ISLAND LAKE VINEYARDS

EXHIBIT A

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I ASSOCIATION OF CO-OWNERS

Island Lake Vineyards, a residential Condominium Project located in the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, shall be administered by an Association of Co-Owners which shall be a non-profit corporation, hereinafter called the "Association", organized under the applicable laws of the State of Michigan, and responsible for the management, maintenance, operation and administration of the Common Elements, easements and affairs of the Condominium Project in accordance with the Condominium Documents and the laws of the State of Michigan. These By-Laws shall constitute both the By-Laws referred to in the Master Deed and required by Section 53 of the Act and the By-Laws provided for under the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act. Each Co-Owner shall be entitled to membership and no other person or entity shall be entitled to membership. The share of a Co-Owner in the funds and assets of the Association cannot be assigned, pledged or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to his or her Unit. The Association shall keep current copies of the Master Deed, all amendments to the Master Deed, and other Condominium Documents for the Condominium Project available at reasonable hours to Co-Owners, prospective purchasers and prospective mortgagees of Units in the Condominium Project. All Co-Owners in the Condominium Project and all persons using or entering upon or acquiring any interest in any Unit therein or the Common Elements thereof, shall be subject to the provisions and terms set forth in the aforesaid Condominium Documents.

ARTICLE II ASSESSMENTS

All expenses arising from the management, administration and operation of the Association in pursuance of its authorizations and responsibilities as set forth in the Condominium Documents and the Act shall be levied by the Association against the Units and the Co-Owners thereof in accordance with the following provisions:

- Section 1. <u>Assessments for Common Elements</u>. All costs incurred by the Association in satisfaction of any liability arising within, caused by, or connected with the General Common Elements or the administration of the Condominium Project shall constitute expenditures affecting the administration of the Project, and all sums received as the proceeds of, or pursuant to, any policy of insurance securing the interest of the Co-Owners against liabilities or losses arising within, caused by, or connected with the General Common Elements or the administration of the Condominium Project shall constitute receipts affecting the administration of the Condominium Project, within the meaning of Section 54(4) of the Act.
- Section 2. <u>Determination of Assessments</u>. Assessments shall be determined in accordance with the following provisions:
 - (a) <u>Budget</u>. The Board of Directors of the Association shall establish an annual budget in advance for each fiscal year and such budget shall project all expenses for the

forthcoming year which may be required for the proper operation, management and maintenance of the Condominium Project, including a reasonable allowance for contingencies and reserves. An adequate reserve fund for maintenance, repairs and replacement of those General Common Elements that must be repaired or replaced on a periodic basis shall be established in the budget and must be funded by regular payments as set forth in Section 3 below rather than by special assessments. At a minimum, the reserve fund shall be equal to 10% of the Association's current annual budget on a noncumulative basis. Since the minimum standard required by this subparagraph may prove to be inadequate for this particular project, the Association of Co-Owners should carefully analyze the Condominium Project to determine if a greater amount should be set aside, or if additional reserve funds should be established for other purposes from time to time. Upon adoption of an annual budget by the Board of Directors, copies of the budget shall be delivered to each Co-Owner and the assessment for said year shall be established based upon said budget, although failure to deliver a copy of the budget to each Co-Owner shall not affect or in any way diminish the liability of any Co-Owner for any existing or future assessments. Should the Board of Directors at any time decide, in the sole discretion of the Board of Directors: (1) that the assessments levied are or may prove to be insufficient to pay the costs of operation and management of the Condominium, (2) to provide repairs or replacements of existing General Common Elements, (3) to provide additions to the General Common Elements not exceeding \$5,000.00 annually for the entire Condominium Project, or (4) in the event of emergencies, the Board of Directors shall have the authority to increase the general assessment or to levy such additional assessment or assessments as it shall deem to be necessary. The Board of Directors also shall have the authority, without Co-Owner consent, to levy assessments pursuant to the provisions of Article V, Section 3 hereof. The discretionary authority of the Board of Directors to levy assessments pursuant to this subparagraph shall rest solely with the Board of Directors for the benefit of the Association and the members thereof, and shall not be enforceable by any creditors of the Association or of the members thereof.

- (b) Special Assessments. Special assessments, in addition to those required in subparagraph (a) above, may be made by the Board of Directors from time to time and approved by the Co-Owners as hereinafter provided to meet other requirements of the Association, including, but not limited to: (1) assessments for additions to the General Common Elements of a cost exceeding \$5,000.00 for the entire Condominium Project per year, (2) assessments to purchase a Unit upon foreclosure of the lien for assessments described in Section 5 hereof, or (3) assessments for any other appropriate purpose not elsewhere herein described. Special assessments referred to in this subparagraph (b) (but not including those assessments referred to in subparagraph 2(a) above, which shall be levied in the sole discretion of the Board of Directors) shall not be levied without the prior approval of more than 60% of all Co-Owners. The authority to levy assessments pursuant to this subparagraph is solely for the benefit of the Association and the members thereof and shall not be enforceable by any creditors of the Association or of the members thereof.
- (c) <u>Assessments by the Community Association</u>. The assessments described in subparagraph (a) above may include assessment imposed by the Community

Association described in Article XIII of the Master Deed in the event that such assessments are to be collected through the various associations established in connection with the condominium developments and platted subdivisions established within the Island Lake of Novi Community. The rights and remedies provided the Association in these Bylaws with respect to the collection of assessments in general shall also apply to such assessments as may be imposed by the Community Association.

Apportionment of Assessments and Penalty for Default. Unless otherwise provided herein or in the Master Deed, all assessments levied against the Co-Owners to cover expenses of administration shall be apportioned among and paid by the Co-Owners in accordance with the percentage of value allocated to each Unit in Article V of the Master Deed, without increase or decrease for the existence of any rights to the use of Limited Common Elements appurtenant to a Unit. Annual assessments as determined in accordance with Article II. Section 2(a) above shall be payable by Co-Owners either in twelve equal monthly installments, quarterly or semiannually, in the discretion of the Board of Directors, subject to Section 7 below, commencing with acceptance of a deed to or a land contract vendee's interest in a Unit, or with the acquisition of fee simple title to a Unit by any other means. The payment of an assessment shall be in default if such assessment, or any part thereof, is not paid to the Association in full on or before the due date for such payment. A late fee of \$25.00 per month shall be imposed on each installment which is in default for 10 or more days. The Association may increase or assess such other reasonable automatic late charges or may, pursuant to Article XX hereof, levy additional fines for late payment of assessments as the Association deems necessary from time to time. Each Co-Owner (whether 1 or more persons) shall be, and remain, personally liable for the payment of all assessments (including fines for late payment and costs of collection and enforcement of payment) pertinent to his or her Unit which may be levied while such Co-Owner is the owner thereof, except a land contract purchaser from any Co-Owner, including Developer, shall be so personally liable and such land contract seller shall not be personally liable for all such assessment levied up to and including the date upon which such land contract seller actually takes possession of the Unit following extinguishment of all rights of the land contract purchaser in the Unit. Payments on account of installments of assessments in default shall be applied as follows: first, to costs of collection and enforcement of payment, including reasonable attorney's fees; second, to any interest charges and fines for late payment on such installments; and third, to installments in default in order of their due dates.

Section 4. <u>Waiver of Use or Abandonment of Unit</u>. No Co-Owner may exempt himself from liability for his contribution toward the expenses of administration by waiver of the use or enjoyment of any of the Common Elements or by the abandonment of his Unit.

Section 5. <u>Enforcement</u>.

(a) Remedies. In addition to any other remedies available to the Association, the Association may enforce collection of delinquent assessments by a suit at law for a money judgment or by foreclosure of the statutory lien that secures payment of assessments. In the event of default by any Co-Owner in the payment of any installment of the annual assessment levied against his or her Unit, the Association shall have the right to declare all unpaid installments of the annual assessment for the pertinent fiscal year immediately due and payable. The Association also may discontinue the furnishing

of services to a Co-Owner in default upon seven days written notice to such Co-Owner of its intention to do so. A Co-Owner in default shall not be entitled to utilize any of the General Common Elements of the Project and shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Association so long as such default continues; provided, however, this provision shall not operate to deprive any Co-Owner of ingress or egress to and from his or her Unit. In a judicial foreclosure action, a receiver may be appointed to collect a reasonable rental for the Unit from the Co-Owner thereof or any persons claiming under him or her. The Association may also assess fines for late payment or non payment of assessments in accordance with the provisions of Article XX of these By-Laws. All of these remedies shall be cumulative and not alternative.

(b) <u>Foreclosure Proceedings</u>. Each Co-Owner, and every other person who from time to time has any interest in the Project, shall be deemed to have granted to the Association the unqualified right to elect to foreclose the lien securing payment of assessments either by judicial action or by advertisement. The provisions of Michigan law pertaining to foreclosure of mortgages by judicial action and by advertisement, as the same may be amended from time to time, are incorporated herein by reference for the purposes of establishing the alternative procedures to be followed in lien foreclosure actions and the rights and obligations of the parties to such actions.

Further, each Co-Owner and every other person who from time to time has any interest in the Project shall be deemed to have authorized and empowered the Association to sell or to cause to be sold the Unit with respect to which the assessment(s) is or are delinquent and to receive, hold and distribute the proceeds of such sale in accordance with the priorities established by applicable law. Each Co-Owner of a Unit in the Project acknowledges that at the time of acquiring title to such Unit, he or she was notified of the provisions of this subparagraph and that he or she voluntarily, intelligently and knowingly waived notice of any proceedings brought by the Association to foreclose by advertisement the lien for nonpayment of assessments and a hearing on the same prior to the sale of the subject Unit.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither a judicial Notice of Action. foreclosure action nor a suit at law for a money judgment shall be commenced, nor shall any notice of foreclosure by advertisement be published, until the expiration of 10 days after mailing, by first class mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the delinquent Co-Owner(s) at his, her or their last known address, a written notice that one or more installments of the annual assessment levied against the pertinent Unit is or are delinquent and that the Association may invoke any of its remedies hereunder if the default is not cured within 10 days after the date of mailing. Such written notice shall be accompanied by a written affidavit of an authorized representative of the Association that sets forth (i) the affiant's capacity to make the affidavit, (ii) the statutory and other authority for the lien, (iii) the amount outstanding (exclusive of interest, costs, attorney's fees and future assessments), (iv) the legal description of the subject Unit(s), and (v) the name(s) of the Co-Owner(s) of record. Such affidavit shall be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in the county in which the Project is located prior to commencement of any foreclosure proceedings, but it need not have been recorded as of the date of mailing as aforesaid. If the delinquency is not cured within the 10-day period, the

Association may take such remedial action as may be available to it hereunder or under Michigan law. In the event the Association elects to foreclose the lien by advertisement, the Association shall so notify the delinquent Co-Owner and shall inform him that he may request a judicial hearing by initiating suit against the Association.

- (d) <u>Expenses of Collection</u>. The expenses incurred in collecting unpaid assessments, including interest, costs, actual attorney's fees (not limited to statutory fees) and advances for taxes or other liens paid by the Association to protect its lien, shall be chargeable to the Co-Owner in default and shall be secured by the lien on his or her Unit.
- Section 6. <u>Liability of Mortgagee</u>. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Condominium Documents, the holder of any first mortgage covering any Unit in the Project which comes into possession of the Unit pursuant to the remedies provided in the mortgage or by deed (or assignment) in lieu of foreclosure, or any purchaser at a foreclosure sale, shall take the property free of any claims for unpaid assessments or charges against the mortgaged Unit which accrue prior to the time such holder comes into possession of the Unit (except for claims for a pro rata share of such assessments or charges resulting from a pro rata reallocation of such assessments or charges to all Units including the mortgaged Unit).
- Section 7. Developer's Responsibility for Assessments. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Condominium Documents to the contrary, the Developer shall not pay regular Association assessments for Units owned by the Developer that are unoccupied, but shall at all times pay all expenses of maintaining, repairing and replacing the Units that it owns. In no event shall the Developer be responsible for payment of any assessments for deferred maintenance, reserves for replacement, for capital improvements or other special assessments, except with respect to Units owned by it on which a completed Residence is located. Any assessments levied by the Association against the Developer for other purposes shall be void without Developer's consent. Further, the Developer shall in no event be liable for any assessment levied in whole or in part to purchase any Unit from the Developer or to finance any litigation or other claims against the Developer, any cost of investigating and preparing such litigation or claim or any similar or related costs. A "completed Residence" shall mean a Residence with respect to which a final certificate of occupancy has been issued by the City of Novi.
- Section 8. <u>Property Taxes and Special Assessments</u>. All property taxes and special assessments levied by any public taxing authority shall be assessed in accordance with Section 131 of the Act.
- Section 9. <u>Personal Property Tax Assessment of Association Property</u>. The Association shall be assessed as the person or entity in possession of any tangible personal property of the Condominium owned or possessed in common by the Co-Owners, and personal property taxes based thereon shall be treated as expenses of administration.
- Section 10. <u>Construction Lien</u>. A construction lien otherwise arising under Act No. 497 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1980, as amended, shall be subject to Section 132 of the Act.
- Section 11. <u>Statement as to Unpaid Assessments</u>. The purchaser of any Unit may request a statement of the Association as to the amount of any unpaid Association assessments

all leases, occupancy agreements and occupancy arrangements shall incorporate, or be deemed to incorporate, all of the provisions of the Condominium Documents. The Developer may lease any number of Units in the Condominium in its discretion.

- (b) <u>Leasing Procedures</u>. The leasing of Units in the Project shall conform to the following provisions:
 - (1) A Co-Owner, excluding the Developer, desiring to rent or lease a Unit, shall disclose that fact in writing to the Association at least 10 days before presenting a lease form to a potential lessee and, at the same time, shall supply the Association with a copy of the exact lease form for its review for its compliance with the Condominium Documents. If the Developer desires to rent Units before the Transitional Control Date, Developer shall notify either the Advisory Committee or each Co-Owner in writing.
 - (2) Tenants and non-owner occupants shall comply with all of the conditions of the Condominium Documents and all leases and rental agreements shall so state.
 - (3) If the Association determines that the tenant or non-owner occupant has failed to comply with the conditions of the Condominium Documents, the Association shall take the following action:
 - (i) The Association shall notify the Co-Owner by certified mail advising of the alleged violation by the tenant.
 - (ii) The Co-Owner shall have 30 days after receipt of such notice to investigate and correct the alleged breach by the tenant or advise the Association that a violation has not occurred.
 - (iii) If after 30 days the Association believes that the alleged breach is not cured or may be repeated, it may institute on its behalf or derivatively by the Co-Owners on behalf of the Association, if it is under the control of the Developer, an action for eviction against the tenant or non-owner occupant and simultaneously for money damages in the same action against the Co-Owner and tenant or non-owner occupant for breach of the conditions of the Condominium Documents. The relief provided for in this subparagraph may be by summary proceeding. The Association may hold both the tenant and the Co-Owner liable for any damages to the General Common Elements caused by the Co-Owner or tenant in connection with the Unit or Condominium Project.
 - (4) When a Co-Owner is in arrears to the Association for assessments, the Association may give written notice of the arrearage to a tenant occupying a Co-Owner's Unit under a lease or rental agreement and the tenant, after receiving the notice, shall deduct from rental payments due the Co-Owner the arrearage and future assessments as they fall due and pay them to the Association. The

deductions shall not constitute a breach of the rental agreement or lease by the tenant.

- Section 3. <u>Architectural Control</u>. All Residences and appurtenances thereto shall be built entirely within the Units which is shown on the Condominium Subdivision Plan. No Residence, building, structure or other improvement shall be constructed outside of a Unit or elsewhere within the Unit or the Condominium Project, nor shall any exterior modification be made to any existing buildings, structure or improvement, unless plans and specifications therefor, containing such detail as the Developer may reasonably request, have first been approved in writing by the Developer including, but not limited to the following:
 - (a) A topographic survey showing the existing and proposed grades, the location of all trees in excess of six (6") inches in diameter, the proposed location of each building or structure and the proposed location of drives and parking areas;
 - (b) Construction and architectural plans including dimensioned floor plans, typical sections and all elevations; and
 - (c) Specifications setting forth the type of quality of all materials and workmanship to be employed including a detailed finish schedule for all exterior materials, products and finishes.

Construction of any building or other improvements must also receive any necessary approvals from the local public authority. Developer shall have the right to refuse to approve any plans or specifications, or grading or landscaping plans, which are not suitable or desirable in its opinion for aesthetic or other reasons or which otherwise fail to satisfy the requirements of these Condominium Documents; and in passing upon such plans and specifications it shall have the right to take into consideration the suitability of the proposed structure, improvement or modification, the site upon which it is proposed to be constructed and the degree of harmony thereof with the Condominium as a whole. The purpose of this Section is to assure the continued maintenance of the Condominium as a beautiful and harmonious residential development, and shall be binding upon both the Association and upon all Co-Owners. Developer's rights under this Article VI, Section 3 may, in Developer's discretion, be assigned (in whole or in part) to the Association or other successors to Developer. Developer may construct or authorize any improvements upon the Condominium Premises that it may, in its sole discretion, elect to make without the necessity of prior consent from the Association or any other person or entity, subject only to the express limitations contained in the Condominium Documents.

- Section 4. <u>Minimum Square Feet</u>. The minimum area of any Residence constructed within a Unit shall be not less than the minimum area required under the applicable zoning ordinance.
- Section 5. <u>Exterior Finishes</u>. The exterior finishes of all Residences and residential structures built in a Unit shall be constructed of primarily natural materials.
- Section 6. <u>Garages and Driveways</u>. All garages must be attached or architecturally related to the Residence, and all garages shall be side or rear facing. No garage shall provide

space for less than two (2) automobiles. Carports may be erected and maintained on Units only if approved in writing by the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period) prior to the commencement of construction. Vehicular access to Units and the Project shall be only by the roads within the Project. All driveways must connect to the roads contained within the Project. All driveways and approaches shall be constructed with bituminous asphalt surfacing, or other hard permanent surface, unless the use of another type of surfacing shall be specifically approved by the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period). All driveways shall be completed prior to occupancy, except to the extent prohibited by strikes or weather conditions, in which case the driveway shall be completed within thirty (30) days of the termination of the strike or adverse weather.

Section 7. Antennas, Mailboxes and Alterations and Modifications Which Affect Utility Lines. No Co-Owner shall install or erect any sort of antenna (including dish antennas) upon any General Common Element. Co-owners shall have the right to install (i) not more than one antenna designed to receive television broadcast signals and (ii) not more than one antenna measuring one meter (39 inches) or less in diameter or diagonally and designed to receive direct broadcast satellite services or video programming from multichannel multipoint distribution (wireless cable) providers within their Units; provided that any such antenna shall be installed behind the Residence constructed within the Unit in a location that is, to the maximum extent possible, shielded from view from the road while still permitting reception of an acceptable quality signal. The Association shall have the right to impose rules requiring that any installed antenna be painted in a specified color so that the antenna blends into its surroundings. The provisions in this Section 7 applicable to antennas are intended to comply with applicable rules and regulations promulgated by the Federal Communications Commission (the "FCC Rules") and shall be automatically amended and revised to the extent required to remain in compliance with future modifications to the FCC Rules. Co-owners are urged to restrict the antenna installed upon their Unit to a dish design measuring not more than 18 inches in diameter. In no event shall an antenna permitted by this Section 7 be installed in front of a Residence unless the Coowner can demonstrate that an acceptable quality signal cannot be obtained from a location to the rear of the Residence.

The design, material, color and construction of all mailboxes and mailbox stands must be approved by the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period) prior to their erection. All mailboxes must be properly maintained and kept in a sightly appearance by the Co-Owners. No Co-Owner shall in any way restrict access to any utility line, or any other element that must be accessible to service the Common Elements or any element which affects an Association responsibility in any way.

Section 8. Activities. No immoral, improper, unlawful or offensive activity shall be carried on in any Unit or upon the Common Elements nor shall anything be done which may be or become an annoyance or a nuisance to the Co-Owners of the Condominium. No unreasonably noisy activity shall occur in or on the Common Elements or in any Unit at any time and disputes among Co-Owners, arising as a result of this provision which cannot be amicably resolved, shall be arbitrated by the Association. No Co-Owner shall do or permit anything to be done or keep or permit to be kept in his or her Unit or on the Common Elements anything that will increase the rate of insurance on the Condominium without the written approval of the Association, and each Co-Owner shall pay to the Association the increased cost of insurance

premiums resulting from any such activity or the maintenance of any such condition even if approved. No laundry shall be hung outside for drying within any portion of the Condominium or any Unit therein.

Pets. No animals or fowl (except two domesticated household pets) shall Section 9. be kept or maintained within any Unit or Common Element. No animal may be kept or bred for any commercial purpose and all animals shall have such care and restraint so as not to be obnoxious or offensive on account of noise, odor or unsanitary conditions. No animal may be permitted to run loose at any time upon the Common Elements and any animal shall at all times be leashed and attended by some responsible person while on the Common Elements. No savage or dangerous animal shall be kept and any Co-Owner who causes any animal to be brought or kept upon the premises of the Condominium shall indemnify and hold harmless the Association for any loss, damage or liability which the Association may sustain as the result of the presence of such animal on the premises, whether or not the Association has given its permission therefor. Each Co-Owner shall be responsible for collection and disposition of all fecal matter deposited by any pet maintained by such Co-Owner. The Association may charge all Co-Owners maintaining animals a reasonable additional assessment to be collected in the manner provided in Article II of these By-Laws in the event that the Association determines such assessment necessary to defray the maintenance cost to the Association of accommodating animals within the Condominium. The Association may, without liability to the owner thereof, remove or cause to be removed any animal from the Condominium which it determines to be in violation of the restrictions imposed by this Section. The Association shall have the right to require that any pets be registered with it and may adopt such additional reasonable rules and regulations with respect to animals as it may deem proper. In the event of any violation of this Section, the Board of Directors of the Association may assess fines for such violation in accordance with these By-Laws and in accordance with duly adopted rules and regulations of the Association. No dog kennels or other enclosed shelters shall be erected or maintained within any Unit or any Common Element. Dog runs may be constructed only in the rear of Units in accordance with all standards and specifications established by the Developer (during the Development and Sales Period and thereafter by the Board of Directors of the Association) and any and all applicable Township ordinances.

Section 10. <u>Aesthetics</u>. The Common Elements shall not be used for storage of supplies, materials, personal property or trash or refuse of any kind, except as provided in duly adopted rules and regulations of the Association. In general, no activity shall be carried on nor condition maintained by a Co-Owner, either in his/her Unit or upon the Common Elements, which is detrimental to the appearance of the Condominium. It shall be the sole responsibility of each Co-Owner to take all steps necessary to prevent his/her Unit and any dwelling, improvements and/or structures located within any Unit or Common Element from becoming unsightly or unkempt or from falling into a state of disrepair so as to decrease the beauty of the Condominium Project. No lawn ornaments, sculptures or statues shall be placed or permitted to remain within any Unit or on any Common Element without the prior written authorization of the Developer (during the Development and Sales Period) and the Board of Directors of the Association.

Section 11. <u>Vehicles and Ancillary Structures</u>. No mobile home, trailer, house or camping trailer, shack, tool storage shed, barn or other similar outbuilding or structure shall be

placed within any Unit or on any Common Element at any time, either temporarily or permanently, except that a tool storage shed may be constructed in the rear of a Unit only with the prior written consent of the Association (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period). Any tool storage sheds which are constructed after obtaining such prior written consent must comply with any and all applicable Township ordinances. No inoperable vehicles of any type may be brought or stored upon the Condominium Premises, either temporarily or permanently. Commercial vehicles and trucks shall not be parked in or about the Project except while making deliveries or pickups in the normal course of business.

Section 12. Advertising. No signs, including "for sale" signs, shall be erected or maintained within any Unit or on any Common Element except with the prior written approval of the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period). The Developer reserves the right to authorize and impose conditions for the use of signs upon any builders and/or "successor developers" in connection with the resale of Units. If authorization for the display of signs is given, the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period) reserves the right to restrict the size, color and content of such signs. All property identification signs, mailboxes, delivery receptacles, yard lights and the like shall be of a standard color, size and style determined by the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period) and shall be erected only in areas designated by the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period).

Section 13. <u>Rules and Regulations</u>. It is intended that the Board of Directors of the Association may make rules and regulations from time to time to reflect the needs and desires of the majority of the Co-Owners in the Condominium. During the Development and Sales Period, the Developer must approve of all such rules and regulations. Reasonable regulations consistent with the Act, the Master Deed and these By-Laws concerning the use of the Common Elements may be made and amended from time to time by any Board of Directors of the Association, including the first Board of Directors (or its successors). Copies of all such rules, regulations and amendments thereto shall be furnished to all Co-Owners.

Section 14. Right of Access of Association. The Association or its duly authorized agents shall have access to each Unit (other than any Residence constructed thereon) and any Limited Common Elements appurtenant thereto from time to time, during reasonable working hours, upon notice to the Co-Owner thereof, as may be necessary to carry out any responsibilities imposed on the Association by the Condominium Documents. The Association or its agents shall also have access to Units and Limited Common Elements appurtenant thereto as may be necessary to respond to emergencies. The Association may gain access in such manner as may be reasonable under the circumstances and shall not be liable to such Co-Owner for any necessary damage to his or her Unit and any Limited Common Elements appurtenant thereto caused thereby. This provision, in and of itself, shall not be construed to permit access to the interiors of Residences or other structures.

Section 15. <u>Landscaping</u>. Upon the completion of a Residence within a Unit, the Co-Owner shall, subject to all applicable ordinances, cause the Unit to be finish graded and sodded and/or suitably landscaped as soon after the completion as weather permits, all in accordance with a landscape plan to be submitted and approved in advance by the Developer in conjunction

with the architectural approval required by Section 3 above. The Developer shall have the right to require the posting of a cash deposit at closing on the Co-owner's purchase of his or her Unit or at such other time as Developer shall deem reasonable as security for the installation of the required landscaping by the Co-owner within the 90-day time period described below or any extension of that time that may be granted by the Developer. No Co-Owner shall perform any landscaping or plant any trees, shrubs or flowers or place any ornamental materials upon the Common Elements, Limited or General, without the prior written approval of the Developer (during the Development and Sales Period) and the Association, in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 3, above. All such landscaping in the Condominium shall be of an aesthetically pleasing nature and shall be well maintained at all times. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, basic landscaping, including finish grading and the laying of sod must be completed within ninety (90) days of closing, weather permitting.

Section 16. <u>Common Element Maintenance</u>. No Common Elements shall be obstructed nor shall they be used for purposes other than that for which they are reasonably and obviously intended. No bicycles, vehicles, chairs or other obstructions may be left unattended on or about the Common Elements.

Section 17. Co-Owner Maintenance. Each Co-Owner shall maintain his or her Unit and any Limited Common Elements appurtenant thereto for which he or she has maintenance responsibility in a safe, clean and sanitary condition. Each Co-Owner shall also use due care to avoid damaging any of the Common Elements including, but not limited to, the telephone, gas, plumbing, electrical or other utility conduits and systems and any other Common Elements which are appurtenant to or which may affect any other Unit. Each Co-Owner shall be responsible for damages or costs to the Association resulting from negligent damage to or misuse of any of the Common Elements by him or her, or his or her family, guests, agents or invitees, unless such damages or costs are covered by insurance carried by the Association (in which case there shall be no such responsibility, unless reimbursement to the Association is limited by virtue of a deductible provision, in which case the responsible Co-Owner shall bear the expense to the extent of the deductible amount). Each individual Co-Owner shall indemnify the Association and all other Co-Owners against such damages and costs, including attorneys' fees, and all such costs or damages to the Association may be assessed to and collected from the responsible Co-Owner in the manner provided in Article II hereof. The Association (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period), after reasonable written notice to a Co-Owner, reserves for itself and its agents the right to enter upon any Unit (but not within a Residence constructed thereon) for the purpose of mowing, removing, clearing, cutting or pruning underbrush, weeds or other unsightly growth which, in the opinion of the Developer and/or the Association, detracts from the overall beauty, setting and safety of the Condominium Project. Such entrance for the purpose of mowing, cutting, clearing or pruning shall not be deemed a trespass. Association (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period) and its agents may likewise enter upon such land to remove any trash which has collected on any Unit (but not within a Residence constructed thereon) without such entrance and removal being deemed a trespass. Each Co-Owner shall be required to remove any debris from the destruction, in whole or in part of any Residence or other structure within his or her Unit (but not within a Residence constructed thereon) with all reasonable dispatch in order to preserve the sightly condition of the Condominium Project. The provisions of this Section 17 shall not be construed as an obligation on the part of the Association (or the Developer during the Development and Sales Period) to

mow, clear, cut, prune or remove any debris from any Unit nor to provide garbage or trash removal services. In the event the Association (or the Developer during the Development and Sales Period) deems it necessary to take the actions necessary as provided for herein, the cost of such actions may be assessed against the Unit in accordance with the provisions set forth in Article II of these By-Laws, along with a reasonable administrative fee.

Section 18. Reserved Rights of Developer.

- Prior Approval by Developer. During the Development and Sales Period, no buildings, fences, walls, retaining walls, drives, walks or other structures or improvements shall be commenced, erected, maintained, nor shall any addition to, or change or alteration to any structure be made (including in color or design), except interior alterations which do not affect structural elements of any Unit, nor shall any hedges, trees or substantial plantings or landscaping modifications be made within any Unit, until plans and specifications, acceptable to the Developer, showing the nature, kind, shape, height, materials, color scheme, location and approximate cost of such structure or improvement and the grading or landscaping plan of the area to be affected shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by Developer, its successors or assigns, and a copy of said plans and specifications, as finally approved, lodged permanently with the Developer. The Developer shall have the right to refuse to approve any such plan or specifications, or grading or landscaping plans which are not suitable or desirable in its opinion for aesthetic or other reasons; and in passing upon such plans, specifications, grading or landscaping, it shall have the right to take into consideration the suitability of the proposed structure, improvement or modification, the site upon which it is proposed to effect the same, and the degree of harmony thereof with the Condominium as a whole. The purpose of this Section is to assure the continued maintenance of the Condominium as a beautiful and harmonious residential development, and shall be binding upon both the Association and upon all Co-Owners.
- (b) Developer's Right in Furtherance of Development and Sales. None of the restrictions contained in this Article VI shall apply to the commercial activities or signs or billboards, if any, of the Developer during the Development and Sales Period or of the Association in furtherance of its powers and purposes set forth herein and in its Articles of Incorporation, as the same may be amended from time to time. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere herein contained, Developer shall have the right to maintain a sales office, model units, advertising display signs, storage areas and reasonable parking incident to the foregoing and such access to, from and over the Project as may be reasonable to enable development and sale of the entire Project by the Developer and may continue to do so during the entire Development and Sales Period.
- (c) <u>Enforcement of By-Laws</u>. The Condominium Project shall at all times be maintained in a manner consistent with the highest standards of a beautiful, serene, private residential community for the benefit of the Co-Owners and all persons interested in the Condominium. If at any time the Association fails or refuses to carry out its obligation to maintain, repair, replace and landscape in a manner consistent with the maintenance of such high standards, then the Developer, or any person to whom he may

assign this right, at his option, may elect to maintain, repair and or replace any Common Elements and/or to do any landscaping required by these By-Laws and to charge the cost thereof to the Association as an expense of administration. The Developer shall have the right to enforce these By-Laws throughout the Development and Sales Period which right of enforcement shall include (without limitation) an action to restrain the Association or any Co-Owner from any activity prohibited by these By-Laws.

Section 19. <u>Fertilizer Use</u>. No fertilizers may be used by the Co-Owners which may, in the estimation of the Association acting through its Board of Directors, damage any wetlands which may be located within or near the Project. The Association may ban fertilizers which may damage any such wetlands from use in the Project.

Section 20. <u>Stockpiling and Storage Prohibited</u>. The stockpiling and storage of building and landscaping materials and/or equipment shall not be permitted within any Unit or on any Common Element except if such materials and/or equipment may be used within a reasonable length of time, but in no event shall the storage of building or landscape materials extend for a period of more than thirty (30) days. This restriction shall not apply to the Developer or any builder the Developer may designate during the Development and Sales Period.

Section 21. Improvements Over Easements. No Residences, improvements or structures may be constructed or maintained over or on any easements; provided, however, that after the aforementioned utilities have been installed, such areas may be sodded. Drainage ditches located within a Unit, if any, shall not be drained, filled, altered, changed, dammed or widened without the express written consent of the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period). All other planting or improvements within a Unit of any type over or on said easements shall be allowed only upon prior written approval of the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period) and only so long as they do not interfere with, obstruct, hinder or impair the drainage plan of the Condominium Project, and so long as access is granted, without charge or liability for damages, for the maintenance of the utilities and underground drainage lines so installed, surface drainage and/or for the installation of additional facilities.

Section 22. <u>Swimming Pools</u>. No above ground swimming pools will be permitted. All in ground swimming pools must be constructed and maintained in accordance with any and all Township ordinances.

Section 23. <u>Fences</u>. No fence shall be erected or installed within the Condominium, except for such fence as may be required in connection with the installation of an in ground swimming pool as permitted by Section 22 immediately above. Any such fence and any wall or hedge of any kind erected or maintained within any Unit or Common Element shall require the prior written approval of the Board of Directors (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period).

Section 24. <u>Special Assessment District/Road Improvements</u>. At some time subsequent to the initial development, it may become necessary to pave or improve some or all of the roads located within and/or adjacent to the Project. The improvement may be financed, in whole or in part, by the creation of a special assessment district or districts which may include Island Lake

Vineyards. The acceptance of a conveyance or the execution of a land contract by any Co-owner or purchaser of a Unit shall constitute the agreement by such Co-owner or purchaser, his or her heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns, that the Board of Directors of the Association shall be vested with full power and authority to obligate all Co-owners to participate in a special assessment district, sign petitions requesting said special assessment, and consider and otherwise act on all assessment issues on behalf of the Association and all Co-owners; provided, that prior to signature by the Association on a petition for improvement of such public roads, the desirability of said improvement shall be approved by an affirmative vote of not less than fifty-one (51%) percent of all Co-owners. No consent of mortgagees shall be required for approval of said public road improvement. All road improvement special assessments levied by any public taxing authority shall be assessed in accordance with Section 131 of the Condominium Act. This provision shall also apply to any roads constructed within the Condominium that are dedicated to public use, except that nothing herein shall be construed to require such dedication.

Residential Unit Development Agreement ("RUD Agreement"); Community Section 25. Association Declaration; Conservation Easement. The Condominium and the Units established within the Condominium are subject to the RUD Agreement described in Article VIII, Section 10 of the Master Deed and the Community Association Declaration described in Article VIII, Section 11 of the Master Deed. Portions of the Condominium and certain Units are encumbered by a Conservation Easement as shown on the Condominium Subdivision Plan and as described in Article VIII, 12 of the Master Deed. Each and every Co-owner and any person occupying a Residence constructed within the Condominium shall comply with the terms and provisions of the RUD Agreement, as amended; the Community Association Declaration, as amended; and the Conservation Easement. Any violation of the RUD Agreement, as amended; the Community Association Declaration, as amended; or the Conservation Easement shall be deemed a violation of these Bylaws. Any Co-owner of a Unit encumbered by the Conservation Easement shall obtain the written approval of the Community Association before such Co-owner causes or permits any activity to be undertaken within the encumbered portion of his or her Unit that is permitted by the Conservation Easement; including, without limitation, the removal of any poisonous or noxious plants or diseased or dead tree or vegetation from the encumbered portion of the Co-owner's Unit.

ARTICLE VII MORTGAGES, MORTGAGE INSURERS AND MORTGAGE GUARANTORS

Section 1. <u>Notice to Association</u>. Any Co-Owner who mortgages his Unit shall notify the Association of the name and address of the mortgagee, and the Association shall maintain such information in a book entitled "Mortgages of Units". The Association may, at the written request of a mortgagee of any such Unit, report any unpaid assessments due from the Co-Owner of such Unit. The Association shall give to the holder of any first mortgage covering any Unit in the Project written notification of any default in the performance of the obligations of the Co-Owner of such Unit that is not cured within 60 days.

- Section 2. <u>Insurance</u>. The Association shall notify each mortgagee appearing in said book of the name of each company insuring the Condominium against fire, perils covered by extended coverage, and vandalism and malicious mischief and the amounts of such coverage.
- Section 3. <u>Notification of Meetings</u>. Upon request submitted to the Association, any institutional holder of a first mortgage lien on any Unit in the Condominium shall be entitled to receive written notification of every meeting of the members of the Association and to designate a representative to attend such meeting.
- Section 4. <u>Applicability to Mortgage Insurers and Guarantors</u>. Any of the rights in the Condominium Documents which are granted to first mortgagees shall also be extended to insurers and guarantors of such mortgages, provided that they have given the Association notice of their interests. However, when voting rights are attributed to a mortgagee, only one vote may be cast per mortgage as to the mortgage in question regardless of the number of mortgagees, assignees, insurers and guarantors interested in the mortgage.
- Section 5. <u>Notification of Amendments and Other Matters</u>. All holders of first mortgages and insurers and guarantors thereof who have requested notice, are entitled to timely written notice of: (a) any amendment affecting a Unit in which they have an interest, (b) any amendment affecting a change in the general Common Elements, or limited Common Element appurtenant to a Unit in which they have an interest, (c) a material change in the voting rights or use of a Unit in which they have an interest, (d) any proposed termination of the Condominium, (e) any condemnation or casualty loss which affects a material portion of the Condominium or a Unit in which they have an interest or (f) any lapse, cancellation or material modification of any insurance policy maintained by the Association.

ARTICLE VIII VOTING

- Section 1. <u>Vote</u>. Except as limited in these By-Laws, each Co-Owner shall be entitled to one vote for each Condominium Unit owned.
- Section 2. <u>Eligibility to Vote</u>. No Co-Owner, other than the Developer, shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Association until he has presented evidence of ownership of a Unit in the Condominium Project to the Association. Except as provided in Article XI, Section 2 of these By-Laws, no Co-Owner, other than the Developer, shall be entitled to vote prior to the date of the First Annual Meeting of members held in accordance with Section 2 of Article IX. The vote of each Co-Owner may be cast only by the individual representative designated by such Co-Owner in the notice required in Section 3 of this Article VIII below or by a proxy given by such individual representative. The Developer shall be the only person entitled to vote at a meeting of the Association until the First Annual Meeting of members and shall be entitled to vote during such period notwithstanding the fact that the Developer may own no Units at some time or from time to time during such period. At and after the First Annual Meeting, the Developer shall be entitled to one vote for each Unit which it owns.
- Section 3. <u>Designation of Voting Representative</u>. Each Co-Owner shall file a written notice with the Association designating the individual representative who shall vote at meetings

of the Association and receive all notices and other communications from the Association on behalf of such Co-Owner. Such notice shall state the name and address of the individual representative designated, the number or numbers of the Condominium Unit or Units owned by the Co-Owner, and the name and address of each person, firm, corporation, partnership, association, trust or other entity who is the Co-Owner. Such notice shall be signed and dated by the Co-Owner. The individual representative designated may be changed by the Co-Owner at any time by filing a new notice in the manner herein provided.

Section 4. Quorum. The presence in person or by proxy of 35% of the Co-Owners qualified to vote shall constitute a quorum for holding a meeting of the members of the Association, except for voting on questions specifically required by the Condominium Documents to require a greater quorum. The written vote of any person furnished at or prior to any duly called meeting at which meeting said person is not otherwise present in person or by proxy shall be counted in determining the presence of a quorum with respect to the question upon which the vote is cast. With respect to meetings of the Co-owners, including the meetings for the election of non-Developer members of the Board of Directors, described in Article XI below, the Developer reserves the right to cause any Directors appointed by the Developer to resign in the event that a quorum of Co-owners cannot be obtained after two (2) attempts. Nothing in this provision is intended to limit or restrict the right of any Director to resign from the Board of Directors for any reason.

Section 5. <u>Voting</u>. Votes may be cast only in person or by a writing duly signed by the designated voting representative not present at a given meeting in person or by proxy. Proxies and any written votes must be filed with the Secretary of the Association at or before the appointed time of each meeting of the members of the Association. Cumulative voting shall not be permitted.

Section 6. <u>Majority</u>. A majority, except where otherwise provided herein, shall consist of more than 50% of those qualified to vote and present in person or by proxy (or written vote, if applicable) at a given meeting of the members of the Association. Whenever provided specifically herein, a majority may be required to exceed the simple majority hereinabove set forth.

ARTICLE IX MEETINGS

Section 1. <u>Place of Meeting</u>. Meetings of the Association shall be held at the principal office of the Association or at such other suitable place convenient to the Co-Owners as may be designated by the Board of Directors. Meetings of the Association shall be conducted in accordance with Sturgis Code of Parliamentary Procedure, Roberts Rules of Order or some other generally recognized manual of parliamentary procedure, when not otherwise in conflict with the Condominium Documents (as defined in the Master Deed) or the laws of the State of Michigan.

Section 2. <u>First Annual Meeting</u>. The First Annual Meeting of members of the Association may be convened only by the Developer and may be called at any time after more than 50% of the Units in Island Lake Vineyards have been sold and the purchasers thereof

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qualified as members of the Association. In no event, however, shall such meeting be called later than 120 days after the conveyance of legal or equitable title to non-developer Co-Owners of 75% of all Units or 54 months after the first conveyance of legal or equitable title to a non-developer Co-Owner of a Unit in the Project, whichever first occurs. Developer may call meetings of members for informative or other appropriate purposes prior to the First Annual Meeting of members and no such meeting shall be construed as the First Annual Meeting of members. The date, time and place of such meeting shall be set by the Board of Directors, and at least 10 days' written notice thereof shall be given to each Co-Owner.

Section 3. Annual Meetings. Annual meetings of members of the Association shall be held on a date determined by the Board of Directors within each succeeding year after the year in which the First Annual Meeting is held, at such time and place as shall be determined by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that the second annual meeting shall not be held sooner than eight months after the date of the First Annual Meeting. At such meetings there shall be elected by ballot of the Co-Owners a Board of Directors in accordance with the requirements of Article XI of these By-Laws. The Co-Owners may also transact at annual meetings such other business of the Association as may properly come before them.

Section 4. <u>Special Meetings</u>. It shall be the duty of the President to call a special meeting of the Co-Owners as directed by resolution of the Board of Directors or upon a petition signed by 1/3 of the Co-Owners presented to the Secretary of the Association. Notice of any special meeting shall state the time and place of such meeting and the purposes thereof. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting except as stated in the notice.

Section 5. Notice of Meetings. It shall be the duty of the Secretary (or other Association officer in the Secretary's absence) to serve a notice of each annual or special meeting, stating the purpose thereof as well as the time and place where it is to be held, upon each Co-Owner of record, at least 10 days but not more than 60 days prior to such meeting. The mailing, postage prepaid, of a notice to the representative of each Co-Owner at the address shown in the notice required to be filed with the Association by Article VIII, Section 3 of these By-Laws shall be deemed notice served. Any member may, by written waiver of notice signed by such member, waive such notice, and such waiver, when filed in the records of the Association, shall be deemed due notice.

Section 6. <u>Adjournment</u>. If any meeting of Co-Owners cannot be held because a quorum is not in attendance, the Co-Owners who are present may adjourn the meeting to a time not less than 48 hours from the time the original meeting was called.

Section 7. Order of Business. The order of business at all meetings of the members shall be as follows: (a) roll call to determine the voting power represented at the meeting; (b) proof of notice of meeting or waiver of notice; (c) reading of minutes of preceding meeting; (d) reports of officers; (e) reports of committees; (f) appointment of inspectors of election (at annual meetings or special meetings held for the purpose of electing Directors or officers); (g) election of Directors (at annual meeting or special meetings held for such purpose); (h) unfinished business; and (i) new business. Meetings of members shall be chaired be the most senior officer of the Association present at such meeting. For purposes of this Section, the order of seniority of officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 8. Action Without Meeting. Any action which may be taken at a meeting of the members (except for the election or removal of Directors) may be taken without a meeting by written ballot of the members. Ballots shall be solicited in the same manner as provided in Section 5 for the giving of notice of meetings of members. Such solicitations shall specify (a) the number of responses needed to meet the quorum requirements; (b) the percentage of approvals necessary to approve the action; and (c) the time by which ballots must be received in order to be counted. The form of written ballot shall afford an opportunity to specify a choice between approval and disapproval of each matter and shall provide that, where the member specifies a choice, the vote shall be cast in accordance therewith. Approval by written ballot shall be constituted by receipt, within the time period specified in the solicitation, of (i) a number of ballots which equals or exceeds the quorum which would be required if the action were taken at a meeting; and (ii) a number of approvals which equals or exceeds the number of votes which would be required for approval if the action were taken at a meeting at which the total number of votes cast was the same as the total number of ballots cast.

Section 9. <u>Consent of Absentees</u>. The transactions at any meeting of members, either annual or special, however called and noticed, shall be as valid as though made at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice, if a quorum is present either in person or by proxy; and if, either before or after the meeting, each of the members not present in person or by proxy, signs a written waiver of notice, or a consent to the holding of such meeting, or an approval of the minutes thereof. All such waivers, consents or approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

Section 10. <u>Minutes, Presumption of Notice</u>. Minutes or a similar record of the proceedings of meetings of members, when signed by the President or Secretary, shall be presumed truthfully to evidence the matters set forth therein. A recitation in the minutes of any such meeting that notice of the meeting was properly given shall be prima facie evidence that such notice was given.

ARTICLE X ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Within one (1) year after conveyance of legal or equitable title to the first Unit in the Condominium to a purchaser or within 120 days after conveyance to purchasers of 1/3 of the total number of Units which may be created in the Project, whichever first occurs, the Developer shall cause to be established an Advisory Committee consisting of at least three (3) non-developer Co-Owners. The Committee shall be established and perpetuated in any manner the Developer deems advisable except that if more than 50% of the non-developer Co-Owners petition the Board of Directors for an election to select the Advisory Committee, then an election for such purpose shall be held. The purpose of the Advisory Committee shall be to facilitate communications between the temporary Board of Directors and the other Co-Owners and to aid in the transition of control of the Association from the Developer to purchaser Co-Owners. The Advisory Committee shall cease to exist automatically when the non-developer Co-Owners have the voting strength to elect a majority of the Board of Directors of the Association. The Developer may remove and replace at its discretion at any time any member of the Advisory Committee who has not been elected thereto by the Co-Owners.

ARTICLE XI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. <u>Number and Qualification of Directors</u>. The Board of Directors shall be comprised of three (3) members, all of whom must be members of the Association or officers, partners, trustees, employees or agents of members of the Association, except for the first Board of Directors, Directors shall serve without compensation.

Section 2. Election of Directors.

- (a) <u>First Board of Directors</u>. The first Board of Directors, or its successors as selected by the Developer, shall manage the affairs of the Association until the appointment of the first non-developer Co-Owners to the Board. Elections for non-developer Co-Owner Directors shall be held as provided in subsections (b) and (c) below.
- (b) Appointment of Non-Developer Co-Owners to Board Prior to First Annual Meeting. Not later than 120 days after conveyance of legal or equitable title to non-developer Co-Owners of 25% in number of the Units that may be created, one (1) of the three (3) Directors shall be selected by non-developer Co-Owners. When the required number of conveyances has been reached, the Developer shall notify the non-developer Co-Owners and request that they hold a meeting and elect the required Director. Upon certification by the Co-Owners to the Developer of the Director so elected, the Developer shall then immediately appoint such Director to the Board to serve until the First Annual Meeting of members unless he or she is removed pursuant to Section 7 of this Article or he or she resigns or becomes incapacitated.

(c) <u>Election of Directors At and After First Annual Meeting</u>.

- (1) Not later than 120 days after conveyance of legal or equitable title to non-developer Co-Owners of 75% in number of the Units that may be created, the non-developer Co-Owners shall elect all Directors on the Board, except that the Developer shall have the right to designate at least one (1) Director as long the Units that remain to be created and conveyed equal at least 10% of all Units in the Project. Whenever the required conveyance level is achieved, a meeting of Co-Owners shall be promptly convened to effectuate this provision, even if the First Annual Meeting has already occurred.
- (2) Regardless of the percentage of Units which have been conveyed, upon the expiration of 54 months after the first conveyance of legal or equitable title to a non-developer Co-Owner of a Unit in the Project, the non-developer Co-Owners have the right to elect a number of members of the Board of Directors equal to the percentage of Units they own, and the Developer has the right to elect a number of members of the Board of Directors equal to the percentage of Units which are owned by the Developer and for which all assessments are payable by the Developer. This election may increase, but shall not reduce, the minimum election and designation rights otherwise established in subsection (1).

Application of this subsection does not require a change in the size of the Board of Directors.

- (3) If the calculation of the percentage of members of the Board of Directors that the non-developer Co-Owners have the right to elect under subsection (2), or if the product of the number of members of the Board of Directors multiplied by the percentage of Units held by the non-developer Co-Owners under subsection (b) results in a right of non-developer Co-Owners to elect a fractional number of members of the Board of Directors, then a fractional election right of 0.5 or greater shall be rounded up to the nearest whole number, which number shall be the number of members of the Board of Directors that the non-developer Co-Owners have the right to elect. After application of this formula, the Developer shall have the right to elect the remaining members of the Board of Directors. Application of this subsection shall not eliminate the right of the Developer to designate one (1) Director as provided in subsection (1).
- (4) At the First Annual Meeting, two (2) Directors shall be elected for a term of two (2) years and one (1) Director shall be elected for a term of one (1) year. At such meeting all nominees shall stand for election as one slate and the two (2) persons receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for a term of two (2) years and the one (1) person receiving the next highest number of votes shall be elected for a term of one (1) year. At each annual meeting held thereafter, either two (2) or one (1) Director shall be elected depending upon the number of Directors whose terms expire. After the First Annual Meeting, the term of office (except for one (1) of the Directors elected at the First Annual Meeting) of each Director shall be two (2) years. The Directors shall hold office until their successors have been elected and hold their first meeting.
- (5) Once the Co-Owners have acquired the right to elect a majority of the Board of Directors, annual meetings of Co-Owners to elect Directors and conduct other business shall be held in accordance with the provisions of Article IX, Section 3 hereof.
- Section 3. <u>Powers and Duties</u>. The Board of Directors shall have the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the affairs of the Association and may do all acts and things as are not prohibited by the Condominium Documents or required thereby to be exercised and done by the Co-Owners.
- Section 4. Other Duties. In addition to the foregoing duties imposed by these By-Laws or any further duties which may be imposed by resolution of the members of the Association, the Board of Directors shall be responsible specifically for the following:
 - (a) To manage and administer the affairs of and to maintain the Condominium Project and the General Common Elements thereof.
 - (b) To levy and collect assessments from the members of the Association and to use the proceeds thereof for the purposes of the Association.

- (c) To collect assessments from the members of the Association for remittance to the Community Association as described in Article XIII of the Master Deed.
 - (d) To carry insurance and collect and allocate the proceeds thereof.
 - (e) To rebuild improvements after casualty.
- (f) To contract for and employ persons, firms, corporations or other agents to assist in the management, operation, maintenance and administration of the Condominium Project.
- (g) To acquire, maintain and improve; and to buy, operate, manage, sell, convey, assign, mortgage or lease any real or personal property (including any Unit in the Condominium and easements, rights-of-way and licenses) on behalf of the Association in furtherance of any of the purposes of the Association.
- (h) To borrow money and issue evidences of indebtedness in furtherance of any or all of the purposes of the Association, and to secure the same by mortgage, pledge, or other lien on property owned by the Association; provided, however, that any such action shall also be approved by affirmative vote of 75% of all of the members of the Association in number and in value.
- (i) To make rules and regulations in accordance with Article VI, Section 10 of these By-Laws.
- (j) To establish such committees as it deems necessary, convenient or desirable and to appoint persons thereto for the purpose of implementing the administration of the Condominium and to delegate to such committees any functions or responsibilities which are not by law or the Condominium Documents required to be performed by the Board.
 - (k) To enforce the provisions of the Condominium Documents.
- Section 5. Management Agent. The Board of Directors may employ for the Association a professional management agent (which may include the Developer or any person or entity related thereto) at reasonable compensation established by the Board to perform such duties and services as the Board shall authorize, including, but not limited to, the duties listed in Sections 3 and 4 of this Article, and the Board may delegate to such management agent any other duties or powers which are not by law or by the Condominium Documents required to be performed by or have the approval of the Board of Directors or the members of the Association. In no event shall the Board be authorized to enter into any contract with a professional management agent, or any other contract providing for services by the Developer, sponsor or builder, in which the maximum term is greater than three (3) years or which is not terminable by the Association upon 90 days written notice thereof to the other party and no such contract shall violate the provisions of Section 55 of the Act.

- Section 6. <u>Vacancies</u>. Vacancies in the Board of Directors which occur after the Transitional Control Date caused by any reason other than the removal of a Director by a vote of the members of the Association shall be filled by vote of the majority of the remaining Directors, even though they may constitute less than a quorum, except that the Developer shall be solely entitled to fill the vacancy of any Director whom it is permitted in the first instance to designate. Each person so elected shall be a Director until a successor is elected at the next annual meeting of the members of the Association. Vacancies among non-developer Co-Owner elected Directors which occur prior to the Transitional Control Date may be filled only through election by non-developer Co-Owners and shall be filled in the manner specified in Section 2(b) of this Article.
- Section 7. Removal. At any regular or special meeting of the Association duly called with due notice of the removal action proposed to be taken, any one or more of the Directors may be removed with or without cause by the affirmative vote of more than 50% of all of the Co-Owners qualified to vote and a successor may then and there be elected to fill any vacancy thus created. The quorum requirement for the purpose of filling such vacancy shall be the normal 35% requirement set forth in Article VIII, Section 4. Any Director whose removal has been proposed by the Co-Owners shall be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting. The Developer may remove and replace any or all of the Directors selected by it at anytime or from time to time in its sole discretion. Likewise, any Director selected by the non-developer Co-Owners to serve before the First Annual Meeting may be removed before the First Annual Meeting in the same manner set forth in this paragraph for removal of Directors generally.
- Section 8. <u>First Meeting</u>. The first meeting of a newly elected Board of Directors shall be held within 10 days of election at such place as shall be fixed by the Directors at the meeting at which such Directors were elected, and no notice shall be necessary to the newly elected Directors in order legally to constitute such meeting, providing a majority of the whole Board shall be present.
- Section 9. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held at such times and places as shall be determined from time to time by a majority of the Directors, but at least two (2) such meetings shall be held during each fiscal year. Notice of regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be given to each Director personally, by mail, telephone or telegraph, at least 10 days prior to the date named for such meeting.
- Section 10. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President on 3 days notice to each given personally, by mail, telephone or telegraph, which notice shall state the time, place and purpose of the meeting. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the President or Secretary in like manner and on like notice on the written request of two (2) Directors.
- Section 11. <u>Waiver of Notice</u>. Before or at any meeting of the Board of Directors, any Director may, in writing, waive notice of such meeting and such waiver shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Attendance by a Director at any meetings of the Board shall be deemed a waiver of notice by him or her of the time and place thereof. If all the Directors are present at any meeting of the Board, no notice shall be required and any business may be transacted at such meeting.

- Section 12. Quorum. At all meetings of the Board of Directors, a majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the acts of the majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the acts of the Board of Directors. If, at any meeting of the Board of Directors, there be less than a quorum present, the majority of those present may adjourn the meeting to a subsequent time upon 24 hours prior written notice delivered to all Directors not present. At any such adjourned meeting, any business which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally called may be transacted without further notice. The joinder of a Director in the action of a meeting by signing and concurring in the minutes thereof, shall constitute the presence of such Director for purposes of determining a quorum.
- Section 13. <u>First Board of Directors</u>. The actions of the first Board of Directors of the Association or any successors thereto selected before the Transitional Control Date shall be binding upon the Association so long as such actions are within the scope of the powers and duties which may be exercised generally by the Board of Directors as provided in the Condominium Documents.
- Section 14. <u>Fidelity Bonds</u>. The Board of Directors shall require that all officers and employees of the Association handling or responsible for Association funds shall furnish adequate fidelity bonds. The premiums on such bonds shall be an expense of administration.

ARTICLE XII OFFICERS

- Section 1. Officers. The principal officers of the Association shall be a President, who shall be a member of the Board of Directors, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The Directors may appoint an Assistant Treasurer, and an Assistant Secretary, and such other officers as in their judgment may be necessary. Any two (2) offices except that of President and Vice President may be held by one (1) person.
 - (a) <u>President</u>. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association. He shall preside at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors. He shall have all of the general powers and duties which are usually vested in the office of the President of an association, including, but not limited to, the power to appoint committees from among the members of the Association from time to time as he may in his discretion deem appropriate to assist in the conduct of the affairs of the Association.
 - (b) <u>Vice President</u>. The Vice President shall take the place of the President and perform his duties whenever the President shall be absent or unable to act. If neither the President nor the Vice President is able to act, the Board of Directors shall appoint some other member of the Board to so do on an interim basis. The Vice President shall also perform such other duties as shall from time to time be imposed upon him by the Board of Directors.
 - (c) <u>Secretary</u>. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors and the minutes of all meetings of the members of the Association; he

shall have charge of the corporate seal, if any, and of such books and papers as the Board of Directors may direct; and he shall, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of the Secretary.

- (d) <u>Treasurer</u>. The Treasurer shall have responsibility for the Association's funds and securities and shall be responsible for keeping full and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Association. He shall be responsible for the deposit of all monies and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Association, and in such depositories as may, from time to time, be designated by the Board of Directors.
- Section 2. <u>Election</u>. The officers of the Association shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the organizational meeting of each new Board and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.
- Section 3. Removal. Upon affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors, any officer may be removed either with or without cause, and his successor elected at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors, or at any special meeting of the Board called for such purpose. No such removal action may be taken, however, unless the matter shall have been included in the notice of such meeting. The officer who is proposed to be removed shall be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting.
- Section 4. <u>Duties</u>. The officers shall have such other duties, powers and responsibilities as shall, from time to time, be authorized by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XIII SEAL

The Association may (but need not) have a seal. If the Board determines that the Association shall have a seal, then it shall have inscribed thereon the name of the Association, the words "corporate seal", and "Michigan".

ARTICLE XIV FINANCE

Section 1. Records. The Association shall keep detailed books of account showing all expenditures and receipts of administration, and which shall specify the maintenance and repair expenses of the Common Elements and any other expenses incurred by or on behalf of the Association and the Co-Owners. Such accounts and all other Association records shall be open for inspection by the Co-Owners and their mortgagees during reasonable working hours. The Association shall prepare and distribute to each Co-Owner at least once a year a financial statement, the contents of which shall be defined by the Association. The books of account shall be audited at least annually by qualified independent auditors; provided, however, that such auditors need not be certified public accountants nor does such audit need to be a certified audit. Any institutional holder of a first mortgage lien on any Unit in the Condominium shall be entitled to receive a copy of such annual audited financial statement within 90 days following the

end of the Association's fiscal year upon request therefor. The costs of any such audit and any accounting expenses shall be expenses of administration.

Section 2. <u>Fiscal Year</u>. The fiscal year of the Association shall be an annual period commencing on such date as may be initially determined by the Directors. The commencement date of the fiscal year shall be subject to change by the Directors for accounting reasons or other good cause.

Section 3. <u>Bank</u>. Funds of the Association shall be initially deposited in such bank or savings association as may be designated by the Directors and shall be withdrawn only upon the check or order of such officers, employees or agents as are designated by resolution of the Board of Directors from time to time. The funds may be invested from time to time in accounts or deposit certificates of such bank or savings association as are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation or their current statutory successors and may also be invested in interest bearing obligations of the United States Government.

ARTICLE XV INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Every Director and officer of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association against all expenses and liabilities, including actual and reasonable counsel fees and amounts paid in settlement, incurred by or imposed upon him or her in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative and whether formal or informal, to which he or she may be a party or in which he or she may become involved by reason of his or her being or having been a Director or officer of the Association, whether or not he or she is a Directors or officer at the time such expenses are incurred, except as otherwise prohibited by law; provided that, in the event of any claim for reimbursement or indemnification hereunder based upon a settlement by the Director or officer seeking such reimbursement or indemnification, the indemnification herein shall apply only if the Board of Directors (with the Director seeking reimbursement abstaining) approves such settlement and reimbursement as being in 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. This right of indemnification excludes willful and wanton misconduct and gross negligence. At least ten days prior to payment of any indemnification which it has approved, the Board of Directors shall notify all Co-Owners thereof. Further, the Board of Directors is authorized to carry officers' and directors liability insurance covering acts of the officers and Directors of the Association in such amounts as it shall deem appropriate.

ARTICLE XVI AMENDMENTS

Section 1. <u>Proposal</u>. Amendments to these By-Laws may be proposed by the Board of Directors of the Association acting upon the vote of the majority of the Directors or may be proposed by 1/3 or more of the Co-Owners by instrument in writing signed by them.

- Section 2. <u>Meeting</u>. Upon any such amendment being proposed, a meeting for consideration of the same shall be duly called in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws.
- Section 3. <u>By Co-owner</u>. These By-Laws may be amended by the Co-Owners at any regular annual meeting or a special meeting called for such purpose by an affirmative vote of not less than 66-2/3% of all Co-Owners. No consent of mortgagees shall be required to amend these By-Laws unless such amendment would materially alter or change the rights of such mortgagees. In which event the approval of 66-2/3% of the mortgagees shall be required, with each mortgagee to have one vote for each first mortgage held.
- Section 4. <u>By Developer</u>. Prior to the Transitional Control Date, these By-Laws may be amended by the Developer without approval from any other person so long as any such amendment does not materially alter or change the right of a Co-Owner or mortgagee.
- Section 5. Approval by the City of Novi. Any amendment to these Bylaws that affects the interests of the City of Novi or the conditions of project approval imposed by the City shall require the prior approval of the City of Novi and such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- Section 6. When Effective. Any amendment to these By-Laws shall become effective upon recording of such amendment in the office of the Oakland County Register of Deeds.
- Section 7. <u>Binding</u>. A copy of each amendment to the By-Laws shall be furnished to every member of the Association after adoption; provided, however, that any amendment to these By-Laws that is adopted in accordance with this Article shall be binding upon all persons who have an interest in the Project irrespective of whether such persons actually receive a copy of the amendment.

ARTICLE XVII COMPLIANCE

The Association and all present or future Co-Owners, tenants, future tenants, or any other persons acquiring an interest in or using the Project in any manner are subject to and shall comply with the Act, as amended, and the mere acquisition, occupancy or rental of any Unit or an interest therein or the utilization of or entry upon the Condominium Premises shall signify that the Condominium Documents are accepted and ratified. In the event the Condominium Documents conflict with the provisions of the Act, the Act shall govern.

ARTICLE XVIII DEFINITIONS

All terms used herein shall have the same meaning as set forth in the Master Deed to which these By-Laws are attached as an Exhibit or as set forth in the Act.

ARTICLE XIX REMEDIES FOR DEFAULT

Any default by a Co-Owner shall entitle the Association or another Co-Owner or Co-Owners to the following relief:

- Section 1. <u>Legal Action</u>. Failure to comply with any of the terms or provisions of the Condominium Documents shall be grounds for relief, which may include, without intending to limit the same, an action to recover sums due for damages, injunctive relief, foreclosure of lien (if default in payment of assessment) or any combination thereof, and such relief may be sought by the Association or, if appropriate, by an aggrieved Co-Owner or Co-Owners.
- Section 2. Recovery of Costs. In any proceeding arising because of an alleged default by any Co-Owner, the Association, if successful, shall be entitled to recover the costs of the proceeding and such reasonable attorney's fees (not limited to statutory fees) as may be determined by the court, but in no event shall any Co-Owner be entitled to recover such attorney's fees.
- Section 3. Removal and Abatement. The violation of any of the provisions of the Condominium Documents shall also give the Association or its duly authorized agents the right, in addition to the rights set forth above, to enter upon the Common Elements or into any Unit (but not into any Residence or related garage), where reasonably necessary, and summarily remove and abate, at the expense of the Co-Owner in violation, any structure, thing or condition existing or maintained contrary to the provisions of the Condominium Documents. The Association shall have no liability to any Co-Owner arising out of the exercise of its removal and abatement power authorized herein.
- Section 4. <u>Assessment of Fines</u>. The violation of any of the provisions of the Condominium Documents by any Co-Owner shall be grounds for assessment by the Association, acting through its duly constituted Board of Directors, of monetary fines for such violations. No fine may be assessed unless in accordance with the provisions of Article XX thereof.
- Section 5. <u>Non-Waiver of Right</u>. The failure of the Association or of any Co-Owner to enforce any right, provision, covenant or condition which may be granted by the Condominium Documents shall not constitute a waiver of the right of the Association or of any such Co-Owner to enforce such right, provision, covenant or condition in the future.
- Section 6. <u>Cumulative Rights, Remedies and Privileges</u>. All rights, remedies and privileges granted to the Association or any Co-Owner or Co-Owners pursuant to any terms, provisions, covenants or conditions of the aforesaid Condominium Documents shall be deemed to be cumulative and the exercise of any one or more shall not be deemed to constitute an election of remedies, nor shall it preclude the party thus exercising the same from exercising such other and additional rights, remedies or privileges as may be available to such party at law or in equity.

Section 7. <u>Enforcement of Provisions of Condominium Documents</u>. A Co-Owner may maintain an action against the Association and its officers and Directors to compel such persons to enforce the terms and provisions of the Condominium Documents. A Co-Owner may maintain an action against any other Co-Owner for injunctive relief or for damages or any combination thereof for noncompliance with the terms and provisions of the Condominium Documents or the Act.

ARTICLE XX ASSESSMENT OF FINES

- Section 1. <u>General</u>. The violation by any Co-Owner, occupant or guest of any provisions of the Condominium Documents including any duly adopted rules and regulations shall be grounds for assessment by the Association, acting through its duly constituted Board of Directors, of monetary fines against the involved Co-Owner. Such Co-Owner shall be deemed responsible for such violations whether they occur as a result of his or her personal actions or the actions of his or her family, guests, tenants or any other person admitted through such Co-Owner to the Condominium Premises.
- Section 2. <u>Procedures</u>. Upon any such violation being alleged by the Board, the following procedures will be followed:
 - (a) <u>Notice</u>. Notice of the violation, including the Condominium Document provision violated, together with a description of the factual nature of the alleged offense set forth with such reasonable specificity as will place the Co-Owner on notice as to the violation, shall be sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, or personally delivered to the representative of said Co-Owner at the address as shown in the notice required to be filed with the Association pursuant to Article VIII, Section 3 of these By-Laws.
 - (b) Opportunity to Defend. The offending Co-Owner shall have an opportunity to appear before the Board and offer evidence in defense of the alleged violation. The appearance before the Board shall be at its next scheduled meeting but in no event shall the Co-Owner be required to appear less than 10 days from the date of the Notice.
 - (c) <u>Default</u>. Failure to respond to the Notice of Violation constitutes a default.
 - (d) <u>Hearing and Decision</u>. Upon appearance by the Co-Owner before the Board and presentation of evidence of defense, or, in the event of the Co-Owner's default, the Board shall, by majority vote of a quorum of the Board, decide whether a violation has occurred. The Board's decision is final.
- Section 3. <u>Amounts</u>. Upon violation of any of the provisions of the Condominium Documents and after default of the offending Co-Owner or upon the decision of the Board as recited above, the following fines shall be levied:
 - (a) <u>First Violation</u>. No fine shall be levied.
 - (b) Second Violation. Seventy-Five Dollars (\$75.00) fine.

- (c) Third Violation. One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) fine.
- (d) <u>Fourth Violation and Subsequent Violations</u>. One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) fine for each violation.

The Association, acting through its Board of Directors, may increase or decrease the fine schedule set forth above by Board resolution after giving prior written notice to the Co-Owners of the proposed change. The resolution and a proof of notice shall then be recorded in Oakland County Records and the new schedule shall be effective upon recording.

Section 4. <u>Collection</u>. The fines levied pursuant to Section 3 above shall be assessed against the Co-Owner and shall be due and payable together with the regular Condominium assessment on the first of the next following month or within 30 days of the imposition of the fine if regular Condominium assessments are collected on a quarterly or semiannual basis. Failure to pay the fine will subject the Co-Owner to all liabilities set forth in the Condominium Documents including, without limitation, those described in Article II and this Article XX of these By-Laws.

ARTICLE XXI RIGHTS RESERVED TO DEVELOPER

Any or all of the rights and powers granted or reserved to the Developer in the Condominium Documents or by law, including the right and power to approve or disapprove any act, use, or proposed action or any other matter or thing, may be assigned by it to any other entity or entities or to the Association. Any such assignment or transfer shall be made by appropriate instrument in writing in which the assignee or transferee shall join for the purpose of evidencing its acceptance of such powers and rights and such assignee or transferee shall thereupon have the same rights and powers as herein given and reserved to the Developer. Any rights and powers reserved or granted to the Developer or its successors shall terminate, if not sooner assigned to the Association, at the conclusion of the Development and Sales Period as defined in Article III of the Master Deed. The immediately preceding sentence dealing with the termination of certain rights and powers granted or reserved to the Developer is intended to apply, insofar as the Developer is concerned, only to the Developer's rights to approve and control the administration of the Condominium and shall not, under any circumstances, be construed to apply to or cause the termination of any real property rights granted or reserved to the Developer or its successors and assigns in the Master Deed or elsewhere (including, but not limited to, access easements, utility easements and all other easements created and reserved in such documents which shall not be terminable in any manner hereunder and which shall be governed only in accordance with the terms of their creation or reservation and not hereby).

ARTICLE XXII JUDICIAL ACTIONS AND CLAIMS

Actions on behalf of and against the Co-owners shall be brought in the name of the Association. Subject to the express limitations on actions in these Bylaws and in the Association's Articles of Incorporation, the Association may assert, defend or settle claims on behalf of all Co-owners in connection with the Common Elements of the Condominium. As provided in the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, the commencement of any civil action

(other than one to enforce these Bylaws or collect delinquent assessments) shall require the approval of a majority in number and in value of the Co-owners, and shall be governed by the requirements of this Article. The requirements of this Article will ensure that the Co-owners are fully informed regarding the prospects and likely costs of any civil actions actually filed by the Association. These requirements are imposed in order to reduce both the cost of litigation and the risk of improvident litigation, and in order to avoid the waste of the Association's assets in litigation where reasonable and prudent alternatives to the litigation exist. Each Co-owner shall have standing to sue to enforce the requirements of this Article. The following procedures and requirements apply to the Association's commencement of any civil action other than an action to enforce these Bylaws or to collect delinquent assessments:

- Section 1. <u>Board of Directors' Recommendation to Co-owners</u>. The Association's Board of Directors shall be responsible in the first instance for recommending to the Co-owners that a civil action be filed, and supervising and directing any civil actions that are filed.
- Section 2. <u>Litigation Evaluation Meeting</u>. Before an attorney is engaged for purposes of filing a civil action on behalf of the Association, the Board of Directors shall call a special meeting of the Co-owners ("litigation evaluation meeting") for the express purpose of evaluating the merits of the proposed civil action. The written notice to the Co-owners of the date, time and place of the litigation evaluation meeting shall be sent to all Co-owners not less than twenty (20) days before the date of the meeting and shall including the following information typed or printed on 8-1/2" x 11" paper:
 - (a) A certified resolution of the Board of Directors setting forth in detail the concerns of the Board of Directors giving rise to the need to file a civil action and further certifying that:
 - (i) it is in the best interests of the Association to file a lawsuit;
 - (ii) that at least one member of the Board of Directors has personally made a good faith effort to negotiate a settlement with the putative defendant(s) on behalf of the Association, without success;
 - (iii) litigation is the only prudent, feasible and reasonable alternative; and
 - (iv) the Board of Directors' proposed attorney for the civil action is of the written opinion that litigation is the Association's most reasonable and prudent alternative.
 - (b) A written summary of the relevant experience of the attorney ("litigation attorney") the Board of Directors recommends be retained to represent the Association in the proposed civil action, including the following information: (i) the number of years the litigation attorney has practiced law; and (ii) the name and address of every condominium and homeowner association for which the attorney has filed a civil action in any court, together with the case number, county and court in which each civil action was filed.

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- (c) The litigation attorney's written estimate of the amount of the Association's likely recovery in the proposed lawsuit, net of legal fees, court costs, expert witness fees and all other expenses expected to be incurred in the litigation.
- (d) The litigation attorney's written estimate of the cost of the civil action through a trial on the merits of the case ("total estimated cost"). The total estimated cost of the civil action shall including the litigation attorney's expected fees, court costs, expert witness fees, and all other expenses expected to be incurred in the civil action.
 - (e) The litigation attorney's proposed written fee agreement.
- (f) The amount to be specially assessed against each Unit in the Condominium to fund the estimated cost of the civil action both in total and on a monthly per Unit basis, as required by Section 6 of this Article.
- Section 3. Independent Expert Opinion. If the lawsuit relates to the condition of any of the Common Elements of the Condominium, the Board of Directors shall obtain a written independent expert opinion as to reasonable and practical alternative approaches to repairing the problems with the Common Elements, which shall set forth the estimated costs and expected viability of each alternative. In obtaining the independent expert opinion required by the preceding sentence, the Board of Directors shall conduct its own investigation as to the qualifications of any expert and shall not retain any expert recommended by the litigation attorney or any other attorney with whom the Board of Directors consults. The purpose of the independent expert opinion is to avoid any potential confusion regarding the condition of the Common Elements that might be created by a report prepared as an instrument of advocacy for use in a civil action. The independent expert opinion will ensure that the Co-owners have a realistic appraisal of the condition of the Common Elements, the likely cost of repairs to or replacement of the same, and the reasonable and prudent repair and replacement alternatives. The independent expert opinion shall be sent to all Co-owners with the written notice of the litigation evaluation meeting.
- Section 4. <u>Fee Agreement with Litigation Attorney</u>. The Association shall have a written fee agreement with the litigation attorney, and any other attorney retained to handle the proposed civil action. The Association shall not enter into any fee agreement that is a combination of the retained attorney's hourly rate and a contingent fee arrangement unless the existence of the agreement is disclosed to the Co-owners in the text of the Association's written notice to the Co-owners of the litigation evaluation meeting.
- Section 5. <u>Co-owner Vote Required</u>. At the litigation evaluation meeting the Co-owners shall vote on whether to authorize the Board of Directors to proceed with the proposed civil action and whether the matter should be handled by the litigation attorney. The commencement of any civil action by the Association (other than a suit to enforce these Bylaws or collect delinquent assessments) shall require the approval of a majority in number and in value of the Co-owners. Any proxies to be voted at the litigation evaluation meeting must be signed at least seven (7) days prior to the litigation evaluation meeting. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Condominium Documents, no litigation shall be initiated by the Association against the Developer until such litigation has been approved by an affirmative vote of seventy-five (75%)

percent of all members of the Association in number and value attained after a litigation evaluation meeting held specifically for the purpose of approving such action.

- Section 6. <u>Litigation Special Assessment</u>. All legal fees incurred in pursuit of any civil action that is subject to Sections 1 through 10 of this Article shall be paid by special assessment of the Co-owners ("litigation special assessment"). The litigation special assessment shall be approved at the litigation evaluation meeting (or any subsequent duly called and noticed meeting) by a majority in number and in value of all Co-owners in the amount of the estimated total cost of the civil action. If the litigation attorney proposed by the Board of Directors is not retained, the litigation special assessment shall in an amount equal to the estimated total cost of the civil action, as estimated by the attorney actually retained by the Association. The litigation special assessment shall be apportioned to the Co-owners in accordance with their respective percentage of value interests in the Condominium and shall be collected from the Co-owners on a monthly basis. The total amount of the litigation special assessment shall be collected monthly over a period not to exceed twenty four (24) months.
- Section 7. <u>Attorney's Written Report</u>. During the course of any civil action authorized by the Co-owners pursuant to this Article, the retained attorney shall submit a written report ("attorney's written report") to the Board of Directors every thirty (30) days setting forth:
 - (a) The attorney's fees, the fees of any experts retained by the attorney, and all other costs of the litigation during the thirty (30) day period immediately preceding the date of the attorney's written report ("reporting period").
 - (b) All actions taken in the civil action during the reporting period, together with copies of all pleadings, court papers and correspondence filed with the court or sent to opposing counsel during the reporting period.
 - (c) A detailed description of all discussions with opposing counsel during the reporting period, written and oral, including, but not limited to, settlement discussions.
 - (d) The costs incurred in the civil action through the date of the written report, as compared to the attorney's estimated total cost of the civil action.
 - (e) Whether the originally estimated total cost of the civil action remains accurate.
- Section 8. <u>Monthly Board Meetings</u>. The Board of Directors shall meet monthly during the course of any civil action to discuss and review:
 - (a) the status of the litigation;
 - (b) the status of settlement efforts, if any; and
 - (c) the attorney's written report.

Section 9. <u>Changes in the Litigation Special Assessment</u>. If, at any time during the course of a civil action, the Board of Directors determines that the originally estimated total cost of the civil action or any revision thereof is inaccurate, the Board of Directors shall immediately prepare a revised estimate of the total cost of the civil action. If the revised estimate exceeds the litigation special assessment previously approved by the Co-owners, the Board of Directors shall call a special meeting of the Co-owners to review the status of the litigation, and to allow the Co-owners to vote on whether to continue the civil action and increase the litigation special assessment. The meeting shall have the same quorum and voting requirements as a litigation evaluation meeting.

Section 10. <u>Disclosure of Litigation Expenses</u>. The attorneys' fees, court costs, expert witness fees and all other expenses of any civil action filed by the Association ("litigation expenses") shall be fully disclosed to Co-owners in the Association's annual budget. The litigation expenses for each civil action filed by the Association shall be listed as a separate line item captioned "litigation expenses" in the Association's annual budget.

ARTICLE XXIII SEVERABILITY

In the event that any of the terms, provisions or covenants of these By-Laws or the Condominium Documents are held to be partially or wholly invalid or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, such holding shall not affect, alter, modify or impair in any manner whatsoever any of the other terms, provisions or covenants of such documents or the remaining portions of any terms, provisions or covenants held to be partially invalid or unenforceable.

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