# AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS OF ASHLEY HOUSE COUNCIL OF CO-OWNERS, INC.

#### ARTICLE I

#### INTRODUCTION

Section 1.1 Introduction: These are the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the ASHLEY HOUSE COUNCIL OF CO-OWNERS, INC., a South Carolina Not For Profit Corporation, (hereinafter referred to as the "Council of Co-Owners") which were adopted at the annual meeting of Co-Owners held on March 28, 2011. Terms which are defined in the Master Deed of ASHLEY HOUSE HORIZONTAL PROPERTY REGIME are used herein as therein defined. (On May 9, 2016, The Board adopted a revision of "language only" to correct grammatical errors and to clarify. The term "apartment" was replaced with "condominium unit" in 66 places, 3 grammatical errors corrected, and 2 clarifications made. The original intent of the language was protected.)

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

## Section 2.1. Number and Qualification:

- (a) The affairs of the Condominium and the Council of Co-Owners shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of no less than three (3) persons and no more than nine (9) persons, all of whom shall be Co-Owners or spouses of Co-Owners if such spouses are residents of the Condominium. Should any Condominium Unit be owned by a partnership or corporation, in a fiduciary capacity or otherwise, any officer or employee of such owner shall be eligible to serve as a Director. At any meeting at which Directors are to be elected, the Co-Owners may, by resolution, adopt specific procedures for conducting such elections, not inconsistent with these Bylaws or the Corporation Laws of the State of South Carolina.
- (b) The terms of at least one-third (1/3rd) of the members of the Board of Directors shall expire annually.
- Section 2.2. Powers and Duties: The Board of Directors shall have the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the affairs of the Council of Co-Owners and of the Condominium and shall do all such acts and things expected as by law or by the Declaration, or by these Bylaws and may not be delegated. Such powers and duties of the Board of Directors shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
- (a) Operation, care, surveillance, upkeep and maintenance of the Common Elements or the Limited Common Elements and services.
- (b) Determination of the Common Expenses required for the affairs of the Condominium and of the Council of Co-Owners, including, without limitation, the operation and maintenance of the Property.

- (c) Assessment and collection of the Common Charges from the Co-Owners.
- (d) Employment and dismissal of the personnel necessary for the maintenance, operation, repair and replacement of the general services and the Common Elements or the Limited Common Elements and real and personal property owned by the Council of Co-Owners.
- (e) Adoption and amendment of Regulations covering the details of the operation, use and maintenance of the Property following Notice and Comment.
- (f) Opening of bank accounts on behalf of the Council of Co-Owners and designating the signatories required therefor.
  - (g) Granting of licenses.
  - (h) Obtaining insurance pursuant to the provisions of Article VIII hereof.
- (i) Making of repairs, restorations, additions and improvements to or of the Property, other than the Condominium Units.
- (j) Suing to enforce, or settling and compromising claims of Co-Owners with respect to Common Elements and property which the Council of Co-Owners has the duty to maintain, repair, replace or restore, and other matters concerning the administration of the Condominium.
- (k) Following Notice and Hearing, levy liquidated charges against Co-Owners for violations of the requirements of the Condominium Instruments and the Regulations, provided no charge shall exceed One Hundred and No/100 (\$100.00) Dollars per such violation, together with additional actual damages, cost of collection and reasonable attorney's fees, other than as provided for in Article V, Section 5.7, of these Bylaws. Each day that such violation exists may be considered a separate violation.
- (l) Impose reasonable charges for preparation or recording of amendments to the Condominium Instruments, or for the issuance of reports, certificates, and documentation permitted by the Condominium Instruments or required by law, to the person requesting the same.
- (m) Without limits, but in pursuit of the foregoing powers, and the purposes for which the Council of Co-Owners was created, to do any and all things lawfully permitted to be done by a corporation under the laws of the State of South Carolina, and a condominium Council of Co-Owners under the Horizontal Property Regime Act, (the Condominium Act), now in effect or as amended or replaced, if applicable or if agreed to by the Council of Co-Owners.
- (n) Following Notice and Hearing, grant or withhold approval of any action which changes the exterior appearance of the Condominium, alters any portion of the Common

Elements, or affects the structural or mechanical integrity of a building, its fixtures and appliances.

- (o) Sue and be sued, and appear on behalf and for the benefit of all Co-Owners in any matter of common concern including class actions for the Co-Owners as a class, in and before any court, office, agency, board, commission or department of the state or any political subdivision, and appeal from any judgments, orders, decisions or decrees rendered therein.
- (p) To the extent desirable, create requirements for reasonable reserves for maintenance, repair and replacement of the Buildings and Common Elements, working capital, bad debts, depreciation, obsolescence, or other proper purposes agreed to by the Council of Co-Owners, and designate and establish trust funds for the benefit of Co-Owners or the Council of Co-Owners delegating thereto the collection and assessment powers permitted to the Council of Co-Owners by law or covenant to hold and disburse the funds so collected.
- Section 2.3. Manager: The Board of Directors may employ for the Condominium a Manager, 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 Manager all of the powers granted to the Board of Directors by these Bylaws, other than the powers set forth in Article II, Section 2.2, subparagraphs (b), (e), (t), (g), (j), (k), (1), (m), (n) and (o). The Manager shall be responsible for supervising the daily operations of the Council and supervising all employees.
- Section 2.4. Removal of Members of the Board of Directors: At any regular or special meeting of Co-Owners, any director may be removed with or without cause by a majority of the Co-Owners and a successor may then and there or thereafter be elected to fill the vacancy thus created. A director whose removal has been proposed by the Co-Owners shall be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting if present.
- Section 2.5. Vacancies: Vacancies in the Board of Directors caused by any reason other than the removal of a director by a vote of the Co-Owners, may be filled by vote of a majority of the remaining directors at a special meeting of the Board of Directors held for that purpose at any time after the occurrence of any such vacancy, even though the directors present at such meeting may constitute less than a quorum, and each person so elected shall be a director for the remainder of the term of the director so replaced, and until a successor shall be elected.
- Section 2.6. Organization Meeting: The first meeting of the elected Board of Directors shall be held within ten (10) days after the first organizational meeting of the Co-Owners at such time and place as shall be fixed by the Co-Owners at the meeting at which such Board of Directors shall have been elected, and no notice shall be necessary to the newly elected directors in order legally to constitute such meeting, providing a majority of the directors shall be present thereat.
- Section 2.7. 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 two (2) such meetings shall be held during the fiscal year. Written notice of regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be given to each director by mail or by hand at least three (3) business days prior to the day named for such meeting.

- Section 2.8. Special Meetings: Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President on three (3) business days written notice to each director given by mail or by hand, which notice shall state the time, place and purpose of the meeting. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called in like manner and on like notice on the written request of at least twenty-five percent (25%) of the directors.
- Section 2.9. Waiver of Notice: Any director may, at any time, waive notice or any meeting of the Board of Directors in writing, and such waiver shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Attendance by a director at any meeting of the Board of Directors shall constitute a waiver of notice by him of the time and place thereof. If all the directors are present at any meeting of the Board of Directors, no notice shall be required and any business may be transacted at such meeting.
- Section 2.10. 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. If at any meeting of the Board of Directors there shall be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time. At any such adjourned meeting at which a quorum is present any business which might have been transacted at the meeting originally called, may be transacted without further notice.
- Section 2.11. Fidelity Bonds: To the extent reasonably available, the Board of Directors shall obtain adequate fidelity bonds for all officers, employees and agents of the Council of Co-Owners handling or responsible for Council of Co-Owners funds. The premiums on such bonds shall constitute a Common Expense.
- Section 2.12. Committees: The Board of Directors may establish and appoint such committees as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.
- <u>Section 2.13</u> <u>Compensation:</u> No director shall receive any compensation from the Council of Co-Owners for acting as such.

#### ARTICLE III

#### **CO-OWNERS**

Section 3.1. Annual Meeting: Annual meetings of the Co-Owners shall be held on the fourth Monday of March of each year or at such time reasonably thereafter as may be adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors. At such meeting, the directors shall be elected by ballot of the Co-Owners, in accordance with the provisions of Article II of these Bylaws. The Co-Owners may transact such other business at such meetings as may properly come before them.

- <u>Section 3.2.</u> <u>Place of Meetings:</u> Meetings of the Co-Owners shall be held at the principal office of the Council of Co-Owners or at such other suitable place convenient to the Co-Owners as may be designated by the Board of Directors or the President.
- <u>Section 3.3.</u> <u>Special Meetings:</u> It shall be the duty of the President to call a special meeting of the Co-Owners if so directed by resolution of the Board of Directors or upon a petition signed and presented to the Secretary by not less than twenty-five percent (25%) of the Co-Owners.
- Section 3.4. Notice of Meetings: It shall be the duty of the Secretary to mail a notice of each annual or special meeting of the Co-Owners, except as provided in Article II, Section 2.1(d), at least seven (7) days, but not more than fifty (50) days prior to such meeting, stating the purpose thereof as well as the time and place where it is to be held, to each Co-Owner of record, at such address of such Co-Owner as appears in the records of the Council of Co-Owners. The mailing of a notice of meeting in the manner provided in this Section shall be considered service of notice. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting except as stated in the notice. No notice need be given to Co-Owners who attend the meeting in person or who waive notice in writing executed and filed on the corporate records before or within ten (10) days after the meeting. If all Co-Owners are present or consent thereto in writing, any business may be transacted, other than business which requires consent by mortgagees and for which sufficient consent by mortgagees has not been received.
- <u>Section 3.5.</u> <u>Adjournment of Meeting:</u> If any meeting of Co-Owners cannot be held because a quorum has not attended, a majority of the Co-Owners who are present at such meeting, either in person or by proxy, may adjourn the meeting to a time not less than forty- eight (48) hours from the time the original meeting was called.
- <u>Section 3.6.</u> <u>Order of Business:</u> The order of business at all meetings of the Co-Owners shall be as follows:
  - (a) Roll call (or check-in procedure).
  - (b) Proof of notice of meeting.
  - (c) Reading of minutes of preceding meeting.
  - (d) Reports.
  - (e) Election of members of the Board of Directors (when required).
  - (t) Unfinished Business
  - (g) New Business.

## Section 3.7. Voting:

- (a) When a vote or any other action by Co-Owners provided for herein or in the Condominium Instruments requires a specific percentage, portion or fraction of Co-Owners, such percentage, portion or fraction shall mean, unless otherwise stated in the Condominium Instruments, such percentage, portion or fraction in the aggregate of such voting power equal to the percentage interest in the Common Elements shown on Exhibit of the Master Deed.
- (b) If an Apartment is owned by more than one person, such persons shall agree among themselves how a vote for such Condominium Unit shall be cast. Individual co-owners may not cast fractional votes. A vote by a co-owner for the entire ownership interest of an Apartment shall be deemed to be pursuant to a valid proxy, unless another co-owner of the same Apartment objects prior to or at the time the vote is cast, in which case the votes of such owner shall not be counted.
- (c) A corporate Co-Owner's vote may be cast by any officer of such corporation in the absence of express notice of the designation of a specific person by the board of directors or bylaws the owning corporation. A partnership Co-Owner's vote may be cast by any general partner of the owning partnership in the absence of express notice of the designation of a specific person by the owning partnership. The directors may require reasonable evidence that a person voting on behalf of a corporate owner or partnership owner is qualified so to vote.
- (d) A written proxy terminates eleven (11) months after its date, but shall expire earlier if it specifies a shorter term of limits its use to a particular meeting not yet held but to be held within eleven (11) months from its date.
- <u>Section 3.8.</u> <u>Quorum:</u> Except as may be otherwise provided in these Bylaws, a majority of the Co-Owners present in person or by proxy, at any meeting of Co-Owners shall constitute a quorum at all meetings of the Co-Owners.
- Section 3.9. Majority Vote: The vote of a majority of the Co-Owners at a meeting at which a quorum shall be present shall be binding upon all Co-Owners for all purposes except where in the Master Deed or these Bylaws or by law, a higher percentage vote is required.

## ARTICLE IV

## **OFFICERS**

Section 4.1. Designation: The principal officers of the Council of Co-Owners shall be the President, the Vice President, the Secretary and the Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may appoint an assistant treasurer, an assistant secretary, and such other officers as in its judgment may be necessary. The President and Vice President, but no other officers, need be members of the Board of Directors. Any two offices may be held by the same person, except the offices of President and Vice President, the offices of Secretary and Treasurer, and the offices of President and Secretary. The office of Vice President may be vacant.

- <u>Section 4.2.</u> <u>Election of Officers:</u> The officers of the Council of Co-Owners shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the organization meeting of each new Board of Directors and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.
- <u>Section 4.3.</u> Removal of Officers: Upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors, any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, and his successor may be elected at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors, or at any special meeting of the Board of Directors called for that purpose.
- Section 4.4. President: The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Council of Co-Owners. He shall preside at all meetings of the Co-Owners and of the Board of Directors. He shall have all of the general powers and duties which are incident to the office of president of a corporation organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina and consistent with the powers granted to the Board of Directors herein, including, but not limited to, the power to appoint committees from among the Co-Owners from time to time as he may in his discretion decide is appropriate to assist in the conduct of the affairs of the Council of Co-Owners.
- Section 4.5. Vice President: The Vice President shall take the place of the President and perform his duties whenever the President shall be absent or unable to act. If neither the President nor the Vice President is able to act, the Board of Directors shall appoint some other member of the Board of Directors to act in the place of the President on an interim basis. The Vice President shall also perform such other duties as shall from time to time be imposed upon him by the Board of Directors or by the President.
- <u>Section 4.6.</u> <u>Secretary:</u> The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Co-Owners and the Board of Directors and he shall have charge of such books and papers as the Board of Directors may direct.
- Section 4.7 Treasurer: The Treasurer shall have the responsibility for Council of Co-Owners funds and securities and shall be responsible for keeping full and accurate financial records and books of account showing all receipts and disbursements, and for the preparation of all required financial data. He shall be responsible for the deposit of all monies and other valuable effects in such depositories as may from time to time be designated by the Board of Directors. He may endorse on behalf of the Council of Co-Owners for collection only. checks, notes and other obligations, and shall deposit the same and all monies in the name of and to the credit of the Council of Co-Owners in such banks as the Board may designate. He may have custody of and shall have the power to endorse for transfer on behalf of the Council of Co-Owners. stock, securities or other investment instruments owned or controlled by the Council of Co-Owners, or as fiduciary for others.
- <u>Section 4.8.</u> <u>Agreements, Contracts, Deeds, Checks, Etc.:</u> All agreements, contracts, deeds, leases, checks and other instruments of the Council of Co-Owners shall be executed by any officer of the Council of Co-Owners or by such other person or persons as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

<u>Section 4.9.</u> <u>Compensation:</u> No officer shall receive any compensation from the Council of Co-Owners for acting as such.

## **ARTICLE V**

#### COMMON EXPENSES AND COMMON CHARGES

Section 5.1. Determination of Common Expenses and Fixing of Common Charges: The Board of Directors shall from time to time, and at least annually, and subject to Notice and Hearing, prepare a budget and include it in an Annual Report to Co-Owners for the Council of Co-Owners and determine the Common Charges and establish their due date.

# Section 5.2. Common Expenses: The Common Expenses shall include:

- (a) The costs of maintaining and repairing the Common Elements and any real and personal property owned by the Council of Co-Owners, including the cost of a Manager.
- (b) The costs of restoring or repairing the Condominium, to the extent provided in Article IX.
- (c) Such amounts as the Board of Directors deems proper for the operation of the Condominium and the Council of Co-Owners, including without limitation an amount for a Common on Expense working capital reserve, and sums necessary to make up any deficit in income from Common Charges in any prior year.
- (d) Expenses incurred in leasing or otherwise acquiring the right to use, either exclusively or in common with others, recreational or other facilities for the benefit of all Co-Owners.
- (e) Such amounts as may be required for the purchase or lease of any Apartment to be acquired by the Council of Co-Owners or its designee.
- (f) Premiums for insurance pertaining to the Condominium and the Council of Co-Owners.
- (g) Any other costs and expenses in connection with the operation and administration of the Condominium and the Council of Co-Owners designated as Common Expenses by the Board of Directors or by vote of the Co-Owners.
- (h) Such amounts as the Board of Directors deems proper for a reserve fund for replacements of capital improvements, which may be deposited in a trust fund for holding and disbursing amounts collected for such purposes.
- Section 5.3. Common Charges: The Common Expenses shall be assessed against all Condominium Units (and their owners) as Common Charges in proportion to their percentage interest in the Common Elements as shown on Exhibit B of the Master Deed.

Energy charges shall, however be allocated in proportion to the dimensional size of the Apartments and not in proportion to the percentage interest in the Common Elements.

- <u>Section 5.4.</u> <u>Payment of Common Charges:</u> All Co-Owners shall be obligated to pay the Common Charges or installments thereof at such time or times as the Board of Directors shall determine.
- <u>Section 5.5.</u> <u>No Waiver of Liability:</u> No Co-Owner may exempt himself from liability for Common Charges by waiver of the use or enjoyment of any part of the Property or by abandonment of his Apartment.
- <u>Section 5.6.</u> <u>Non-Liability After Conveyance:</u> No Co-Owner shall be liable for the payment of any Common Charges assessed against his Condominium Unit subsequent to a sale, transfer or other conveyance of all such Co-Owner's interest in such Condominium Unit.
- Section 5.7. Remedies: Ifany Common Charge is not paid when due, such Common Charge shall be delinquent and, together with interest and late charges as herein provided and cost of collection, including reasonable attorneys' fees, shall be a continuing lien on the Condominium Unit of the delinquent owner, as well as an indebtedness of the Co-Owner. Interest on delinquent Common Charges shall be established by the Board of Directors, subject to Notice and Comment, at the highest rate not usurious, and shall accrue on the delinquent The Board of Directors may by amount from the due date thereof until collected. resolution, subject to Notice and Comment, establish late charges to defray the extra expenses and costs incurred by a Co-Owner's failure to pay Common Charges promptly. The Board of Directors shall attempt to recover such amounts by an action brought against such Co-Owner or by foreclosure of the lien, or both. The Board of Directors, on behalf of all Co-Owners, shall have the power to purchase such Condominium Unit at a foreclosure sale and to acquire, hold, lease, mortgage, vote the votes appurtenant thereof (other than for the election of members of the Board of Directors), convey or otherwise deal with the same. recover a money judgment for delinquent amounts shall be maintainable without foreclosing or waiving the liens securing the same. Upon title to a Condominium Unit vesting in the heirs, successors, devisees, personal representatives or assigns of the owner, they shall become personally liable for the payment of such Common Charges assessed prior to such acquisition, except:
- (a) The lien for all sums assessed by the Council of Co-Owners, but unpaid, for the share of the Common Expenses chargeable to any Condominium Unit shall be prior to all other liens, except all sums unpaid on mortgages of record.
- (b) Where a mortgagee or a purchaser at a foreclosure sale obtains title to a Condominium Unit, such acquirer of title, its or his heirs, successors, transferees or assigns, shall not be liable for the unpaid share of the Common Expenses or assessments by the Council of Co-Owners chargeable to such Condominium Unit which became due prior to the acquisition of title to such Condominium Unit by such acquirer, but such expenses or assessments, if not fully satisfied out of the proceeds of such sale, shall become Common Expenses collectible from all of the Co-Owners, including such acquirer, its or his heirs, successors, transferees or assigns.

(c) The Board of Directors shall upon demand at any time furnish to any Co-Owner or applicable mortgagee a certificate in writing signed by an officer of the Council of Co-Owners, or an authorized agent of the Council of Co-Owners, setting forth any Common Charges then due and unpaid. Such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of payment of any Common Charges not therein stated as being unpaid.

## ARTICLE VI

#### **OPERATION OF THE PROPERTY**

Section 6.1. Abatement and Enjoinment of Violations by Co-Owners: The violation of any Regulation adopted by the Board of Directors, or the breach of any provision of a Condominium Instrument, shall give the Board of Directors the rights, subject to Notice and Hearing, in addition to any other rights set forth in these Bylaws (i) to enter the Condominium Unit in which, or as to which, such violation or breach exists and to summarily abate and remove, at the expense of the defaulting Co-Owner, any structure, thing or condition that may exist therein contrary to the intent and meaning of the provisions hereof, and the Board of Directors shall not thereby be deemed liable for any manner of trespass; or (ii) to enjoin, abate or remedy by appropriate legal proceedings, either at law or in equity, the continuance of any such breach.

# Section 6.2. Maintenance and Repair:

- (a) Except as provided in Article IX, all maintenance of any repairs to any Condominium Unit, ordinary or extraordinary, shall be made by and at the expense of the owner of such Condominium Unit. Each Co-Owner shall also be responsible for all damages to any and all other Condominium Units and to the Common Elements, that his failure so to do may engender.
- (b) All maintenance, repairs and replacements to the Common Elements (unless otherwise provided in Article IX or in Article VI, Section 6.2, subsection (c)), shall be made by the Board of Directors and be charged to all Co-Owners as a Common Expense (unless necessitated by the negligence, misuse or neglect of a Co-Owner, or provided for under Article VI, Section 6.8 hereby in which case such expense shall be charged to such Co-Owner).
- (c) Except as provided in Article IX, all maintenance of and nonstructural repairs to the Limited Common Elements shall be performed by and at the expense of the owner of the Condominium Unit to which such Limited Common Elements are appurtenant. If a Co-Owner fails to keep a Limited Common Element for which he is responsible in a slightly and safe condition and in good repair, the Council of Co-Owners may perform the necessary maintenance and repair and charge the cost thereof to such Co-Owner, which cost shall be treated for all purposes, if not paid when due, as a past due general assessment subject to the remedies provided for in Article V, Section 5.7 hereof.
- Section 6.3. Restrictions on Conduct and Use of Property: In order to provide for congenial occupancy of the Property and for the protection of the values of the Condominium Units, the use of the Property shall be restricted to and shall be in accordance with the following provisions (which may be more specifically detailed in the Regulations):

- (a) The Common Elements shall be used only for the furnishing of the services and facilities for which they are designed and reasonably suited, and which are incidental to the use of the **Condominium Units** to which they are appurtenant. The Common Elements, which are elevators, lobby area and enjoining floor space located on the first floor, shall be for the sole use of residential Co-Owners, their guests and invitees and the owners of commercial **Condominium Units**, but not for the use of employees, agents, guests, invitees, or tenants of the owners of the commercial **Condominium Units**, which are designated as Comm. 1, Comm. 2, and Comm. 3 on Exhibit B to the Master Deed.
- (b) No nuisances shall be allowed on the Property nor shall any use or practice be allowed which is a source of annoyance to its residents or which interferes with the peaceful possession or proper use of the Property by its residents.
- (c) No immoral, improper, offensive, or unlawful use shall be made of the Property or any part thereof, and all valid laws, zoning ordinances and regulations of all governmental bodies having jurisdiction thereof shall be observed. Violations of law, orders, rules, regulations or requirements of any governmental agency having jurisdiction thereof, relating to any portion of the Property, shall be corrected, by and at the sole expense of the Co-Owners or the Board of Directors, whichever shall have the obligation to maintain or repair such portion of the Property.
- (d) No portion of a Condominium Unit (other than the entire Condominium Unit) may be rented, and no tenants may be accommodated therein, under leases which are either less than ninety (90) days or are not in writing.
- (e) Any lease of a **Condominium Unit** shall be consistent with these Bylaws. The Board of Directors shall have the power to terminate such lease, and being summary proceedings to evict the tenant in the name of the Co-Owner/landlord thereunder, in the event of failure by the tenant to perform any obligation in the Condominium Instruments and Regulations. Each tenant of a **Condominium Unit** shall be deemed to have attorned to the Council of Co-Owners as landlord under the lease with respect to enforcement of any provision of the Condominium Instruments and Regulations, provided that no enforcement proceedings shall be undertaken against a tenant by the Council of Co-Owners without prior notice to the Co-Owner, and a reasonable opportunity given to the Co-Owner to cure any default or to enforce the provision, before the Council of Co-Owners will proceed with enforcement proceedings.
- (f) Only Condominium Units located on the first floor shall be used for other than residential purposes and such Condominium Units may not be used in contravention of the Master Deed or for other than uses permitted under the current zoning laws or regulations, doctors' offices, barber and/or beauty shop, uses similar in character to previous commercial uses, without the prior written approval of the Board of Directors.
- <u>Section 6.4.</u> <u>Additions, Alterations or Improvements:</u> Whenever in the judgment of the Board of Directors the Common Elements shall require additions, alterations or improvements which are intended to be assessed as Common Charges and the cost of which will equal or exceed a sum equal to ten percent (10%) of the operating budget

then in effect,

the making of such additions, alterations or improvements shall require approval by a majority of Co-Owners and by mortgagees holding mortgages on sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the number of Condominium Units subject to mortgage. Any additions, alterations or improvements costing less than such sum may be voted by the Board of Directors. In either case, Notice and Comment shall be required.

Section 6.5. Additions, Alterations or Improvements by Co-Owners: Co-Owner shall make any structural addition, structural alteration, or structural improvement in or to the Condominium without the prior written consent thereto of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have the obligation to answer any written request by a Co-Owner for approval of a proposed structural addition, alteration or improvement within sixty (60) days after such request and failure to do so within the stipulated time shall constitute a consent by the Board of Directors to the proposed addition, alteration or improvement. Any application to any governmental authority for a permit to make an addition, alteration or improvement shall be executed by the Board of Directors only, without however incurring any liability on the part of any director of the Council of Co-Owners to any contractor. subcontractor or materialman on account of such addition, alteration or improvement, or to any person having any claim for injury to persons or damage to property arising therefrom. The provisions of this Section may be superseded in whole or in part by resolution of the Board of Directors and their administration may be assigned to a committee, subject to Notice and The provisions of this Section shall not apply to portions of the Condominium Comment. while owned by the Declarant.

Subject to compliance with the provisions of the preceding paragraph of this Section 6.5, a Co-Owner, at his sole expense, may alter a partition wall between adjoining Condominium Units owned by him by creating an opening therein between such Condominium Units, provided that such alteration or condition does not adversely affect the support of any Condominium Unit to the strength, utility, effectiveness or structural integrity of any of the Common Elements, or wires, conduits, ducts, chutes, flues or other facilities which run through the-affected wall and which furnish utility or other services to any other Condominium Unit or to any of the Common Elements. A Co-Owner may also, at such owner's expense, enclose any portion of a hallway which adjoins and serves only Condominium Units owned by such owner and which constitutes before such enclosure, Limited Common Elements appurtenant only to those Condominium Units. Provided that the foregoing conditions have been met, the Board of Directors shall be deemed to have consented to such alteration or enclosure unless the Board of Directors determines from the information contained in the written request for the Board of Directors' consent, that the proposed alteration would adversely affect the health, safety or quiet enjoyment of other Co- Owners or that any of the other conditions which such Co-Any Co-Owner altering a wall or Owner must satisfy hereunder have not been met. enclosing part of a hallway pursuant to this Section 6.5 shall, at his sole expense and prior to commencing the work: (i) provide for waivers of all mechanic's lien rights which may arise as a result of the alteration; (ii) provide certificates of insurance acceptable to the Board of Directors insuring against all losses commonly insured against which might arise out of the work, naming the Council of Co-Owners as an additional insured; (iii) indemnify and hold the Council of Co-Owners and the other Co-Owners harmless from the effect of the work; (iv) minimize the disturbance of other Co-Owners caused by the work;

And (v) indemnify and hold the Council of Co-Owners harmless from any costs, fees or expenses incurred or suffered by the Council of Co-Owners in connection with said work by the Co-Owner or with the request made by the Co-Owner for consent, including. limitation, the reasonable fees and charges of any attorneys, engineers, contractors, architects or similar professionals retained or consulted by the Council of Co-Owners in Upon completion of any alterations for a wall opening between connection therewith. Condominium Units or an enclosed as described herein, and as consented to by the Board of Directors, the affected Co-Owner, at his sole expense, shall produce and shall deliver to the Council of Co-Owners a copy of "as built" plans and specifications for said alteration. Thereafter, so long as such an opening in the wall exists, the affected Co-Owner shall have an easement to pass through the same between his Condominium Units. A Co-Owner may seal up any such opening and restore such wall to its original condition or remove such enclosure by the same procedure and by fulfilling all of the conditions for such restoration as are applicable to creating, such opening or enclosure pursuant to this Section 6.5.

Section 6.6. Right of Access: The Manager and any other person authorized by the Board of Directors or the Manager shall have the right of access to all portions of the Property for the purpose of correcting any condition threatening a Condominium Unit or the Common Elements, and for the purpose of performing installations, alterations or repairs, provided that requests for entry are made in advance and that any such entry is at a time reasonably convenient to the affected Co-Owner. In case of an emergency, no such request or notice is required and such right of entry shall be immediate, whether the Co-Owner is present at the time or not.

Section 6.7. Regulations: Regulations concerning the use of the Condominium Units and the Common and Limited Elements may be promulgated and amended by the Board of Directors, subject to Notice and Comment. Notice of such Regulations shall be given to each Co-Owner prior to the time when the same shall become effective. Initial Regulations, which shall be effective until amended by the Board of Directors, are annexed hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit A.

Section 6.8. Special Services: If upon request, or on an emergency basis, the Council of Co-Owners provides any service to any Condominium Unit, other than the services described in the Condominium Instruments to be provided to all Condominium Units, those services shall be specially assessed against the Condominium Unit to which the service is provided, and may be collected in the same manner as a Common Charge against such Apartment.

#### ARTICLE VII

#### **MORTGAGES**

Section 7.1. Notice to Board of Directors: A Co-Owner who mortgages his Condominium Unit shall notify the Council of Co-Owners of the name and address of his mortgagee. Such mortgagee shall thereafter be entitled to all rights and privileges under the Master Deed for Mortgagees.

- Section 7.2 Notice of Default: The Board of Directors, when giving notice to a Co-Owner of a default, shall send a copy of such notice to each holder of a mortgage covering such Condominium Unit whose name and address has theretofore been furnished to the Board of Directors.
- Section 7.3. Examination of Books: Each mortgage of a Condominium Unit shall be permitted to examine the records and books of account of the Council of Co-Owners at reasonable times, on business days, but not more often than once a month.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

#### **INSURANCE**

- Section 8.1. Coverage: To the extent reasonably available, the Board of Directors shall obtain and maintain insurance coverage as set forth in this Article VIII, Sections 8.2, 8.3 and 8.4. Premiums for such insurance shall be Common Expenses.
- <u>Section 8.2.</u> <u>Physical Damage:</u> All buildings and improvements (as defined in Subsection (e) hereof), and all of the personal property owned by the Council of Co-Owners shall be insured against risk of physical damage as follows
- (a) Amounts: As to real property, including the Building and any other improvements on the land, for an amount equal to the full replacement cost of such property subject to physical damage; as to personal property, for an amount equal to its actual cash value. Prior to obtaining any insurance on real property under this Section, and at least annually thereafter, the Board of Directors shall obtain an appraisal from a qualified appraiser for the purpose of determining the replacement cost of such real property.
- (b) <u>Risks Insured Against:</u> The insurance shall afford protection against loss or damage by reason of:
  - (1) Fire and other perils normally covered by extended coverage.
  - (2) Vandalism and malicious mischief.
  - (3) Such other risk of physical damage as from time to time may be customarily covered with respect to buildings and improvements similar in construction, location and use as those on the Property, including, without limitation, flood insurance and builder's risk coverage for improvements under construction.
  - (4) Such other risks of physical damage as the Board of Directors may from time to time deem appropriate.
  - (c) Other Provisions: The insurance shall include, without limitation, the following provisions:

- (1) Waivers by the insurer of rights of subrogation, other than those based on fraud or criminal acts, against the Council of Co-Owners, its directors and officers, and the Co-Owners.
- (2) That the insurance shall not be affected or diminished by reason of any other insurance carried by any Co-Owner or mortgagee of a Apartment.
- (3) That the insurance shall not be affected or diminished by any act or neglect of any Co-Owner or any occupants or owners of any improvements when such act or neglect is not within the control of the Council of Co-Owners.
- (4) That the insurance shall not be affected or diminished by failure of any Co-Owner or any occupants of any improvements to comply with any warranty or condition when such failure to comply is not within the control of the Council of Co-Owners.
- (5) Such deductible as to loss, and coinsurance features, as the Board of Directors in its sole judgment deems prudent and economical.
- (6) That the insurance may not be cancelled or substantially modified (except for the addition of property or increases in amount of coverage) without at least thirty (30) days prior written notice to the named insured, and to all mortgagees.
- (7) Provisions for identification of mortgagees and for the allocation of their several interests to specific **Condominium Units** or other property.
- (8) The standard mortgagee clause, except that any loss otherwise payable to named mortgagees shall be payable in the manner set forth in subsection (10) hereinbelow.
- (9) Adjustment of loss shall be made with the Board of Directors.
- (10) Proceeds for losses shall be payable to the Council of Co-Owners or its appointed trustee.
- (11) The named insured shall be the Council of Co-Owners.
- (d) Evidence of Insurance: The insurer shall make arrangements for Certificates of Insurance for all mortgagees and Co-Owners.
- (e) **Definition:** As used in this Section, the term "buildings and improvements" shall include, without limitation, standard partition walls, fixtures and installations and replacements thereof as shown on such plans or other records as the Board of Directors may adopt for this purpose, and the insurance may exclude or limit the amount of insurance for

fixtures, alterations, installations or additions situated within a Condominium Unit and made or acquired at the expense of the Co-Owner of such Condominium Unit.

- <u>Section 8.3</u> <u>Liability Insurance</u>: The Board of Directors shall obtain and maintain public liability insurance for bodily injury and property damage in such limits as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine, insuring the Council of Co-Owners, the Manager (at the discretion of the Board of Directors), and each Co-Owner with respect to their liability arising from ownership, maintenance or repair of the Property, including, without limitation, liability arising from construction operations (except as provided in subsection (d) hereinbelow). Such liability insurance shall also cover cross-liability claims among the insured parties. The Board of Directors shall review such limits at least annually. The insurance provided under this Section shall include, without limitation, the following provisions:
- (a) That the insurance shall not be affected or diminished by any act or neglect of any Co-Owner or any occupants of any improvements when such act or neglect is not within the control of the Council of Co-Owners.
- (b) That the insurance shall not be affected or diminished by failure of any Co-Owner or any occupants of any improvements to comply with any warranty or condition when such failure to comply is not within the control of the Council of Co-Owners.
- (c) Waivers by the insurer of rights of subrogation, other than those based on fraud or criminal acts, against the Co-Owners, and the Council of Co-Owners, its directors and officers.
- (d) No liability insurance need be provided for a Co-Owner with respect to his **Condominium Unit** and any Limited Common Elements used exclusively by him.
- <u>Section 8.4.</u> <u>Worker's Compensation Insurance:</u> The Board of Directors shall obtain and maintain Worker's Compensation Insurance if necessary to meet the requirements of the laws of the State of South Carolina.
- <u>Section 8.5.</u> <u>Other Insurance:</u> The Board of Directors is authorized to obtain and maintain such other insurance as it may from time to time deem appropriate.

## ARTICLE IX

## DAMAGE TO OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY

- <u>Section 9.1.</u> <u>Duty to Repair or Restore:</u> Any portion of the Condominium damaged or destroyed shall be repaired or restored promptly by the Board of Directors, except as provided in Sections 9.4, 9.5 and 9.7 hereinbelow.
- <u>Section 9.2.</u> <u>Estimate of Cost:</u> Promptly after the damage or destruction and thereafter as it deems advisable, the Board of Directors shall obtain reliable and detailed estimates of the cost of repair or restoration. The Board of Directors may retain the

services of an architect to assist in the determination of such estimates and in the supervision of repair and restoration.

- <u>Section 9.3.</u> <u>Collection of Construction Funds:</u> Construction funds may consist of insurance proceeds, condemnation awards, proceeds of assessments against Co-Owners, and other funds received on account of or arising out of the damage or destruction.
- (a) <u>Insurance Proceeds:</u> The Board of Directors shall adjust losses under physical damage insurance policies. Such losses shall be payable in accordance with Section 8.2(c)(10) herein.
- (b) Assessment of Owners: If insurance proceeds and funds described in subsection (c) hereinbelow are insufficient for the necessary repair and restoration to be done at the Council of Co-Owners's cost, such deficiency shall be, unless otherwise provided by law, a Common Expense and the Board of Directors shall assess Common Charges therefor payable as specified in the resolution authorizing the same, which Common Charges shall be turned over by the Board of Directors to the Trustee.
- (c) <u>Payments by Others</u>: All funds received on account of or arising out of such damage or destruction shall be turned over by the Board of Directors to the trustee if one is appointed.
- (d) <u>Condemnation Awards</u>: Condemnation awards shall be payable in accordance with Article XXI of the Master Deed.
- Section 9.4. Plans and Specifications: Any repair or restoration must be either substantially in accordance with the plans adopted by the Board of Directors pursuant to Section 8.2(e) herein, (and may also include additional improvements for which funds are made available), or according to plans and specifications approved by the Board of Directors and by a majority of the Co-Owners and the holders of first mortgages encumbering seventy-five percent (75%) of the Condominium Units subject to mortgages.
- Section 9.5. Condominium Units: Damage to or destruction of improvements situated within a Condominium Unit shall be repaired or restored (except after a determination not to repair or restore pursuant to Section 9.7 herein) as follows:

# (a) Construction Funds:

- (1) To the extent that such damage or destruction is covered by insurance obtained pursuant to Article VIII hereof or by a condemnation award not specifically allocated to a Co-Owner, the proceeds of such insurance or award shall be made available for repair or restoration of the Condominium Unit.
- (2) To the extent that such damage or destruction is not covered by insurance obtained pursuant to Article VIII hereof or by a condemnation award not specifically allocated to the Co-Owner, the Co-Owner shall be responsible for the cost of repair and restoration.

## (b) Performance of Work and Payment:

- (1) If there is no damage or destruction of Common Elements, or if the combined damage to or destruction of all effected Condominium Units and Common Elements does not exceed Ten Thousand and No/100 (\$10,000.00) Dollars, the repair or restoration of each Condominium Unit shall be effected by its Co-Owner.
- (2) If there is damage to or destruction of Common Elements and the combined damage to or destruction of all effected Condominium Units and Common Elements exceeds Ten Thousand and No/100 (\$10,000.00) Dollars, the repair or restoration of the Common Elements and Condominium Units shall be effected by the Board of Directors, to the extent that construction funds as described in Section 9.5(a)(1) hereof are available and to the extent that the Co-Owners make payment as hereafter provided. Each Co-Owner shall pay to the Board of Directors such sum as is necessary, according to the estimate of cost described in Section 9.2 hereof, to cover any part of the cost of repair or restoration which is not covered by insurance obtained pursuant to Article VIII hereof.
- (c) <u>Deductibles:</u> To the extent that there is a shortage of funds resulting from a provision for deductibles in the insurance obtained pursuant to Article VIII herein, each affected Co-Owner shall be required to contribute such shortage in proportion to the damage to his Condominium Unit. The balance of such shortage after deduction of such required contributions shall be assessed against all Co-Owners as a Common Expense.
- (d) <u>Shortages in Condemnation Awards</u>: Shortages resulting from an insufficiency in any condemnation awards which are not specifically allocated to a Co-Owner shall be assessed against all Co-Owners as a Common Expense.
- Section 9.6. <u>Disbursement of Construction Funds</u>: The trustee, as defined in Section 9.9 herein, if appointed, shall deduct from the construction funds its actual costs, expenses and a reasonable fee for the performance of its duties, and shall disburse the balance in the following manner:
- (a) <u>Damage or Destruction not Exceeding \$10,000.00</u>: In the event of damage or destruction which is the responsibility of the Board of Directors to insure, not exceeding Ten Thousand and No/100 (\$10,000.00) Dollars, and upon receipt of proper certification of such fact from the Board of Directors, the trustee, if appointed, shall deliver such balance to the Board of Directors, and the Board of Directors shall thereupon administer said balance in the same manner as required of the trustee, if appointed, pursuant to this Article IX.
- (b) <u>Damage or Destruction Exceeding \$10,000.00</u>: In the event of damage or destruction which is the responsibility of the Board of Directors to insure exceeding Ten Thousand and No/100 (\$10,000.00) Dollars, a trustee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors and shall apply such balance to pay directly, or to reimburse the Board of Directors for the payment for, the costs of such repair or restoration, including the cost of temporary

repairs for the protection of the Property pending the completion of permanent repairs and restoration, upon written request of the Board of Directors in accordance with Section 9.8(a) herein, and if an architect has been retained by the Board of Director, upon presentation of an architect's certificate stating that the work represented by any such payment has been completed satisfactorily.

- (c) <u>Contributions by Co-Owners</u>: The Board of Directors shall maintain a separate account as to each Co-Owner with respect to payments by him pursuant to Sections 9.5(a), (b) and (c) herein, and expenditures of such payments. General expenses of administration, such as deductions by the trustee, if appointed, for its costs, expenses and fees, shall be charged against the construction fund and against Co-Owners' payments pursuant to Section 9.5(a), (b) and (c) herein, in proportion to the amount paid by each. All portions of such payments by Co-Owners not expended as herein provided shall be refunded to the Co-Owners, and their mortgagees, as their interests may appear.
- (d) <u>Surplus Funds:</u> If, after payment of all repairs and restoration, and the refund of any excess payments pursuant to subsection (c) hereinabove, there remains any surplus funds, such funds shall be paid to Co-Owners in proportion to their contributions resulting from assessments levied against them pursuant to Section 9.3(b) or Section 9.5(b) herein; provided, however, that no Co-Owner shall receive a sum greater than that actually contributed by him. Any surplus remaining after such payments shall be paid to the Board of Directors and shall be part of the general income of the Council of Co-Owners.
- Section 9.7. Determination Not to Repair or Restore: If the Condominium is damaged to the extent of two-thirds of its then replacement cost, the property remaining shall be deemed to be owned in common by the Co-Owners, and each Co-Owner shall own that percentage of the undivided interest in common as he previously owned in the Common Elements, unless all the Co-Owners and the holders of mortgage liens affecting at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the Condominium Units subject to mortgages, agree otherwise and vote to proceed with repair or restoration. Any liens affecting any of the Condominium Units shall be deemed to be transferred in accordance with the existing priorities to the percentage of the undivided interest of the Co-Owner of the Property; and the Property shall be subject to an action for partition at the suit of any Co-Owner, in which event the net proceeds of sale, together with the net proceeds of the insurance on the Property, if any, shall be considered as one fund and shall be divided among all the Co-Owners in accordance with their interests therein, after first paying all liens out of each of the respective interests.

<u>Section 9.8.</u> <u>Certificates:</u> The trustee, if appointed, may rely on the following certifications:

- (a) By the Board of Directors: The Board of Directors shall certify to the trustee, appointed, in writing as to the following matters:
  - (1) Whether or not damaged or destroyed property is to be repaired or restored.

- (2) In the opinion of the Board of Directors the cost of repair or restoration may exceed Ten Thousand and No/100 (\$10,000.00) Dollars.
- (3) The amount or amounts to be paid for repairs or restoration and the names and addressed of the parties to whom such amounts are to be paid.
- (b) Attorneys: The Board of Directors shall furnish the trustee, if appointed, in the event that any payments are to be made to owners or mortgagees, with an Attorney's Certificate of Title or Title Insurance Policy based on a search of the land records from the date of the recording of the original Declaration stating the names of the Co-Owners and the mortgagees.
- Section 9.9 Trustee: The Board of Directors shall enter into and keep in force a trust agreement with a bank in the State of South Carolina with trust powers to receive, administer and disburse funds pursuant to this Article IX. Such trust agreement shall incorporate the Master Deed and Bylaws by reference and shall provide that upon termination thereof, all monies or funds held by the trustee shall be turned over only to a successor trustee which shall also be a bank in the State of South Carolina with trust powers designated trustee pursuant to this Article IX. No amendment of the Master Deed or these Bylaws shall be binding on the trustee until the trustee receives notice of such amendment.

## ARTICLE X

# LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION

- Section 10.1. Tort Liability: The Co-Owners and the Council of Co-Owners shall each be deemed to have released and exonerated each other from any tort liability other than that based on fraud or criminal acts to the extent to which such liability is satisfied by proceeds of insurance carried by any such party.
- <u>Section 10.2.</u> <u>Contracts:</u> No Co-Owner and no director or officer of the Council of Co-Owners shall have any personal liability under any contract made by any of them on behalf of the Council of Co-Owners, except for the obligation of Co-Owners to pay Common Charges lawfully assessed.
- <u>Section 10.3.</u> <u>Indemnification:</u> The directors and officers of the Council of Co-Owners shall be entitled to indemnification, as provided in Section 33-8-500, Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, as amended, (the provisions of which are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part hereof).
- Section 10.4. <u>Insurance</u>: The Council may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who was or is a Director, officer, employee or agent of the Council, or who was or is serving at the request of the Council as a Director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, entity or enterprise (whether for profit or not for profit), against any liability asserted against him or incurred by him in any such capacity or arising out of his status as such, whether or not the Council would have the power to indemnify him against such liability

under the laws of the State of South Carolina as the same may hereafter be amended or modified.

Section 10.5. Payments and Premiums: All indemnification payments made, and all insurance premiums for insurance maintained, pursuant to this Article shall constitute expenses of the Council and shall be paid with funds of the Council.

## **ARTICLE XI**

## RECORDS

Section 11.1. Records and Audits: The Council of Co-Owners shall maintain accounting records according to generally accepted accounting practices. Such records shall include (i) a record of all receipts and expenditures; (ii) an account for each Condominium Unit which shall designate the name and address of each Co-Owner, the amount of each Common Charge, the dates on which the Common Charge comes due, the amounts paid in the account, and the balance due; (iii) a record of the actual cost, irrespective of discounts and allowances, of the maintenance of the Common Elements; and (iv) an accurate account of the current balance in the reserve for replacement and for emergency repairs.

Section 11.2. Annual Statement: Within thirty (30) days of the end of the fiscal year, the Council shall cause its records to be examined on a Review basis by a Certified Public Accountant. The Board, where it deems necessary, shall have the authority to cause the records to be examined on an Audit basis by a Certified Public Accountant.

## **ARTICLE XII**

# RIGHTS TO NOTICE AND COMMENT AND NOTICE AND HEARING

Section 12.1. Right to Notice and Comment: Co-Owners have the right to receive notice of certain actions proposed to be taken by the Board of Directors or by Committees and the right to comment orally or in writing on the proposed action, where the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations or resolutions provide for Notice and Comment. The right to Notice and Comment does not entitle a Co-Owner to be heard at a formally constituted meeting. Notice shall be given to each Co-Owner having such rights hereunder in writing and shall be delivered personally or by mail at such address of such Co-Owner as appears in the records of the Council of Co-Owners, or published in a newsletter or similar publication which is routinely circulated throughout the Property. Unless a specific requirement for the time of notice is provided elsewhere, such notice shall be given not less than five (5) days before the proposed action is to be taken.

Section 12.2. Right to Notice and Hearing: Co-Owners have the right to receive notice of certain actions proposed to be taken by the Board of Directors or by Committees, and the right to be heard at a formally constituted meeting, where the Bylaws, Rules and Regulations or resolution provide for Notice and Hearing. The notice of the meeting shall describe the proposed action and shall be given in the same manner as provided

for in Section12.1 hereinabove. Notice and Hearing shall be provided by the party proposing to take the action, such as the Board of Directors, and officer, a Committee or the Manager. At the meeting, the affected person shall have the right, personally or by a representative, to give testimony orally, in writing or both (as specified in the notice), subject to reasonable rules or procedure established by the party conducting the meeting to assume a prompt and orderly resolution of the issues. Such evidence shall be considered in making the decision but shall not bind the decision makers. The affected person shall be notified of the decision in the same manner in which notice of the meeting was given.

Section 12.3. Appeals: Any person having a right to Notice and Hearing shall have the right to appeal to the Board of Directors from a decision of persons other than the Board of Directors by filing a written notice of appeal with the Board of Directors within ten (10) days after being notified of the decision. The Board of Directors shall thereupon conduct a hearing, giving the same notice and observing the same procedures as were required for the original meeting.

#### ARTICLE XIII

### **OPEN MEETINGS**

- <u>Section 13.1.</u> <u>Access:</u> All meetings of the Board of Directors and of Committees at which action is to be taken by vote of such meeting, shall be open to the Co-Owners, except as hereinafter provided.
- <u>Section 13.2.</u> <u>Notice:</u> Notice of every such meeting shall be given not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the time set for such meeting, by posting such notice in a conspicuous location at the office of the Council of Co-Owners, except that such notice will not be required if an emergency situation requires that the meeting be held without delay.
- <u>Section 13.3.</u> <u>Executive Sessions:</u> Meetings may be held in Executive Session, without giving notice and without the requirement that they be open to the Co-Owners, provided that no action is taken at such sessions requiring the affirmative vote of the meeting.

#### ARTICLE XIV

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

Section 14.1 Notices: All notices to the Council of Co-Owners or the Board of Directors shall be delivered to the office of the Manager, or if there be no Manager, to the office of the Council of Co-Owners, or to such other address as the Board of Directors may hereafter designate from time to time, by notice in writing to all Co-Owners and to all mortgagees of Condominium Units. Except as otherwise provided, all notices to any Co-Owner shall be sent to his address as it appears in the records of the Council of Co-Owners. All notices to mortgagees of Condominium Units shall be sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to their respective addresses, as designated by them from time to time, in writing, to the Board of Directors. All notices shall be deemed to have been given when mailed, except notices of changes of address which shall be deemed to have been given when received.

- Section 14.2. Fiscal Year: The fiscal year of the Council of Co-Owners shall run from January 1 to December 31 of each year.
- Section 14.3. Waiver: No restriction, condition, obligation or provision contained in these Bylaws shall be deemed to have been abrogated or waived by reason of any failure to enforce the same, irrespective of the number of violations or breaches which may occur.
- Section 14.4. Office: The principal office of the Council of Co-Owners shall be on the Property or at such other place as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate.
- Section 14.5. Master Deed: The provisions of the Master Deed made by North High Associates, an Ohio Partnership, as it may be amended or supplemented from time to time, are incorporated herein by reference, as if fully set forth herein, and shall control in the event of any conflict between those provisions and the provisions of these Bylaws.

# ARTICLE XV

# **AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS**

Section 15.1. Amendments to Bylaws: These Bylaws shall be amended only in accordance with the Master Deed and by vote of sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of the Co-Owners, at any meeting of the Council of Co-Owners duly called for such purpose, following written notice to all Co-Owners and to their mortgagees appearing on the records of the Council of Co-Owners, except that if such amendment directly or indirectly changes the boundaries of any Condominium Unit, the undivided interest in the Common Elements appertaining thereof, liability for Common Elements appertaining thereto, the Limited Common Elements appertaining thereto, the liability for Common Expenses appertaining thereto, the rights to Common Profits appertaining thereto, the number of votes in the Council of Co-Owners appertaining thereto, or the right pursuant to Section 6.5 hereof to create or use an opening in or to restore a partition wall or enclose a Limited Common Element, such amendments shall require the affirmative vote of seventy-five percent (75%) of the Co-Owners and shall, in addition, require the consent of the mortgagees of at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the Condominium Units subject to mortgages and, as to opening or restoring a partition wall or enclosing an opening of a Limited Common Element, both as described in Section 6.5 hereof, the consent of the owners of the Condominium Units directly affected. No amendment shall be of legal effect until set forth in an amendment to the Master Deed and such amendment is recorded in the Register of Mesne Conveyance Office for Charleston County, South Carolina.

Certified to be the Amended and Restated Bylaws adopted on March 28, 2011. Grammatical corrections and clarifications of original language and intent adopted by Board May 9, 2016.

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