

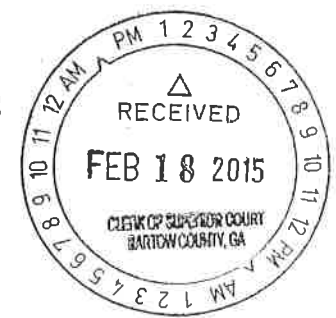
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DECLARATION
OF COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS
FOR MCKASKEY RIDGE

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BARTOW COUNTY, GEORGIA RECORDS



THIS DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS FOR MCKASKEY RIDGE is made this 13th day of January, 2015, by Atlanta Design & Remodeling, LLC (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Declarant").

BACKGROUND STATEMENT

Declarant is the owner of certain real property in Bartow County, Georgia, which is more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof

Declarant intends to develop on lands, including the real property described above, a development to be known as MCKASKEY RIDGE (hereinafter referred to as the "Development"). Declarant intends by this Declaration to impose mutually beneficial restrictions under a general plan of improvement for the benefit of all owners of residential property within McKaskey Ridge, the planned unit development made subject to this Declaration, by the recording of this Declaration and amendments thereto. Declarant desires to provide a flexible and reasonable procedure for the overall development of McKaskey Ridge, and Declarant also desires to establish a method of the administration, maintenance, preservation, use and enjoyment of the property that is now or hereafter subjected to this Declaration and certain other properties described in the Declaration.

Declarant has caused the Association (as hereinafter defined) to be formed as a non-profit civic organization to perform certain functions for the common good and general welfare of the Owners (as hereinafter defined).

The Declarant hereby declares that all of the real property described above shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to this Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Easements, which is for the purpose of enhancing and protecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of the property (as hereinafter defined). The Covenants, Restrictions and Easements set forth herein shall run with the property, and shall be binding on all parties having or acquiring any right, title or interest in the property or any part thereof, and shall, subject to the limitations herein provided, inure to the benefit of each Owner, his heirs, grantees, distributees, successors and assigns and to the benefit of the Association.

ARTICLE 1 DEFINITIONS

The following words, when used in the Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Easements, shall have the following meanings:

- 1.01 ASSOCIATION. "Association" means McKaskey Ridge Homeowners Association, Inc. (a non-profit corporation organized under the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code), its successors and assigns.
- 1.02 BOARD. "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Association.

- 1.03 BY-LAWS. "By-Laws" means the By-Laws of the Association.
- 1.04 COMMENCEMENT DATE. "Commencement Date" means the date on which the first Residence is sold to a third party other than Declarant or the builder of such Residence.
- 1.05 COMMON PROPERTY. "Common Property" means all real property (together with any and all improvements now or hereafter located thereon) owned by the Association or in certain instances over which the Association has been granted permanent easement, for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners.
- 1.06 DECLARANT. "Declarant" means Atlanta Design & Remodeling, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company qualified to do business in the state of Georgia, and its successors-in-title and assigns, provided any such successors-in-title or assigns shall acquire for the purpose of development or sale all or any portion of the remaining underdeveloped or unsold portions of the real property described in Exhibit "A", or the real property which is intended to become part of the Development, and provided further, in the instrument of conveyance to any such successor-in-title or assign, such successor-in-title or assign is designated as the "Declarant" hereunder by the grantor of such conveyance; provided, further, upon such designation of successor Declarant, all rights and obligations of the former Declarant in and to such status as "Declarant" hereunder shall cease, it being understood that as to all of the property described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto, and which is now or hereafter subjected to this Declaration, there shall be only one person or legal entity entitled to exercise the rights and powers of the "Declarant" hereunder at any one time.
- 1.07 DEVELOPMENT-WIDE STANDARD. Development-wide Standard shall mean the standard of conduct, maintenance or the activity generally prevailing in the Development. Such standard may be more specifically determined by the board and the committees required or permitted to be established pursuant to the Declaration and By-Laws. Such determination, however, must be consistent with the Development-Wide Standard originally established by the Declarant.
- 1.08 LOT. "Lot" means any parcel of land shown upon a subdivision plat recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Bartow County, covering any portion of the Property, provided, however, that no portion of the Common Property shall ever be a Lot except as provided in 2.05.
- 1.09 MEMBER. "Member" means any member of the Association.
- 1.10 MEMBERSHIP. "Membership" means the collective total of all Members of the Association.
- 1.11 OWNER. "Owner" means the record owner (including Declarant), whether one or more persons or entities, of a fee simple title to any Lot; provided, however, that where fee simple title has been transferred and is being held merely as security for the

repayment of a loan, the person or entity who would own the Lot in fee simple if such loan were paid in full shall be considered the Owner.

- 1.12 PROPERTY. "Property" means that certain real property hereinabove described together with such additional real property as may be subject to the provisions of this Declaration in accordance with the provisions of Article X.
- 1.13 RESIDENCE. "Residence" shall mean a structure or structures situated upon a Lot intended for use and occupancy as a residence for a single family. A structure and the land owned as a part of the Lot shall not become a Residence until a Certificate of Occupancy has been issued by the appropriate governmental authorities as a prerequisite to the occupancy of such Residence and until the Lot and structure located thereon shall have been conveyed to a third party other than the builder thereof.
- 1.14 , RESTRICTIONS. "Restrictions" means all covenants, restrictions, easements, charges, liens and other obligations created or imposed by this Declaration.
- 1.15 STRUCTURE. "Structure" Means:
- (a) anything or object the placement of which upon any Lot may affect the appearance of such Lot, including by way of illustration and not limitation, any building or part thereof, garage, porch, shed, greenhouse or bathhouse, coop or cage, covered or uncovered patio, swimming pool, fence, curbing, paving, wall, tree, shrub (and all other forms of landscaping), sign, signboard, temporary or permanent living quarters (including any house trailer) or any other temporary or permanent improvement to such lot;
 - (b) any excavation, grading, fill, ditch, diversion dam or other thing or device which affects the natural flow of surface waters from, upon, or across any Lot, or which affects or alters the flow of any waters in any natural or artificial creek, stream, wash or drainage channel from, upon or across any Lot; and;
 - (c) any change in the grade at any point on a lot of more than six (6) inches, whether or not subsection (b) of this section 1.15 applies to such change.

ARTICLE II COMMON PROPERTY

2.01 CONVEYANCE OF COMMON PROPERTY.

- (a) The Declarant may from time to time convey to the Association or grant easements to the Association, in accordance with this Section, real and personal property for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners (such real and personal property is hereinafter collectively referred to as "Common Property") and, to the extent set forth in this Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Easements, the general public. The Association hereby covenants and agrees to accept from the Declarant all such conveyances of Common Property.

- (b) It is contemplated by the Declarant that the Declarant will convey to the Association Common Property for scenic and natural area preservation. The Declarant may, at Declarant's sole discretion, modify, alter, increase, reduce and otherwise change the Common Property contemplated to be conveyed to the Association in accordance with this subsection (b) of this Section 2.01 at any time prior to conveyance of such Common Property to the Association.
- (c) In addition to the property described in subsection (b) of this Section 2.01, the Declarant may convey to the Association in accordance with this Section 2.01 such other real and personal property as the Declarant may determine to be necessary or proper for the completion of the Development.
- (d) Notwithstanding any legal presumption to the contrary, the fee title to, and all rights in, any portion of the Property owned by the Declarant and designated as Common Property or designated for public use shall be reserved to the Declarant until such time as the same shall be conveyed to the Association or to any municipality or other governmental body, agency or authority.

2.02 RIGHT OF ENJOYMENT. Every Owner of a Residence shall have a right and easement to use and enjoy the Common Property, which right shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot upon transfer; provided, however, that no Owner shall do any act which interferes with the free use and enjoyment of the Common Property by all other Owners. The Association may permit persons who are not Owners of Residences to use and enjoy part or all of the Common Property subject to such limitations, and upon such terms and conditions, as it may from time to time establish. The right and easement of enjoyment granted or permitted by this Section 2.02 is subject to suspension by the Association as provided in Sections 2.03(f) and 3.05.

2.03 RIGHTS OF THE ASSOCIATION. The rights and privileges conferred in Section 2.02 hereof shall be subject to the right, and where applicable, the obligation, of the Association acting through the Board to:

- (a) promulgate rules and regulations relating to the use, operation and maintenance of the Common Property;
- (b) borrow money for the purpose of carrying out the activities of the Association, including the acquisition, construction, improvement, equipping and maintenance of Common Property, and in aid thereof to encumber by deed to secure debt, mortgage or other security interest any or all of the association's property including Common Property and revenues from assessments, user fees and other sources; and provided, however, that, during the period when the Declarant has the right to appoint members of the board, the Association shall not deed, grant or convey to anyone any mortgage, deed to secure debt or other security interest on or in Common Property constituting real estate without approval by Declarant and a two-

thirds (2/3) vote of the Members who are present in person or by proxy and voting at a meeting of Members duly held in accordance with the By-Laws of the Association;

- (c) grant easements or rights of way over Common Property to any municipality or other governmental body, agency or authority, to any quasi-public agency or to any utility company or cable television system;
- (d) dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Property or interests therein to any municipality or other governmental body, agency or authority for such purposes and subject to such provisions and conditions as may be agreed upon by the Association and such grantee, including a provision that such property or interest shall, if such dedication or transfer is approved by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Members who are present in person or by proxy and voting at a meeting of Members duly held in accordance with the By-Laws of the Association, cease to be subject to this Declaration or all or any part of the Restrictions while held by any such municipality or other governmental body, agency or authority.
- (e) charge reasonable fees in connection with the admission to and use of facilities or services by Members and non-members; provided that in setting any such fee the Board may establish reasonable classifications which shall be uniform within each such class but need not be uniform between such classes;
- (f) suspend, pursuant to Section 3.05, the voting rights of any Member and the right of enjoyment granted or permitted by Section 2.02;
- (g) to sell, lease or otherwise convey all or any part of its properties and interests therein; and
- (h) enforce all applicable provisions of valid agreements of the Association relating to the Common Property or any part thereof; and
- (i) maintain any and all landscaping treatments previously installed by the Declarant, to the extent that such landscaping is not otherwise maintained by the appropriate county and/or municipal entity having jurisdiction over the roads for Bartow County, Georgia.

2.04 CONVEYANCE OF COMMON PROPERTY BY DECLARANT TO ASSOCIATION. The Declarant may transfer or convey to the Association any personal property and any improved or unimproved property, leasehold, easement or other property interest which is or may be subjected to the terms of this Declaration. Such conveyance shall be accepted by the Association, and the property shall thereafter be Common Property to be maintained by the Association for the benefit of all of its Members.

- 2.05 TYPES OF COMMON PROPERTY. At the time of the conveyance of any real property or grant of easement by the Declarant to the Association to be used as Common Property, the Declarant shall designate in the deed of conveyance or easement that such real property is to be Common Property, and further may designate in the deed of conveyance or easement the specific or general purpose or purposes for which such real property or any portion thereof may be used, and in such event, such real property or portion thereof shall not, without a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Members of the Association, be used for any different purpose or purposes without the prior written consent of the Declarant.
- 2.06 DELEGATION OF USE. Any Owner may delegate to the members of his family or his tenants who reside on a Lot, in accordance with the By-Laws, his right to use and enjoy the Common Property, subject to any and all duties, obligations, or restrictions contained herein, as well as any rules or regulations established by the Association.
- 2.07 MAINTENANCE. The Association shall maintain and keep in good repair the Common Property. This maintenance shall include, without limitation, maintenance, repair and replacement, subject to any insurance then in effect, of all landscaping and improvements situated on the Common Property. In addition, the association shall maintain ground cover and other landscaping located along or in dedicated rights of way, to the extent permitted by the applicable governmental authority. The foregoing maintenance shall be performed consistent with the Development-Wide Standard.

ARTICLE III MCKASKEY RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

- 3.01 PURPOSES, POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ASSOCIATION. The Association shall be formed as a non-profit civic organization for the sole purpose of performing certain functions for the common good and general welfare of the Owners and residents of the Development. The Association shall have no power or duty to do or perform any act or thing other than those acts and things which will promote in some way the common good and general welfare of the Owners and residents of the Development. To the extent, and only to the extent, necessary to carry out such purpose, the Association (a) shall have all of the powers of a corporation organized under the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code and (b) shall have the power and duty to exercise all of the rights, powers and privileges and to perform all of the duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in this Declaration.
- 3.02 MEMBERSHIP IN THE ASSOCIATION. Every Owner shall automatically be a member of the Association and such membership shall terminate only as provided in this Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Easements. For purposes of voting, there shall be (2) classes of Members as set forth in Section 3.03.

3.03 VOTING RIGHTS.

- (a) Each Owner of a Residence, with the exception of Declarant, shall be a Class A Member and shall be entitled to one (1) Class A vote per Residence. Where such Owner is a group or entity comprised of more than one individual person, the vote on behalf of such owner shall be exercised only by such individual person as shall be designated in a proxy instrument duly executed by or on behalf of such group or entity and delivered to the secretary of the Association.
- (b) The Declarant shall be the sole Class B Member and shall be entitled to one hundred (100) votes for each Lot owned.

3.04 BOARD OF DIRECTORS. The affairs of the Association shall be managed by a Board of Directors; the number of Directors and the method of election of Directors are set forth in the By-Laws of the Association.

3.05 SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP. The Board may suspend the voting rights of any Class A Member and the right of enjoyment of the Common Property of any person who:

- (a) shall be subject to the Right of Abatement, as defined in Section 8.02 by reason of having failed to take the reasonable steps to remedy a violation or breach of either the restrictions or the Design Standards of the ACC (as herein defined) within thirty (30) days after having received notice of the same pursuant to provisions of Section 5.11, 6.13, or 8.02 hereof;
- (b) shall be delinquent in the payment of any assessment levied by the Association pursuant to the provisions of Article IV hereof; or
- (c) shall be in violation of the rules and regulations of the Association relating to the use, operation and maintenance of Common Property. Such suspension shall be for the balance of the period in which said Member or person shall remain in violation, breach or default, as aforesaid, except that in the case of a violation described in subsection (c) of this Section 3.05, the suspension may be for a period not to exceed 60 days after the cure or termination of such violation. No such suspension shall prevent an Owner's ingress to egress from his Lot.

Any such suspension shall not affect such Owner's obligation to pay assessments past due or coming due during the period of suspension and shall not affect the permanent charge or lien on the Owner's property in favor of the Association.

3.06 TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP. Membership shall cease only when a person ceases to be an Owner.

3.07 VOTING PROCEDURES. The procedures for the election of directors of the Association and the resolution of such other issues as may be brought before the

membership of the Association shall be governed by this Declaration, the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code, the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, and the By-Laws of the Association, as each shall from time to time be in force and effect.

3.08 CONTROL BY DECLARANT.

- (a) Notwithstanding any other language or provision to the contrary in this Declaration, in the Articles of Incorporation, or in the Bylaws of the Association, Declarant hereby retains the right to appoint and remove any Members of the Board of the Association and any officer or officers of the Association until such time as the first of the following events shall occur: (i) the expiration of twenty (20) years after the date of the recording of this Declaration; (ii) the date upon which all of the Lots intended by Declarant to be a part of the Development have been conveyed by Declarant to Owners other than a person or persons constituting Declarant; or (iii) the surrender by Declarant of the authority to appoint and remove directors and officers by an express amendment to this Declaration executed and recorded by Declarant.
- (b) Upon the expiration of the period of Declarant's right to appoint and remove directors and officers of the Association pursuant to the provisions of the Section, such right shall automatically pass to the Owners, including Declarant if Declarant then owns one or more Lots; and a special meeting of the Association shall be called at such time. At such special meeting the Owners shall elect a new Board of Directors which shall undertake the responsibilities of the Board and Declarant shall deliver the books, accounts, and records, if any, which Declarant has kept on behalf of the Association and any agreements or contracts executed by or on behalf of the Association during such period which Declarant has in its possession. Each Owner by acceptance of a deed to or other conveyances of a Lot vests in Declarant such authority to appoint and remove directors and officers of the Association as provided in this Section. The Association may exercise any other right or privilege reasonably to be implied from the existence of any right or privilege given to it herein or reasonably necessary to effectuate any such right or privilege.

ARTICLE IV ASSESSMENTS

- 4.01 COVENANT FOR ASSESSMENTS AND CREATION OF LIEN AND PERSONAL OBLIGATION. Each Owner of a Lot containing a Residence which has received a Certificate of Occupancy ("Assessed Lot"), jointly and severally, for himself, his heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns, by acceptance of a deed for a Lot, whether or not the covenants contained herein shall be expressed in any such deed, hereby covenants and agrees as follows:

- (a) to pay to the Association the annual assessments which may or shall be levied by the Association pursuant to this Declaration against all Assessed Lots owned by him;
- (b) to pay to the Association any special assessments for capital improvements and other charges which may or shall be levied by the Association pursuant to this Declaration against all Assessed Lots owned by him;
- (c) that there is hereby created a continuing charge and lien upon all Assessed Lots owned by him against which all such assessments are made to secure payment of such assessments and any interest thereon as provided in Section 4.09 hereof and costs of collection including reasonable attorney's fees;
- (d) that such continuing charge and lien on such Assessed Lots binds such Assessed Lot in the hands of the then Owner, and the Owner's heirs, devisees, legal representatives, successors and assigns. Such charge and lien is superior to any and all charges, liens or encumbrances which may hereafter in any manner arise or be imposed upon such Assessed Lots whether arising from or imposed by judgment or decree or by any agreement, contract, mortgage, deed to secure debt, or other instrument, except (i) such liens for taxes or other public charges as are by applicable law made superior, and (ii) all deeds to secure debt given to secure a loan the proceeds of which are used (1) to purchase a Residence or Residences (together with any or all Structures which may from time to time be placed or located thereon) and (2) to finance the construction repair or alteration of structures.
- (e) that no sale or transfer at foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure shall relieve any Assessed Lot from liability for any assessment thereafter assessed;
- (f) that all annual, special and specific assessments (together with interest thereon as provided in Section 4.09 of this Declaration and costs of collection including reasonable attorneys' fees) levied against any Assessed Lot owned by him during the period that he is an Owner shall be (in addition to being a continuing charge and lien against such Assessed Lot as provided in Section 4.01(c) of this Declaration) a personal obligation which will survive any sale or transfer of the Assessed Lot owned by him; provided, however, that such personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to an owner's successor in title unless expressly assumed by such successor.

4.02 PURPOSE OF ASSESSMENT. The assessment levied by the Association shall be used exclusively for the purpose of providing for the common good and general welfare of the people of the community of the Development, including,

but not limited to, security, the acquisition, construction, improvement, maintenance and equipping of Common Property, the enforcement of the Restrictions contained in this Declaration, the enforcement of the Design Standards of the ACC, the payment of operation costs and expenses of the Association and the payment of all principal and interest when due on all debts owed by the Association.

- 4.03 ACCUMULATION OF FUNDS PERMITTED. The Association shall not be obligated to spend in any calendar year all the sums collected in such year by way of annual assessments or otherwise and may carry forward, as surplus, any balances, remaining, nor shall the Association be obligated to apply such surplus to the reduction of the amount of the Annual Assessments in any succeeding year, but may carry forward from year to year such surplus as the Board may deem to be desirable for the greater financial security of the Association and the effectuation of its purposes.

4.04 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT.

- (a) Beginning on the Commencement Date and continuing thereafter until January 1 of the year immediately following the Commencement Date, each lot shall be subject to an annual assessment of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) per Assessed Lot. In the event that the Commencement Date falls on a day other than January 1, the annual assessment for such year shall be prorated so that each owner pays an annual assessment proportional to the number of days remaining in the calendar year. The words "Assessment Year" as used herein shall mean the calendar year with the first Assessment year commencing on January 1 of the year immediately following the Commencement Date. For so long as Declarant has the right to appoint and remove Directors and Officers of the Association, the annual assessment shall not be reduced below \$400.00 without written consent of Declarant.
- (b) Commencing with the first Assessment Year and continuing thereafter, the annual assessment may be increased at any time and from time to time during each Assessment Year not more than ten percent (10%) above the annual assessment for the previous Assessment Year without a vote of the membership.
- (c) Commencing with the first Assessment Year and continuing thereafter, the annual assessment for each Assessment Year may at any time and from time to time be increased more than ten percent (10%) above the maximum annual assessment for the previous Assessment year if such increase is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Members of the Association who are present in person or by proxy and voting at a meeting of Members duly held in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws of the Association and this Declaration.

4.05 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS. In addition to the annual assessments authorized by this Article IV, the Association may levy, in any Assessment Year and with such frequency as the Association shall deem necessary, special assessments for the purpose of paying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement on the Common Property. Such special assessments may be levied by the Board in any Assessment Year without the approval of the Members, which special assessments in the aggregate do not exceed an amount equal to the annual assessment then in effect. Special assessments exceeding said amount shall require the approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the Members of the Association who are present in person or by proxy at a meeting of Members duly held in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws of the Association and this Declaration.

4.06 ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE

- (a) The Board shall establish the annual assessment for each Assessment Year at an amount not in excess of the maximum annual assessment as determined by the provisions of this Article IV, and shall also establish the date during the Assessment Year on which the annual assessment shall be due and payable (such date is hereinafter referred to as the 'Due Date'). The Board shall also establish an annual budget which shall list the estimated operating expenses and shall contain a reasonable amount to be set aside each year into a reserve allowance sufficient for reasonably anticipated future repair and replacement of the Common property. The Board shall cause the Association to send to each Owner at least thirty (30) days in advance of the Due Date written notice setting forth the amount of the annual assessment and the due Date. The annual assessment shall become due on the thirtieth (30th) day following such written notice or the Due Date, whichever is later. The Board may establish reasonable payment procedures to allow or require payment of the annual assessment in installments during the Assessment Year. The Board shall also establish payment procedures for payment of any special assessments for capital improvements which may be levied in accordance with the provisions of this Article IV.
- (b) All Members of the Association shall be given written notice by the Board not less than thirty (30) nor more than sixty (60) days in advance of any meeting of the Members of the Association at which the Board shall propose taking action pursuant to Section 4.04(c) and Section 4.05 of this Article IV. Such written notice shall specify under which Section or Sections the Board will propose action. At such meeting, the presence of members or of proxies entitled to cast fifty percent (50%) of the total votes outstanding shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not present at such meeting, a second meeting may be called by the Board subject to the same notice requirement, and the required quorum at such second meeting shall be thirty percent (30%) of the total votes outstanding. No such second meeting shall

be held more than sixty (60) days following the first meeting. If the required quorum is not present at the second meeting, the board may take such action without approval of the Members.

- 4.07 UNIFORM RATE OF ASSESSMENT. Both annual and special assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Residences.
- 4.08 CONTRIBUTION BY DECLARANT. For so long as Declarant has the authority to appoint and remove Directors and Officers of the Association, Declarant shall not be liable for the payment of any assessments.
- 4.09 EFFECT OF NONPAYMENT OF ASSESSMENTS. Any Assessment which is not paid on or before the Due Date shall bear interest after the Due Date at the lower of the highest legal rate of interest which can be charged or the rate of eighteen percent (18%) per annum or at such rate as the Board may from time to time establish, provided, however, that in no event shall the board have the power to establish a rate of interest in violation of the laws of the State of Georgia. In the event of default in the payment of any one or more installments of an assessment, the Board may declare any remaining balance of the assessment at once due and payable. In the event that an owner shall fail to pay fully any portion of any assessment prior to the date on which payment is due, such unpaid portion (including any remaining balance declared immediately due and payable in accordance with the preceding sentence), together with interest and costs of collection including reasonable attorneys' fees, shall be a binding personal obligation of such Owner, as well as a lien on such Owner's Residence enforceable in accordance with the provisions of this Declaration.
- 4.10 CERTIFICATE OF PAYMENT. Upon written demand by an Owner, the Association shall within a reasonable period of time issue and furnish to such Owner a written certificate stating that all assessments (including penalties, interest and costs, if any) have been paid with respect to any Lot owned by said Owner as of the date of such certificate, or that all assessments, interest and costs have not been paid, setting for the amount then due and payable. The Association may make a reasonable charge for the issuance of such certificate. Any such certificate, when duly issued as herein provided, shall be conclusive and binding with regard to any matter therein stated as between the Association and any bona fide purchaser of, or lender on, the Lot in question.
- 4.11 APPROVAL BY DECLARANT. Notwithstanding anything to the Contrary contained herein, no special assessment shall be made without approval of Declarant for so long as Declarant has the right to appoint officers and directors of the Association.
- 4.12 SPECIFIC ASSESSMENTS. The Board shall have the power to specifically assess pursuant to this Section as, in its discretion, it shall deem appropriate. Failure of the Board to exercise its authority under this Section shall not be

grounds for any action against the Association or the Board and shall not constitute a waiver of the Board's right to exercise its authority under this Section in the future with respect to any expenses, including an expense for which the Board has not previously exercised its authority under this Section. The Board may specifically assess Owners for the following expenses, except for expenses incurred for maintenance and repair of items which are the maintenance responsibility of the Association as provided herein:

- (a) Expenses of the Association which benefit less than all of the Residences, which may be specifically assessed equitably among all of the Residences which are benefited according to the benefit received;
- (b) Expenses incurred by the Association pursuant to Section 6.13 hereof; and
- (c) Reasonable fines as may be imposed in accordance with the terms of the Declaration and By-Laws.

ARTICLE V ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

5.01 ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE: CREATION/COMPOSITION.

- (a) An Architectural Control Committee (the "ACC") shall be established consisting of not less than three (3) or more than five (5) individuals, provided, however, that the ACC shall always have an uneven number of Members. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, Declarant shall have the right, but not the obligation, to appoint all members of the ACC until the plans for all of the Residences for all of the Lots in the Development have been approved by the ACC. Thereafter, the Board shall appoint the members of the ACC. All costs of operating the ACC may, at the discretion of Declarant, be borne by the Association.
- (b) Each initial member of the ACC shall be appointed for a term expiring one year from their date of appointment by Declarant. If any vacancy shall occur in the membership of the ACC by reason of death, incapacity, resignation, removal or otherwise, the remaining members of the ACC shall continue to act and such vacancy shall, subject to the provisions of 5.01 (a), be filled by the Declarant (or Board if at the time the Board has the right to appoint members of the ACC). Any ACC member may resign at any time by giving written notice of such resignation to the Chairman of the ACC and such resignation shall take effect on receipt thereof by the Chairman. Any member of the ACC may be removed at any time with or without cause by the Declarant (or Board if at the time the Board has the right to appoint members of the ACC).

- 5.02 PURPOSE, POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE ACC. The purpose of the ACC is to assure that any installation, construction or alteration of any Structure on any Lot shall be submitted to the ACC for approval (i) as to whether the proposed installation, construction or alteration is in conformity and harmony of external design and general quality with the existing standards of the neighborhood and with the standards of McKaskey Ridge and (ii) as to the location of Structures with respect to topography, finished ground elevation and surrounding Structures. To the extent necessary to carry out such purpose, the ACC shall have all of the powers and duties to do each and every thing necessary, suitable, convenient or proper for, or in connection with, or incidental to, the accomplishment of such purpose, including without being limited to, the power and duty to approve or disapprove plans and specifications for any installation, construction or alteration of any Structure on any Lot.
- 5.03 OFFICERS, SUBCOMMITTEES AND COMPENSATION. The members of the ACC shall appoint a Chairman from among their number.
- 5.04 OPERATIONS OF THE ACC.
- (a) MEETINGS. The ACC shall hold regular meetings as often as may be established by the ACC. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman. Meetings of the ACC shall be held at such time and at such place as the ACC shall specify.
 - (b) ACTIVITIES
 - (i) The ACC shall adopt and promulgate the Design Standards described in Section 5.05 hereof and shall, as required, make findings, determinations, rulings and orders with respect to the conformity with said Design Standards of plans and specifications to be submitted for approval to the ACC pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration.
 - (ii) Any two (2) or more members of the ACC may be authorized by the ACC to exercise the full authority as may be specified by resolution of the ACC, except with respect to the adoption or promulgation of the Design Standards.
- 5.05 DESIGN STANDARDS. The ACC shall from time to time adopt, promulgate, amend, revoke, and enforce guidelines (the "Design Standards") for the purpose of:
- (a) governing the form and content of plans and specifications to be submitted to the ACC for approval pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration;
 - (b) governing the procedure for such submission of plans and specifications;

- (c) establishing guidelines with respect to the approval and disapproval of design features, architectural styles, exterior colors and materials, details of construction, location and size of Structures and all other matters that require approval by the ACC pursuant to this Declaration; and
- (d) assuring the conformity and harmony of external design and general quality of McKaskey Ridge Development.

5.06 SUBMISSION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS. No Structure shall be commenced, erected, placed, moved onto or permitted to remain on any Lot nor shall any existing Structure upon any Lot be altered in any way which materially changes the exterior appearance of the Structure or Lot, unless plans and specifications therefore shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the ACC. Such plans and specifications shall be in such form and shall contain such information as may be reasonably required by the ACC in the Design Standards, including, but not limited to:

- (a) a site plan showing the location of all proposed and existing Structures on the Lot including building setbacks, open space, driveways, walkways and parking spaces including the number thereof and all siltation and erosion control measures;
- (b) a foundation plan;
- (c) a floor plan;
- (d) exterior elevations of all proposed Structures and alterations to existing Structures, as such Structures will appear after all back-filling and landscaping are completed; and
- (e) plans for landscaping and grading.

5.07 APPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS. Upon approval by the ACC of any plans and specifications submitted pursuant to this Declaration, two (2) copies of such plans and specifications, as approved, shall be deposited for permanent record with the ACC and a copy of such plans and specifications bearing such approval, in writing, shall be returned to the applicant submitting the same. Approval for the use in connection with any Lot or Structure of any plans and specification shall not be deemed a waiver of the ACC's right, in its discretion, to disapprove similar plans and specifications, features or elements are subsequently submitted for the use in connection with any other Lot or Structure. Approval of any such plans and specifications relating to any Lot or Structure, however, shall be final as to that Lot or Structure and such approval may not be revoked or rescinded thereafter, provided that there has been adherence to, and

compliance with, such plans and specifications, as approved, and any condition attached to any such approval.

5.08 DISAPPROVAL OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS. The ACC shall have the right to disapprove any plans and specifications submitted pursuant to this Declaration because of any of the following:

- (a) the failure to include information in such plans and specifications as may have been reasonably requested; and
- (b) the failure of such plans or specification to comply with this Declaration or the Design Standards.

5.09 OBLIGATION TO ACT. The ACC shall take action on any plans and specifications submitted as herein provided within thirty (30) days after receipt thereof. Approval by the ACC, if granted, together with any conditions imposed by the ACC, shall be placed in writing on the plans and specifications and shall be returned to the applicant. Failure by the ACC to take action within thirty (30) days of receipt of plans and specifications submitted for approval shall be deemed approval of such plans and specifications.

5.10 INSPECTION RIGHTS. Any employee or agent of the Association or ACC may, after reasonable notice, at any reasonable time or times enter upon any Lot and Structure thereon for the purpose of ascertaining whether the installation, construction, alteration or maintenance of any structure or the use of any Lot or Structure is in compliance with the provisions of this Declaration.

5.11 VIOLATIONS. If any Structure shall be erected, placed, maintained or altered upon any Lot, otherwise than in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the ACC pursuant to the provisions of this article, such erection, placement, maintenance or alterations shall be deemed to have been undertaken in violation of this Article and without approval required herein. If in the opinion of the ACC such violation shall occur, the ACC shall notify the Association and the Board shall provide written notice to the Owner by certified mail, setting forth in reasonable detail the nature of the violation and the specific action or actions required to remedy the violation. If the Owner shall have not taken reasonable steps toward the required remedial action within thirty (30) days after mailing aforesaid notice of violation, then the Association shall have the Right of Abatement as provided in Section 8.02 hereof

5.12 CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE.

- (a) Upon completion of the installation, construction or alteration of any Structure in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the ACC, the ACC shall, upon written request of the Owner thereof or upon the ACC's own initiative, issue a Certificate of Compliance, identifying such

Structure and the Lot upon which such Structure is placed, and stating that such Structure complies with such plans and specifications.

- (b) Any Certificate of Compliance issued in accordance with the provisions of this Section shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated; and as to any purchaser or encumbrancer in good faith and for value, or as to any title insurer, such certificate shall be conclusive evidence that all Structures on the Lot comply with all the requirement of this Article, provided, however, that the Certificate shall in no way be construed to certify the acceptability, sufficiency or approval by the ACC of the actual construction of Structures or of the workmanship, or to represent or warrant to anyone the quality, function or operation of the Structures or of any construction, workmanship, engineering, materials or equipment.

The issuance of the Certificate shall in no way be construed to certify to any party that the Structures have been built in accordance with any applicable rule or regulation.

5.13 FEES. The ACC may impose and collect reasonable and appropriate fees to cover the cost to review plans and inspect a Lot or Structure pursuant to Section 5.10.

5.14 DISCLAIMER AS TO ACC APPROVAL. Plans and specifications are not reviewed for engineering or structural design or quality of materials, and by approving such plans and specifications, neither the ACC, the members thereof, nor the Association assumes liability or responsibility therefore, nor for any defect in any structure constructed from such plans and specifications. Every person who submits plans or specifications and every Owner agrees that he will not bring any action or suit against Declarant, the Association, the ACC, the Board, or the officers, directors, members, employees, or agents of any of them to recover any such damages, and hereby releases, remises, quit-claims, and covenants not to sue for all claims, demands, and causes of actions arising out of or in connection with any judgment, negligence, or nonfeasance and hereby waives the provisions of any law which provides that a general release does not extend to claims, demands, and causes of actions not known at the time the release is given.

ARTICLE VI GENERAL COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS

6.01 APPLICATION. The covenants and restrictions contained in this Article VI shall pertain and apply to all Lots and to all Structures erected or placed thereon.

6.02 RESTRICTION OF USE. Lots may be used for single-family residences only and for no other purpose provided that Declarant may operate a Sales Office and/or Model Home on a Lot or Lots designated by Declarant. Single-family residences must contain a minimum of 1,800 square feet of living space.

- 6.03 RESUBDIVISION OF PROPERTY. No Lot may be split, divided, or subdivided for sale, resale, gift, transfer, or otherwise, without the prior written approval of the ACC of plans and specifications for such split, division or subdivision. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent Declarant or the Owners of any Lots from combining two or more Lots into one Lot for construction of a single Residence thereon; provided, however, that such combined Lot may not be subdivided thereafter, and, provided further, that the Owner of the Residence on such Lot shall be responsible for annual and special assessments based upon the number of Lots combined into one Lot.
- 6.04 EROSION CONTROL. No activity which may create erosion or siltation problems shall be undertaken on any Lot without the prior written approval of the ACC of plans and specifications for the prevention and control of such erosion or siltation.
- 6.05 LANDSCAPING. No construction or alteration of any Structure shall take place without the prior written approval by the ACC of plans and specifications for the landscaping to accompany such construction or alteration.
- 6.06 TEMPORARY BUILDINGS. No temporary building, trailer, garage or building under construction shall be used, temporarily or permanently, as a residence on any Lot except as temporary sleeping or living quarters required or desirable for security purposes in accordance with plans and specifications therefore approved by the ACC.
- 6.07 SIGNS. No signs whatsoever (including but not limited to commercial and similar signs) shall, without the ACC's prior written approval of plans and specification therefore, be installed or maintained on any Lot, or any portion of a Structure visible from the exterior thereof except:
- (a) such signs as may be required for legal proceedings;
 - (b) not more than one "For Sale" sign, such sign having maximum face area of four square feet; provided that such sign may only be displayed in the front yard of a Lot; and, provided, further, that if, at the time of any desired use of such sign, the Association is making "For Sale" signs available for the Owners use, the signs made available by the Association must be used.
 - (c) directional signs for vehicular or pedestrian safety in accordance with plans and specification approved by the ACC.
 - (d) job identification signs.
- 6.08 SETBACKS. In approving plans and specifications for any proposed Structure, the ACC may establish setback requirements for the location of such Structure. Guidelines for setbacks may be included in the Design Standards of the ACC. No

Structure shall be erected or placed on any Lot unless its location is consistent with such setbacks.

- 6.09 FENCES. No fence or wall of any kind shall be erected, maintained, or altered on any Lot without the prior written approval of the ACC of plans and specification for such fences and walls.
- 6.10 ROADS AND DRIVEWAYS. No road or driveway shall be constructed or altered on any Lot without the prior written approval of the ACC of plans and specifications for such roads and driveways. Guidelines relating to the design and location of roads and driveways may be included in the Design Standards of the ACC.
- 6.11 ANTENNAE, ETC. No exterior television or radio antennae or satellite dish or receiver or solar equipment of any sort shall be placed, allowed or maintained upon any portion of a Structure or Lot without prior written approval by the ACC. No antennae shall be installed or used for the purpose of transmitting of electronic signals.
- 6.12 CLOTHESLINES, GARBAGE CANS, ETC. No outside clotheslines will be allowed. Garbage cans and woodpiles shall be kept screened by adequate planting or fencing so as to conceal them from view by neighboring residences and streets, and may be maintained in the rear yard on a Lot only.
- 6.13 MAINTENANCE. Each Owner shall keep and maintain each Lot and Structure owned by him, as well as all landscaping located thereon, in good condition and repair, including, but not limited to (i) the repairing and painting (or other appropriate external care) of all Structures; (ii) seeding, watering and mowing of all lawns; and (iii) the pruning and trimming of all trees, hedges and shrubbery so that the same are not obstructive of a view by motorists or pedestrians of street traffic.
- 6.14 RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AND TRAILERS. No house trailer, mobile home, motor home, recreational vehicle, camper, truck with camper top, boat or boat trailer or like equipment shall be permitted on any Lot on a permanent basis, but shall be allowed on a temporary basis not to exceed forty-eight (48) consecutive hours. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any such vehicles or equipment may be stored on a Lot, provided such vehicle or equipment is kept in an enclosed space and is concealed from view by neighboring residences and streets.
- 6.15 RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT. Recreational and playground equipment shall be placed or installed only upon the rear of a Lot. Basketball goals may be placed adjacent to the driveway. No above ground pools shall be allowed.

- 6.16 NON-DISCRIMINATION. No Owner or person authorized to act for an Owner shall refuse to sell or rent, after receiving a bona fide offer, or refuse to negotiate for the sale or rental of, or otherwise make unavailable or deny the purchase or rental of any Lot to any persons because of race, color, religion, sex, age or national origin. Anything in this Declaration to the contrary notwithstanding, this covenant shall run with the land and shall remain in effect without any limitation in time.
- 6.17 ANIMALS. No agricultural animals may be kept on any Lot in violation of the applicable municipal zoning ordinance. No animals, including birds, insects, and reptiles, may be kept on any Lot unless kept thereon solely as household pets and not for commercial purposes. No animal thereof shall be allowed to become a nuisance. No Structure for the care, housing or confinement of any animal shall be constructed, placed or altered on any Lot unless plans and specifications for said Structure have been approved by the ACC.
- 6.18 SOLID WASTE.
- (a) No person shall dump rubbish, garbage, or any other form of solid waste on any Lot or on Common Property.
 - (b) Except during approved construction and as approved by the appropriate governmental authority, no person shall burn rubbish, garbage, or any other form of solid waste on any Lot or on Common Property.
 - (c) Except for building materials employed during the course of construction of any Structure approved by the ACC, no lumber, metals, bulk material or solid waste of any kind shall kept, stored, or allowed to accumulate on any Lot unless screened or otherwise handled in a manner set forth in the Design Standards.
 - (d) If rubbish, garbage, or any other form of solid waste is to be disposed of by being collected on a regular and recurring basis, containers may be placed in the open on any day that a pick-up is to be made, in order to provide access to persons making such pick-up. At all other times such containers shall be screened or enclosed in a manner set forth in the Design Standards. Guidelines relating to the type of containers permitted, the manner of storage and the place of pick-up may also be included in the Design Standards.
- 6.19 NUISANCES. No noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on upon any Lot, nor shall anything be done thereof which may be or may become any annoyance or nuisance to the community.

ARTICLE VII
EASEMENTS, ZONING AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS

7.01 EASEMENTS

- (a) Declarant hereby expressly reserves to the Declarant, its successor and assigns forever, the right to create perpetual easements in, on, over and under any part of the Property owned by Declarant for any purpose which Declarant deems necessary, including, by way of example and not limitation, the following:
 - (i) the erection, installation, construction and maintenance of wires, lines, conduits and poles and the necessary or proper attachments in connection with the transmission of electricity, telephone, cable television cables and other utilities and similar facilities;
 - (ii) the erection, installation, construction and maintenance of storm-water drains, land drains, public and private sewers, irrigation systems, pipeline for supplying gas, water and heat, and for any other public or quasi-public facility, service or function;
 - (iii) slope control purposes, including the right to grade and plant slopes and prevent the doing of any activity which might interfere with slopes or which might create erosion or sliding problems or which might change, obstruct or retard drainage flow; and
 - (iv) the planting or re-planting of hedges, shrubbery, bushes, trees, flowers and plants of any nature.
- (b) No Owner shall have any right to use any easement created by the Declarant in, on or over any portion of the Property unless such easement has been assigned by the Declarant to the Association.

7.02 EASEMENT AREA. The words "Easement Area" as used herein shall mean those areas on any Lot or any other portion of the Property with respect to which easements are shown on a recorded deed or easement agreement or on any filed or recorded map or plat relating thereto.

7.03 ENTRY. The Declarant and its employees, agents, successors and assigns, shall have the right at all reasonable times to enter upon all parts of each Easement Area for any of the purposes for which such Easement Area is reserved, without being deemed as to have committed trespass or wrongful act solely by reason of such entry and the carrying out of such purposes, provided the same are done in accordance with the provisions of this Section. The Declarant and its employees, agents, successors, and assigns shall be responsible for leaving each Lot in good

condition and repair following any work or activity undertaken in an Easement Area pursuant to the provisions of Section 7.01.

- 7.04 ZONING AND PRIVATE RESTRICTIONS. None of the covenants, restrictions or easements created or imposed by the Declarant shall be construed as permitting any action prohibited by applicable zoning laws, or by the laws, rules or regulations of any governmental body. In the event of any conflict between such laws, rules or regulations and the covenants, restrictions and easements created or imposed by Declaration, the most restrictive provision shall govern and control.

ARTICLE VIII ENFORCEMENT

- 8.01 RIGHT OF ENFORCEMENT. This Declaration and the Restrictions contained herein shall inure to the benefit of and shall be enforceable by (i) the Declarant so long as it is an Owner, (ii) the Association, and (iii) each Owner, his legal representative, heirs, successors and assigns.

- 8.02 RIGHT OF ABATEMENT.

- (a) In the event of a violation or breach of any Restrictions contained in this Declaration the Association shall give written notice by certified mail to the Owner setting forth in reasonable detail the nature of such violation or breach and the specific action or actions needed to be taken to remedy such violation or breach. If the Owner shall fail to take reasonable steps to remedy such violation or breach within thirty (30) days after the mailing of said written notice, then the Association shall have the Right of Abatement
- (b) The Right of Abatement, as used in this Section, means the right of the Association, through its agents and employees, to enter at reasonable times upon any Lot or Structure, as to which a violation, breach or other conditions to be remedied exists, and to take the actions specified in the notice to the Owner to abate, extinguish, remove, or repair such violation, breach or other condition which may exist thereon contrary to the provisions hereof, without being deemed to having committed a trespass or wrongful act solely by reason of such entry and such actions, provided such entry and such actions are carried out in accordance with the provisions of this Section, and with the cost thereof to be a binding personal obligation of such Owner enforceable in law.

- 8.03 SPECIFIC PERFORMANCE. Nothing contained in this Declaration shall be deemed to affect or limit the rights of the Declarant, the Association or any Owner to enforce the Restrictions by appropriate judicial proceedings or to recover damages. However, it is hereby declared that it may be impossible to measure accurately in money the damages which will accrue to the Declarant, the

Association or any Owner, its transferees, successors or assigns, by reason of a violation of, or failure to perform any of the obligations provided by this Declaration; and therefore, any affected entity or person shall be entitled to relief by way of injunction or specific performance, as well as any other relief available at law or in equity, to enforce the provisions hereof.

- 8.04 COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS AND ENFORCEMENT OF LIEN. If any assessment, interest, cost or other charge is not paid as required by this Declaration, the Association may bring either an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or an action to foreclose any lien created by this Declaration against the Lot or Lots subject to the lien, or both, for the purpose of collecting such assessment, cost or charge, plus any interest thereon and costs of collection, including reasonable attorneys' fees.
- 8.05 NO WAIVER. The failure of the Declarant, the Association, or the Owner of any Lot, his or its respective legal representative, heirs, successors and assigns, to enforce any Restrictions herein contained shall in no event be considered a waiver of the right to do so thereafter, as to the same violation or breach or as to any violation or breach occurring prior or subsequent thereto.

ARTICLE IX DURATION AND AMENDMENT

- 9.01 DURATION. This Declaration and the Restrictions contained herein shall run with and bind the Property for a period of twenty (20) years from and after the date when this Declaration is filed for record with the Clerk of the Superior Court of Bartow County, Georgia, after which time, this Declaration and the Restrictions shall be automatically renewed for successive periods of ten (10) years provided, however, that after the end of the said twenty (20) year period and during any ten (10) year renewal period (but only during such renewal period), this Declaration and the Restrictions contained herein may be terminated by an instrument executed by the proper Association officers and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Bartow County, Georgia, or in such other place of recording as may be appropriate at the time of the execution of such instrument, pursuant to a resolution approving such termination which is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Members of the Association who are present in person or by proxy and voting at a meeting of Members duly held in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws of the Association.
- 9.02 AMENDMENTS BY DECLARANT. During any period in which Declarant retains the right to appoint and remove any directors and officers of the Association, Declarant may amend this Declaration by an instrument in writing filed and recorded in the Land Records of the Superior Court of Bartow County, Georgia, without the approval of any Member or mortgagee; provided, however, that (i) in the event that such amendment materially alters or materially changes any Owner's right to the use and enjoyment of such Owner's Lot or of the

Common Property as set forth in this Declaration or if such amendment adversely affects the title to any Lot, such amendment shall be valid only upon the written consent thereto by a majority in number of the then existing Members affected thereby, or (ii) in the event that such amendment would materially and adversely affect the security title and interest of any mortgagee, such amendment shall be valid only upon the written consent thereto of all such mortgages so affected. Any amendment made pursuant to this Section 9.02 shall be certified by Declarant as having been approved by Declarant, and such Members and mortgages if required, and shall be effective only upon recordation or at such later date as shall be specified in the amendment itself. Each Owner, by acceptance of a deed or other conveyance to a Lot, agrees to be bound by such amendments as are permitted by this Section 9.02 and further agrees that, if requested to do so by Declarant, such Owner will consent to the amendment of the Declaration or any other instruments relating to the Development (i) if such amendment is necessary to bring any provision hereof or thereof into compliance or conformity with the provisions of any applicable governmental statute, rule, or regulation or any judicial determination which shall be in conflict therewith, (ii) if such amendment is necessary to enable any reputable title insurance company to issue title insurance coverage with respect to any Lots subject to this Declaration, (iii) if such amendment is required by an institutional or governmental lender, purchaser or guarantor of mortgage loans, including for examples, the Federal National Mortgage Association, or Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, to enable such lender or purchaser to make or purchase mortgage loans on any Lot subject to this Declaration, (iv) if any such amendment is necessary to enable any governmental agency or reputable private insurance company to insure mortgage loans on the Lots subject to this Declaration or (v) if such amendment is necessary to correct a scrivener's error in the drafting of this Declaration.

9.03 AMENDMENTS BY ASSOCIATION. Amendments to this Declaration, other than those authorized by Section 9.02 hereof, shall be proposed and adopted in the following manner:

- (a) Notice of the subject matter of the proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of the meeting of the Association at which such proposed amendment is to be considered and shall be delivered to each member of the Association.
- (b) At such meeting, a resolution adopting a proposed amendment may be proposed by either the Board or by Members of the Association. Such amendment must be approved by Members holding at least two-thirds (2/3) of the total votes in the Association provided, however, (i) that any amendment which materially and adversely affects the security title and interest of any mortgagee must be approved by such mortgagee and (ii) during any period in which Declarant has the right to appoint and remove officers and directors of the Association, such amendment must be approved by Declarant.

- (c) The agreement of the required percentage of the Owners, and where required, the Declarant and any mortgagee, to any amendment or this Declaration shall be evidenced by their execution of such amendment, or, in the alternative, and provided that Declarant does not then have the right to approve such amendment, the sworn statement of the President and any Vice-President or the Secretary of the Association attached to or incorporated in the amendment executed by the Association, which sworn statement shall state unequivocally that the Agreement of the required parties was lawfully obtained. Any such amendment of this Declaration shall become effective only when recorded or at such later date as may be specified in the Amendment itself.

ARTICLE X ANNEXATION

For so long as Declarant has authority to appoint and remove Directors and Officers of the Association, additional real property may be annexed to the Property by the Declarant without the consent of the Class A Members. Such annexation shall be accomplished by filing in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Bartow County an approved subdivision plat describing the real property to be annexed to the Property and by including on such subdivision plat by statement that expressly sets forth the Declarant's intention to make such annexed real property subject to the provisions of this Declaration; or filing an amendment to the Declaration which has been consented to by the owners of the real property to be annexed if such real property is owned by someone other than Declarant. At the expiration of Declarant's right to appoint and remove Directors and Officers of the Association, no real property may be annexed to the Property unless such annexation is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Members of the Association who are present in person or by proxy and voting at a meeting of Members duly held in accordance with the provisions of the By-Laws of the Association.

ARTICLE XI MISCELLANEOUS

- 11.01 NO REVERTER. No restriction herein is intended to be, or shall be construed as, a condition subsequent or as creating a possibility of reverter.
- 11.02 SEVERABILITY. A determination by a court that any provision hereof is invalid for any reason shall not affect the validity of any other provision hereof.
- 11.03 HEADINGS. The headings of the Articles and Section hereof are for convenience only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of the contents of this Declaration.
- 11.04 GENDER. Throughout this Declaration, the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine and neuter, and the singular, the plural, and vice versa.

11.05 NOTICES. All amendments, notices, requests, objections, waivers, rejections, agreements, approvals, disclosures or consent of any kind made pursuant to this Declaration, whether made by the Declarant, the Association, the ACC, the Owner, or any other person, shall be in writing. All such writings shall be sufficient only if deposited in the United States Mail, with sufficient postage, and sent to the following addresses:

(a) Declarant: Atlanta Design & Remodeling, LLC
70 Kelli Clark Court, Suite C
Cartersville, Georgia 30121

(b) Owners: Each Owner's address as registered with the Association in accordance with the By-Laws.

Any written communication transmitted in accordance with this Section 11.05 shall be deemed received on the third (3rd) day following the day such written notice is deposited in the United States Mail.

11.06 NO LIABILITY. Declarant has, using best efforts and all due diligence, prepared and recorded this Declaration so that each and every Owner shall have the right and the power to enforce the terms and provisions of this Declaration against every other Owner. However, in the event that this Declaration is, for any reason whatsoever, unenforceable by an Owner (or any other person) in a court of law or otherwise, Declarant shall have no liability of any kind as a result of such unenforceability, and each and every Owner, by acceptance of a deed conveying a Lot, acknowledges that Declarant shall have no liability.

11.07 INSURANCE.

(a) At all times during the term of this Declaration, the Association, its successors and assigns, shall be required to keep any and all recreational facility improvements located on the Common Property fully insured by a company authorized to transact business in the State of Georgia with (i) fire, vandalism, malicious mischief and extended coverage insurance in an amount adequate to cover the cost or replacement of such improvements in the event of loss of any and/or all such improvements, fixtures and contents thereof; and (ii) public liability insurance in such amounts as shall be determined by the Board of Directors as appropriate for the type of recreational activities which shall be allowed on the Common Property. Any such policies of insurance shall require that the certificate holders and insured be given thirty (30) days prior written notice of any cancellation of such policies.

(b) Immediately after the damage or destruction by fire or other casualty to all or any portion of any improvement covered by insurance written in the

name of the Association, the Board or its duly authorized agent shall proceed with the filing and adjustment of all claims arising under such insurance and obtain reliable and detailed estimates of the cost of repair or reconstruction of the damaged or destroyed property. Repair or reconstruction, as used in this paragraph, means repairing or restoring the property to substantially the same condition and location that existed prior to the fire or other casualty.

Any damage or destruction shall be repaired or reconstructed unless within sixty (60) days after the casualty, at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the total Association vote entitled to vote thereon, and, so long as the Declarant has the right to appoint and remove directors, the Declarant, otherwise agree. If for any reason either the amount of the insurance proceeds to be paid as a result of such damage or destruction, or reliable and detailed estimates of the cost of repair or reconstruction, or both are not made available to the Association within such period, then the period shall be extended until such information shall be made available; provided, however, such extension shall not exceed one hundred and twenty (120) days. No Mortgagee shall have the right to participate in the determination of whether damage or destruction shall be repaired or reconstructed.

If the damage or destruction for which the insurance proceeds are paid is to be repaired or reconstructed and such proceeds are not sufficient to defray the cost thereof, the Board shall, without, the necessity of vote of the Association's Members, levy a special assessment. Additional assessments may be made in like manner at any time during or following the completion of any repair or reconstruction. If the funds available from the insurance exceed the costs of repair or reconstruction of the improvements are not repaired or reconstructed, such excess shall be deposited for the benefit of the Association.

In the event that it should be determined by the Association in the manner described above the damages or destruction shall not be repaired or reconstructed and no alternative improvements are authorized, then in that event the property shall be restored to its natural state and maintained as an undeveloped portion of the Community in a neat and attractive condition.

- (c) The deductible for any casualty insurance policy carried by the Association shall, in the event of damage or destruction, be allocated among the persons who are responsible hereunder for maintenance of damaged or destroyed property.
- (d) In addition to the coverage described hereinabove, the Association shall obtain such additional types of insurance as may be required from time to time, by either the Veterans Administration or Federation Housing

Administration, their successors and assigns, for similar type residential subdivision communities.

ARTICLE XII MORTGAGEE PROVISIONS

The following provisions are for the benefit of holders of first mortgages on Residences in the Development. The provisions of this Article apply to both this Declaration and to the By-Laws, notwithstanding any other provisions contained therein.

12.01 NOTICES OF ACTION. An institutional holder, insurer, or guarantor of a first mortgage, who provides written request to the Association (such request to state the name and address of such holder, insurer, guarantor and the Residence number, therefore becoming an "eligible holder"), will be entitled to timely written notice of:

- (a) any condemnation loss or any casualty loss which affects a material portion of the Development or which affects any Residence on which there is a first mortgage held, insured, or guaranteed by such eligible holder;
- (b) any delinquency in the payment of assessments or charges owed by an Owner of a Residence subject to the mortgage of such eligible holder, where such delinquency has contained for a period of sixty (60) days; provided, however, notwithstanding this provision, any holder of a first mortgage, upon request, is entitled to written notice from the Association of any default in the performance by an Owner of a Residence of any obligation under the Declaration or By-Laws of the Association which is not cured within sixty (60) days.
- (c) any lapse, cancellation, or material modification of any insurance policy maintained by the Association; or
- (d) any proposed action which would require the consent of a specified percentage of eligible mortgages.

12.02 SPECIAL FHLMC PROVISIONS. So long as required by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, the following provisions apply in addition to and not in lieu of the foregoing. Unless at least two-thirds (2/3) of the first mortgages or at least two-thirds (2/3) of the total Members of the Association entitled to vote thereon consent, the Association shall not:

- (a) by act or omission seek to abandon, partition, subdivide, encumber, sell, or transfer the Common Property which the Association owns, directly or indirectly (the granting of easements for public utilities or other similar purposes consistent with the intended use of the Common Property shall not be deemed a transfer within the meaning of this subsection);

- (b) change the method of determining the obligations, assessments, dues, or other charges which may be levied against an Owner of a Residence;
- (c) by act or omission change, waive, or abandon any scheme of regulations or enforcements thereof pertaining to the architectural design or the exterior appearance and maintenance of Residences and of the Common property (The issuance and amendment of architectural standards, procedures, rules and regulations, or use restrictions shall not constitute a change, waiver, or abandonment within the meaning of this provision.);
- (d) fail to maintain insurance, as required by this Declaration; or
- (e) use hazard insurance proceeds for any Common Property losses for other than the repair, replacement, or reconstruction of such property.

First mortgagee may, jointly or singly, pay taxes or other charges which are in default and which may or have become a charge against the Common Property and may pay overdue premiums on casualty insurance policies or secure new casualty insurance coverage upon the lapse of an Association policy, and first mortgagees making such payments shall be entitled to immediate reimbursement from the Association.

- 12.03 NO PRIORITY. No provision of this Declaration or the By-Laws gives or shall be construed as giving any Owner or other party priority over any rights of the first mortgage of any Residence in the cases of distribution to such Owner of Insurance proceeds or condemnation awards for losses to or a taking of the Common Property.
- 12.04 NOTICE TO ASSOCIATION. Upon request, each Owner shall be obligated to furnish to the Association the name and address of the holder of any mortgage encumbering such Owner's Residence.
- 12.05 AMENDMENT BY BOARD. Should the Veterans Administration, the Federal National Mortgage Association, or the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation subsequently delete any of their respective requirements which necessitate the provisions of this Article or make any such requirements less stringent, the Board, without approval of the Owners, may cause an amendment to this Article to be recorded to reflect such changes.
- 12.06 APPLICABILITY OF ARTICLE XII. Nothing contained in this Article shall be construed to reduce the percentage vote that must otherwise be obtained under the Declaration, By-Laws, or Georgia law of any of the acts set out in this Article.

12.07 FAILURE OF MORTGAGEE TO RESPOND. Any mortgagee who receives a written request from the Board to respond to or consent to any action shall be deemed to have approved such action if the Association does not receive a written response from the mortgagee within thirty (30) days of the date of the Associations request.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Declarant has caused this Declaration to be duly executed and sealed the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

Declarant:
Atlanta Design & Remodeling, LLC

Michelle Vansoren

Unofficial Witness

[Signature]
By: RYAN KLEWEIN, Member

[Signature]
Notary Public



Exhibit "A"

ALL THAT TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND lying and being in Land Lots 108 & 109 of the 4th District, 3rd Section, of Bartow County, Georgia and being in Land Lots 72, 73, & 144 of the 21st District, 3rd Section of Bartow County, Georgia Records; and being Tract 1, containing 10.00 acres; Tract 2, containing 10.00 acres; Tract 3, containing 10.00 acres; Tract 4, containing 10.00 acres; Tract 5, containing 45.417 acres; and Tract 6, containing 7.288 acres, more particularly described on a plat thereof, prepared by William C. Smith, G.R.L.S. No. 1803, for Richard A. Griffin, III, dated May 31, 2005, recorded in Plat Book 61, Page 125, Bartow County, Georgia Records, which plat by reference is incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

Property is also referred to as McKaskey Ridge Subdivision.