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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF ALLAPATTAH COMMERCIAL CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation not for profit pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### ARTICLE 1 NAME

The name of the corporation shall be ALLAPATTAH COMMERCIAL CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC. For convenience, the corporation shall be referred to in this instrument as the "Association." these Articles of Incorporation as the "Articles," the Bylaws of the Association as the "Bylaws," and the Declaration of Condominium of Allapattah Commercial Condominium as the "Declaration."

## ARTICLE 2 OFFICE

The principal office and mailing address of the Association shall be at 6111 Broken Sound Parkway NW, Suite 200, Boca Raton, FL 33487, or at such other place as may be subsequently designated by the Board of Directors. All books and records of the Association shall be kept at its principal office or at such other place as may be permitted by the Florida Condominium Act (Chapter 718 of the Florida Statutes) as it exists on the date hereof and as it may be hereafter renumbered (the "Act").

## ARTICLE 3 PURPOSE

The purpose for which the Association is organized is to provide an entity pursuant to the Act for the operation of that certain condominium located in Miami-Dade County, Florida, and known as ALLAPATTAH COMMERCIAL CONDOMINIUM (the "Condominium").

## ARTICLE 4 DEFINITIONS

The terms used in these Articles shall have the same definitions and meanings as these set forth in the Declaration to be recorded in the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida, unless herein provided to the contrary, or unless the context otherwise requires.

## ARTICLE 5 POWERS

The powers of the Association shall include and be governed by the following:

5.1 General. The Association shall have all of the common-law and statutory powers of a corporation not for profit under the Laws of Florida, except as expressly limited or restricted by the terms of these Articles, the Declaration, the Bylaws or the Act.

- 5.2 <u>Enumeration.</u> The Association shall have all of the powers and duties set forth in the Act, except as limited by these Articles, the Bylaws and the Declaration (to the extent that they are not in conflict with the Act), and all of the powers and duties reasonably necessary to operate the Condominium pursuant to the Declaration and as more particularly described in the Bylaws, as they may be amended from time to time, including, but not limited to, the following:
- (a) The right to enter, inspect and perform such maintenance, repair or replacement to, any Unit or Limited Common Element as permitted by the Declaration.
- (b) To make and collect Assessments, Charges and other charges against the members of the Association as Unit Owners (whether or not such sums are due and payable to the Association), and to use the proceeds thereof in the exercise of its powers and duties.
- (c) To the extent applicable, the duty and obligation to comply with the requirements of the Existing Encumbrances, if any, or to require the Owner of Unit 1 to comply with same if the Declaration or the Association has delegated the obligation to comply the Existing Encumbrances, if any, to the Owner of Unit 1.
- (d) To buy, accept, own, operate, lease, sell, trade and mortgage both real and personal property in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration.
- (e) To sue and be sued and to defend any suits brought against it subject to the limitation in the Declaration.
- (f) To maintain, repair, replace, reconstruct, add to and operate the Common Elements and/or Association Property, and other property acquired or leased by the Association.
- (g) To purchase insurance upon the Common Elements and Association Property and insurance for the protection of the Association, its officers, directors and Owners.
- (h) To make and amend reasonable rules and regulations for the maintenance, conservation and use of the Limited Common Elements, Common Elements and Association Property and any portion(s) thereof for the health, comfort, safety and welfare of the Unit Owners.
- (i) To enforce by legal means the provisions of the Act, the Declaration, these Articles, the Bylaws, and any rules and regulations governing the use of the Condominium Property and Association Property.
- (j) To contract for the management and maintenance of the Condominium Property and/or Association Property, or any portion thereof, and to authorize one or more management companies (which may be an affiliate of the Declarant or an Owner) to assist the Association in carrying out its powers and duties by performing such functions (such as the submission of proposals, collection of Assessments, preparation of records, enforcement of any rules and maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Elements, and Association Property) with such funds as shall be made available by the Association for such purposes. The Association and its officers shall, however, retain at all times the powers and duties granted by the

Condominium Act, including, but not limited to, the making of Assessments, promulgation of rules and execution of contracts on behalf of the Association.

- (k) To employ personnel to perform the services required for the proper operation of the Condominium Property and the Association Property.
- (1) To comply with the obligation to (i) operate and maintain the surface water management system in accordance with the permit issued by the District, if applicable, (ii) carry out, maintain, and monitor any required wetland mitigation tasks, if any, and (iii) maintain copies of all permitting actions with regard to the District; to the extent that applicable law or the District requires the Association (and not the Owner of Unit 1) to perform the foregoing.
- (m) To comply with the duties, obligations and requirements of any applicable Federal, State or local rule, regulation, ordinance, code, project or agreement, including, without limitation, the Existing Encumbrances (as defined in the Declaration).
- (n) All of the powers which a corporation not for profit in the State of Florida may exercise pursuant to the Declaration, these Articles, the Bylaws, Chapters 607 and 617, Florida Statutes, and the Act, in all cases except as expressly limited or restricted in the Act.
- 5.3 <u>Association Property.</u> All funds and the title to all properties acquired by the Association and their proceeds shall be held for the benefit and use of the members in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration, these Articles and the Bylaws.
- 5.4 <u>Distribution of Income; Dissolution.</u> The Association shall not pay a dividend to its members and shall make no distribution of income to its members, directors or officers, and upon dissolution, all assets of the Association shall be transferred only to another non-profit corporation or a public agency or as otherwise authorized by the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act (Chapter 617, Florida Statutes).
- 5.5 <u>Limitation.</u> The powers of the Association shall be subject to and shall be exercised in accordance with the provisions hereof and of the Declaration, the Bylaws and the Act, provided that in the event of conflict: (1) the provisions of the Act shall control over those of the Declaration, Articles and Bylaws; (2) the Declaration shall take precedence over these Articles, Bylaws and any rules and regulations; (3) these Articles shall take precedence over the Bylaws and any rules and regulations; and (4) the Bylaws shall take precedence over any rules and regulations, all as amended from time to time.

#### ARTICLE 6 MEMBERS

6.1 <u>Membership.</u> The members of the Association shall consist of all of the record fitle owners of Units from time to time, and after termination of the Condominium, shall also consist of those who were members at the time of such termination, and their successors and assigns. In the event that a Unit is owned by a legal entity (e.g. other than a natural person), then the officer, director or other official so designated by such legal entity shall exercise such Owner's membership rights, as more particularly set forth herein and in the Bylaws.

- 6.2 <u>Assignment.</u> The share of a member in the funds and assets of the Association cannot be assigned, hypothecated or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to the Unit for which that share is held.
- 6.3 <u>Voting.</u> On all matters upon which the membership shall be entitled to vote, the Unit Owners shall be entitled to the number of votes allocated to each Unit in the Declaration. All votes shall be exercised or east in the manner provided by the Declaration and Bylaws. Any person or entity owning more than one Unit shall be entitled to east the aggregate number of votes attributable to all Units owned.
- 6.4 <u>Meetings.</u> The Bylaws shall provide for an annual meeting of members, and may make provision for regular and special meetings of members other than the annual meeting.

## ARTICLE 7 TERM OF EXISTENCE

The Association shall have perpetual existence, unless dissolved in accordance with applicable law. In the event that the Association is dissolved, and to the extent that responsibility for the surface water management system is the responsibility of the Association, then the property consisting of the surface water management system and the right of access to the portions of the Condominium Property containing the surface water management system shall be conveyed to an appropriate agency of local government. If it is not accepted, then the surface water management system must be dedicated to a similar non-profit corporation.

#### ARTICLE 8 INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of this Corporation is:

<u>Name</u>	Address	(n =255	202	
Associated Corporate Services, Inc.	6111 Broken Sound Parkwa Suite 200 Boca Raton, FL 33487	ay NW	1 DEC 10	* 17
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The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the officers holding the offices designated in the Bylaws. The officers shall be 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. The Bylaws may provide for the removal from office of officers, for filling vacancies and for the duties and qualifications of the officers. The names and addresses of the officers who shall serve until their successors are designated by the Board of Directors are as follows:

<u>President</u> Howard Pryor 2601 South Bayshore Drive

Suite 1030

Miami, FL 33133

Treasurer

Patrick DiSalvo

1760 North Jog Road

Suite 150

West Palm Beach, FL 33411

Secretary

Jack Ballentine

1011 Omar Road,

West Palm Beach, FL 33405

## ARTICLE 10 DIRECTORS

- 10.1 <u>Number and Qualification.</u> The property, business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by a board consisting of the number of directors determined in the manner provided in the Bylaws.
- 10.2 <u>Duties and Powers.</u> All of the duties and powers of the Association existing under the Act, the Declaration, these Articles and the Bylaws shall be exercised exclusively by the Board of Directors, its agents, contractors or employees, subject only to approval by Unit Owners when such approval is specifically required by the Act, the Declaration, these Articles or the Bylaws.
- 10.3 <u>Election and Appointment; Removal.</u> Directors of the Association shall be appointed and/or elected at the annual meeting of the members in the manner determined by and subject to the qualifications set forth in the Bylaws. Directors may be removed and vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled in the manner provided by the Bylaws.
- 10.4 <u>First Directors.</u> The names and addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have taken office, as provided in the Bylaws, are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	Address	
Howard Pryor	2601 South Bayshore Drive Suite 1030 Miami, FL 33133	
Patrick DiSalvo	1760 North Jog Road Suite 150 West Palm Beach, FL 33411	2021 DEC 10 STALLE II
Jack Ballentine	1011 Omar Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33405	PH 4: 34

10.5 <u>Standards.</u> A Director shall discharge his or her duties as a director, including any duties as a member of a Committee: in good faith: with the care an ordinary prudent person in a

like position would exercise under similar circumstances; and in a manner reasonably believed to be in the best interests of the Association. Unless a Director has knowledge concerning a matter in question that makes reliance unwarranted, a Director, in discharging his or her duties, may rely on information, opinions, reports or statements, including financial statements and other data, if prepared or presented by: one or more officers or employees of the Association whom the Director reasonably believes to be reasonable and competent in the manners presented; legal counsel, public accountants or other persons as to matters the Director reasonably believes are within the persons' professional or expert competence; or a Committee of which the Director is not a member if the Director reasonably believes the Committee merits confidence. A Director is not liable for any action taken as a director, or any failure to take action, if he performed the duties of his or her office in compliance with the foregoing standards.

#### ARTICLE 11 INDEMNIFICATION

- any proceeding (other than an action by, or in the right of, the Association) by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, officer, employee or agent (each, an "Indemnitee!") of the Association, against liability incurred in connection with such proceeding, including any appeal thereof, if he or she acted in good faith and in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Association and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. The termination of any proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, or conviction or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Association or, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.
- 11.2 <u>Indemnification.</u> The Association shall indemnify any person, who was or is a party to any proceeding, or any threat of same, by or in the right of the Association to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Association against expenses and amounts paid in settlement not exceeding, in the judgment of the Board of Directors, the estimated expense of litigating the proceeding to conclusion, actually and reasonably incurred in connection with the defense or settlement of such proceeding, including any appeal thereof. Such indemnification shall be authorized if such person acted in good faith and in a manner he reasonably believed to be in, or not opposed to, the best interests of the Association, except that no indemnification shall be made under this Article 11 in respect of any claim, issue, or matter as to which such person shall have been adjudged to be liable unless, and only to the extent that, the court in which such proceeding was brought, or any other court of competent jurisdiction, shall determine upon application that, despite the adjudication of liability but in view of all circumstances of the case, such person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses which such court shall deem proper.
- 11.3 <u>Indemnification for Expenses.</u> To the extent that a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Association has been successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of any proceeding referred to in subsection 11.1 or subsection 11.2, or in defense of any claim, issue, or

matter therein, he or she shall be indemnified against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection therewith.

- 11.4 <u>Determination of Applicability.</u> Any indemnification under subsection 11.1 or subsection 11.2, unless pursuant to a determination by a court, shall be made by the Association only as authorized in the specific case upon a determination that indemnification of the director, officer, employee, or agent is proper under the circumstances because he or she has met the applicable standard of conduct set forth in subsection 11.1 or subsection 11.2. Such determination shall be made:
- (a) By the Board of Directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to such proceeding;
- (b) If such a quorum is not obtainable or, even if obtainable, by majority vote of a Committee duly designated by the Board of Directors (in which directors who are parties may participate) consisting solely of two or more Directors not at the time parties to the proceeding:
  - (c) By independent legal counsel:
  - (i) selected by the Board of Directors prescribed in paragraph 11.4(a) or the Committee prescribed in paragraph 11.4(b); or
  - (ii) if a quorum of the Directors cannot be obtained for paragraph 11.4(a) and the Committee cannot be designated under paragraph 11.4(b), selected by majority vote of the full Board of Directors (in which Directors who are parties pay participate); or
- (d) By a majority of the voting interests of the members of the Association who were not parties to such proceeding.
- 11.5 <u>Determination Regarding Expenses.</u> Evaluation of the reasonableness of expenses and authorization of indemnification shall be made in the same manner as the determination that indemnification is permissible. However, if the determination of permissibility is made-by independent legal counsel, persons specified by paragraph 11.4(c) shall evaluate the reasonableness of expenses and may authorize indemnification.
- 11.6 Advancing Expenses. Expenses incurred by an officer or director in defending a civil or criminal proceeding, or any threat of same, may be paid by the Association in advance of the final disposition of such proceeding upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of such director or officer to repay such amount if he is ultimately found not to be entitled to indemnification by the Association pursuant to this Article. Expenses incurred by other employees and agents may be paid in advance upon such terms or conditions that the Board of Directors deems appropriate.
- 11.7 <u>Exclusivity</u>; <u>Exclusions</u>. The indemnification and advancement of expenses provided pursuant to this Article are not exclusive, and the Association may make any other or further indemnification or advancement of expenses of any of its directors, officers, employees, or agents, under any bylaw, agreement, vote of shareholders or disinterested directors, or otherwise,

both as to action in his or her official capacity and as to action in another capacity while holding such office. However, indemnification or advancement of expenses shall not be made to or on behalf of any director, officer, employee, or agent if a judgment or other final adjudication establishes that his or her actions, or omissions to act, were material to the cause of action so adjudicated and constitute:

- (a) A violation of the criminal law, unless the director, officer, employee, or agent had reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was lawful or had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful;
- (b) A transaction from which the director, officer, employee, or agent derived an improper personal benefit; or
- (c) 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 judgment in its favor or in a proceeding by or in the right of the members of the Association.
- 11.8 <u>Continuing Effect.</u> Indemnification and advancement of expenses as provided in this Article 11 shall, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified, continue as to a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee, or agent and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, and administrators of such a person, unless otherwise provided when authorized or ratified.
- 11.9 Application to Court. Notwithstanding the failure of the Association to provide indemnification, and despite any contrary determination of the Board or of the members in the specific case, a director, officer, employee, or agent of the Association who is or was a party to a proceeding may apply for indemnification or advancement of expenses, or both, to the court conducting the proceeding, to the circuit court, or to another court of competent jurisdiction. On receipt of an application, the court, after giving any notice that it considers necessary, may order indemnification and advancement of expenses, including expenses incurred in seeking court-ordered indemnification or advancement of expenses, if it determines that:
- (a) The director, officer, employee, or agent is entitled to mandatory indemnification under subsection 11.3, in which case the court shall also order the Association to pay such individual's reasonable expenses incurred in obtaining court-ordered indemnification or advancement of expenses:
- (b) The director, officer, employee, or agent is entitled to indemnification or advancement of expenses, or both, by virtue of the exercise by the Association of its power pursuant to subsection 11.7; or
- (c) The director, officer, employee, or agent is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification or advancement of expenses, or both, in view of all the relevant circumstances, regardless of whether such person met the standard of conduct set forth in subsections 11.1, 11.2, or 11.7, unless (a) a court of competent jurisdiction determines, after all available appeals have been exhausted or not pursued by the proposed Indemnitee, that he or she did not act in good faith or acted in a manner he or she reasonably believed to be not in, or opposed to, the best interest of the Association, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, that he or she had

reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful, and (b) such court further specifically determines that indemnification should be denied. The termination of any proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith or did act in a manner which he or she reasonably believed to be not in, or opposed to, the best interest of the Association, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, that he or she had reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

- 11.10 <u>Definitions</u>. For purposes of this Article 11, the term "expenses" shall be deemed to include attorneys' fees and related "out-of-pocket" expenses, including those for any appeals; the term "liability" shall be deemed to include obligations to pay a judgment, settlement, penalty, fine, and expenses actually and reasonably incurred with respect to a proceeding; the term "proceeding" shall be deemed to include any threatened, pending, or completed action, suit, or other type of proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, and whether formal or informal; and the term "agent" shall be deemed to include a volunteer; the term "serving at the request of the Association" shall be deemed to include any service as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Association that imposes duties on, and which are accepted by, such persons.
- 11.11 <u>Effect.</u> The indemnification provided by this Article 11 shall not be deemed exclusive of any other rights to which those seeking indemnification may be entitled under any applicable law, agreement, vote of members or otherwise.
- 41.12 <u>Amendment.</u> Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, no amendment to the provisions of this Article 11 shall be applicable as to any party eligible for indemnification hereunder who has not given his or her prior written consent to such amendment.

#### ARTICLE 12 BYLAWS

The first Bylaws of the Association shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be altered, amended or rescinded in the manner provided in the Bylaws and the Declaration.

#### ARTICLE 13 AMENDMENTS

Amendments to these Articles shall be proposed and adopted in the following-manners

- 13.1 <u>Notice</u>. Notice of a proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of any meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be considered and shall be otherwise given in the time and manner provided in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. Such notice shall contain the proposed amendment or a summary of the changes to be affected thereby.
- 13.2 <u>Adoption.</u> Amendments shall be proposed and adopted in the manner provided in Chapter 617, Florida Statutes; provided, however, that to the extent a different method is provided in the Act, the Act shall control over Chapter 617, Florida Statutes. Further, any amendments to the Declaration as permitted in the Declaration shall also be permitted to be made hereunder in the same manner as permitted in the Declaration.

- 13.3 <u>Limitation.</u> No amendment shall make any changes in the qualifications for membership, nor in the voting rights or property rights of members, nor any changes in Subsections 5.3, 5.4 or 5.5 above, without the approval in writing of all members and the joinder of all record owners of mortgages upon Units. No amendment shall be made that is in conflict with the Act, the Declaration or the Bylaws, nor shall any amendment make any changes which would in any way affect any of the rights, privileges, powers or options herein provided in favor of or reserved to a specific Unit Owner, First Mortgagees and/or Second Mortgagees, unless the specific Unit Owner, First Mortgagees and/or Second Mortgagees, as applicable, shall join in the execution of the amendment. No amendment to this paragraph 13.3 shall be effective.
- 13.4 <u>Recording.</u> A copy of each amendment shall be filed with the Secretary of State pursuant to the provisions of applicable Florida law, and a copy certified by the Secretary of State shall be recorded in the public records of Miami-Dade County, Florida with an identification on the first page thereof of the book and page of said public records where the Declaration was recorded which contains, as an exhibit, the initial recording of these Articles.

# ARTICLE 14 <u>INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE;</u> ADDRESS AND NAME OF REGISTERED AGENT

The initial registered office of this corporation shall be 6111 Broken Sound Parkway NW, Suite 200, Boca Raton, FL 33487, with the privilege of having its office and branch offices at other places within or without the State of Florida. The initial registered agent at that address shall be Steven G. Rappaport, Esq.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Incorporator has affixed his signature this 8th day of December, 2021.

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# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with the laws of Florida, the following is submitted:

That desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the foregoing articles of incorporation, in the County of Palm Beach, State of Florida, the Association named in the said articles has named Steven G. Rappaport, Esq. at 6111 Broken Sound Parkway NW, Suite 200, Boca Raton, FL 33487, as its statutory registered agent.

Having been named the statutory agent of said Association at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with the obligations of that position, and hereby accept the same and agree to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of Florida law relative to keeping the registered office open.

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Dated this 8th day of December, 2021