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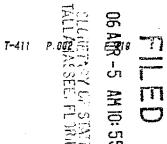
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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

#### VERANO HYDE PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

(A Florida Corporation Not for Profit)

In order to form a corporation not for profit, under and in accordance with Chapter 617 of the Florida Statutes, I, the undersigned, hereby incorporate this corporation not for profit, for the purposes and with the powers hereinafter set forth and to that end, I do, by these Articles of Incorporation, certify as follows:

The terms contained in these Articles of Incorporation are defined in the Condominium Act, Chapter 718, Florida Statutes, 1976 ("Act"), as amended through the date of recording the Declaration amongst the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida, shall have the meaning of such terms set forth in such Act unless otherwise defined herein, and, for clarification, the following terms will have the following meanings:

- A. "Act" means the Condominium Act, Chapter 718, Florida Statutes, 1976, as amended through the date of recording the first Declaration amongst the Public Records.
  - B. "Articles" means these Articles of Incorporation of the Association.
- C. "Assessments" means the share of funds required for the payment of "Annual Assessments" and "Special Assessments" (as such terms are defined in each Declaration) which from time to time are assessed against a Unit Owner.
- D. "Association" means Verano Hyde Park Condominium Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not for profit, responsible for operating Verano, a Condominium(s).
- E. "Association Expenses" means the expenses for the operation and administration of the Association in carrying out its powers and duties, including the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of any Association Property, and the cost of taxes and insurance thereon.
- F. "Association Property" means that property, real and personal, which is owned or leased by the Association for the benefit of its Members.
  - G. "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Association.
  - H. "Bylaws" means the Bylaws of the Association.
- I. "Common Elements" means the portion of the Condominium Property not included in the Units.
- J. "Common Expenses" means expenses for which the Unit Owners are liable to the Association as set forth in various sections of the Act and as described in the Condominium Documents and include:

- (i) expenses incurred in connection with the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of the Common Elements, costs of carrying out the powers and duties of the Association with respect to the Condominium and the Condominium Property, cost of fire and extended coverage insurance on the Condominium Property; and
- (ii) any other expenses designated as Common Expenses from time to time by the Board.
- K. "Common Surplus" means the excess of receipts of the Association collected on behalf of the Condominium (including, but not limited to, assessments, rents, profits and revenues, on account of the Common Elements) over the Common Expenses.
- L. "Condominium" means Verano, a Condominium. The term "the Condominium" refers solely to the condominium named in this definition.
- M. "Condominium Documents" means in the aggregate the Declaration, these Articles, the Bylaws, any rules or regulations promulgated by the Association and all of the instruments and documents referred to therein and executed in connection with the Condominium.
- N. "Condominium Property" means pursuant to Section 718.103(13) the land, leaseholds, and personal property that are subjected to condominium ownership, whether or not contiguous, and all improvements thereon and all easements and rights appurtenant thereto intended for use in connection with the condominium. The easements described and set forth within this Declaration are intended to comply with Section 718.104(4)(n) of the Act. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, however, the term "Condominium Property" shall not include any telecommunications lines and equipment owned by a utility and/or telecommunication firm(s) and/or other legal entity(ies) which have contracted with or have imposed other legal requirements upon Developer and/or the Association to provide a utility or telecommunications service and/or equipment, nor shall Condominium Property include telecommunications equipment, if any, owned by Developer, the title to which is hereby specifically reserved unto Developer, its successors and/or assigns.
  - O. "County" means Hillsborough County, Florida.
- P. "Declaration" means the Declaration of Condominium of Verano, a Condominium, as it may be amended from time to time, by which the Condominium is submitted by Developer to the condominium form of ownership in accordance with the Act.
- Q. "Developer" means SO. BOULEVARD HOLDINGS, LTD., a Florida limited partnership, its successors, grantees and assigns, doing business as PARADISE COMMUNITIES. A Unit Owner shall not, solely by the purchase of a Unit, be deemed a successor or assign of Developer or of the rights of Developer under the Condominium Documents unless such Unit Owner is specifically so designated as a successor or assign of such rights in the instrument of conveyance or any other instrument executed by Developer. FIL:1508978:8

- R. "Director" means a member of the Board.
- S. 'Member' means a member of the Association.
- T. "Phase" means a portion of Verano and the improvements thereon which, as contemplated by Section 718.403 of the Act, will be submitted as Condominium Property of Verano by the recording of the Declaration or an amendment thereto.
  - U. "Public Records" means the Public Records of the County.
- V. "Unit" means "unit" as described in the Act and is that portion of the Condominium Property, which is subject to exclusive ownership.
  - W. "Unit Owner" means "unit owner" as defined in the Act and is the owner of a Unit.
- X. "Verano" means the name given to the residential development which is currently being developed by Developer, and which is planned to contain sixty-five (65) Units in two (2) phases and other Common Elements,
- Y. "Voting Certificate" means "voting certificate" as defined in the Act and is the document which designates one (1) of the record title owners, or the corporate, partnership or entity representative who is authorized to vote on behalf of a Unit owned by more than one (1) owner or by any entity.
- Z. "Voting Interests" means "voting interests" as defined in the Act and are the voting rights distributed to Members pursuant to the Declaration.

### ARTICLE I NAME, PRINCIPAL AND MAILING ADDRESS

The name of this Association shall be VERANO HYDE PARK CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., whose principal office and mailing address is 2901 Rigsby Lane, Safety Harbor, Florida 34695.

# ARTICLE II PLAN OF DEVELOPMENT AND PURPOSE OF ASSOCIATION

- A. Developer intends to develop the Condominium on property Developer owns in the County. Developer intends to develop the Condominium as a "phase" condominium" as contemplated by Section 718.403 of the Act.
- B. I. The Association shall be the Association responsible for the operation of the Condominium, subject to the terms and restrictions of the Condominium Documents. Each Unit Owner shall be a Member of the Association as provided in these Articles.

- 2. The purpose for which this Association is organized is to maintain, operate and manage the Condominium, including the Association Property, if any, and to own portions of, operate, lease, sell, trade and otherwise deal with certain of the improvements located therein now or in the future, all in accordance with the plan set forth in the Condominium Documents and all other lawful purposes.
- 3. The Association shall operate, maintain and manage the Surface Water and Storm Water Management System (as defined in the Declaration) in a manner consistent with the Southwest Florida Water Management District ("District") permit ("District Permit") requirements and applicable District rules and shall assist in the enforcement of the Condominium Documents which relate to the Surface Water or Storm Water Management System.

### ARTICLE III POWERS

The Association shall have the following powers which shall be governed by the following provisions:

- A. The Association shall have all of the common law and statutory powers of a corporation not for profit, which are not in conflict with the terms of the Condominium Documents or the Act.
- B. The Association shall have all of the powers to be granted to the Association in the Condominium Documents. All provisions of the Declaration and Bylaws which grant powers to the Association are incorporated into these Articles, including, but not limited to, the operation, maintenance, management, repair and replacement of any Association Property and the Common Elements and the levying and collection of Association Expenses, if any, and Common Expenses and the promulgation and enforcement of rules and regulations.
- C. The Association shall have all of the powers of a condominium association under the Act and shall have all of the powers reasonably necessary to implement the purposes of the Association including, but not limited to, the following:
- 1. To make, establish and enforce reasonable rules and regulations governing the use of the Condominium Property (including the Units, the Association Property, if any, and the Common Elements);
- 2. To make, levy, collect and enforce Assessments and special charges and any other charges and/or fees as provided in the Condominium Documents against Unit Owners, in order to provide funds to pay for the expenses of the Association, the maintenance, operation and management of the Condominium and Condominium Property and the payment of Common Expenses and Association Expenses, if any, and other expenses in the manner provided in the Condominium Documents and the Act and to use and expend the proceeds of such Assessments in the exercise of the powers and duties of the Association;

- 3. To maintain, repair, replace and operate the Condominium Property in accordance with the Declaration and the Act:
- 4. To reconstruct improvements on the Condominium Property in the event of casualty or other loss;
- 5. To enforce by legal means the provisions of the Condominium Documents and the Act:
- 6. To employ personnel, retain independent contractors and professional personnel, and to enter into service contracts to provide for the maintenance, operation and management of the Condominium Property and any Association Property, and to enter into any other agreements consistent with the purposes of the Association including, but not limited to, agreements as to the management of the Condominium Property and agreements to acquire possessory or use interests in real property and to provide therein that the expenses of said real property and any improvements thereon, including taxes, insurance, utility expenses, maintenance and repairs, are Common Expenses or Association Expenses of the Condominium, and to enter into agreements for the installation, maintenance and operation of a "master" television antenna system and a cable television system, if any, and
- 7. To purchase: (i) Unit(s) upon which the Association has chosen to exercise any right of first refusal it may have and to obtain such financing as is necessary to effectuate the same; and (ii) other real and/or personal property as determined by the Association in compliance with the Condominium Documents.
- 8. To borrow money and to obtain such financing as is necessary to maintain, repair and replace the Condominium Property in accordance with the Declaration and the Act and, as security for any such loan, to collaterally assign the Association's right to collect and enforce Assessments levied for the purpose of repaying any such loan.
- 9. To make, levy, collect and enforce Assessments and special charges and any other charges and/or fees as provided in the Condominium Documents against Unit Owners, in order to provide funds to pay for the costs of maintenance and operation of the Surface Water and Storm Water Management System located on the Condominium Property.

#### ARTICLE IV MEMBERS

The qualification of Members of the Association, the manner of their admission to membership, the manner of the termination of such membership, and the manner of voting by Members shall be as follows:

A. Until such time as the Condominium is submitted to condominium ownership by the recordation of the Declaration, the membership of the Association shall be comprised solely of the members of the "First Board" (as defined in Article IX hereof).

- B. Once the Condominium is submitted to condominium ownership by the recordation of the Declaration, the Unit Owners, which shall mean in the first instance Developer as the owner of all the Units, shall be entitled to exercise all of the rights and privileges of the Members. Developer shall be a Member so long as it is the record owner of any Unit in the Condominium.
- C. Except as set forth above, membership in the Association shall be established by the acquisition of ownership of fee title to a Unit as evidenced by the recording of a deed or other instrument of conveyance amongst the Public Records, whereupon the membership of the prior Unit Owner shall terminate as to that Unit. Where title to a Unit is acquired from a party other than Developer, the person, persons, corporation or other legal entity thereby acquiring such Unit shall not be a Member unless and until such acquisition is in compliance with the provisions of the applicable Declaration. New Members shall deliver to the Association a true copy of the deed or other instrument of acquisition of title to the Unit.
- D. No Member may assign, hypothecate or transfer in any manner his or her membership or his or her share in the funds and assets of the Association except as an appurtenance to his or her Unit.
  - E. With respect to voting, the following provisions shall apply:
- 1. Each Unit shall be entitled to one (1) vote, which vote(s) shall be exercised and cast in accordance with the Declaration and the Condominium Documents. In the event there is more than one (1) owner with respect to a Unit as a result of the fee interest in such Unit being held by more than one (1) person or entity, such owners collectively shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Unit owned in the manner determined by the Declaration.
- 2. Matters that require a vote of the Owners shall be voted on by the Owners and shall be determined by a vote of the majority of such Owners in attendance at any meeting having a quorum (as determined in accordance with the Bylaws).
- 3. The membership shall be entitled to elect the Board as provided in Article IX of these Articles.
- 4. Notwithstanding any other provisions of these Articles, on matters which require voting by the Members, if the question is one upon which, by express provisions of the Act or the Condominium Documents (provided the express provisions of the Condominium Documents are in accordance with the requirements of the Act), requires a vote of other than a majority vote of a quorum, then such express provision shall govern and control the required vote on the decision of such question.

#### ARTICLE V TERM

The term for which this Association is to exist shall be perpetual. In the event of dissolution of the Association (unless same is reinstated), other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the Surface Water and Storm Water Management System facilities shall be conveyed to an appropriate FTL:1509978:8

governmental unit or public utility. In the event such governmental unit or public utility does not accept such conveyance of the surface water management system facilities then, in such case, the surface water management system facilities shall be conveyed to a similar non-profit corporation.

#### ARTICLE VI INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of these Articles is as follows: Mark F. Grant, 200 East Broward Boulevard, Suite 1500, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301.

#### ARTICLE VII **OFFICERS**

- A. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a President, one (1) or several Vice Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer and, if elected by the Board, an Assistant Secretary and an Assistant Treasurer, which officers shall be subject to the directions of the Board. The Board may employ a managing agent and/or such other managerial and supervisory personnel or entities as it deems necessary to administer or assist in the administration of the operation or management of the Association and Developer shall have the right to be reimbursed for expenses incurred by Developer on behalf of the Association in managing the Association.
- The Board shall elect the President, the Vice President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer, and as many other Vice Presidents, Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers as the Board shall from time to time determine appropriate. Such officers shall be elected annually by the Board at the first meeting of the Board following the "Annual Members' Meeting" (as described in Section 4.1 of the Bylaws); provided, however, such officers may be removed by such Board and other persons may be elected by the Board as such officers in the manner provided in the Bylaws. The President shall be a Director of the Association, but no other officer need be a Director. The same person may hold two (2) offices, the duties of which are not incompatible; provided, however, the offices of President and Vice President shall not be held by the same person, nor shall the same person hold the office of President who holds the office of Secretary or Assistant Secretary.

#### ARTICLE VIII FIRST OFFICERS

The names of the officers who are to serve until the first election of officers by the Board are as follows:

President:

Spiro A. Comitos Peter H. Monroe

Vice President:

Secretary/Treasurer: Robert A. Forlizzo

#### ARTICLE IX BOARD

The number of Directors on the first Board of Directors ("First Board"), the "Initial Elected Board" (as hereinafter defined) and all Boards elected prior to the "Annual Members' Meeting following the "Developer's Resignation Event" (as hereinafter defined) shall be no less than three (3) nor more than seven (7). The number of Directors elected by the Members subsequent to the Developer's Resignation Event shall be as provided in Paragraph K of this Article IX. Except for Developer-appointed Directors, Directors must be Members or the spouses, parents or children of Members except that if a Unit is owned by an entity and not an individual, such entity may appoint an individual on its behalf to be eligible to serve on the Board of Directors.

В. The names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the First Board are as follows:

NAME	ADDRESS
Spiro A. Comitos	2901 Rigsby Lane Safety Harbor, Florida 34695
Peter H. Monroe	2901 Rigsby L <i>ane</i> Safety Harbor, Florida 34695
Robert A. Forlizzo	2901 Rigsby Lane Safety Harbor, Florida 34695

Developer reserves the right to designate successor Directors to serve on the First Board for so long as the First Board is to serve, as hereinafter provided. Developer reserves the right to remove any Director from the First Board and the right to remove any Director designated by Developer in accordance with these Articles.

Upon the conveyance by Developer to Unit Owners other than Developer ("Purchaser Members") of fifteen percent (15%) or more of the Units, the Purchaser Members shall be entitled to elect one-third (1/3) of the Board, which election shall take place at the Initial Election Meeting. Developer shall designate the remaining Directors on the Board at the Initial Election Meeting. The Director to be so elected by the Purchaser Members and the remaining Directors to be designated by Developer are hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Initial Elected Board" and shall succeed the First Board upon their election and qualification. Subject to the provisions of Paragraph IX.D below, the Initial Elected Board shall serve until the next Annual Members' Meeting, whereupon the Directors shall be designated and elected in the same manner as the Initial Elected Board. The Directors shall continue to be so designated and elected at each subsequent Annual Members' Meeting until such time as the Purchaser Members are entitled to elect not less than a majority of the Directors on the Board. Developer reserves the right, until such time as the Purchaser Members are entitled to elect not less than a majority of the Directors on the Board, to designate successor Directors to fill any vacancies caused by the resignation or removal of Directors designated by FTL:1509978:8

Developer pursuant to this Paragraph IX.C.

- D. Purchaser Members are entitled to elect not less than a majority of the Board upon the happening of any of certain events.
- 1. Purchaser Members other than the Developer are entitled to elect not less than a majority of the Board upon the happening of the following, whichever shall first occur (reciting the provisions of Sections 718.301[1][a]-[e] of the Act, as required by Rule 61B-17.0012, F.A.C.):
- (a) Three (3) years after fifty percent (50%) of the "Total Units" (as hereinafter defined) have been conveyed to purchasers;
- (b) Three (3) months after ninety percent (90%) of the Total Units have been conveyed to purchasers;
- (c) When all the Total Units 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 Total Units have been conveyed to purchasers and none of the others are being constructed or offered for sale by Developer in the ordinary course of business; or
- (e) Seven years after recordation of the declaration of condominium, or in the case of an association operating a phase condominium created pursuant to s. 718.403, 7 years after recordation of the declaration creating the initial phase, whichever occurs first. Developer is entitled to elect at least one (1) member of the Board of the Association as long as the Developer holds for sale in the ordinary course of business at least five percent (5%) of the Units in the Condominium. Following the time Developer relinquishes control of the Association, 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 a majority of the members of the Board.

The term "Total Units" means the total number of Units in the Initial Phase and the Subsequent Phase (as defined in the Declaration).

- 2. Notwithstanding the above Article IX.D(1), Developer shall have the right to at any time, upon written notice to the Association, relinquish its right to designate a majority of the Board.
- E. The election of not less than a majority of Directors by the Purchaser Members shall occur at a meeting of the membership to be called by the Board for such purpose ("Majority Election Meeting").
- F. At the Majority Election Meeting, the Purchaser Members shall elect two (2) Directors and Developer, until the Developer's Resignation Event, shall be entitled to designate one FTL:1509978:8

- (1) Director. Developer reserves the right, until the Developer's Resignation Event, to name the successor, if any, to any Director it has so designated; provided, however, Developer shall in any event be entitled to exercise any right it may have to representation on the Board as granted by law, notwithstanding the occurrence of the Developer's Resignation Event.
- G. At the first Annual Members' Meeting held after the Majority Election Meeting, a "staggered" term of office of the Board shall be created as follows:
- 1. a number equal to fifty percent (50%) of the total number of Directors rounded to the nearest or next whole number is the number of Directors whose term of office shall be established at two (2) years and the Directors serving for a two (2) year term will be the Directors receiving the most votes at the meeting; and
  - 2. the remaining Directors' terms of office shall be established at one (1) year.

At each Annual Members' Meeting thereafter, as many Directors of the Association shall be elected as there are Directors whose regular term of office expires at such time, and the term of office of the Directors so elected shall be for two (2) years, expiring when their successors are duly elected and qualified.

- H. The Board shall continue to be elected by the Members subject to Developer's right to appoint a member or members to the Board as specified in the Act at each subsequent Annual Members' Meeting, until Developer is no longer entitled to appoint a member to the Board.
- I. The Initial Election Meeting and the Majority Election Meeting shall be called by the Association, through its Board, within seventy-five (75) days after the Purchaser Members are entitled to elect a Director or the majority of Directors, as the case may be. A notice of the election shall be forwarded to all Members in accordance with the Bylaws; provided, however, that the Members shall be given at least sixty (60) days' notice of such election. The notice shall also specify the number of Directors who shall be elected by the Purchaser Members and the remaining number of Directors designated by Developer.
- J. Developer shall cause all of its designated Directors to resign when Developer no longer holds at least five percent (5%) of the Total Units for sale in the ordinary course of business. In addition, Developer may at any time, in its sole discretion, cause the voluntary resignation of all of the Directors designated by it. The happening of either such event is herein referred to as the "Developer's Resignation Event." Upon the Developer's Resignation Event, the Directors elected by Members shall elect successor Directors to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation or removal of the Developer's designated Directors. These successor Directors shall serve until the next Annual Members' Meeting and until their successors are elected and qualified; provided, however, nothing herein contained shall be deemed to waive any right to representation on the Board which Developer may have pursuant to the Act. Developer specifically reserves the right to assert any right to representation on the Board it may have pursuant to the Act, notwithstanding that the Developer's Resignation Event may have previously occurred.

- K. At each Annual Members' Meeting held subsequent to the year in which the Developer's Resignation Event occurs, the number of Directors to be elected shall be determined by the Board from time to time, but there shall not be less than three (3) Directors nor more than seven (7).
- L. The following provisions shall govern the right of each Director to vote and the manner of exercising such right:
  - 1. There shall be only one (1) vote for each Director.
- 2. In the case of deadlock by the Board, application shall be made to a court of competent jurisdiction to resolve the deadlock.

### ARTICLE X POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD

All of the powers and duties of the Association shall be exercised by the Board in accordance with the provisions of the Act and the Condominium Documents, where applicable, and shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- A. Making and collecting Assessments against Members to defray the costs of the Common Expenses and, if applicable, the Association Expenses.
- B. Using the proceeds of Assessments in the exercise of the powers and duties of the Association and the Board.
- C. Maintaining, repairing and operating the improvements within the Condominium and the Association Property, if any, including the Surface Water and Storm Water Management System as permitted by the District.
- D. Reconstructing improvements after casualties and losses and making further authorized improvements within the Condominium and the Association Property, if any.
- E. Making and amending rules and regulations with respect to the Condominium and for the Association Property, if any.
  - F. Enforcing by legal means the provisions of the Condominium Documents.
- G. Contracting for the management and maintenance of the Condominium Property and Association Property, if any, and authorizing a management agent 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 and enforcement of rules, and maintenance, repair and replacement of improvements or portions thereof for which the Association has such responsibility and other services with funds that shall be made available by the Association for such purposes and terminating such contracts and authorizations. The Association and its officers shall, however, retain at all times the powers and duties granted by the Condominium Documents and the Act including, but not limited to, the making of Assessments, promulgation of rules and regulations FTL:1509978:8

and execution of contracts on behalf of the Association.

- H. Purchasing and carrying insurance for the protection of Members and the Association against casualty and liability in accordance with the Act and the Condominium Documents and to allocate the premiums therefor in accordance with the Condominium Documents.
- L Paying costs of all power, water, sewer and other utility services rendered to the Condominium Property and Association Property, if any, and not billed directly to Unit Owners.
- J. Hiring and retaining such employees as are necessary to administer and carry out the services required for the proper administration and purposes of the Association and paying all salaries therefor.
- K. Engaging in mandatory nonbinding arbitration as provided for in Section 718.112(2)(j)3 of the Act for the settlement of disputes as provided for in Section 718.1255 of the Act. The provisions of Sections 718.112(2)(j)3 and 718.1255 are incorporated by reference herein.
- L. Preparing a question and answer sheet, if and as required by the Act and the rules promulgated in the Florida Administrative Code by the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums and Mobile Homes, and updating the question and answer sheet at least annually.
- M. Maintaining an adequate number of copies of the Condominium Documents, as well as the question and answer sheet referred to in Paragraph X.L. above, on the Condominium Property to ensure their availability to Unit Owners and prospective purchasers. The Association may charge its actual costs for preparing and furnishing the foregoing to those requesting same.
  - N. Ensuring that the following contracts shall be in writing:
- 1. Any contract for the purchase, lease or renting of materials or equipment which is not to be fully performed within one (1) year from the date of execution of the contract; and
- 2. Any contract, regardless of term, for the provision of services, other than contracts with employees of the Association, and contracts for attorneys and accountant services, and any other service contracts exempted from the foregoing requirement by the Act or rules set forth in the Florida Administrative Code as they relate to condominiums, as the Act and such rules may be amended from time to time.
- O. Obtaining competitive bids for materials, equipment and services where required by the Act and rules set forth in the Florida Administrative Code as they relate to condominiums.
- P. Approving or disapproving proposed purchasers of Units, by sale, gift, devise, inheritance or otherwise, and approving or disapproving of proposed lessees of Units in accordance with any existing or future provisions set forth in the Condominium Documents and the Act and collecting the highest fee allowed therefor by the Act.
- Q. All other powers and duties reasonably necessary to operate and maintain the FTL:1509978:8

Condominium in compliance with the Condominium Documents and the Act.

## ARTICLE XI INDEMNIFICATION

Every Director and every officer of the Association (and the Directors and/or officers as a group) shall be indemnified by the Association against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees (at all trial and appellate levels) reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him or them in connection with any proceeding, litigation or settlement in which he or they may become involved by reason of his or their being or having been a Director(s) or officer(s) of the Association. The foregoing provisions for indemnification shall apply whether or not he or they is or are a Director(s) or officer(s) at the time such expenses and/or liabilities are incurred. Notwithstanding the above, in the event of a settlement, the indemnification provisions herein shall not be automatic and shall apply only when the Board approves such settlement and authorizes reimbursement for the costs and expenses of the settlement as in the best interest of the Association. In instances where a Director or officer admits or is adjudged guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his duties, the indemnification provisions of these Articles shall not apply. Otherwise, the foregoing rights to indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of any and all rights of indemnification to which a Director or officer may be entitled whether by statute or common law. The indemnification hereby afforded to Directors and officers shall also extend to any entity other than the Association found responsible or liable for the actions of such individuals in their capacity as Directors or officers, including, but not limited to, Developer.

#### ARTICLE XII BYLAWS

The Bylaws shall be adopted by the First Board and thereafter may be altered, amended or rescinded by the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of the Members present at an Annual Members' Meeting or special meeting of the membership and the affirmative approval of a majority of the Board at a regular or special meeting of the Board. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of these Articles and the provisions of the Bylaws, the provisions of these Articles shall control.

### ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENTS

A. Prior to the recording of the Declaration amongst the Public Records, these Articles may be amended by an instrument in writing signed by the President (or a Vice President) and the Secretary (or an Assistant Secretary) and filed in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida. The instrument amending these Articles shall identify the particular Article or Articles being amended, give the exact language of such amendment, and give the date of adoption of the amendment by the Board. A certified copy of each such amendment shall always be attached to any certified copy of these Articles or a certified copy of the Articles as restated to include such amendment(s) and shall be an exhibit to each Declaration upon the recording of each Declaration. This Article XIII is intended to comply with Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

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- B. After the recording of the first Declaration amongst the Public Records, these Articles may be amended in the following manner:
- 1. The Board, as a whole, shall adopt a resolution setting forth the proposed amendment and directing that it be submitted to a vote at a meeting of the Members, which may be at either the Annual Members' Meeting or a special meeting. Any number of amendments may be submitted to the Members and voted upon by them at one meeting;
- 2. Written notice setting forth the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be effected thereby shall be given to each Member of record entitled to vote within the time and in the manner provided in the Bylaws for the giving of notice of meetings of Members ("Required Notice");
- 3. At such meeting a vote of the Members, including Developer as to any Condominium Units it owns, shall be taken on the proposed amendment(s). The proposed amendment(s) shall be adopted upon receiving the affirmative vote of a majority of the votes of all Members entitled to vote thereon; or
- 4. An amendment may be adopted by a written statement signed by all Directors and the written consent of Members representing the Voting Interests sufficient to pass the amendment if the vote were to be taken at a meeting where all Members are present and setting forth their intention that an amendment to the Articles be adopted. Where an amendment is passed by written consent in lieu of a meeting, those Members not submitting written consent shall be notified in writing of the passage thereof.
- C. No amendment may be made to the Articles which shall in any manner reduce, amend, affect or modify the terms, conditions, provisions, rights and obligations set forth in any Declaration.
- D. A copy of each amendment shall be certified by the Secretary of State of the State of Florida and, after the recordation of a Declaration, recorded amongst the Public Records as an amendment to each Declaration.
- E. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article XIII, there shall be no amendment to these Articles which shall abridge, amend or alter the rights of Developer, including the right to designate and select the Directors as provided in Article IX hereof, without the prior written consent thereto by Developer, nor shall there be any amendment to these Articles which shall abridge, alter or modify the rights of the holder, guaranter or insurer of a first mortgage on any Unit or of any "Institutional Mortgagee" (as defined in each Declaration) without its prior written consent to the degree this provision is permitted by the Act.

### ARTICLE XIV EMERGENCY POWERS

The following shall apply to the extent not viewed to be in conflict with the Act:

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- A. During any emergency defined in Paragraph XIV.E below or in anticipation of such emergency, the Board may:
- 1. Modify lines of succession to accommodate the incapacity of any Director, officer, agent or employee of the Association; and
- 2. Relocate the principal office of the Association or designate alternate principal offices or authorize officers to do so.
  - B. During any emergency defined in Paragraph XIV.E below:
- 1. One or more officers of the Association present at a meeting of the Board may be deemed to be Directors for the meeting, in order of rank and within the same order of rank in order of seniority, as necessary to achieve a quorum; and
  - 2. The Director or Directors in attendance at a meeting shall constitute a quorum.
- C. Corporate action taken in good faith during an emergency under this Article XIV to further the ordinary affairs of the Association:
  - 1. Binds the Association; and
- 2. May not be used to impose liability on a Director, officer, employee or agent of the Association.
- D. A Director, officer or employee of the Association acting in accordance with any emergency bylaws is only liable for willful misconduct.
- E. An emergency exists for the purposes of this Article XIV if a quorum of the Directors cannot readily assemble because of a catastrophic event.

#### ARTICLE XV REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the Association is 2901 Rigsby Lane, Safety Harbor, Florida 34695 and the initial registered agent of the Association at that address shall be Robert A. Forlizzo.

The Registered Agent shall maintain copies of all Southwest Florida Water Management District Permit and permit actions for the benefit of the Association.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Incorporator has hereunto affixed his signature, this 4 day of

Mark F. Grant

The undersigned hereby accepts the designation of Registered Agent of Verano Hyde Park Condominium Association, Inc. as set forth in Article XV of these Articles of Incorporation and acknowledges that she is familiar with and accepts the obligations imposed upon registered agents under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

Robert A. Forlizzo

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