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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
GARDEN LAKES AT COLONIAL SECTION I CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

Pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the undersigned, as Incorporator creates these Articles of Incorporation for the purposes set forth below.

ARTICLE I

NAME: The name of the corporation, herein called the "Association", is Garden Lakes at Colonial Section I Condominium Association, Inc., and its address is c/o Pulte Home Corporation, 9148 Bonita Beach Road, Suite 102, Bonita Springs, FL 34135.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE AND POWERS: The purpose for which the Association is organized is to provide an entity pursuant to the Florida Condominium Act for the operation of Garden Lakes at Colonial Section I, a Condominium, located in Lee County, Florida. The Association is organized and shall exist on a non-stock basis as a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, and no portion of any earnings of the Association shall be distributed or inure to the private benefit of any member, Director or officer. For the accomplishment of its purposes, the Association shall have all of the common law and statutory powers and duties of a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida and of a condominium association under the Florida Condominium Act, except as expressly limited or modified by the Governing Documents; and it shall have all of the powers and duties reasonable necessary to operate the Condominium pursuant to the Governing Documents as they may hereafter be amended, subject to applicable state and local government jurisdiction including the CDD, including but not limited to the following:

- (A) To make and collect assessments against members of the Association to defray the costs, expenses and losses of the Association, and to use the funds in the exercise of its powers and duties.
- (B) To protect, maintain, repair, replace and operate the condominium property and association property.
- (C) To purchase insurance for the protection of the Association and its members.
- (D) To repair and reconstruct improvements after casualty, and to make further improvements of the condominium property.
- (E) To make, amend and enforce reasonable rules and regulations in the manner set forth in the Bylaws and subject to any limitations in the Declaration of Condominium.
- (F) To approve or disapprove the transfer, leasing and occupancy of Units, as provided in the Declaration of Condominium.

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- (G) To enforce the provisions of the Condominium Act and the Governing Documents.
- (H) To contract for the management and maintenance of the condominium and the condominium property, and to delegate any powers and duties of the Association in connection therewith except such as are specifically required by law or by the Declaration of Condominium to be exercised by the Board of Directors or the membership of the Association.
- (I) To employ accountants, attorneys, architects, and other professional personnel to perform the services required for proper operation of the Condominium.
- (J) To borrow money as necessary to perform its other functions hereunder.
- (K) To grant, modify or move any easement in the manner provided in the Declaration of Condominium.

All funds and the title to all property acquired by the Association shall be held for the benefit of the members in accordance with the provisions of the Governing Documents. In the event of termination, dissolution or final liquidation of the Association, the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the condominium property, including any property or easements and related improvements that are dedicated to the Association by plat, shall be transferred to and accepted by an entity that is acceptable to any applicable governmental authorities, prior to such termination, dissolution or liquidation. Annexation of additional properties, mergers and consolidations, mortgaging of Common Area and dissolution of the Association requires prior written approval of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Veterans Administration ("HUD/VA") prior to transition of control of the Board of Directors from the Developer to Owners other than the Developer.

### ARTICLE III

#### MEMBERSHIP:

- (A) The members of the Association shall be the record owners of a fee simple interest in one or more Units in the Condominium, as further provided in the Bylaws.
- (B) The share of a member in the funds and assets of the Association cannot be assigned or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to his Unit.
- (C) The owners of each Unit, collectively, shall be entitled to one vote in Association matters. The manner of exercising voting rights shall be as set forth in the Bylaws.

### ARTICLE IV

TERM: The term of the Association shall be perpetual.

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#### ARTICLE V

BYLAWS: The Bylaws of the Association may be altered, amended, or rescinded in the manner provided therein.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS:

- (A) The affairs of the Association shall be administered by a Board of Directors consisting of the number of Directors determined by the Bylaws, but not less than three (3) Directors, and in the absence of such determination shall consist of three (3) Directors.
- (B) Directors shall initially be appointed by and shall serve at the pleasure of the Developer (as defined in the Declaration of Condominium), and at transition of control of the Association and thereafter shall be elected by the members in the manner determined by the Bylaws. Directors may be removed and vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled in the manner provided by the Bylaws.
- (C) The business of the Association shall be conducted by the officers designated in the Bylaws. The officers shall be elected each year by the Board of Directors at its first meeting after the annual meeting of the members of the Association, and they shall serve at the pleasure of the Board.

#### ARTICLE VII

INITIAL DIRECTORS: The initial Directors of the Association shall be:

John Steven Kempton  
c/o Pulte Home Corporation  
9148 Bonita Beach Road, Suite 102  
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

W. Michael Meeks  
9148 Bonita Beach Road, Suite 102  
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

Laura Ray  
9148 Bonita Beach Road, Suite 102  
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

The initial Officers are as follows:

John Steven Kempton - President  
W. Michael Meeks - Vice President  
Laura Ray - Secretary/Treasurer

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### ARTICLE VIII

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

- (A) Proposal. Amendments to these Articles may be proposed by a majority of the Board or by a written petition to the Board, signed by at least one-fourth (1/4th) of the voting interests of the Association.
- (B) Vote Required. Prior to the transition of control of the Association by the Developer to Unit Owners other than the Developer, these Articles may be amended by the Developer. Subsequent to turnover, a proposed amendment shall be adopted if it is approved by at least two-thirds (2/3rds) of the voting interests in the Association. As long as Developer owns a Unit, no amendment to these Articles shall be deemed effective without Developer's prior written consent, which consent may be denied in Developer's absolute discretion, provided, further, that regardless of whether Developer owns a Unit, no amendment shall be effective if it affects the Developer's rights or alters any provision made for the Developer's benefit. Amendment of these Articles requires prior written approval of HUD/VA prior to the transition of control of the Association by the Developer to Unit Owners other than the Developer.
- (C) Certificate: Recording. An amendment shall become effective upon filing with the Secretary of State and recording a Certificate of Amendment in the Public Records of Lee County, Florida, with the formalities required by the Condominium Act.

### ARTICLE IX

INDEMNIFICATION: To the fullest extent permitted by Florida law, the Association shall indemnify and hold harmless every Director and every officer of the Association against all expenses and liabilities, including attorney fees, actually and reasonably incurred by or imposed on him in connection with any legal proceeding (or settlement or appeal of such proceeding) to which he may be a party because of his being or having been a Director or officer of the Association. The foregoing right of indemnification shall not be available if a judgement or other final adjudication establishes that his actions or omissions to act were material to the cause adjudicated and involved:

- (A) Willful misconduct or a conscious disregard for the best interests of the Association, in a proceeding by or in the right of the Association to procure a judgement in its favor.
- (B) A violation of criminal law, unless the Director or officer had no reasonable cause to believe his action was unlawful or had reasonable cause to believe his action was lawful.
- (C) A transaction from which the Director or officer derived an improper personal benefit.

In the event of a settlement, the right to indemnification shall not apply unless the Board of Directors

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approves such settlement as being in the best interest of the Association. The foregoing rights of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which a Director or officer may be entitled.

ARTICLE X

INCORPORATOR: The name and address of the Incorporator is:

John Steven Kempton  
c/o Pulte Home Corporation  
9148 Bonita Beach Road, Suite 102  
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

ARTICLE XI

INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND REGISTERED OFFICE: The initial Registered Office of the Association and the name and address of its Registered Agent shall be:

John Steven Kempton  
c/o Pulte Home Corporation  
9148 Bonita Beach Road, Suite 102  
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

WHEREFORE, the Incorporator has caused these presents to be executed this 29<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2002.

  
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JOHN STEVEN KEMPTON, INCORPORATOR

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**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION**  
**REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered office/registered agent, in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is:

GARDEN LAKES AT COLONIAL SECTION I CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

John Steven Kempton  
c/o Pulte Home Corporation  
9148 Bonita Beach Rd. Suite 102  
Bonita Springs, FL 34135

  
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John Steven Kempton, President

DATE

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HAVING BEEN NAMED AS REGISTERED AGENT AND TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN THIS CERTIFICATE, I HEREBY ACCEPT THE APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT AND AGREE TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY. I FURTHER AGREE TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATING TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE OBLIGATIONS OF MY POSITION AS REGISTERED AGENT.

SIGNATURE

  
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John Steven Kempton

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