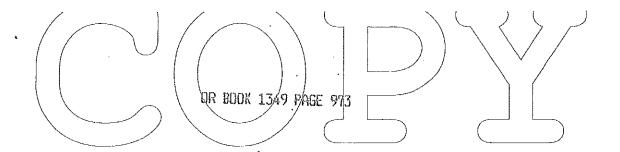
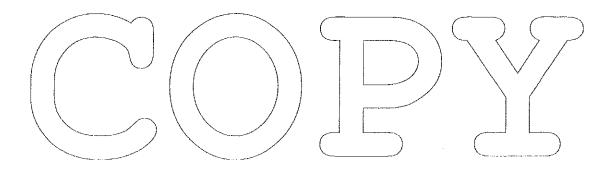


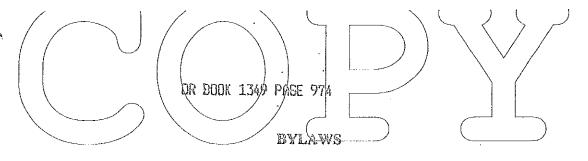
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# TORTOISE CAY AT ST. LUCIE WEST RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

# Article I Meme, Principal Office and Definitions

Section I. Name.

The name of the Association shall be Tortoise Cay at St. Lucie West Residents' Association, Inc. (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Association").

Section 2.

Principal Office,

The principal office of the Association in the State of Florida shall be located in the County of St. Lucie. The Association may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Florida, as the Board of Directors may determine or as the affairs of the Association may require.

# Section 3. Definitions.

The words used in these Bylaws shall have the same meaning as set forth in that Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions for Tortoise Cay at St. Lucie West (said Declaration, as amended, renewed, or extended from time to time, is hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Declaration"), unless the context shall prohibit.

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Section 1.

Membership/

The Association shall have two (2) classes of membership, Class "A" and Class "B", as more fully set forth in the Declaration, the terms of which pertaining to membership are specifically incorporated herein by reference.

# Section 2. Place of Meetings.

Meetings of the Association shall be held at such suitable place convenient to the Members as may be designated by the Board of Directors either within the Property or as convenient thereto as possible and practical.

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The first meeting of the Members, whether a regular or special meeting, shall be held within one (1) year from the date of incorporation of the Association. Subsequent regular annual meetings shall be set on a date and at a time set by the Board of Directors.

# Section 4. Special Meetings

The President may call special meetings. In addition, it shall be the duty of the President to call a special meeting of the Association if so directed by a majority of the Board of Directors or upon a petition signed by Members representing at least ten percent (10%) of the total votes of the Association. The notice of any special meeting shall state the date, time, and place of such meeting and the purpose thereof. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting except as stated in the notice.

Section 5. \ Notice of Megtings.

Written or printed notice stating the place, day, and hour of any meeting of the Members shall be delivered, either personally or by mail, to each Member entitled to vote at such meeting, not less than ten (10) nor more than fifty (50) days before the date of such meeting, by or at the direction of the President or the Secretary or the officers or persons calling the meeting.

In the case of a special meeting or when required by statute or these Bylaws, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called shall be stated in the notice. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting except as stated in the notice.

If mailed, the notice of a meeting shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the Member at his or her address as it appears on the records of the Association, with postage thereon prepaid.

Section 6. Waiver of Notice.

Waiver of notice of a meeting of the Members shall be deemed the equivalent of proper notice. Any Member may, in writing, waive notice of any meeting of the Members, either before or after such meeting. Attendance at a meeting by a Member shall be deemed waiver by such Member of notice of the time, date, and place thereof, unless such Member specifically objects to lack of proper notice at the time the meeting is called to order. Attendance at a special meeting shall also be deemed waiver of notice of all business transacted thereat unless objection to the calling or convening of the meeting, of which proper notice was not given, is raised before the business is put to a vote.

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Section 7. Adjournment of Meetings.

If any meeting of the Association cannot be held because a quorum is not present, a majority of the Members who are present at such meeting, either in person or by proxy, may adjourn the meeting to a time not less than five (5) nor more than thirty (30) days from the time the original meeting was called. At the reconvened meeting, if a quorum is present, any business which might have been transacted at the meeting originally called may be transacted. If a time and place for reconvening the meeting is not fixed by those in attendance at the original meeting or if for any reason a new date is fixed for reconvening the meeting after adjournment, notice of the time and place for reconvening the meeting shall be given to Members in the manner prescribed for regular meetings.

The Members present at a duly called or held meeting at which a quorum is present may continue to do business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough Members to leave less than a quorum, provided that Members representing at least twenty percent (20%) of the total votes of the Association remain in attendance, and provided further that any action taken is approved by at least a majority of the Members required to constitute a quorum.

Section 8. Voting.

The voting rights of the Members shall be as set forth in the Declaration, and such voting rights provisions are specifically incorporated herein.

Section 9. Proxies.

Members may vote in person or by proxy.

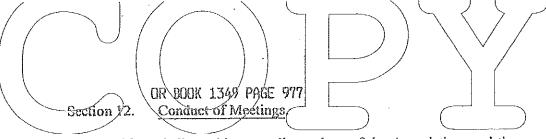
Section 10. Majority.

As used in these Bylaws, the term "majority" shall mean those votes. Owners, or other group as the dontext may indicate totaling more than fifty percent (50%) of the total number.

Section 11. Oborum.

The presence in person or by proxy of the Members representing thirty percent (30%) of the total vote of the Association shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the Association. Any provision in the Declaration concerning quorums is specifically incorporated herein.

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The President shall preside over all meetings of the Association, and the Secretary shall keep the minutes of the meeting and record in a minute book all resolutions adopted at the meeting, as well as a record of all transactions occurring at the meeting.

# Section 13. Action Without A Meeting.

Any action required by law to be taken at a meeting of the Members, or any action which may be taken at a meeting of the Members, may be taken without a meeting if written consent setting forth the action so taken is signed by a majority of all of the Members entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof, and any such consent shall have the same force and effect as a proper vote at a meeting of the Members.

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A. Composition and selection.

Section 1. Governing Body's Composition.

The affairs of the Association shall be governed by a Board of Directors, each of whom shall have one (1) vote. Except as provided in section 2 of this Article, the Directors shall be Members or spouses of such Members; provided, however, no person and his or her spouse may serve on the Board at the same time. In the case of an Owner which is a corporation or partnership or other entity, the person designated in writing to the Secretary of the Association as the representative of such corporation or partnership or other entity shall be eligible to serve as a director.

Section 2. Directors During Class "B" Control,

Directors during the Class B" Control Period shall be selected as provided in Asticle X of the Articles of Incorporation.

Section 3. Voto.

This Section 3 may not be amended without the express, written consent of the Class "B" Member as long as the Class "B" Membership exists.

So long as the Class "B" Membership exists, the Class "B" Member shall have a veto power over all actions of the Board and the Modifications Committee, as is more fully provided in this Section. This veto power shall be exercisable only by the Class "B" Member, its successors, and assigns who specifically take this power in a recorded instrument. The veto power shall be as follows:

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No action authorized by the Board of Directors or Modifications Committee shall become effective, nor shall any action, policy, or program be implemented until and unless:

- (a) The Class "B" Member shall have been given written notice of all meetings and proposed actions approved at meetings of the Board or any committee thereof by certified mail, return receipt requested, or by personal delivery at the address it has registered with the Secretary of the Association, as it may change from time to time, which notice complies as to the Board of Directors meetings with Article III, Paragraph B, Sections 1, 2, and 3, of these Bylaws and which notice shall, except in the ease of the regular meetings held pursuant to the Bylaws, set forth in reasonable particularity the agenda to be followed at said meeting; and
  - The Class "B" Member shall be given the opportunity at any such meeting to join in for to have its representatives or agents join in discussion from the Moor of any prospective action, policy, or program to be implemented by the Board, any committee thereof or the Association. The Class "B" Member, its representatives or agents shall make its concerns, thoughts, and suggestions known to the members of the subject committee and/or the Board. The Class "B" Member shall have and is hereby granted a veto power over any such action, policy, or program authorized by the Board of Directors or any committee thereof and to be taken by the Board, such committee, the Association, or any individual member of the Association, if Board, committee, or Association approval is necessary for such action. This veto may be exercised by the Class "B" Member, its representatives, or agents at any time within ten (10) days following the meeting held pursuant to the terms and provisions hereof. Any veto-shall not extend to the requiring of any/action or counteraction on behalf of any committee, or the Board or the Association. The Class "B" Member shall not use its veto power to reduce the level of services which the Association is obligated to provide for to prevent capital repairs or any expenditure required/to comply with applicable laws and regulations.

Section 4. Number of Directors

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The number of Directors in the Association shall be not less than three (3) nor more than five (5), as provided in section 5 below. The initial Board shall consist of three (3) members as identified in the Articles of Incorporation.

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(a) At the next Annual Meeting of the membership occurring at least sixty (60) days after the time Class "A" Members, other than the Declarant or a builder holding title solely for purposes of development and sale, own fifty percent (50%) of the Lots permitted for Tortoise Cay or whenever the Class "B" Member earlier determines, the Members other than the Declarant shall elect one (1) of the three (3) Directors. The remaining two (2) Directors shall be appointees of the Class "B" Member. The Director elected by the Members-shall not be subject to removal by the Class "B" Member acting alone and shall be elected for a term of two (2) years or until the happening of the event described in subsection (b) below, whichever is shorter. If such Director's term expires prior to the happening of the event described in subsection (b) below, a successor shall be elected for a like term.

Within three (3) months after the time Class "A" Members other than the Declarant or a builder holding title solely for purposes of development and sale, own ninety percent (90%) of the Lots permitted for Tortoise Cay, the Association shall call a special meeting to be held at which Members other than the Class "B" Member shall elect two (2) of the three (3) Directors. The remaining one (1) Director shall be appointed by the Class "B" Member for so long as the Class "B" Member holds for purposes of development and sale at least five percent (5%) of the Lots permitted in Tortoise Cay, or whenever the Class "B" Member earlier determines. The Directors elected by the Members shall not be subject to removal by the Class "B" Member acting alone. The Director elected with the highest number of votes/by the Glass "B" Members shall serve for a term of two (2) years plus the time period from the date of the telmination of the Class "B" Control Period/to the date of the next Annual Meeting of the membership, or until the happening of the event described in subsection (c) below, whichever occurs sooner. The Enrector elected with the second highest number of votes by the Class "B" Members shall serve for a term of one (1) year plus the time period from the date) of the termination of the Class "B" Control Period to the date of the next Annual Meeting of the membership, or until the happening of the event described in subsection (c) below. whichever occurs sooner

(c) At such time as the number of Lots in Tortoise Cay held by the Class "B" Member for purposes of development and sale, total less than five percent (5%) of the total Lots permitted for Tortoise Cay, or at such earlier time as the Class "B" Member so determines, the

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term of the Director appointed by the Class "B" Member shall terminate, and the Class "A" Members shall be entitled to elect all Directors. Such election shall occur at the first Annual Meeting of the membership held on or after such event occurs. The Director appointed by the Class "B" member shall continue to serve as a Director until a replacement is elected, or until his or her resignation, whichever comes first.

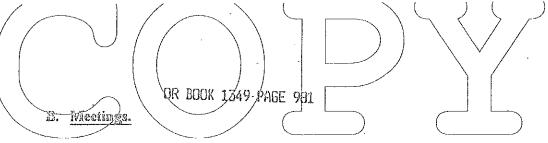
At such time as the Class "A" Members are entitled to elect all Directors, the number of Directors may be increased to a maximum of five (5) Directors, as determined by the Board, provided, however, the number of Directors shall be an odd number. The Directors shall serve staggered terms of two (2) years each. In order to implement the staggered terms, the two Directors receiving the highest number of votes shall serve an initial term of two (2) years, and the remaining Director(s) shall serve an initial term of one (1) year. Elections for Directors for those terms expiring shall be held at the Annual Meeting occurring closest to the expiration of the term. The members of the Board of Directors shall hold office until their respective successors have been elected by the Members. Directors may be elected to serve any number of consecutive terms.

#### Section 6. Removal of Directors and Vacancies.

Any Director elected by the Class "A" Members may be removed, with or without cause, by the vote of the Members. Any Director whose removal is sought shall be given notice prior to any meeting called for that purpose. A Director who was elected solely by the votes of Members other than the Declarant may be removed from office prior to the expiration of his or her term only by the votes of a majority of Members other than the Declarant. Upon removal of a Director, a successor shall then and there be elected by the Members to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term of such Director.

Any Director who has three consecutive unexcused absences from Hoard meetings or who is delinquent in the payment of any assessment or other charge due the Association for more than thirty (30) days may be removed by a majority of the Directors present at a regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors at which a quorum is present, and a successor may be appointed by the Board to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term. In the event of the death, disability, or resignation of a Director, a vacancy may be declared by the Board and it may appoint a successor who shall serve for the remainder of the term of such Director.

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Section 1. Organizational Meetings.

The first meeting of the Board of Directors following each Annual Meeting of the membership shall be held within ten (10) days thereafter at such time and place as shall be fixed by the Board.

# Section 2. Regular Meetings.

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held at such time and place as shall be determined from time to time by a majority of the Directors, but at least four (4) such meetings shall be held during each fiscal year with at least one (1) per quarter. Notice of the time and place of the meeting shall be communicated to Directors not less than four (4) days prior to the meeting; provided, however, notice of a meeting need not be given to any Director who has signed a waiver of notice or a written consent to holding of the meeting. Notices of all Board meetings must be posted-in a conspicuous place in the community at least 48 hours in advance, except in an emergency, or as provided by Florida law.

# Section 3. Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held when called by written notice signed by the President of the Association or by any three (3) Directors. The notice shall specify the time and place of the meeting and the nature of any special business to be considered. The notice shall be given to each Director by one of the following methods: (a) by personal delivery; (b) written notice by first class mail, postage prepaid; (c) by telephone communication, either directly to the Director or to a person at the Director's office or home who would reasonably be expected to communicate such notice promptly to the Director, or (d) by fax. All such notices shall be given at the Director's telephone number or lax number, or sent to the Director's address as shown on the records of the Association. Notices sent by first class mail shall be deposited into a United States mail box at least four (4) days before the time set for the meeting. Notices given by personal delivery, telephone, or fax shall be delivered, telephoned, or faxed at least seventy-two (72) hours the fore the time set for the meeting. Plotices of all Board-meetings. must be posted in a conspicuous place in the community at least 48 hours in advance, except in an emergency, or as provided by Florida law.

#### Section 4. Waiver of Notice.

The transactions of any meetings of the Board of Directors, however called and noticed or wherever held, shall be as valid as though taken at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice if (a) a quorum is present, and (b) either before or after the meeting each of the Directors not present signs a written waiver of notice, a consent to holding the meeting, or an approval of

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the minutes. The waiver of notice or consent need not specify the purpose of the meeting. Notice of a meeting shall also be deemed given to any Director who attends the meeting without protesting before or at its commencement about the lack of adequate notice.

# Section 5. Quorum of Board of Directors.

At all meetings of the Board of Directors, a majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the votes of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall constitute the decision of the Board of Directors. A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business, notwithstanding the withdrawal of Directors, if any action taken is approved by at least a majority of the required quorum for that meeting. If any meeting of the Board cannot be held because a quorum is not present, a majority of the Directors who are present at such meeting may adjourn the meeting to a time not less than five (5) nor more than thirty (30) days from the date the original meeting was called. At the reconvened meeting, if a quorum is present, any business which might have been transacted at the meeting originally called may be transacted without further notice.

# Section 6. Compensation.

No Director shall receive any compensation from the Association for acting as such unless approved by Members representing a majority of the total vote of the Association at a regular or special meeting of the Association; provided any Director may be reimbursed for expenses incurred on behalf of the Association upon approval of a majority of the other Directors.

# Section 7. Conduct of Meetings.

The President shall preside over all meetings of the Board of Directors, and the Secretary shall-keep a minute book of meetings of the Board of Directors, recording therein all resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors and all transactions and proceedings occurring at such meetings.

Subject to the provisions of Section 9 of this Article, all meetings of the Board-shall be open to-all-Members, but Members other than Directors may not participate in any discussion or deliberation unless permission to speak is requested on his or her behalf by a Director. In such case, the President may limit the time any Member may speak. Meetings between the Board and its attorney with respect to proposed or pending litigation where the content of the discussion would otherwise be governed by the attorney-client privilege are exempt from the open meeting requirement.

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Any action to be taken at a meeting of the Directors or any action that may be taken at a meeting of the Directors may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the Directors, and such consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote.

#### C. Powers and Duties.

Section 1. Powers. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for the affairs of the Association and shall have all of the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the Association's affairs and, as provided by law, may do all acts and things as are not by the Declaration, Articles or these Bylavs directed to be done and exercised exclusively by the Members or the membership generally.

The Hoard of Directors shall delegate to one of its members the authority to act on behalf of the Board of Directors on all matters relating to the duties of the managing agent or manager, if any, which might arise between meetings of the Board of Directors.

In addition to the duties imposed by these Bylaws or by any resolution of the Association that may hereafter be adopted, the Board of Directors shall have the power to and shall be responsible for the following, in way of explanation, but not limitation:

- (a) preparation and adoption of an annual budget in which there shall be established the contribution of each Owner to the Common Expenses;
- making assessments to defray the Common Expenses, establishing the means and methods of confecting such assessments, and establishing the period of the installment payments of the annual assessment; provided, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors, the annual assessment for each Lat's proportionate share of the Common Expenses shall be payable in equal quarterly installments, each such installment to be due and payable in advance on the first day of each quarter for said quarter;
- (c) providing for the operation, care, upkeep, and maintenance of allof the Arca of Common Responsibility;
- (d) designating, hiring, and dismissing the personnel necessary for the maintenance, operation, repair, and replacement of the Association, its property, and the Area of Common Responsibility and, where appropriate, providing for the compensation of such personnel and for the purchase of equipment, supplies, and

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materials to be used by such personnel in the performance of their duties;

- (e) collecting the assessments, depositing the proceeds thereof in a bank depository which it shall approve, and using the proceeds to administer the Association; provided, any reserve fund may be deposited, in the Directors' best business judgment, in depositories other than banks;
- (f) making and amending rules and regulations;
- (g) opening of bank accounts on behalf of the Association and designating the signatories required;
- (h) making or contracting for the making of repairs, additions, and improvements to or alterations of the Common Area in accordance with the other provisions of the Declaration and these Bylaws after damage or destruction by fire or other casualty;
- (i) enforcing by legal means the provisions of the Declaration, these Bylaws, and the rules and regulations adopted by it and bringing any proceedings which may be instituted on behalf of or against the Owners concerning the Association;
- obtaining and carrying insurance against casualties and liabilities, as provided in the Declaration, and paying the premium cost thereof;
- (k) paying the cost of all services rendered to the Association or its Members and not chargeable directly to specific Owners;
- (i) keeping books with detailed accounts of the receipts and expenditures affecting the Association and its administration, specifying the maintenance and repair expenses and any other expenses incurred;
  - making available to any prospective purchaser of a Lot, any Owner of a Lot, any first Mortgagee, and the holders, insurers, and guaranters of a first Mortgage on any Lot, current copies of the Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, rules governing the Lot and all other books, records, and financial statements of the Association;
- (n) permitting utility suppliers to use portions of the Common Area reasonably necessary to the ongoing development or operation of the Property; and

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contracting and cooperating with the Community Development District to ensure that their respective responsibilities are properly discharged. The Board is authorized to act on behalf of the Members to ensure that the level of services provided by the Community Development District is consistent with the Community-Wide Standard.

# Section 2. Management Agent.

- (a) The Board of Directors may employ for the Association a professional management agent or agents at a compensation established by the Board of Directors to perform such duties and services as the Board of Directors shall authorize. The Board of Directors may delegate to the managing agent or manager, subject to the Board's supervision, all of the powers granted to the Board of Directors by these Bylaws, other than the powers set forth in subparagraphs (a), (b), (f), (g), and (i) of Paragraph C, Section 1 of this Article. The Declarant, or an affiliate of the Declarant, may be employed as managing agent or manager.
- No management contract may have a term in excess of one (1) year and must permit termination by either party without cause and without termination fee on ninety (90) days' or less written notice.

# Section 3. Accounts and Reports.

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The following management standards of performance will be followed unless the Board by resolution specifically determines otherwise:

- (a) accrual accounting, as defined by generally accepted accounting principles, shall be employed;
  - accounting and controls should conform to generally accepted accounting principles;
- (c) cash accounts of the Association shall not be commingled with any other accounts;
- (d) no renumeration shall be accepted by the managing agent from vendors, independent contractors, or others providing goods or services to the Association, whether in the form of commissions, finder's fees, service fees, prizes, gifts, or otherwise; any thing of value received shall benefit the Association;
- (e) any financial or other interest which the managing agent may have in any firm providing goods or services to the Association shall be disclosed promptly to the Board of Directors;

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- (i) an income statement reflecting all income and expense activity for the preceding period on an accrual basis;
  - (ii) a statement reflecting all cash receipts and disbursements for the preceding period;

a variance report reflecting the status of all accounts in an "actual" versus "approved" budget format;

a balance sheet as of the last day of the preceding pariod;

a delinquency report listing all Owners who are delinquent in paying the quarterly installments of assessments at the time of the report and describing the status of any action to collect ouch installments which remain delinquent (a quarterly installment of the assessment shall be considered to be delinquent on the fifteenth (15th) day of the first month of each quarter unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors); and

(g) an annual report consisting of at least the following shall be distributed to all Members within one hundred twenty (120) days after the close of the fiscal year: (1) a balance sheet; (2) an operating (income) statement; and (3) a statement of changes in financial position for the fiscal year. The annual report referred to above shall be prepared on an audited or reviewed basis, as determined by the Board, by an independent public accountant; provided, during the Class "B" Control Period, the annual report shall include certified financial statements.

Section 4.\ Borrowing

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The Board of Directors shall have the power to borrow money for the purpose of maintenance, repair or restoration of the Area of Common Responsibility without the approval of the Members of the Association. The Board shall also have the power to borrow money for other purposes; provided, the Board shall obtain Member approval in the same manner provided in Article IX, Section 3, of the Declaration for special assessments in the event that the proposed borrowing is for the purpose of modifying, improving, or adding amenities and the total amount of such borrowing exceeds or would exceed five percent (5%) of the budgeted gross expenses of the Association for that fiscal year. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary

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contained in the Declaration, these Bylaws, or the Articles of Incorporation, during the Claus "B" Control Period, no Mortgage lien shall be placed on any portion of the Common Area without the affirmative vote or written consent, or any combination thereof, of Members representing at least fifty-one percent (51%) of the Members other than the Declarant and the Declarant's nominees.

# Section 5. Rights of the Association

With respect to the Area of Common Responsibility, and in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws, the Association shall have the right to contract with any person for the performance of various duties and functions. Without limiting the foregoing, this right shall entitle the Association to enter into common management, operational, or other agreements with trusts, condominiums, cooperatives, and other owners or residents associations, both within and without the Property. Such agreements shall require the consent of two-thirds (2/3) of all Directors of the Association.

Section 6. Enforcement.

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The Board shall have the power to impose reasonable fines, which shall constitute a lien upon the property of the violating Owner, and to suspend an Owner's right to use the Common Area for violation of any duty imposed under the Declaration, these Bylaws, or any rules and regulations duly adopted hereunder; provided, however, nothing herein shall authorize the Association or the Board of Directors to limit ingress and egress to or from a Lot or to suspend an Owner's right to vote for nonpayment of assessments. In the event that any occupant of a Lot violates the Declaration, these Bylaws, or a rule or regulation and a fine is imposed, the fine shall first be assessed against the occupant; provided, however, if the fine is not paid by the occupant within the time period set by the Board, the Owner shall pay the fine upon notice from the Association. The failure of the Board to enforce any provision of the Declaration, these Bylaws, or any rule or regulation shall not be deemed a waiver of the right of the Board to do so thereafter.

Notice Prior to imposition of any sanction hereunder, the Board or its delegate shall serve the alleged violator with written notice describing (i) the nature of the alleged violation, (ii) the proposed sanction to be imposed, (iii) a period of not less than fourteen (14) days within which the alleged violator may present a written request to the Covenants Committee, if any, or Board of Directors for a hearing; and (iv) a statement that the proposed sanction shall be imposed as contained in the notice unless a challenge is begun within fourteen (14) days of the notice. If a timely challenge is not made, the sanction stated in the notice shall be imposed.

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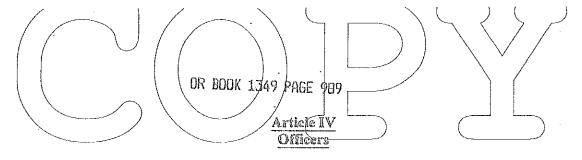
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Mearing, If a hearing is requested in a timely manner, the hearing shall be held in executive session before a committee (the Covenants Committee) of at least three (3) Members appointed by the Board who are not officers, directors, or employees of the Association, or the spouse, parent, child, brother or sister of an officer, director or employee. The Owner shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard. Prior to the effectiveness of any sanction hereunder, proof of proper notice shall be placed in the minutes of the Covenants Committee meeting. Such proof shall be deemed adequate if a copy of the notice, together with a statement of the date and manner of delivery, is entered by the officer, Director, or agent who delivered such notice. The notice requirement shall be deemed satisfied if the alleged violator appears at the meeting. The minutes of the meeting shall contain a written statement of the results of the hearing and the sanction, if any, imposed. The Board of Directors or the Covenants Committee may, but shall not be obligated to, suspend any proposed vanction if the violation is cyled within the fourteen (14) day period. Such suspension shall not constitute a waiver of the right to sanction future violations of the same or other provisions and rules by any person.

- (c) Appeal. Following a hearing before the Covenants Committee, the violator shall have the right to appeal the decision to the Board of Directors. To perfect this right, a written notice of appeal must be received by the manager, President, or Secretary of the Association within thirty (30) days after the hearing date.
- (d) Additional Enforcement Rights. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, the Association, acting through the Board of Directors, may elect to enforce any provision of the Declaration, these Bylaws, or the rules and regulations of the Association by self-help (specifically including but not limited to, the towing of vehicles that are in violation of parking rules and regulations) or by sult at law or in equity-to enjoin any violation or to recover monetary damages or both without the necessity of compliance with the procedure set forth above. In any such action, to the maximum extent permissible, the Owner or occupant responsible for the violation of which abatement is sought shall pay all costs, including reasonable attorney's fees actually incurred.

The requirements of this Section 6. do not apply to the imposition of suspensions fines upon any Owner because of the failure of the Owner to pay assessments or other charges when due.

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# Section 1. Officers.

The officers of the Association shall be a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, to be elected from among the members of the Board. The Board of Directors may appoint such other officers, including one or more Assistant Secretaries and one or more Assistant Treasurers, as it shall deem desirable, such officers to have the authority and perform the duties prescribed from time to time by the Board of Directors. Any two (2) or more offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of President and a Vice President shall not be held by the same person, nor shall the offices of President and Secretary or Assistant Secretary be held by the same person.

Section 2. / Election, Term of Office, and Vacancies.

The officers of the Association shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the first meeting of the Board of Directors following each annual meeting of the Members, as herein set forth in Article III. A vacancy in any office arising because of death, resignation, removal, or otherwise may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

Section 3. Removal.

Any officer may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Association will be served thereby.

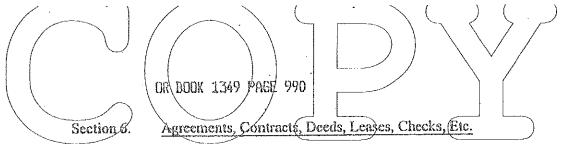
Section 4. Powers and Duties.

The officers of the Association shall each have such powers and duties as generally pertain to their respective offices, as well as such powers and duties as may from time to time specifically be conferred or imposed by the Board of Directors. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association. The Treasurer shall have primary responsibility for me preparation of the budget as provided for in the Declaration and may delegate all or part of the preparation and notification duties to a finance committee, management agent, or both.

Section 5. Resignation.

Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors, the President, or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect on the date of the receipt of such notice or at any later time specified therein, and unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

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All agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, checks, and other instruments of the Association shall be executed by at least two (2) officers or by such other person or persons as may be designated by resolution of the Board of Directors.

#### Article V Committees

Section 1. General.

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Section 2. Covenants Committed.

In addition to any other committees which may be established by the Board pursuant to Section 1 of this Article, the Board of Directors may appoint a Covenants Committee consisting of at least three (3) and no more than seven (7) members. The Covenants Committee, if established, shall be the hearing tribunal of the Association and shall conduct all hearings held pursuant to Article III, Paragraph C, Section 6 of these Bylaws.

# <u>Article VI</u> Wiscellancous

Section . Fiscal Year.

The fiscal year of the Association shall be the calendar year unless another time period is set by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Section-2. | Parliamentary Rules.

Except as may be modified by Board resolution, Robert's Rules of Order (current edition) shall govern the conduct of Association proceedings when not in conflict with Florida law, the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration, or these Bylaws.

EXMINT <u>P</u> PAGE /1 OF <u>21</u> PAGES If there are conflicts between the provisions of Florida law, the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration, and these Bylaws, the provisions of Florida law, the Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation, and the Bylaws (in that order) shall prevail.

# Section 4. Books and Records.

- (a) Inspection by Members and Mortgagees. The Declaration and Bylaws, membership register, books of account, and minutes of meetings of the Members, the Board, and committees shall be made available for inspection and copying by any Mortgagee, Member of the Association, or by his or her duly appointed representative at any reasonable time and for a purpose reasonably related to his or her interest as a Member at the office of the Association or at such other place within the County as the Board shall prescribe.
- (b) Rules for Inspection. The Board shall destablish reasonable rules with respect to:
  - (i) notice to be given to the custodian of the records;
- (ii) hours and days of the week when such an inspection may be made; and
- (iii) payment of the cost of reproducing copies of documents requested.
  - (c) Inspection by Directors. Every Director shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect all books, records, and documents of the Association and the physical properties owned or controlled by the Association. The right of inspection by a Director includes the right to make extracts and a copy of relevant documents at the expense of the Association.

Section 5 | Notices.

Unless otherwise provided in these Bylaws, all notices, demands, bills, statements, or other communications under these Bylaws shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered personally or if send by United States Mail, first class postage prepaid:

- (a) if to a Member at the address which the Member or Member has designated in writing and filed with the Secretary or, if no such address has been designated, at the address of the Lot of such Member or:
- (b) if to the Association, the Board of Directors, or the managing agent, at the principal office of the Association or the managing

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agent, if any, or at such other address as shall be designated by notice in writing to the Members pursuant to this Section.

# Section 6. Amendment.

Prior to the conveyance of the first Lot, Declarant may unilaterally amend these Bylaws. After such conveyance, the Declarant may unilaterally amend these Bylaws so long as the Declarant has not turned over control of the Board of Directors to the Members pursuant to Article III, Section 5, paragraph (b) hereof, and so long as the amendment has no material adverse effect upon any right of any Member. Thereafter and otherwise, these Bylaws may be amended only by the affirmative vote (in person or by alternate) or written consent, or any combination thereof, of Members representing seventy-five percent (75%) of the total votes of the Association, including seventy-five percent (75%) of the votes held by Members other than the Declarant. However, the percentage of votes necessary to amend a specific clause shall not be less than the prescribed percentage of affirmative votes required for action to be taken under that clause. No amendment shall be effective until recorded in the public records of St-Lucie County, Florida.

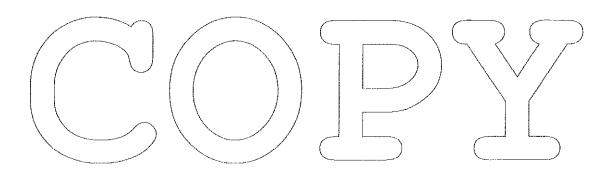


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