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December 20, 2004

VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Florida Department of State Division of Corporations 409 E. Gaines Street Tallahassee, FL 32399

Re: The Village Development Company, LLC

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed herewith please find two copies of the Articles of Merger and Plan of Merger with respect to The Village Development Company, LLC. Also enclosed is a check in the amount of \$50.00 to cover the filing fee. I would greatly appreciate your filing this document and returning a stamped copy to me for my records in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

I appreciate your assistance in this matter. Please call me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Very truly yours,

Russell L. Irby, III

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ARTICLES OF MERGER

of
THE VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC, MOI - 817
an Alabama limited liability company
with and into
THE VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC, LOU-85354
a Florida limited liability company

Pursuant to § 10-12-55 of the Code of Alabama (1975) and § 608.4382 of the 2003 Florida Statutes, the undersigned limited liability companies hereby certify that:

§ 1 The name and state of organization of each of the constituent limited liability companies of the merger are as follows:

Name

State of Organization

The Village Development Company, LLC (the "Alabama LLC")

Alabama

The Village Development Company, LLC (the "Florida LLC")

Florida

- § 2 The Articles of Organization of the Alabama LLC are on file in Jefferson County, Alabama. The Alabama LLC was organized on March 26, 2001.
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- § 4 The Plan of Merger attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference (the "Plan"), and the performance of its terms, have been duly authorized; approved and adopted by the managers and members of each of the constituent limited liability companies in accordance with (i) the requirements of Ala. Code § 10-12-54 et seq., (ii) the requirements § 608.4381 of the 2003 Florida Statutes, (iii) the Articles of Organization of the Alabama LLC, and (iv) the Articles of Organization of the Florida LLC.

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| | § 5 | The Florida LLC shall be the | e surviving limited liability company of the merger. |
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| on | \$6 December | The merger of the Alabama | LLC with and into the Florida LLC shall take effect p.m. |
| | EXECU | JTED this /// day of | December, 2004. |
| | | | THE VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC, an Alabama limited liability company |
| | | | By: Jally Cunl Steven E. Chambers, Manager |
| | | | By: Level June Raymond P. Fitzpatrick, Jr., Manager |
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PLAN OF MERGER

For The Merger Of

THE VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC, An Alabama Limited Liability Company

With and Into

THE VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC, A Florida Limited Liability Company

THIS PLAN OF MERGER (the "Plan") provides for the merger of THE VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC, an Alabama limited liability company, with and into THE VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Section 10-12-54 et seq., Code of Alabama (1975) and Section 608.438 et seq., 2003 Florida Statutes (2003).

- 1. The names of the business entities that are parties to the merger are The Village Development Company, LLC, (Alabama) and The Village Development Company, LLC (Florida).
- 2. The Village Development Company, LLC (Florida) shall be the surviving business entity into which The Village Development Company, LLC (Alabama) shall merge.
- 3. The Village Development Company, LLC shall remain a Florida limited liability company.
 - 4. The terms and conditions of the proposed merger are as follows:
- (a) The effective date of the merger shall be the date and time specified in the Articles of Merger filed with the Secretary of State of Alabama and the Department of State of Florida.
- (b) Upon the consummation of the merger, The Village Development Company, LLC (Florida), the surviving business entity, in addition to continuing to possess all of its rights, privileges, immunities and powers (subject to all its duffer and liabilities prior to the merger), shall possess all the rights, privileges, immunities and powers of The Village Development Company, LLC, and shall be subject to all the duties and liabilities of The Village Development Company, LLC.
- (c) Upon the consummation of the merger, all rights, privileges, powers, and franchises, all property, real, personal or mixed, all debts due on any

account, and all other things in action belonging to The Village Development Company, LLC shall be vested in The Village Development Company, LLC, and shall not in any way be impaired by reason of the merger.

- (d) From and after the effective date of the merger, The Village Development Company, LLC shall thereafter be responsible and liable for all liabilities and obligations of The Village Development Company, LLC, and all rights of creditors and liens upon the property of The Village Development Company, LLC shall be preserved unimpaired against The Village Development Company, LLC after the merger.
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- 6. The Village Development Company, LLC's principal place of business shall be located at 10254 East County Hwy, Unit 11E, Seacrest Beach, FL 32413. The Plan is on file at the principal place of business of The Village Development Company, LLC. A copy of the Plan will be furnished by The Village Development Company, LLC, on request and without cost, to any member of any domestic limited liability company or any person holding an interest in any other business entity which is a party to this merger.
- 7. Pursuant to Section 10-12-55 of the Code of Alabama (1975), The Village Development Company, LLC hereby consents to service of process on it by registered mail addressed to it at the above-referenced principal place of business.
- 8. The Village Development Company, LLC is managed by two (2) managers who are also members:

| Name | Business Address |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Steven E. Chambers | 10254 East County Highway Unit 16E Seacrest Beach, FL 32413 |
| Raymond P. Fitzpatrick, Jr. | 10254 East County Highway SE Unit 11E Seacrest Beach, FL 32413 |

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COMPANY, LLC

By: Steven E. Chambers

Its: Manager

By: Raymond P. Fitzpatrick, Jr.

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| EXECUTED as of the day of Saurban, 2004. | |
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| THE VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, LLC By: Steven E. Chambers Its: Manager | • |
| By: Raymond P. Fitzpatrick, Jr. Its: Manager | |

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