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**FLORIDA PROFIT/NON PROFIT CORPORATION  
STERLING RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
STERLING RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.  
(a Florida Corporation Not-For-Profit)**

In order to form a corporation not for profit under and in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 617 and 720 of the Florida Statutes, the undersigned hereby incorporates this corporation not for profit for the purposes and with the powers hereinafter set forth and, to that end, the undersigned, by these Articles of Incorporation, certifies as follows:

**ARTICLE I  
DEFINITIONS**

The following words and phrases when used in these Articles of Incorporation (unless the context clearly reflects another meaning) shall have the following meanings:

1. "Articles" shall mean and refer to these Articles of Incorporation and any amendments hereto.
2. "Association" shall mean and refer to Sterling Ridge Homeowners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not for profit. Association is NOT a condominium association and is not intended to be governed by Chapter 718, Florida Statutes (the Florida Condominium Act).
3. "Board" or "Board of Directors" shall mean and refer to the Board of Directors of the Association.
4. "Bylaws" shall mean and refer to the Bylaws of the Association and any amendments thereto.
5. "County" shall mean and refer to Pasco County, Florida.
6. "Declaration" shall mean and refer to the Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Easements for Sterling Ridge, recorded (or to be recorded) in the Public Records of the County, as amended and/or supplemented from time to time.
7. "Director" shall mean and refer to a member of the Board.
8. "HOA Act" shall mean the Florida Homeowners' Association Act, Chapter 720, Florida Statutes, and (unless the context otherwise requires) the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, each in effect and as same exists on the Effective Date and notwithstanding any subsequent amendment, restatement and/or recodification thereof (or any portion thereof) from time to time.
9. "Member" shall mean and refer to a member of the Association.
10. "Governing Documents" shall mean and refer, in the aggregate, to the Declaration, these Articles, the Bylaws, the Rules and Regulations of the Association, the Plat, the Additional Plat, if any, and

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all of the instruments and documents referred to in such documents, all as may be amended and/or supplemented from time to time.

All initial capitalized terms used in these Articles but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Declaration, which are incorporated herein by this reference.

ARTICLE II  
NAME; PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

The name of the corporation shall be STERLING RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, whose principal address and mailing address is 1600 Sawgrass Corporate Parkway, Suite 400, Sunrise, Florida 33323, or at such other place as may be designated, from time to time, by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III  
PURPOSES

The purposes for which the Association is organized are: (i) to take title to, administer, operate, maintain, finance, repair, replace, manage and lease the Association Property (including the Drainage System) in accordance with the terms of, and purposes set forth in, the Governing Documents, and (ii) to carry out and perform the Association's duties and obligations under the Governing Documents (including enforcing the provisions thereof). The Association is not organized for profit and no part of the net earnings, if any, shall inure to the benefit of any Member, Owner or other individual person, firm or entity.

ARTICLE IV  
POWERS

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Association shall have the following powers and 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 Governing Documents of the HOA Act.

B. The Association shall have all of the powers granted to the Association in the Governing Documents. All of the provisions of the Declaration and Bylaws which grant powers to the Association are incorporated into these Articles.

C. The Association shall have all of the powers reasonably necessary to implement the purposes of the Association, including, but not limited to, the following:

1. To perform any act required or contemplated by it under the Governing Documents.

2. To make, establish, amend, abolish (in whole or in part) and enforce reasonable rules and regulations governing the use of the Association Property.

3. To make, levy and collect Assessments for the purpose of obtaining funds from its Members to pay Operating Expenses and other costs defined in the Declaration and costs of collection,

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and to use and expend the proceeds of Assessments in the exercise of the powers and duties of the Association.

4. To own, administer, operate, maintain, finance, repair, replace, manage, lease and convey the Association Property in accordance with the Governing Documents.

5. To enforce, including by legal means if necessary, the obligations of the Members and the provisions of the Governing Documents and the HOA Act.

6. To employ personnel, retain independent contractors and professional personnel, and enter into service contracts to provide for the administration, operation, maintenance, financing, repairing, replacing, management and leasing of the Association Property and to enter into any other agreements consistent with the purposes of the Association, including, but not limited to, agreements with respect to professional management of the Association Property and to delegate to such professional manager certain powers and duties of the Association. Prior to the Turnover Date (as hereinafter defined), the President of the Board shall have the inherent authority to enter into contracts and agreements on behalf of the Association without a meeting of the Directors, so long as the monetary amounts to be paid by the Association pursuant to the contracts and agreements do not exceed the amounts therefor as set forth in the then-adopted operating Budget of the Association, as amended from time to time.

7. To purchase insurance upon the Association Property and insurance for the protection of the Association, its directors, officers, Members and members of the Architectural Control Committee, all as provided in the Governing Documents.

8. To operate, maintain, and manage the Drainage System in a manner consistent with the requirements of the Water Management District Permit and applicable rules and requirements of the Water Management District; to assist in the enforcement of the Declaration's provisions relating to the Drainage System; and to levy and collect adequate assessments against Owners for the costs of maintenance and operation of the Drainage System.

9. To enter into the Declaration and any amendments thereto and instruments referred to therein.

10. To assign and/or delegate any right, duty or obligation of the Association as it deems necessary including, without limitation, assignments and delegations to a management company and/or other entities or persons.

11. To provide, to the extent deemed necessary by the Board, any and all services and do any and all things which are incidental to or in furtherance of things listed above or to carry out the Association mandate to keep and maintain the Community in a proper and aesthetically pleasing condition and to provide the Owners with services, amenities, controls, rules and regulations, and enforcement which will enhance the quality of life in the Community.

12. To borrow money and to obtain such financing as is necessary to maintain, repair and replace the Association Property in accordance with the Declaration and, as security for any such loan,

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to collaterally assign the Association's right to collect and enforce Assessments levied for the purpose of repaying any such loan and to provide such other collateral as may be necessary to obtain such financing.

13. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, there are hereby excluded from the powers and authority of the Association the right or ability, in its own name or on behalf of some or all Owners, to take action against, to object to and/or refuse to consent to, any rezoning, replatting, covenant in lieu of unity of title, change, addition or deletion made in, on or to the Community (including, without limitation, comprehensive plan changes, land use changes, rezoning requests, development orders and approvals, construction plans or permitting and/or other matters relating to the development or redevelopment of any property in the Community), regardless of its proximity to the Community or its actual or estimated impact thereon. This provision shall likewise prohibit the Association from paying, providing or contributing any funds to any business entity, organization or person for the aforesaid purposes. The provisions of this Section 13 may not be amended or revoked (in whole or in part) without the prior written consent of Declarant, which consent may be withheld or delayed in Declarant's sole and absolute discretion.

The powers of the Association shall be subject to and exercised in accordance with the provisions of these Articles, any other Governing Documents and the HOA Act provided, however, that in the event of a conflict, the provisions of the HOA Act shall control over these Articles and any other Governing Documents.

#### ARTICLE V MEMBERS AND VOTING

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 first deed of conveyance of a Lot from Declarant to an Owner is recorded amongst the Public Records of the County (the "First Conveyance") the membership of the Association shall be comprised solely of the Declarant. In that regard, until the First Conveyance, Declarant shall be entitled to cast the one (1) and only vote on all matters requiring a vote of the membership.

B. After the First Conveyance, Declarant shall be a Member as to each of the remaining Lots until each such Lot is conveyed to another Owner, and thereupon and thereafter each and every Owner, including Declarant as to Lots owned by Declarant, shall be a Member and exercise all of the rights and privileges of a Member in accordance with (but at all times subject to) the Governing Documents.

C. Membership in the Association for Owners other than Declarant shall be established by the acquisition of ownership of fee simple title to a Lot as evidenced by the recording of an instrument of conveyance amongst the Public Records of the County. Where title to a Lot is acquired by conveyance from a party other than Declarant by means of sale, gift, inheritance, devise, bequest, judicial decree or otherwise, the person, persons or entity thereby acquiring such Lot shall not be a Member unless or until such Owner shall deliver a true copy of a deed or other instrument of acquisition of title to the Association.

D. The Association shall have two (2) classes of voting membership:

1. "Class A Members" shall be all Members, with the exception of Declarant while Declarant is a Class B Member, each of whom shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot owned.

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2. "Class B Members" shall be Declarant, who shall be entitled to three times the total number of votes of the Class A Members plus one. Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership upon the earlier to occur of the following events ("Turnover Date"):

(i) Three (3) months after the conveyance of ninety percent (90%) of the "Total Developed Lots" (as defined in Article VIII.C. hereof) by Declarant, as evidenced by the recording of instruments of conveyance of such Lots amongst the Public Records of the County;

(ii) At such earlier time as Declarant shall designate in writing to the Association; or

(iii) On such other date as a majority of the Board is elected by the Class A Members as required by the HOA Act.

On the Turnover Date, the Class A Members other than Declarant shall be entitled to elect at least a majority of the Board. After the Turnover Date, Declarant may exercise the right to vote as a Class A Member in the same manner as any other Class A Member except for purposes of reacquiring control of the Association or selecting a majority of the members of the Board.

E. The designation of different classes of membership are for the purposes of establishing the number of votes applicable to certain Lots, and nothing herein shall be deemed to require voting solely by an individual class on any matter which requires the vote of Members, unless otherwise specifically set forth in the Governing Documents.

F. No Member may assign, hypothecate or transfer in any manner such Member's membership in the Association except as an appurtenance to such Member's Lot.

G. Any Member who conveys or loses title to a Lot by sale, gift, inheritance, devise, bequest, judicial decree or otherwise shall, immediately upon such conveyance or loss of title, no longer be a Member with respect to such Lot and shall lose all rights and privileges of a Member resulting from ownership of such Lot, but such party shall remain jointly and severally liable, together with the new Member owning the Lot, for all outstanding obligations (including monies owed) to the Association.

H. There shall be only one (1) vote for each Lot, except for the Class B Members as set forth herein. If there is more than one Member with respect to a Lot as a result of the fee interest in such Lot being held by more than one person, such Members collectively shall be entitled to only one (1) vote. The vote of the Owners of a Lot owned by more than one natural person or by a corporation or other legal entity shall be cast by the person named ("Voting Member") in a certificate signed by all of the Owners of the Lot and delivered to the Association, or, if appropriate, by properly designated officers, partners or principals of the respective legal entity, and filed with the Secretary of the Association, and such certificate shall be valid until revoked by a subsequent certificate. If such a certificate is not filed with the Secretary of the Association, the vote of such Lot shall not be considered for establishing a quorum or for any other purpose.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, whenever any Lot is owned by a legally married couple may, but shall not be required to, designate a Voting Member. In the event a certificate designating a

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Voting Member is not filed by the legally married couple, the following provisions shall govern their right to vote:

1. When both are present at a meeting, each shall be regarded as the agent and proxy of the other for purposes of casting the vote for each Lot owned by them. In the event they are unable to concur in their decision upon any topic requiring a vote, they shall lose their right to vote on that topic at that meeting, but shall count as one (1) Member for purposes of establishing a quorum.

2. When only one (1) spouse is present at a meeting, the person present may cast the Lot vote without establishing the concurrence of the other spouse, absent any prior written notice to the contrary by the other spouse. In the event of prior written notice to the contrary to the Association by the other spouse, the vote of said Lot shall not be considered, but shall count for purposes of establishing a quorum.

3. When neither spouse is present, the person designated in a "Proxy" (as defined in the Bylaws) signed by either spouse may cast the Lot vote, when voting by Proxy is allowed, absent any prior written notice to the contrary to the Association by the other spouse or the designation of a different Proxy by the other spouse. In the event of prior written notice to the contrary to the Association or the designation of a different Proxy by the other spouse, the vote of said Lot shall not be considered, but shall count as one (1) Member for purposes of establishing a quorum.

I. Unless some greater number is provided for in the Governing Documents, a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Members shall exist if Members holding at least thirty percent (30%) of the total voting interests of the Members shall be present or represented by proxy at the meeting.

## ARTICLE VI

### 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, all of the assets of the Association shall be conveyed to a similar homeowners association or a public agency having a similar purpose, or any Member may petition the appropriate circuit court of the State of Florida for the appointment of a receiver to manage the affairs of the dissolved Association and its properties in the place and stead of the dissolved Association and to make such provisions as may be necessary for the continued management of the affairs of the dissolved Association and its properties.

In the event of the Association's termination, dissolution, or final liquidation, the responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the Drainage System must be transferred to and accepted by an entity which complies with Section 62-330.310, F.A.C. and is approved by the Water Management District prior to such termination, dissolution, or liquidation.

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ARTICLE VII  
INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the Incorporator of these Articles are:

Steven M. Helfman, Esq.  
1600 Sawgrass Corporate Parkway, Suite 400  
Sunrise, Florida 33323

ARTICLE VIII  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. The number of Directors on the first Board of Directors of the Association ("First Board") shall be three (3) and shall be increased to four (4), or such greater odd number of not more than seven (7) as determined in the sole discretion of the Declarant, upon the election of one (1) "Purchaser Member" (as hereinafter defined) to the Board in accordance with Section 720.307(2) of the HOA Act. The "Initial Elected Board" (as hereinafter defined) shall be three (3) and the number of Directors elected by the Members subsequent to the "Declarant's Resignation Event" (as hereinafter defined) shall be an odd number of no less than three (3) nor more than seven (7). The Board shall determine the number of Directors to comprise the Board prior to each meeting at which Directors are to be elected. Except for Declarant-appointed Directors, Directors must be: (i) Members or the parents, children or spouses of Members, (ii) a partner, shareholder, member, manager, director or officer of a Member that is an entity, or (iii) a trustee or beneficiary of a Member that is a trust. Each Director shall have only one (1) vote.

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

| <u>NAMES</u>      | <u>ADDRESSES</u>   |
|-------------------|--|
| Marisa Lufkin     | 1600 Sawgrass Corporate Parkway, Suite 400<br>Sunrise, Florida 33323 |
| Patricia Campbell | 1600 Sawgrass Corporate Parkway, Suite 400<br>Sunrise, Florida 33323 |
| N. Maria Menendez | 1600 Sawgrass Corporate Parkway, Suite 400<br>Sunrise, Florida 33323 |

Declarant reserves the right to replace and/or designate and elect successor Directors to serve on the First Board for so long as the First Board is to serve, as hereinafter provided.

C. In accordance with Section 720.307(2) of the HOA Act, the Members other than Declarant ("Purchaser Members") shall be entitled to elect one member of the Board after fifty percent (50%) of all the Lots in the Community to be constructed with a Home thereon (the "Total Developed Lots") have been conveyed to Members. The election of such one (1) Purchaser Member to the Board shall occur at the annual meeting of the Members following such conveyance.

D. Upon the Turnover Date, the Purchaser Members shall be entitled to elect not less than a majority of the Board. The election of not less than a majority of the Board by the Purchaser Members



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shall occur at a special meeting of the membership to be called by the Board for such purpose ("Initial Election Meeting"). The First Board shall serve until the Initial Election Meeting.

E. The Initial Election Meeting shall be called by the Association, through the Board, within sixty (60) days after the Turnover Date. A notice of meeting shall be forwarded to all Members in accordance with the Bylaws; provided, however, that the Members shall be given at least fourteen (14) days prior notice of such meeting. The notice shall also specify the number of Directors which shall be elected by the Purchaser Members and the remaining number of Directors designated by Declarant.

F. At the Initial Election Meeting, Purchaser Members, who shall include all Members other than Declarant, shall elect a majority of the Directors, and Declarant, until the Declarant's Resignation Event, shall be entitled to designate the remaining Directors on the Board (same constituting the "Initial Elected Board"). Declarant reserves and shall have the right, until the Declarant's Resignation Event, to name the successor, if any, to any Director it has so designated.

G. The Board shall continue to be so designated and elected as described herein, at each subsequent Annual Members' Meeting (as defined in the Bylaws), until the Annual Members' Meeting following the Declarant's Resignation Event or until a Purchaser Member-elected Director is removed in the manner hereinafter provided.

H. A Director (other than a Declarant-appointed Director) may be removed from office upon the affirmative vote or agreement in writing of a majority of the voting interests of Purchaser Members for any reason deemed to be in the best interests of the Purchaser Members. A meeting of the Purchaser Members to so remove a Director (other than a Declarant-appointed Director) shall be held upon the written request of ten percent (10%) of the Purchaser Members. Any such recall shall be effected and a recall election shall be held, if applicable, as provided in the HOA Act. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Declarant shall not vote or consent with respect to removal of any Director elected by Members other than Declarant.

I. Upon the earlier to occur of the following events ("Declarant's Resignation Event"), Declarant shall cause all of its designated Directors to resign:

1. When Declarant no longer holds for sale in the ordinary course of business at least five percent (5%) of the Total Developed Lots and all Lots sold by Declarant have been conveyed as evidenced by the recording of instruments of conveyance of such Lots amongst the Public Records of the County; or
2. When Declarant causes the voluntary resignation of all of the Directors designated by Declarant and does not designate replacement Directors.

Upon Declarant's Resignation Event, the Directors elected by Purchaser Members shall elect successor Directors to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation or removal of Declarant's designated Directors. These successor Directors shall serve until the next Annual Members' Meeting and until such Directors' successors are elected and qualified. In the event Declarant's Resignation Event occurs prior to the Initial Election Meeting, the Initial Election Meeting shall be called in the manner set forth in Paragraph E of this Article VIII, and all of the Directors shall be elected by the Purchaser Members at such meeting.

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J. At each Annual Members' Meeting held subsequent to Declarant's Resignation Event, all of the Directors shall be elected by the Members. At the first Annual Members Meeting held after the Initial 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 up to the nearest 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 highest number of 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.

K. The resignation of a Director who has been designated by Declarant or the resignation of an officer of the Association who has been elected or appointed by the First Board shall be deemed to remise, release, acquit, satisfy and forever discharge such Director or officer of and from any and all manner of actions, causes of action, suits, debts, dues, sums of money, accounts, reckonings, bonds, bills, specialties, covenants, contracts, controversies, agreements, promises, variances, trespasses, damages, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever, in law or in equity, which the Association or Purchaser Members had, now have or will have or which any personal representative, successor, heir or assign of the Association or Purchaser Members hereafter can, shall or may have against said Director or officer for, upon or by reason of any matter, cause or thing whatsoever from the beginning of the world to the day of such resignation, except for such Director's or officer's willful misconduct, gross negligence or criminal conduct.

#### ARTICLE IX OFFICERS

The affairs of the Association shall be managed by the President of the Association, assisted by the Vice President(s), Secretary and Treasurer, and such other officers as the Board may from time to time elect, subject to the directions of the Board. Except for officers elected prior to the Turnover Date, officers must be: (a) Members or the parents, children or spouses of Members, (b) a partner, shareholder, member, manager, director or officer of a Member that is an entity, or (c) a trustee or beneficiary of a Member that is a trust.

Except for the First Officers as set forth below, and any successors designated by Declarant, the officers of the Association, in accordance with any applicable provision of the Bylaws, shall be elected by the Board of Directors for a term of one (1) year and thereafter until qualified successors are duly elected and have taken office. The Bylaws may provide for the method of voting in the election, for the removal from office of officers, for filling vacancies and for the duties of the officers. The President shall be elected from amongst the membership of the Board, but no other Officers need be a Director, but each Officer shall be an Owner (other than Officers elected or appointed by Declarant-appointed Directors). If the office of President shall become vacant for any reason, or if the President shall be unable or unavailable to act, the Vice President shall automatically succeed to the office or perform its duties and exercise its powers. If any other office shall become vacant for any reason, the Board of Directors may elect or appoint an individual to

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fill such vacancy. Except for the office of President, the same person may hold two or more offices, the duties of which are not incompatible.

ARTICLE X  
FIRST OFFICERS

The names of the Officers who are to serve until the first election of officers by the Board (or otherwise designated by Declarant) are as follows:

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| President           | - | Marisa Lufkin     |
| Vice President      | - | Patricia Campbell |
| Secretary/Treasurer | - | N. Maria Menendez |

ARTICLE XI  
INDEMNIFICATION

Each and every Director, officer, and member of the Architectural Control Committee of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association from and against any and all losses, claims, demands, suits, actions, causes of action, liabilities (including, without limitation, property damage, personal injury and/or death), judgments, damages (including, without limitation, consequential and/or punitive damages), fines, liens, encumbrances, penalties, costs and expenses of whatever nature or kind (including, without limitation, reasonable fees for attorney and paralegal services and all costs and court costs through and including all trial, appellate and post-judgment levels and proceedings), related to, arising out of and/or resulting from his/her being or having been a Director or officer of the Association, and the foregoing provision for indemnification shall apply whether or not such person is a Director or officer at the time such cost, expense or liability is incurred. Notwithstanding the above, (i) in the event of a settlement in connection with any of the foregoing, the indemnification provisions provided in this Article XI shall not be automatic and shall apply only when the Board approves such settlement and reimbursement for the costs and expenses of such settlement as being in the best interest of the Association, and (ii) in the event a Director or officer admits that he/she is or is adjudged guilty of willful misconduct, gross negligence or criminal conduct in the performance of his/her duties, the indemnification provisions of this Article XI shall not apply. The foregoing right of indemnification provided in this Article XI shall be in addition to and not exclusive of any and all rights of indemnification to which a Director or officer of the Association may be entitled under statute or common law.

The Association shall have the power and authority to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person (a "Covered Person") who is or was a Director, officer, or member of the Architectural Control Committee of the Association, or is or was serving at the request of the Association as a Director or officer of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise. Such insurance shall cover any liability asserted against such Covered Person and incurred in any such capacity, or arising out of such Covered Person's status as such, whether or not the Association would have the power to indemnify the Covered Person against such liability under the provisions of this Article XI.

The provisions of this Article XI shall not be amended in a manner which would limit or deny indemnification for any Director or officer entitled to indemnification hereunder prior to such amendment.

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**ARTICLE XII**  
**BYLAWS**

The Board of Directors shall adopt Bylaws consistent with these Articles. Such Bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed in the manner set forth in the Bylaws. In the event of any 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 First Conveyance, these Articles may be amended only by an instrument in writing signed by the Declarant and filed in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida.

B. After the First Conveyance, and prior to the Turnover Date, these Articles may be amended solely by a majority vote of the Board, without the prior written consent of the Members, at a duly called meeting of the Board.

C. After the Turnover Date, these Articles may only be amended in the following manner:

1. The Board 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 proposed 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 within the time and in the manner provided in the Bylaws for the giving of notice of meetings.

3. At such meeting, a vote of the Members shall be taken on the proposed amendment(s). The proposed amendment(s) shall be adopted only upon receiving the affirmative vote of a majority of the total number of Members in the Association.

4. An amendment may be adopted by a written statement (in lieu of a meeting) signed by all Members and all members of the Board setting forth their intention that an amendment to the Articles be adopted.

D. Notwithstanding any provisions of this Article XIII to the contrary, these Articles shall not be amended in any manner which shall prejudice the rights of any Institutional Mortgagee without the prior written consent of such Institutional Mortgagee.

E. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Article XIII to the contrary, no amendment to these Articles shall be adopted which shall abridge, prejudice, amend or alter the rights of Declarant without the prior written consent of Declarant, including, but not limited to, Declarant's right to designate and select members of the First Board or otherwise designate and select Directors as provided in Article VIII above, nor shall any other amendment be adopted or become effective without the prior written consent of Declarant for so long as Declarant holds either a leasehold interest in or title to at least one (1) Lot.

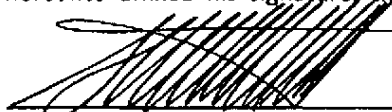
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F. A proposal to amend these Articles must contain the full text of the provision to be amended with new language underlined and deleted language stricken. However, if the proposed change is so extensive that underlining and striking through language would hinder, rather than assist, the understanding of the proposed amendment, the following notation must be inserted immediately preceding the proposed amendment: "Substantial rewording. See Governing Documents for current text." An amendment is effective when recorded in the public records of the County. A copy of each such amendment, modification, repeal or addition attested to by the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Association shall be recorded amongst the Public Records of the County.


ARTICLE XIV  
REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the Association is 1600 Sawgrass Corporate Parkway, Suite 400, Sunrise, Florida 33323, and the initial registered agent of the Association at that address shall be Steven M. Helfman, Esq.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Incorporator has hereunto affixed his signature, this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September.

  
STEVEN M. HELFMAN, ESQ., Incorporator

The undersigned hereby accepts the designation of Registered Agent as set forth in Article XIV of these Articles of Incorporation, and acknowledges that he is familiar with and accepts the obligations imposed upon registered agents under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

  
STEVEN M. HELFMAN, ESQ., Registered Agent

Dated: September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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