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**MASTER DECLARATION OF COVENANTS,
CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR
HARMONY SUBDIVISION**

THIS MASTER DECLARATION of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Harmony Subdivision (hereinafter the ADeclaration@), is made and entered into this 21st day of March, 2007, by HARMONY PARTNERS, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company (hereinafter called ADeveloper@ or "Declarant").

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WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Developer is the owner of the real property described in Exhibit AA@ of this Declaration; and

WHEREAS, said real property is generally known as the Harmony Subdivision, and Developer desires to create thereon a planned community with recreational and other community facilities for the benefit of said community; and

WHEREAS, Developer desires to provide for the preservation and enhancement of the property values and amenities in said community and for the maintenance of the property and the improvements thereon, and to this end desires to subject the property described on Exhibit AA@, together with such additions as may hereafter be made thereto as provided in Article II hereof, to the covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, charges and liens hereinafter set forth, each and all of which is and are for the benefit of said property and each owner thereof; and

WHEREAS, for the efficient preservation of the values and amenities in said community, the Developer has incorporated under the laws of the State of Georgia, Harmony Homeowners Association, Inc. as a non-profit corporation and hereby delegates and assigns to it the powers of owning, maintaining and administering the community properties and facilities, administering and enforcing the terms and provisions contained herein, collecting and disbursing the assessments and charges hereinafter created, and promoting the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the residents of Harmony Subdivision.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and of the covenants and agreements hereinafter made, the Developer declares that the real property described in Exhibit "A" and such additions thereto as may hereafter be made pursuant to Article II hereof, is and shall be held, developed, transferred, sold, conveyed, occupied and used subject to this Declaration and the covenants, conditions and restrictions, easements, charges and liens hereinafter set forth.

ARTICLE I
DEFINITIONS

Section 1. AAssociation@ shall mean and refer to Harmony Homeowners Association, Inc., its successors and assigns.

Section 2. "Builder" shall mean a person or entity to which Developer has sold an unimproved lot or lots for the purpose of constructing a residential dwelling thereon.

Section 3. ACommon Area@ shall mean and refer to those areas of the Property, together with improvements thereon, now or hereafter conveyed or dedicated to the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the Association and its Members. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the following shall be Common Area: common areas, lagoons, open spaces and greenspace, parks, buffers, wetlands (to the extent actually conveyed to the Association), sign easements, private drives or roads, storm water detention ponds, development identification signs, and recreation or amenity areas (to the extent actually conveyed to the Association), pump station, irrigation well, together with any improvements erected or maintained on any of the foregoing.

Section 4. ADeclaration@ shall mean the covenants, conditions and restrictions and all other provisions herein set forth in this document, as may from time to time be amended.

Section 5. ADeveloper@ shall both mean and refer to Harmony Partners, LLC, a Georgia limited liability company, and its successors and assigns, together with any successor to all or substantially all of the business of developing the Property. All rights of the Developer, as Developer, hereinafter set forth shall cease when it no longer has an interest in developing the property. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, Developer may assign its rights as Developer hereunder by written assignment recorded in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of Chatham County, Georgia.

Section 6. ALot@ shall mean and refer to any plot of land developed for residential use and shown upon any recorded subdivision map of the property with the exception of the Common Areas as heretofore defined. The term shall also include a condominium, townhouse, patio home, or other owned living unit with in the Property.

Section 7. AMember@ shall mean and refer to Members of the Association and shall include any Owner and the Developer.

Section 8. AOwner@ shall mean and refer to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of the fee simple title to any Lot, but excluding those having such interest as security for the performance of an obligation.

Section 9. AProperty@ shall mean and refer to the real property described on Exhibit AA@ which has hereby become subject to this Declaration, together with such other real property as may from time to time be annexed to said property under the provisions of Article II hereof.

ARTICLE II
PROPERTY SUBJECT TO THIS DECLARATION AND ADDITIONS THERETO

Section 1. Existing Property. The real property which is and shall be held, developed, transferred, sold, conveyed, used and occupied subject to this Declaration is located in Chatham County, Georgia, and more particularly described on Exhibit AA@ attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof.

Section 2. Additions to Existing Property. The Developer shall have the right to subject to this Declaration any or all of the additional property described on Exhibit AB@ attached hereto and by reference made a part hereof, provided that not more than seven (7) years

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have elapsed since the filing of this Declaration and not more than five (5) years have elapsed since the last supplementary declaration which subjects any additional property to this Declaration. Notwithstanding any other provisions contained herein, the Developer reserves the right to submit undescribed adjacent additional land so long as it does not increase the total size of the planned community by up to twenty percent (20%) both in land size and in number of additional lots.

ARTICLE III COMMON AREA

Section 1. Obligation of the Association. The Association, subject to the provisions of this Declaration, shall be responsible for the exclusive management and control of the Common Area and all improvements thereon (including furnishings and equipment related thereto) and shall keep the same in good, clean, attractive and sanitary condition, order and repair in compliance with standards set by the Architectural Review Board ("ARB").

Section 2. Easement of Enjoyment and Easement of Ingress and Egress. Subject to the provisions herein, every Owner shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Area which shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot, and every Member shall have a right of enjoyment in the Common Area. Each Owner has a non-exclusive easement for ingress and egress over the Common Area to the extent necessary to provide access to the Lot and for utilities serving that Lot. This right of access for ingress and egress cannot be suspended for violations of the terms and provisions of the Declaration or for non-payment of assessments.

Section 3. Extent of Easements. The easements of enjoyment and easements of ingress and egress created herein shall be subject to the following:

- (a) The right of the Association to establish reasonable rules and regulations governing the use of the Common Areas and the personal conduct of Owners, occupants and guests thereon (to include provisions for the levy of fines for violations thereof) and to charge reasonable admission or other fees for special or extraordinary uses of the Common Areas;
- (b) The right of the Association to suspend the right of a Member to vote on any Association matter for any period during which any assessment against said Member remains unpaid for more than thirty (30) days after notice;
- (c) The right of the Association to suspend the right of a Member to use any recreational facilities for any period during which any assessment against said Member remains unpaid for more than thirty (30) days after notice;
- (d) The right of the Association to suspend the right of a member or anyone in his household to use the recreational facilities for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days for any infraction of this Declaration;
- (e) The right of the Association to encumber any or all of the Common Area as may be authorized herein, or in the Articles of Incorporation, or as granted to non-profit corporations under Georgia law (a lender=s rights, in the event of default upon any encumbrance on the Common Areas, are limited to, after taking possession of such Common Areas, charging reasonable admission and other fees as a condition of continued enjoyment by Members, and, if necessary, to a wider range of users. Upon satisfaction of the encumbrance, such Common Areas are returned to the Association with full restoration of Members= rights.);
- (f) The right of the Association to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Area owned by it to any public agency, authority, or utility for such purposes and subject to such conditions as are authorized by the Articles of Incorporation, this Declaration, or by Georgia law;
- (g) The right of the Association, acting through the Board of Directors, without Member, mortgagee and agency approvals unless provided otherwise herein, to grant

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easements in and across the Common Areas for any purpose not inconsistent with the use of those areas by Members;

(h) The following rights are reserved by the Developer:

(i) The right to use portions of the Common Areas for sales and marketing purposes;

(ii) The right to reserve easements across the Common Areas for development purposes;

(iii) The right to grant, terminate, or vacate easements across Common Areas for limited purposes such as installation and maintenance of utilities, storm water management, or provisions of services to Lots.

Section 4. Delegation of Use. A Member's rights of enjoyment to the Common Area and facilities shall extend to the members of his or her family and to his or her guests, subject to such general regulations as may be established from time to time by the Association.

Section 5. Title to Common Area. Title to the Common Area shall be conveyed by the Developer as follows:

(a) Contemporaneously herewith, the Developer has set aside and dedicated Common Area located within the Property. These parcels, together with the improvements located thereon, shall be conveyed to the Association, free and clear of all liens and financial encumbrances.

(b) Other Common Area shall be conveyed by the Developer to the Association, free and clear of all liens and financial encumbrances, as shall be provided in supplementary declarations relating to such future facilities.

(c) The Association shall accept any conveyance made according to the terms hereof.

Section 6. Indemnification. The Association shall indemnify every officer, director, ARB member, and committee member against all damages, liabilities, and expenses, including reasonable attorney's fees, incurred in connection with any action, suit, or other proceeding (including settlement of any suit or proceeding, if approved by the then Board of Directors) to which he or she may be a party by reason of being or having been an officer, director, ARB member or committee member, except that such obligation to indemnify shall be limited to those actions for which liability is limited under this Section, the Articles of Incorporation and South Carolina corporation law.

The officers, directors, ARB members and committee members shall not be liable for any mistake of judgment, negligent or otherwise, except for their own individual willful misfeasance, malfeasance, misconduct, or bad faith. The officers, directors, ARB members, and committee members shall have no personal liability with respect to any contract or other commitment made or action taken in good faith on behalf of the Association (except to the extent that such officers, directors, ARB members or committee members may also be Members of the Association). The Association shall indemnify and forever hold each such officer, director, ARB member and committee member harmless from any and all liability to others on account of any such contract, commitment or action. This right to indemnification shall not be exclusive of any other rights to which any present or former officer, director, ARB member or committee member may be entitled. The Association shall, as a Common Expense, maintain adequate general liability and directors' and officers liability insurance to fund this obligation, if such insurance is reasonably available.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

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Section 1. Every Owner of a Lot which is subject to assessment shall be a Member of the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot which is subject to assessment.

Section 2. The Association shall have two classes of voting membership:

(a) Class A Members shall be all Owners, with the exception of the Developer, and shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot owned. When more than one person holds an interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be Members. The vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot.

(b) The Class B Member shall be the Developer and shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned (based on the total number of Lots planned). The Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership on the happening of either of the following events, whichever occurs first:

(i) One Hundred Twenty (120) days after date at which 90% of the total number of Lots planned are conveyed to Lot owners other than the Developer or Builder(s); or

(ii) At such time as seven (7) years have elapsed since the filing of this Declaration or five (5) years have elapsed since the filing of the last supplementary declaration which subjects any additional property to this Declaration.

Section 3. The affairs of the Association shall initially be managed by a Board of Directors as follows:

(a) During the Class B membership, the Board of Directors will consist of at least one (1) Director who shall be appointed by Developer. After the Class B membership, the Board of Directors will consist of five (5) Directors elected by the Members. Election to the Board of Directors shall be by secret written ballot. At such election, the Members or their proxies may cast, in respect to each vacancy, as many votes as they are entitled to exercise under the provisions of the Declaration. The persons receiving the largest number of votes will be elected. Cumulative voting is not permitted.

(b) Any Director may be removed from the Board, with or without cause, by a majority vote of the Members of the Association.

(c) In the event of death, resignation, or removal of a Director, his successor shall be selected by the remaining members of the Board of Directors and shall serve for the unexpired term of his predecessor.

ARTICLE V COVENANT FOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS

Section 1. Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments. The Developer, for each Lot owned within the property, hereby covenants, and each Owner of any Lot by acceptance of a deed therefor, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association:

(a) Annual assessments or charges as described herein.

(b) Special assessments for capital improvements, such assessments to be established and collected as hereinafter provided.

(c) Specific assessments, such assessments to be established and collected as hereinafter provided.

The assessments, together with interest, costs and attorney's fees actually incurred

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collecting assessments, shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the property against which each such assessment is made. Each such assessment, together with interest, costs and reasonable attorney's fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the Owner of such Property at the time the assessment fell due. The personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to his successors in title unless expressly assumed by them.

Section 2. Purpose of Assessments. The assessments levied by the Association may be exclusively used to promote the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the residents in the Property, for the improvement and maintenance of Common Area, to meet the expenses of the Association (which shall adopt an annual operating budget). The Board of Directors is expressly authorized to levy assessments on behalf of the Association.

Section 3. Maximum Annual Assessment. Until January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum assessment shall be Four Hundred and Fifty and no/100s (\$450.00) dollars per year per Lot.

(a) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum annual assessment may be increased each year not more than Fifteen (15%) Percent above the maximum assessment for the previous year without a vote of the Membership.

(b) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum annual assessment may be increased by more than Fifteen (15%) Percent by a majority vote of the Members obligated to pay such assessment or with the written approval of Members entitled to cast a majority of the total number of authorized votes of Members obligated to pay such assessment.

(c) Certain fixed costs, anticipated or unanticipated, or increases therein, for insurance, taxes, recycling or waste disposal may be passed through to the Members by permitting an automatic increase in the maximum assessment which reflects those increases. The Board of Directors is expressly authorized to obtain appropriate insurance coverage on behalf of the Association.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions contained herein with respect to the maximum annual assessment or otherwise, a special assessment equal to four hundred and fifty and no/100s (\$450.00) dollars ("Working Capital Contribution") shall be collected and transferred to the Association at the time of closing of the sale of each Lot to an Owner, not a Builder. The Working Capital Contribution shall be maintained in a segregated account for the use and benefit of the Association. Amounts paid into the working capital fund are not to be construed as advance payment of regular assessments. (The purpose of the fund is to insure that the Association will have cash available to meet unforeseen expenditures, or to acquire additional equipment or services deemed necessary or desirable.)

Section 4. Special Assessments for Capital Improvements. In addition to the annual assessments authorized above, the Association may levy in any assessment year a special assessment applicable to that year only for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair, or replacement of the capital improvements upon the Common Areas, including fixtures of personal property related thereto, provided that any such assessment shall have the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the vote of each class of Members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for this purpose.

Section 5. Specific Assessments. The Association shall have the power to specifically assess a Lot or Lots for expenses of the Association which benefit less than all of the Lots. Such specific assessments shall be assessed equitably among all of the Lots which have benefited according to the benefit received, as determined by the Association in its sole discretion.

Section 6. Notice and Quorum for Any Action Authorized Under Sections 3, 4 or 5. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any action authorized under

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Sections 3, 4 or 5 shall be sent to all Members not less than twenty one (21) days in advance of the meeting. Such notice shall include the date, time, place and purpose of the meeting. At the first such meeting called, the presence of Members or of proxies entitled to cast Sixty Seven (67%) Percent of all the votes of each class of Membership shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum is not present, another meeting may be called subject to the same notice requirement, and the required quorum at the second meeting shall be one-half (2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the preceding meeting.

Section 7. Uniform Rate of Assessment. Both annual and special assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Lots and may be collected on a monthly basis.

Section 8. Date of Commencement of Annual Assessments; Due Dates. The annual assessments provided for herein shall commence as to each Lot upon the conveyance of each Lot by the Declarant or Builder to an Owner. The first annual assessment shall be adjusted according to the number of months remaining in the calendar year. The Board of Directors shall fix the amount of the annual assessment against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period. Written notice of the annual assessment shall be sent to every Owner subject thereto. The due dates shall be established by the Board of Directors. The Association shall, upon demand, and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the assessments on a specified Lot have been paid. A properly executed certificate of the Association as to the status of assessments on a lot is binding upon the Association as of the date of its issuance.

Section 9. Effect of Nonpayment of Assessments; Remedies of the Association. Any assessment not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall bear interest from the due date at the rate of Ten Percent (10%) per annum. The Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or foreclose the lien against the property. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided for herein by non-use of the Common Area or abandonment of his Lot.

Section 10. Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages. The lien of the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the assessment lien. However, the sale or transfer of any Lot pursuant to foreclosure of a security deed or any proceeding in lieu thereof shall extinguish the lien of such assessments as to payments which became due prior to such sale or transfer. No sale or transfer shall relieve such lot from liability for any assessments thereafter becoming due or from the lien thereof.

Section 11. Exempt Property. The following Property subject to this Declaration shall be exempt from the assessments, charges and liens created herein:

- (a) All properties to the extent of any easement or any interest therein dedicated and accepted by the local public authority and devoted to public use;
- (b) All Common Areas;
- (c) All properties exempt from taxation by State and Local governments upon the terms and to the extent of such legal exemption;

Section 12. Exemption for Assessments for Property Owned by Developer or Builder. The Developer and Builders may be exempt from annual assessments on unoccupied Lots only during the Class B membership provided and for so long as Developer and Builders shall fund all Association operating deficits. A Lot initially occupied or conveyed to an Owner other than the Developer and Builders shall be fully assessed. The obligation to fund budget deficits is a lien against all the land owned by the Developer and Builders, as appropriate, included within the Property.

ARTICLE VI
ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

Section 1. The ARB. An ARB (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "ARB") consisting of one (1) or more persons shall be appointed by the Developer. At such time as the Developer no longer has an interest in developing the Property, vacancies in the ARB shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board.

Section 2. Purpose. The ARB shall regulate the external design, appearance, use, location and maintenance of the Property and of the improvements thereon in such a manner as to preserve and enhance values and to maintain a harmonious relationship among structures and the natural vegetation and topography. The ARB shall promulgate standards and guidelines appropriate to the character of each increment, phase, or parcel of the Property. Such standards and guidelines shall be generally distributed among the Members.

Section 3. Conditions. No improvements, alterations, repairs, change of paint colors, excavations, changes in grade, landscaping alterations, or other work which in any way alters the exterior of any Property or the improvements located thereon from its natural or improved state existing on the date such Property was first conveyed in fee by the Builder to an Owner or to the Association shall be made or done without the prior written approval of the ARB, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Declaration. No building, fence, wall, residence, satellite dish or signage shall be commenced, erected, maintained, improved, altered, made, or done without the prior written approval of the ARB.

Section 4. Procedures. In the event the ARB fails to approve, modify, or disapprove in writing an application within thirty (30) days after plans and specifications in writing have been submitted to it, in accordance with adopted procedures, approval will be deemed granted. At least a majority of the Members of the ARB, either in person or by telephone conference call, shall constitute a quorum. A majority vote of the Members of the ARB shall be required for ARB action.

Section 5. Enforcement. The Declarant, any member of the ARB or the Board, or the representatives of each shall have the right, during reasonable hours and after reasonable notice, to enter upon any Unit to inspect for the purpose of ascertaining whether any structure or improvement is in violation of this Article. Any structure, improvement or landscaping placed or made in violation of this Article shall be deemed to be nonconforming. Upon written request from the ARB, Owners shall, at their own cost and expense, remove such structure or improvement and restore the property substantially the same condition as existed prior to the nonconforming work. Should an Owner fail to remove and restore the property as required, any authorized agent of Declarant, the ARB or the Board shall have the right to enter the property, remove the violation, and restore the property to substantially the same condition as previously existed. Entry for such purposes and in compliance with this Section shall not constitute a trespass. In addition, the Association shall have the authority and standing to pursue all legal and equitable remedies available to enforce the provisions of this Article and the decisions of the ARB. All costs, together with the interest at the maximum rate then allowed by law, may be assessed against the benefitted Lot and collected as a Specific Assessment.

ARTICLE VII
USE OF PROPERTY

Section 1. Protective Covenants.

(a) General. This Article sets out certain use restrictions which shall be applicable to Units within the Subdivision and shall be in addition to the covenants, conditions, restrictions and easements set forth in this Declaration. Declarant reserves the right to set forth additional design and development guidelines and restrictions by Supplemental Declaration or written Guidelines executed by the Declarant.

(b) Rules and Regulations. In addition to the use restrictions set forth in this Article, the ARB may, from time to time, without consent of the Members, promulgate, modify, or delete rules and regulations applicable to the Properties. Such rules shall be distributed to all Owners and occupants prior to the date that they are to become effective and shall thereafter be

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binding upon all Owners and occupants until and unless overruled, canceled, or modified in a regular or special meeting by Members holding a Majority of the total Class "A" votes in the Association, and during the Developers control period, the written consent of the Developer.

(c) Occupants Bound. All provisions of the Declaration, By-Laws, and of any rules and regulations, use restrictions or other documents governing the conduct of Owners and establishing sanctions against Owners shall also apply to all occupants even though occupants are not specifically.

(d) Nuisances. No nuisance shall be permitted to exist or operate upon any Property so as to be detrimental to any other Property in the vicinity thereof or to its occupants. No noxious or offensive activity shall be carried on upon any Lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or may become an annoyance or nuisance to the neighborhood.

(e) Restriction on Further Subdivision. No Lot shall be further subdivided or separated into smaller Lots by any Owner; provided that this prohibition shall not prohibit deeds of correction, deeds to resolve boundary line disputes and similar corrective instruments.

(f) Use of Lots. Each Lot shall be used for residential purposes only, and no trade or business of any kind may be conducted in or from a Lot or any part of the Development, except that the Owner or Occupant residing in a Unit may conduct ancillary business activities within the home so long as:

(i) the existence or operation of the business activity is not apparent or detectable by sight, sound, or smell from outside of the Unit;

(ii) the business activity does not involve visitation of the Unit by employees, clients, customers, suppliers or other business invitees in greater volume than would normally be expected for guest visitation to a residential Unit without business activity;

(iii) the business activity is legal and conforms to all zoning requirements for the Development;

(iv) there is no increase in traffic or visitors in excess of what would normally be expected for residential Units in the Development without business activity (other than by a reasonable number of deliveries by couriers, express mail carriers, parcel delivery services and other such similar delivery services);

(v) the business activity does not increase the insurance premium paid by the Association or otherwise negatively affect the Association's ability to obtain insurance coverage;

(vi) the business activity is consistent with the residential character of the Development and does not constitute a nuisance or a hazardous or offensive use, or threaten the security or safety of other residents of the Development, as determined in the Board's discretion; and

(vii) the business activity does not result in a materially greater use of Common Area facilities or Association services.

The terms "business" and "trade," as used herein, shall have their ordinary, generally accepted meanings, and shall include, without limitation, any occupation, work, or activity undertaken on an ongoing basis which involves the provision of goods or services to person other than the provider's family and for which the provider receives a fee, compensation, or other form of consideration, regardless of whether: (i) such activity is engaged in full or part-time; (ii) such activity is intended to or does generate a profit; or (iii) a license is required therefore. Notwithstanding the above, the use of a Unit by an on-site management agent operating on behalf of the Association or the use of a Unit by the Declarant in connection with the sale of Lots shall not be considered a trade or business within the meaning of this Paragraph.

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(g) Other Restrictions. The ARB shall adopt general rules, including but not limited rules to regulate animals, satellite dishes, antennas, signs, storage and use of recreational vehicles, storage and use of machinery, use of outdoor drying lines, trash containers, fencing, yard ornamentation, planting, maintenance and removal of vegetation on the Property. The following shall also apply to all Lots:

(i) All roof vents shall be painted a color to match the color of the roof. Roof shingles, if replaced, must be the same color and style as the shingles replaced unless otherwise approved by the ARB.

(ii) All chimneys shall be enclosed in a chimney chase.

(iii) All vinyl siding shall be of a gauge of at least .040.

(iv) Pets shall be leashed at all times and shall not be allowed to roam free in the neighborhood. Owners shall remove their pets' waste from Common Areas and Lots. Owners who do not remove their pet's waste from Common Areas and Lots shall be subject to fines which shall be collectible against the Owner as a specific assessment.

(v) All single family dwellings shall have a minimum square footage of 1,200 square feet.

(vi) No sign of any kind shall be erected by an Owner or Occupant within the Subdivision without the prior written consent of the ARB. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board and the Declarant shall have the right to erect reasonable and appropriate signs, i.e. Lot Number signs, "For Sale" or "For Rent" signs on any Lot in its sole discretion. Owner's may display "For Sale" or "For Rent" signs within a structure on their Lot.

(vii) No on street parking or parking on unpaved portions of any Lot shall be allowed. Without prior written consent from the ARB, no commercial vehicle, trailer, motor home, recreational vehicle, camper, truck with a camper top, boat, boat trailer or like equipment, shall be left in the street, or Owner's driveway for longer than forty eight (48) hours. Any such vehicles parked in violation of this covenant shall be towed by the Association at the Owner's expense.

(viii) The erection, alteration or movement of fencing upon any Lot may not be done without the prior written consent of the ARB as set forth herein. Fencing for Lots one (1), three through twelve (3-12), forty seven through fifty five (47-55), and fifty seven (57) shall be six feet (6') high wood shadowbox construction only. The fencing on the aforementioned Lots shall not be painted or stained and shall extend to the property line along Harmony Boulevard.

(ix) No structure, shed, tent, shack, carport, garage, barn, or other outbuilding shall be erected by any Owner or Occupant, other than the Declarant, on any portion of the Property, at any time, either temporarily or permanently, without the prior written approval of the Board.

(x) The erection or installation of all satellite dishes, antenna or other device for the transmission or reception of television signals, radio signals or any form of electromagnetic wave or radiation may not be done without the prior written consent of the ARB.

(xi) All garbage containers, hot tubs, spas, play equipment, swing sets, and other related equipment shall be located or screened so as to be concealed from view of neighboring streets and property. The installation or placement of all outdoor recreational equipment must be approved by the ARB.

(xiii) Clothes lines are not permitted.

(h) Exceptions. The Association may issue variances from any covenant or requirement expressed or implied by this Article or set forth in any restrictive covenants or rules

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and regulations promulgated pursuant to this Declaration or any supplementary declaration.

Section 2. Maintenance. To the extent that exterior maintenance is not provided for in this Declaration and any supplementary declaration, each Owner shall keep all Lots owned by him, and all improvements therein or thereon, in good order and repair and free of debris, including but not limited to the seeding, watering and mowing of all lawns, the pruning and cutting of all trees and shrubbery, and the painting or other appropriate external care of all buildings and other improvements, all in a manner and with such frequency as is consistent with good property management.

In the event an Owner of any Lot shall fail to maintain said Lot and the improvements situated thereon, as provided herein, the Association, after notice to the Owner as provided in the By-Laws and approval of the Board of Directors, shall have the right to enter upon said Lot to correct drainage and to repair, maintain and restore the Lot and the exterior of the buildings and other improvements erected thereon. All costs related to such correction, repair, or restoration shall become a special maintenance assessment upon such Lot.

ARTICLE VIII GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. Enforcement. The Association or any Owner shall have the right to enforce, by any proceeding at law or in equity, all provisions, restrictions, conditions, covenants, reservations, liens and charges now or hereafter imposed by the provisions of this Declaration, including rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to the authority set forth herein, the Articles of Incorporation, or the By-Laws of the Association. Owners shall be liable for costs and expenses incurred by the Association as a result of acts or omissions of such Owner or such Owner's tenants, agents, employees, invitees, guests and household members in failing to comply with rules or regulations of the Association or other terms and provisions of this Declaration. Said costs and expenses shall include attorney's fees actually incurred. Failure by the Association or by any Owner to enforce any covenant or restriction herein contained shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter. The Association, through its Board of Directors, shall also have the authority and power to levy fines in amounts as reasonably determined by the Association for the failure to comply with rules and regulations of the Association or other terms and provisions of this Declaration. Said fines shall be collected in the same manner as assessments and shall likewise constitute a lien upon the Lot of such Owner who has failed to comply or whose tenants, agents, employees, invitees, guests and household members have failed to comply.

Section 2. Severability. Invalidation of any one of these covenants or restrictions by judgment or court order shall in no wise affect any other provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Amendment. Material amendments or extraordinary actions must be approved by Members entitled to cast at least Sixty Seven (67%) Percent of the votes of Members present, in person or by proxy, and voting at any meeting of the Association held for such purpose. Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provisions contained herein to the contrary, the Developer reserves the right to make changes, revisions, or amendments necessary to comply with the requirements of HUD, Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, or the VA.

(a) A material amendment includes adding, deleting or modifying any provision regarding the following:

- (i) Assessment basis or assessment liens;
- (ii) Any method of imposing or determining any charges to be levied against individual unit owners;
- (iii) Reserves for maintenance, repair or replacement of Common Area improvements;

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- (iv) Maintenance obligations;
- (v) Allocation of rights to use Common Areas;
- (vi) Any scheme of regulation or enforcement of standards for maintenance, architectural design, or exterior appearance of improvements;
- (vii) Reduction of insurance requirements;
- (viii) Restoration or repair of Common Area improvements, or for reconstruction following condemnation or casualty loss;
- (ix) The addition, annexation or withdrawal of land to or from the project, except as provided in Article II of this Declaration;
- (x) Voting rights;
- (xi) Restrictions effecting leasing or sale of Lots; or
- (xii) Any provision which is for the express benefit of mortgagees.

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(b) An extraordinary action includes:

- (i) Merging or consolidating the Association (other than another non-profit entity formed for purposes similar to the subject Association);
- (ii) Determining not to require professional management if that management has been required by the Association documents, a majority of eligible mortgagees or a majority vote of the Members;
- (iii) Expanding the Association to include land not previously described as additional land which increases the overall land area of the project or number of lots by more than Twenty (20%) Percent;
- (iv) Abandoning, partitioning, encumbering, mortgaging, conveying or selling or otherwise transferring or relocating the boundaries of Common Areas (except for granting easements which are not inconsistent or which do not interfere with the intended Common Area use, dedicating Common area as required by a public authority, limited boundary line adjustments made in accordance with the provisions of this Declaration, or transferring Common Area pursuant to a merger or consolidation with a non-profit entity formed for purposes similar to the subject Association);
- (v) Using insurance proceeds for purposes other than construction or repair of the insured improvements; or
- (vi) Making capital expenditures (other than for repair or replacement of existing improvements) during any period of twelve (12) consecutive months costing more than Twenty (20%) Percent of the annual operating budget.

(c) Meetings of the Membership to approve a material amendment or extraordinary action shall require at least twenty one (21) days advance notice to all Members. The notice shall state the time, date, place and purpose of the meeting and contain a summary of any material amendments or extraordinary actions proposed. The notice shall contain a copy of the proxy that can be cast in lieu of attendance at the meeting. If the Association has, or is planned to have, 250 Members or less, the quorum for such a meeting shall be at least Twenty Percent (20%) of the total number of votes. If the Association has, or is planned to have, more than 250 Members but less than 1,000 Members, the quorum shall be at least Ten Percent (10%).

(d) Any material amendment which changes the rights of any specific class of Members must also be approved by Members entitled to cast at least Fifty-One (51%) Percent of

the votes of all Members of such class present, in person or by proxy, and voting at any meeting of the Association held in accordance with the provisions hereof, or at least Fifty-One (51%) Percent of the total authorized votes of all Members of such class.

(e) During the Developer-control period, all material amendments and extraordinary actions must have the approval of the VA, if the VA has guaranteed any loans secured by Lots in the project. Approval shall be deemed given should the VA not respond within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice of material amendments and extraordinary actions.

Section 4. The following material amendments and extraordinary actions must be approved by Members entitled to cast at least 67% of the total authorized votes of all Members of the Association, including at least a majority of the total authorized votes entitled to be cast by Members other than the Developer:

- (a) Termination of the Declaration or other termination of the planned unit development;
- (b) Dissolution of the Association except pursuant to a consolidation or merger; and
- (c) Conveyance of all common areas.

Section 5. All other amendments (other than material amendments or extraordinary actions) must be approved by at least a majority of the votes entitled to be cast by all Members present, in person or by proxy, and voting at any meeting of the Association at which a quorum is present, or in writing by Members entitled to cast at least a majority of the total authorized votes of all Members of the Association.

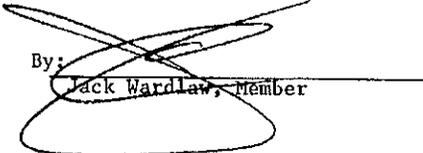
Section 6. Annexation. Additional residential property and Common Area may be annexed to the Property with the consent of two-thirds (2/3) of each class of Members, and as provided in Article II of this Declaration.

Section 7. Rights of Eligible Mortgagees. Eligible mortgagees are defined as those mortgagees who have provided notice to the Board of Directors of their interest and requested all rights afforded eligible mortgagees. The following rights are granted to eligible mortgagees:

- (a) Right to inspect Association documents and records on the same terms as Members;
- (b) Notice of all material amendments to the Association documents;
- (c) Notice of any extraordinary actions of the Association;
- (d) Notice of any default by an Owner of any Lot subject to a mortgage held by the eligible mortgagee in paying assessments or charges to the Association which remains uncured for sixty (60) consecutive days.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the Developer herein, has hereunto caused this instrument to be executed as of the day and year first above written as the date hereof.

DEVELOPER:
HARMONY PARTNERS, LLC
A Georgia limited liability company

By: 
Jack Wardlaw, Member

**EXHIBIT "A" - LEGAL DESCRIPTION
HARMONY SUBDIVISION**

All that certain lot, tract or parcel of land being known as PARCEL THREE (3) CONTAINING 51.53 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, as shown on that certain Plat entitled "Plat of a Portion of the Estate of Fred Wessels, Jr., 8th G.M. District, Chatham County, Georgia", dated May 25, 1987, and prepared by Hussey, Gay, Bell & DeYoung and recorded in Plat Record Book 9-P, Page 13, in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Chatham County, Georgia.

LESS AND EXCEPT, 5.03 ACRES, A PORTION OF PARCEL 3, conveyed to Chatham County, Georgia by Warranty Deed from William C. Fleetwood, Jr., Michael A. Fleetwood and Robert W. Schivera, as Co-Trustees of the Item VI Trust under the Will of William C. Fleetwood, dated October 31, 2000 and recorded in Deed Record Book 216-P, Page 169, aforesaid records, as shown on a plat attached to said deed.

TOGETHER WITH, a twenty (20) foot wide re-locatable access easement reserved in that Executrix Deed from Rosalie C. Wessels, under the Last Will and Testament of Fred Wessels, Jr., a/k/a Frederick Wessels, Jr. to Pine Barren Development Company, dated May 14, 1985, and recorded in Deed Book 126-W, Page 398, Chatham County, Georgia records; that Executrix's Deed from Rosalie C. Wessels, as denominated and qualified executrix under the Last Will and Testament of Fred Wessels, Jr., a/k/a Frederick Wessels, Jr. and Timberlands Associates, dated May 28, 1987, and recorded in Deed Record Book 134-P, Page 555, Chatham County, Georgia records; and that Warranty Deed from Pine Barren Development Company to Chatham County, dated November 14, 1985, and recorded in Deed Book 137-D, Page 625, Chatham County, Georgia records. Said easement is shown as a "Approximate Location of 20' Earth Road" on that certain Plat entitled "Plat of a Portion of the Estate of Fred Wessels, Jr., 8th G.M. District, Chatham County, Georgia", dated May 25, 1987, and prepared by James M. Sims, G.R.L.S. No. 2280, and recorded in Plat Record Book 9-P, Page 13, Chatham County, Georgia records.

TOGETHER WITH, a new sixty (60') foot wide perpetual, non-exclusive re-locatable easement for access, ingress and egress, consisting of the existing twenty (20') foot access easement described above, and two additional twenty (20') foot wide strips parallel and contiguous to each side of the existing twenty (20') foot easement. Said sixty (60') foot wide access easement shall be appurtenant to and run with title to the portion of Parcel 3, as described above, and shall be located on Parcel 2A, as shown on that certain Plat entitled "Parcel 2A, being a Portion of Parcel 2 of the Lands of 929 Properties, LLC, 7th & 8th G.M. District, City of Pooler, Chatham County, Georgia", dated October 12, 2004, and prepared by Boyce L. Young, G.R.L.S. No. 2282, and recorded in Plat Record Book 30-P, Page 22, Chatham County, Georgia records. The entire sixty (60') foot wide access easement shall be re-locatable within the boundary lines of Parcel 2A from time to time in the sole discretion of, and at the sole cost of the owner of Parcel 2A, or any portion thereof burdened by said access easement. This easement is included herein and shall become effective for the Grantee hereunder and its successors in title to the Portion of Parcel 3, only in the event that the Grantee hereunder forecloses this security deed, and shall not otherwise create said access easement for the benefit of any purchaser of said Portion of Parcel 3 directly from Grantor.

Subject, however, to all valid restrictions, easements and rights of way of record.

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