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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF ROSS AVENUE TOWNHOMES ASSOCIATION, INC.

The undersigned incorporator hereby makes, subscribes, acknowledges, and files with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation for the purposes of forming a corporation not for profit in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I

Name

1.1 The name of this corporation shall be Ross Avenue Townhomes Association, Inc. and for convenience the corporation shall be referred to in this instrument as "Association". The address of the Association shall be 15852 Sanctuary Drive, Tampa, Florida 33647 or such other address within the State of Florida as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

2.1 The purpose for which the Association is organized is to provide an entity pursuant to the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements (herein "Declaration") for the 212 W. Ross Townhomes located on the real property described in Exhibit "A", Hillsborough County, Florida, a copy of which Declaration is to be recorded in the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida; said purpose shall include but not be limited to, maintenance of certain common areas described in the Declaration and levying and collection of assessments for common expenses. The Association shall make no distribution of income to its members, directors or officers.

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ARTICLE III

Powers

- 3.1 The Association shall have all of the common law and statutory powers of a corporation not for profit not in conflict with the terms of these Articles and the Declaration.
- 3.2 The Association shall have all of the powers and duties set forth in the Declaration and all other powers and duties set forth in the Declaration and all other powers and duties reasonably necessary to carry out the general intent of the Declaration, including but not limited to the following:
 - a. To make and collect assessments to defray the common expenses.
 - b. To use the proceeds of assessments in the exercise of its powers and duties.
- c. To enforce by legal means the provisions of the Declaration and the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the Association.
- d. To perform any obligation of a member under the Declaration if the member fails to perform it.

ARTICLE IV

Members

- 4.1 The members of the Association shall be each record fee simple owner of a Lot (herein "Lot") as that term is defined in the Declaration.
- 4.2 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 his or her Lot.
- 4.3 Subject to the rights of the Declarant as provided in the Declaration, each owner of a Lot shall be entitled to one (1) vote as a member of the Association. If the unit is owned by more

than one (1) owner, all of the owners of such unit shall be collectively entitled to east only one (1)

vote. The manner of exercising voting rights shall be determined by the By-Laws of the

Association.

ARTICLE V

Directors

5.1 The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board consisting of three (3)

directors.

5.2 Directors may be removed and vacancies on the Board of Directors filled in the

manner provided in the By-Laws.

5.3 The names and addresses of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until

their successors and elected and have qualified as provided in the By-Laws, or until removed a

provided in the By-Laws are as follows:

Frederick W. Barnes, Jr.

15852 Sanctuary Drive Tampa, Florida 33647

Sandra Barnes

15852 Sanctuary Drive

Tampa, Florida 33647

Israel Barnes

410 Montrose Avenue

Tampa, Florida 33617

ARTICLE VI

Officers

6.1 The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the officers designated in

the By-Laws. The officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors 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 names and addresses of the officers who shall serve until their successors are

designated by the Board of Directors are as follows:

President:

Secretary and Treasurer:

Frederick W. Barnes, Jr.

Sandra Barnes

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ARTICLE VII

Indemnification

Association against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him in connection with any proceeding or settlement of any proceeding to which he may be a part or in which he may be involved by reason of his being or having been a director or officer of the Association, whether or not he is a director or officer at the time such expenses are incurred, except when the director or officer is adjudged guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his duties; provided, that in the event of a settlement, the indemnification shall apply only when the Board of Directors approves such settlement and reimbursement as being for the best interest of the Association. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which such director or officer may be entitled.

ARTICLE VIII

By-Laws

8.1 The first By-Laws of the Association shall be adopted by the Board of Directors and may be altered, amended or rescinded in the same manner provided herein for amendment of these Articles.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments

9.1 Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation shall be adopted in the following manner: notice of the subject matter of a proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of any meeting at which the proposed amendment is considered; a resolution for the adoption of a

proposed amendment may be proposed either by the Board of Directors or by members of the Association and shall be considered at a joint meeting of members and directors; directors and members not present in person or by proxy at the meeting, considering the amendment, may express their approval in writing, providing such approval is delivered to the Secretary at or prior to the meeting; a resolution adopting a proposed amendment shall require the approval of a majority of the directors and at least five of seven of the Owners:

- 9.2 The Articles may also be amended without a meeting by the written joinder and consent to the amendment by all of the directors and all of the Owners.
- 9.3 Provided, however, that no amendment shall make any changes in the qualifications for membership nor the voting rights of members, without approval in writing by all of the members and joinder of all record owners of mortgages on Lots. No amendment shall be made that is in conflict with the Declaration.
- 9.4 Amendments shall not be effective until a copy certified by the Association as having been properly adopted has been recorded in the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida.

ARTICLE X

Subscribers

10.1 The names and addresses of the incorporators of the corporation and subscribers of these Articles of Incorporation are as follows:

ARTICLE XI

Registered Office and Agent

- The street address of the Association's initial registered office is 15852 Sanctuary Drive, Tampa, Florida 33647, and the name of the Association's initial registered agent at such office is Frederick W. Barnes, Jr. The Association may change its registered office or agent or both by filing with the Department of State of The State of Florida a statement complying with Florida Statute 607.37.
 - 11.2 The term of the Association shall be perpetual.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation for the uses and purposes expressed herein this \(\frac{1}{2} \) day of \(\frac{\frac{1}{2} \) \(\frac{1}{2} \) \(\frac{1}{2} \), 2023. Fudenckiv. Some) -

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by means of physical presence or online notarization this 16 day of AUCUS Barnes, Jr. who: is personally known to me; or

has produced

as identification.

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My Commission Expires:

JAMIE R. GUNDERBON AY COMMISSION # HH 393889

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

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act:

Ross Avenue Townhomes Association, Inc. desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the articles of incorporation at City of Tampa, County of Hillsborough, State of Florida has named Frederick W. Barnes, Jr., located at 15852 Sanctuary Drive, Tampa, Florida 33647 as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

Dated this lot day of HUJUST , 2023.

Ross Avenue Townhomes Association, Inc.

By: Frederick W. Barnes, Jr., President

restrict to Drive Trederick W. Barnes, Jr. Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provision of the above mentioned statute relative to performance of my duties.

EXHIBIT A

Lot 4, Block 13, Highland Park 1st Addition according to the map or plat there of as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 39, of the Public Records of Hillsborough County, Florida.

Hillsborough County tax folio no: 192217-0000

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