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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

VERONA AT RENAISSANCE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, a resident of the State of Florida and of full age, hereby makes, subscribes, acknowledges and files with the Department of the State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation for the purpose of forming a not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I NAME AND PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The name of this corporation is VERONA AT RENAISSANCE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation (hereinafter called the "Association" in these Articles). The principal office and mailing address of the Association is 10150 Highland Manor Drive, Suite 200, Tampa, Florida 33610.

ARTICLE II OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The Association's initial registered office is 400 North Ashley Drive, Suite 1100 Tampa, Florida 33602. The Association's initial registered agent is Bricklemyer Law Group, P.L. who maintains a business office at 400 North Ashley Drive, Suite 1100, Tampa, Florida 33602. Both this Association's registered office and registered agent may be changed from time to time by the Board of Directors as provided by law.

ARTICLE III PURPOSE

This Association does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to its members and the specific purposes for which it is formed are to provide for the maintenance, preservation and architectural control of common areas and residential lots and dwellings within the Association as provided for in the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions for Verona At Renaissance as recorded in the public records of Hillsborough County, Florida, and all other properties which may hereafter be made subject to the Declaration as defined below.

ARTICLE IV POWERS

Without limitation this Association is empowered to:

- (a) <u>Declaration</u>. Exercise all rights, powers, privileges, and perform all duties of this Association set forth in that certain Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions for Verona At Renaissance (hereinafter called The "Declaration") applicable to the Property and recorded or to be recorded in the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida, and as the same may be amended from time to time as therein provided, said Declaration being incorporated herein as if set forth in full;
- (b) <u>Property</u>. In any lawful manner, acquire, own, hold, improve, manage, operate, maintain, repair, replace, operate, convey, sell, lease, transfer, assign, and otherwise dispose of property of any nature whatsoever, real, personal, or mixed, tangible or intangible, in connection with this Association's affairs:
- (c) <u>Assessments</u>. Fix, levy, collect, and enforce by any lawful means all charges or assessments established by, or pursuant to, the Declaration; and to use and expend the proceeds of assessments in the exercise of its powers and duties hereunder;
- (d) <u>Costs.</u> Pay all costs, expenses, and obligations lawfully incurred in connection with this Association's affairs including, without limitation, all licenses, taxes, or other governmental charges levied or imposed against this Association's property;
- (e) <u>Borrowing</u>. Borrow money and, with the approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the members, mortgage, pledge, deed in trust, hypothecate, assign, grant security interests in, or otherwise transfer any or all of its property as security for money borrowed, debts incurred, or any of its other obligations;
- (f) <u>Dedications</u>. With the approval of a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members, dedicate, sell or transfer all or any part of its property to any public agency, authority, or utility;
- (g) <u>Mergers</u>. With the approval of a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members, participate in mergers and consolidations with other non-profit corporations organized for similar purposes;
- (h) <u>Rules</u>. From time to time adopt, alter, amend, rescind, and enforce reasonable rules and regulations governing the use of the Lots, Common Areas and Limited Common Areas (as those terms are defined in the Declaration) consistent with the rights and duties established by the Declaration and these Articles;
- (i) General. Have and exercise all common law rights, powers, and privileges and those that a corporation not for profit may now or hereafter have or exercise under the laws of the State of Florida, together with all other rights, powers, and privileges reasonably to be implied from the existence of any right, power, or privilege so granted, or granted by the Declaration or these Articles,

or reasonably necessary to effectuate the exercise of any right, power, or privilege so granted;

- (j) <u>Enforcement</u>. Enforce by legal means the obligations of the members of this Association and the provisions of the Declaration;
 - (k) <u>Litigation</u>. Sue or be sued;
- (l) <u>Surface Water Management</u>. Operate and maintain the surface water management system facilities, including all inlets, ditches, swales, culverts, water control structures, retention and detention areas, ponds, lakes, flood plain compensation areas, wetlands and any associated buffer areas, and wetland mitigation areas, and to contract for services for operation and maintenance of the surface water management system facilities;
 - (m) Other. Engage in all lawful acts permitted or authorized by law.

ARTICLE V MEMBERSHIP

Every person who from time to time holds the record fee simple title to, or any undivided fee simple interest in, any Lot (as defined in the Declaration) that is subject to the provisions of the Declaration is a member of this Association, including contract sellers, but excluding all other persons who hold any interest in any Lot merely as security for the performance of an obligation. An Owner of more than one Lot is entitled to one membership for each Lot owned. Membership is appurtenant to, and may not be separated from, ownership of a Lot that is subject to the provisions of the Declaration, and membership may not be transferred other than by transfer of title to such Lot. Each membership is transferred automatically by record conveyance or other transfer of title of a Lot.

ARTICLE VI VOTING RIGHTS

The voting rights of members are as set forth in the Declaration. So long as there is Class B membership (as defined in the Declaration), whenever a provision herein calls for approval of the members it means approval of the aggregate voting rights of the members.

ARTICLE VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This Association's affairs are managed by a Board of Directors initially composed of three Directors. The number of Directors from time to time may be changed by amendment to this Association's By-Laws, but at all times it must be either three (3) members or five (5) members. Election of directors shall take place in accordance with the By-laws of the Association; cumulative voting for Directors is not permitted.

The initial members of the Board of Directors shall be as follows, and each member shall

hold office until his or her successor has been duly elected and qualified:

<u>Name</u>	Address
Wayne DeYorgi	10150 Highland Manor Drive, Suite 200 Tampa, Florida 33610-9712
Dutch Neuweiler	10150 Highland Manor Drive, Suite 200 Tampa, Florida 33610-9712
Brian Cale	10150 Highland Manor Drive, Suite 200 Tampa, Florida 33610-9712

ARTICLE VIII OFFICERS

The affairs of the Association shall be administered by a President, a Vice President, a Secretary/Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board of Directors of the Association may from time to time designate. Any person may hold two offices, excepting that the same person shall not hold the office of President and Secretary. Officers of the Association shall be those set forth herein or 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 of the Association. The names and addresses of the officers who shall serve, until their successors are designated by the Board of Directors of the Association are as follows:

	Name	Address
President	Wayne DeYorgi	10150 Highland Manor Drive, Suite 200 Tampa, FL 33610-9712
Vice President	Dutch Neuweiler	10150 Highland Manor Drive, Suite 200 Tampa, FL 33610-9712
Secretary/ Treasurer	Brian Cale	10150 Highland Manor Drive, Suite 200 Tampa, FL 33610-9712

ARTICLE IX INDEMNIFICATION

Every Director and every officer of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association against all expenses and liabilities including attorneys' fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him or her in connection with any proceedings or the settlement of any proceeding to which he or she may be a party, or in which he or she may become involved by reason of his being or having been a Director or Officer of the Association, whether or not he or she is a Director or Officer at the time

such expenses are incurred, except when the Director or Officer is adjudged guilty of willful misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance or found to have breached his or her fiduciary duty in the performance of his duties. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and exclusive of all other rights and remedies to which such Director or Officer may be entitled.

ARTICLE X DURATION

This Association exists perpetually.

ARTICLE XI DISSOLUTION

This Association may be dissolved in the manner from time to time provided by the laws of the State of Florida and with the consent given in writing and signed by not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the members. Upon dissolution of this Association in any manner other than incident to a merger or consolidation, all of this Association's assets, together with the control or right of access to any property containing the surface water management system facilities, shall be conveyed or dedicated to an appropriate governmental unit or public utility to be used for purposes similar to those for which this Association was created. If any such conveyance or dedication is refused, such assets, together with the control or right of access to any property containing the surface water management system facilities shall be granted, conveyed, and assigned to a non-profit corporation or other organization similar to the Association and devoted to such similar purposes. In no event, however, may any assets inure to the benefit of any member or other private individual.

ARTICLE XII BY-LAWS

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This Association's By-Laws will initially be adopted by the Board of Directors. Thereafter, the By-Laws shall be altered, amended, or rescinded solely by the approval of the Board of Directors. In certain circumstances set forth in the Declaration or as may be set forth in any future supplemental declaration the members may have authority to approve amendments to the By-laws; in those circumstances such provisions shall control the alteration, amendment or rescission of the By-laws.

ARTICLE XIII AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Articles may be proposed and adopted in the manner from time to time provided by the laws of the State of Florida, provided that each such amendment must have the approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the aggregate votes at a meeting of members at which a quorum is present. In certain circumstances set forth in the Declaration or as may be set forth in any future supplemental declaration the members may have authority to approve amendments to these Articles by a different percentage of the members; in those circumstances such provisions shall control the amendment to these Articles.

ARTICLE XIV FNMA/FHA/VA APPROVAL

As long as there is a Class B membership in the Association, the following actions will require the prior approval of the Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA), Federal Housing Administration (FHA) or Veterans Administration (VA) if required by FNMA, FHA or VA rules and regulations:

- (a) Amendment of these Articles of incorporation; or
- (b) Merger, consolidation and/or dissolution of the Association.
- (c) Annexation of additional properties.
- (d) Mortgaging of Common Areas.

ARTICLE XV INTERPRETATION

Express reference is made to the Declaration if necessary to interpret, construe, and clarify the provisions of these Articles. By subscribing and filing these Articles, the incorporator intends for its provisions to be consistent with the provisions of the Declaration and to be interpreted, construed, and applied with those of the Declaration to avoid inconsistencies or conflicting results. In the event of a conflict, the order of priority for interpretation shall be the Declaration, these Articles, and the By-laws of the Association.

ARTICLE XVI INCORPORATOR

The name and residence of the incorporator is:

Name:

Keith W. Bricklemyer, Esq.

Address:

400 North Ashley Drive, Suite 1100

Tampa, Florida 33602

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purpose of forming this corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, I, the undersigned, constituting the incorporator of this Association, have executed these Articles of Incorporation this ______ day of ________, 2014.

Keith W. Bricklemyer

Incorporator

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND NAMING THE REGISTERED AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

VERONA AT RENAISSANCE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, as a corporation not for profit with its principal office as indicated in its Articles of Incorporation has named Bricklemyer Law Group, P.L., whose business office is 400 North Ashley Drive, Suite 1100, Tampa, Florida 33602, as its registered agent to accept service of process within Florida.

ACCEPTANCE

Having been named to accept service of process for the foregoing corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes, including the duties and obligations imposed by Section 617.0503, Florida Statutes, relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

BRICKLEMYER LAW GROUP, P.L.

By:

Ceith W. Bricklemyer

Its:

Shareholder

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