments against members as provided in the Declaration, and no part of any net earnings of the Association will inure to the benefit of any member.

#### ARTICLE III

The members of this Corporation shall initially consist of the undersigned incorporators until control has been turned over to lot owners as provided in ARTICLE IX herein. Thereafter, every person or entity who is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any lot which is subject by convenants of record to assessment by the Association, including contract sellers, but excluding persons or entities holding title merely as security for performance of an obligation, shall be a member of the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of a lot which is subject to assessment by the Association.

#### ARTICLE IV

The period of duration of the Association shall be perpetual.

#### ARTICLE V

The name and residence address of each subscriber is:

NAME

ADDRESS

MAYME S. BURDIN

950 Square Lake Drive

RICHARD CLARK

Bartow, Florida 33830 950 Square Lake Drive Bartow, Florida 33830

#### ARTICLE VI

The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors, a President, a Vice President, and Secretary-Treasurer, who shall at all time be members of the Board of Directors. Elections of such officers shall be held at the first meeting of the Board of Directors following each annual meeting of members.

The names of the officers who are to serve until the first election are:

NAME

RICHARD CLARK

MAYME S. BURDIN

OFFICE

President

Vice President

Secretary-Treasurer

#### ARTICLE VII

 The number of persons constituting the first Board of Director of the Association shall be (3) and the names and addresses of the persons who shall serve as directors until the first election are:

NAME

ADDRESS

MAYME S. BURDIN

950 Square Lake Drive Bartow, Florida 33830

RICHARD CLARK

950 Square Lake Drive

Bartow, Florida 33830

DONALD H. WILSON, JR.

150 Enst Davidson St. Bartow, Florida 33830

The directors shall be elected in the manner specified by the By-laws.

#### ARTICLE VIII

The by-laws and amendments may be made, altered, amended or rescinded at any annual meeting of the Association, or at any special meeting called for such purposes, on the affirmative vote of a majority of the existing at the time of and present at such meeting except that the initial by-laws of the Association shall be made and adopted by the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE IX

The membership in the Association and initial control thereof shall be as follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, in order to assure that the purposes of the Association are carried out while the subdivision development is being completed, the control of the Association, including the Architectural Committee, shall initially be in the sole and absolute control of the Developers, RICHARD CLARK AND MAYME S. BURDIN. The members consisting of lot owners shall take control of that part of the subdivision that has been platted from the developers when twenty-five (25) lots are sold, or when the Developers, at their own discretion, relinquishes control to the members. It is the intent of this paragraph to form a contractual relationship between the Developers and the members under which Developers shall initially provide the services contemplated in Article III, of the Restrictions applicable to SQUARE LAKE without the need of accounting therefor and the members shall thereafter take control of the Association as provided by this paragraph.

Section 2. Thereafter, every owner of a lot shall be a member of the Association membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of a lot. Members shall be entitled to one vote for each lot owned. When more than one person holds an interest in a given lot, all such persons shall be members and the vote for such lot shall be exercised as they may determine among themselves and a written certificate shall be filed with the Association designating the person who shall vote for such lot.

#### ARTICLE X

On dissolution, the assets of the Association, to include the surface water management system, shall be distributed to an appropriate agency of local government to be used for purposes similar to those for which the Association was created. In the event such distribution is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed, and assigned to, any appropriate agency of local government organized and operated for such similar purposes, or to any governmental entity for a public purpose.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We, the undersigned subscribing incorporators, have hereunto set our hands and seals this Mile day of Jan., 1996, for the purpose of forming this corporation not for projectified the laws of the State of Florida

RICHARD CLARK

Mayne Buden (sent)

STATE OF FLORIDA

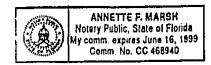
COUNTY OF POLK

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day before me, an officer duly authorized to take acknowledgements, personally appeared Richard Clark and Mayme S. Burdin, who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, who are personally known to me, and who did not take an oath.

WITNESS my hand and orificial seal in the County and State named above on the 29th day of January, 1996.

(Affix Notarial Seal)

Notary Public - State of Florida at Large
My Commission Expires:



## DESIGNATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF RESIDENT AGENT

The undersigns, as the Directors and Officers of Square Lake Tomeowners Association, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, hereby designates as its Registered Agent, RICHARD CLARK, whose address and the address of the corporation's Registered Office is 950 Square Lake Drive, Bartow, Florida 33830.

Richard Clark

Mayme S./Burdin

### **ACCEPTANCE**

The undersigned, Richard Clark, hereby accepts the designation as Registered Agent for Square Lake Homeowners Association, Inc., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, and hereby agrees to comply with all duties and obligations of that position.

Richard Clark

SWORN TO AND ACKNOWLEDGED before me on this 29th day of Jar. , 1996.

(Affix Notarial Seal)

Notary Public - State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires:

