

**EXHIBIT A**

**WESTON ESTATES**

**BYLAWS**

**ARTICLE I**

**ASSOCIATION OF CO-OWNERS**

WESTON ESTATES, a residential Condominium Project located in the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, shall be administered by an Association of Co-owners which shall be a non-profit corporation (the "Association"), organized under the applicable laws of the State of Michigan, and responsible for the management, maintenance, operation and administration of the Common Elements, easements and affairs of the Condominium Project in accordance with the Condominium Documents and the laws of the State of Michigan. These Bylaws shall constitute both the Bylaws referred to in the Master Deed and required by Section 3(8) of the Act and the Bylaws provided for under the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act. Each Co-owner shall be entitled to membership and no other person or entity shall be entitled to membership. The share of a Co-owner in the funds and assets of the Association cannot be assigned, pledged or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to his or her Unit. The Association shall keep current copies of the Master Deed, all amendments to the Master Deed, and other Condominium Documents for the Condominium Project available at reasonable hours to Co-owners, prospective purchasers, mortgagees and prospective mortgagees of Units in the Condominium Project. All Co-owners in the Condominium Project and all persons using or entering upon or acquiring any interest in any Unit therein or the Common Elements thereof shall be subject to the provisions and terms set forth in the Condominium Documents.

**ARTICLE II**

**ASSESSMENTS**

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

Section 1. Assessments for Common Elements. All costs incurred by the Association in satisfaction of any liability arising within, caused by, or connected with the Common Elements or the administration of the Condominium Project shall constitute expenditures affecting the administration of the Project, and all sums received as the proceeds of, or pursuant to, any policy of insurance securing the interest of the Co-owners against liabilities or losses arising within,

caused by, or connected with the Common Elements or the administration of the Condominium Project shall constitute receipts affecting the administration of the Condominium Project, within the meaning of Section 54(4) of the Act.

Section 2. Determination of Assessments. Assessments shall be determined in accordance with the following provisions:

(a) Budget; Regular Assessments. The Board of Directors of the Association shall establish an annual budget in advance for each fiscal year and such budget shall project all expenses for the forthcoming year which may be required for the proper operation, management and maintenance of the Condominium Project, including a reasonable allowance for contingencies and reserves. An adequate reserve fund for maintenance, repairs and replacement of those Common Elements that must be replaced on a periodic basis shall be established in the budget and must be funded by regular payments as set forth in Section 2(c) below rather than by special assessments. At a minimum, the reserve fund shall be equal to ten percent (10%) of the Association's current annual budget on a non-cumulative basis. Since the minimum standard required by this subparagraph may prove to be inadequate for this particular project, the Association of Co-owners should carefully analyze the Condominium Project to determine if a greater amount should be set aside, or if additional reserve funds should be established for other purposes from time to time. Upon adoption of an annual budget by the Board of Directors, copies of the budget shall be delivered to each Co-owner and the assessment for said year shall be established based upon said budget. The annual assessments as so determined and levied shall constitute a lien against all Units as of the first day of the fiscal year to which the assessments relate. Failure to deliver a copy of the budget to each Co-owner shall not affect or in any way diminish such lien or the liability of any Co-owner for any existing or future assessments. Should the Board of Directors at any time decide, in the sole discretion of the Board of Directors: (1) that the assessments levied are or may prove to be insufficient (a) to pay the costs of operation and management of the Condominium, (b) to provide replacements of existing Common Elements, (c) to provide additions to the Common Elements not exceeding \$3000.00 annually for the entire Condominium Project, or (2) that an emergency exists, the Board of Directors shall have the authority to increase the general assessment or to levy such additional assessment or assessments as it shall deem to be necessary. The Board of Directors also shall have the authority, without Co-owner consent, to levy assessments pursuant to the provisions of Article V, Section 4 hereof. The discretionary authority of the Board of Directors to levy assessments pursuant to this subparagraph shall rest solely with the Board of Directors for the benefit of the Association and the members thereof, and shall not be enforceable by any creditors of the Association or of the members thereof.

(b) Special Assessments. Special assessments, in addition to those required in subparagraph (a) above, may be made by the Board of Directors from time to time and approved by the Co-owners as hereinafter provided to meet other requirements of the

Association, including, but not limited to: (1) assessments for additions to the Common Elements of a cost exceeding \$3000.00 for the entire Condominium Project per year, (2) assessments to purchase a Unit upon foreclosure of the lien for assessments described in Section 5 hereof, (3) assessments for any other appropriate purpose not elsewhere herein described. Special assessments referred to in this subparagraph (b) (but not including those assessments referred to in subparagraph 2(a) above, which shall be levied in the sole discretion of the Board of Directors) shall not be levied without the prior approval of more than sixty percent (60%) of all Co-owners. The authority to levy assessments pursuant to this subparagraph is solely for the benefit of the Association and the members thereof and shall not be enforceable by any creditors of the Association or of the members thereof.

(c) Apportionment of Assessments. All assessments levied against the Co-owners to cover expenses of administration shall be apportioned among and paid by the Co-owners in accordance with each Co-owner's proportionate share of the expenses of administration as provided in Article V, Section 2 of the Master Deed and without increase or decrease for the existence of any rights to the use of Limited Common Elements appurtenant to a Unit except as otherwise specifically provided in the Master Deed. Annual assessments as determined in accordance with Article II, Section 2(a) above shall be payable by Co-owners in periodic installments, commencing with acceptance of a deed to or a land contract vendee's interest in a Unit, or with the acquisition of fee simple title to a Unit by any other means.

Section 3. Developer's Responsibility for Assessments. During the Development and Sales Period as defined in the Master Deed, the Developer of the Condominium, even though a member of the Association, shall not be responsible for payment of the monthly Association assessment. The Developer, however, shall, during the Development and Sales Period, pay a proportionate share of the Association's current maintenance expenses, including administration costs, actually incurred from time to time based upon the ratio of Completed Units owned by Developer at the time the expense is incurred to the total number of Units in the Condominium. In no event shall Developer be responsible for payment, during the Development and Sales Period, of any assessments for deferred maintenance, reserves for replacement, for capital improvements or other special assessments, except with respect to Occupied Units owned by it. Developer shall not be responsible at any time for payment of said monthly assessment or payment of any expenses whatsoever with respect to Units Not Completed notwithstanding the fact that such Units Not Completed may have been included in the Master Deed. Further, the Developer shall in no event be liable for any assessment levied in whole or in part to purchase any Unit from the Developer or to finance any litigation or other claims against the Developer, any cost of investigating and preparing such litigation or claim, or any similar or related costs. "Occupied Unit" shall mean a Unit with a structure used as a residence on it. A model home is not to be considered as an occupied Unit. "Completed Unit" shall mean a Unit with a dwelling constructed upon it which has been issued a final certificate of occupancy by the City of Novi.

Section 4. Penalties for Default. The payment of an assessment shall be in default if any installment thereof is not paid to the Association in full on or before the due date for such installment. A late charge not to exceed \$50.00 per installment may be assessed automatically by the Association upon each installment in default for ten or more days until paid in full. The Association may, pursuant to Article XIX, Section 4 and Article XX of these Bylaws, levy fines for late payment of assessments in addition to such late charge. Each Co-owner (whether one or more persons) shall be, and remain, personally liable for the payment of all assessments (including fines for late payment and costs of collection and enforcement of payment) pertinent to his or her Unit which may be levied while such Co-owner is the owner thereof, except a land contract purchaser from any Co-owner including Developer shall be so personally liable and such land contract seller shall not be personally liable for all such assessment levied up to and including the date upon which such land contract seller actually takes possession of the Unit following extinguishment of all rights of the land contract purchaser in the Unit. Payments on account of installments of assessments in default shall be applied as follows: first, to costs of collection and enforcement of payment, including reasonable attorney's fees; second, to any interest charges and fines for late payment on such installments; and third, to installments in default in order of their due dates.

Section 5. Liens for Unpaid Assessments. Sums assessed to the Association which remain unpaid, including but not limited to regular assessments, special assessments, fines and late charges, shall constitute a lien upon the Unit or Units in the Project owned by the Co-owner at the time of the assessment and upon the proceeds of sale thereof. Any such unpaid sum shall constitute a lien against the Unit as of the first day of the fiscal year to which the assessment, fine or late charge relates and shall be a lien prior to all claims except real property taxes and first mortgages of record. All charges which the Association may levy against any Co-owner shall be deemed to be assessments for purposes of this Section and Section 108 of the Act.

Section 6. Waiver of Use or Abandonment of Unit. No Co-owner may exempt himself or herself from liability for his or her contribution toward the expenses of administration by waiver of the use or enjoyment of any of the Common Elements or by the abandonment of his or her Unit.

Section 7. Enforcement.

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

Co-owner of its intention to do so. A Co-owner in default shall not be entitled to utilize any of the General Common Elements of the Project and shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Association so long as such default continues; provided, however, this provision shall not operate to deprive any Co-owner of ingress or egress to and from his or her Unit. In a judicial foreclosure action, a receiver may be appointed to collect a reasonable rental for the Unit from the Co-owner or any persons claiming under the Co-owner. The Association may also assess fines for late payment or non-payment of assessments in accordance with the provisions of Article XIX, Section 4 and Article XX of these Bylaws. All of these remedies shall be cumulative and not alternative.

(b) Foreclosure Proceedings. Each Co-owner, and every other person who from time to time has any interest in the Project, shall be deemed to have granted to the Association the unqualified right to elect to foreclose the lien securing payment of assessments either by judicial action or by advertisement. The provisions of Michigan law pertaining to foreclosure of mortgages by judicial action and by advertisement, as the same may be amended from time to time, are incorporated in these Bylaws by reference for the purposes of establishing the alternative procedures to be followed in lien foreclosure actions and the rights and obligations of the parties to such actions. Further, each Co-owner and every other person who from time to time has any interest in the Project, shall be deemed to have authorized and empowered the Association to sell or to cause to be sold the Unit with respect to which the assessment(s) is or are delinquent and to receive, hold and distribute the proceeds of such sale in accordance with the priorities established by applicable law. Each Co-owner of a Unit in the Project acknowledges that at the time of acquiring title to such Unit, he or she was notified of the provisions of this subparagraph and that he or she voluntarily, intelligently and knowingly waived notice of any proceedings brought by the Association to foreclose by advertisement the lien for nonpayment of assessments and a hearing on the same prior to the sale of the subject Unit.

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

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

(d) Expenses of Collection. The expenses incurred in collecting unpaid assessments, including interest, costs, actual attorneys fees (not limited to statutory fees) and advances for taxes or other liens paid by the Association to protect its lien, shall be chargeable to the Co-owner in default and shall be secured by the lien on his or her Unit.

Section 8. Statement as to Unpaid Assessments. The purchaser of any Unit may request a statement of the Association as to the amount of any unpaid Association assessments thereon, whether regular or special. Upon written request to the Association accompanied by a copy of the executed purchase agreement pursuant to which the purchaser holds the right to acquire a Unit, the Association shall provide a written statement of such unpaid assessments as may exist or a statement that none exist, which statement shall be binding upon the Association for the period stated therein. Upon the payment of that sum within the period stated, the Association's lien for assessments as to such Unit shall be deemed satisfied; provided, however, that the failure of a purchaser to request such statement at least five days prior to the closing of the purchase of such Unit shall render any unpaid assessments and the lien securing the same fully enforceable against such purchaser and the Unit itself, to the extent provided by the Act.

Section 9. Liability of Mortgagee. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Condominium Documents, the holder of any first mortgage covering any Unit in the Project which comes into possession of the Unit pursuant to the remedies provided in the mortgage or by deed (or assignment) in lieu of foreclosure, or any purchaser at a foreclosure sale, shall take the property free of any claims for unpaid assessments or charges against the mortgaged Unit which accrue prior to the time such holder comes into possession of the Unit (except for claims for a pro rata share of such assessments or charges resulting from a pro rata re-allocation of such assessments or charges to all Units including the mortgaged Unit). The Association may, in its discretion, notify any mortgagee of a Co-owner's default under the Condominium Documents.

Section 10. Property Taxes and Special Assessments. All property taxes and special assessments levied by any public taxing authority shall be assessed in accordance with Section 131 of the Act.

Section 11. Personal Property Tax Assessment of Association Property. The Association shall be assessed as the person or entity in possession of any tangible personal property of the Condominium owned or possessed in common by the Co-owners, and personal property taxes based thereon shall be treated as expenses of administration.

Section 12. Construction Lien. A construction lien otherwise arising under Act No. 497 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1980, as amended, shall be subject to Section 132 of the Act.

### ARTICLE III

#### ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION CIVIL ACTIONS

In the event of a dispute between the Association and a Co-owner other than the Developer, or a dispute or any claims or grievance between the Co-owners related to the application or enforcement of any Condominium Documents, any party to the dispute may demand the dispute be resolved by either binding mediation or binding arbitration ("Alternative Dispute Resolution" or "ADR")

##### Section 1. Demand and Election.

- (a) The party making the demand for Alternative Dispute Resolution shall do so before any litigation in the courts is commenced. By commencement of litigation in the courts the right to demand Alternative Dispute Resolution shall be barred to all parties to the litigation.
- (b) If the demand for Alternative Dispute Resolution is made, no lawsuit may be commenced in any court.
- (c) When the demand is made it shall state that the party on whom the demand is served shall be entitled to elect the form of Alternative Dispute Resolution which shall be used. That election shall be final and binding on all parties. The demand shall be made in writing and sent by certified mail, return receipt requested.
- (d) If the demand is made of more than one other party, the vote of the majority of the affected parties receiving the demand for Alternative Dispute Resolution shall control the election of form. The election of form shall be made within ten (10) business days of the demand. If no election is made, it shall be assumed that arbitration has been elected as the form of Alternative Dispute Resolution.
- (e) If only one of several parties makes an election of form, its choice shall decide the form of Alternative Dispute Resolution to be used.
- (f) If the rules of the ADR form elected provide a means for selecting the mediator(s) or arbitrator(s), those rules shall be adopted. If the ADR form selected does not have such rules, for instance if a party elects mediation with a private mediator, the other party shall be entitled to select the mediator or arbitrator. That choice must be made within ten (10) days after receipt of the election of form. In the event

more than one party is involved, the majority choice of the responding parties shall control. In the event of a tie in the responses, the first response received shall control the election of forum. If there are no responses, the party which chose the form of ADR must choose the mediator, arbitrator or other ADR facilitator.

Section 2. Rules. The commercial arbitration rules of the American Arbitration Association (or any recognized successor or equivalent of the American Arbitration Association should it no longer exist) shall govern arbitration proceedings if arbitration is elected. The rules of a qualified mediation service shall govern mediation proceedings, including mediation conducted by a mediator not affiliated with such a service.

Section 3. Attorney Fees and Costs. Unless the mediation or arbitration rules specifically provide to the contrary, the prevailing party, as determined by the mediator or arbitrator, shall be reimbursed for its actual costs and attorney fees as part of any award.

Section 4. Enforcement. The decision made in any Alternative Dispute Resolution forum shall be enforceable in circuit court (or district court if a monetary award is below the circuit court jurisdictional amount).

Section 5. Lien Claims Not Subject to ADR Election; Not Applicable to Developer. Disputes related to assessments and liens for assessments may not be subjected to the provisions of this Article, including contests of the lien or any subsequent foreclosure proceedings, except with the consent of the Association, which may be withheld in the Association's absolute and sole discretion. The consent of the Association in that circumstance must be in writing. The provisions of Sections 1 through 5 above shall not apply to disputes between the Association and the Developer or between a Co-owner and the Developer unless the Developer has consented to be subject to these provisions in writing.

Section 6. Co-owner Approval for Civil Actions Against Developer; Election of Remedies.

- (a) Any civil action proposed by the Board of Directors on behalf of the Association to be initiated against the Developer, its agents or assigns, and/or the First Board of Directors of the Association or other Developer-appointed Directors, for any reason, shall be subject to approval by a vote of sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of all Co-owners and notice of such proposed action must be given in writing to all Co-owners in accordance with Section 8 through 19 below. Such vote may only be taken at a meeting of the Co-owners and no proxies or absentee ballots shall be permitted to be used, notwithstanding the provisions of Article VII, Section 5.



- (b) Election by the parties to any such disputes, claims or grievances to submit such disputes, claims or grievances to arbitration shall preclude such parties from litigating such disputes, claims or grievances in the Court.

Section 7. Not Applicable to the Title Claims. Questions involving or affecting the claim of title of any person to any fee or life estate in real estate are not subject to this Article.

Section 8. Actions on Behalf of Co-owners. Actions on behalf of and against Co-owners shall be brought in the name of the Association. Subject to the express limitations on actions in these Bylaws and in the Association's Articles of Incorporation, the Association may assert, defend or settle claims on behalf of all Co-owners in connection with the Common Elements of the Condominium.

Section 9. Commencement of Civil Actions. As provided in the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, the commencement of any civil action (other than one to enforce these Bylaws or collect delinquent assessments) shall require the approval of a majority in number and in value of the Co-owners, and shall be governed by requirements of this Article. The requirements of this Article are intended to ensure that the Co-owners are fully informed regarding the prospects and likely costs of any civil action the Association proposes to engage in, as well as the ongoing status of any civil actions the Association proposes to engage in, as well as the ongoing status of any civil actions actually filed by the Association. These requirements are imposed in order to reduce both the cost of litigation and the risk of improvident litigation, and in order to avoid the waste of the Association's assets in litigation where reasonable and prudent alternatives to the litigation exist. Each Co-owner shall have standing to sue to enforce the requirements of this Article. The following procedures and requirements apply to the Association's commencement of any civil action other than an action to enforce these Bylaws or to collect delinquent assessments.

Section 10. Board of Directors' Recommendation to Co-owners. The Association's Board of Directors shall be responsible in the first instance for recommending to the Co-owners that a civil action be filed, and supervising and directing any civil actions that are filed.

Section 11. Litigation Evaluation Meeting. Before an attorney is engaged for purposes of filing a civil action on behalf of the Association, the Board of Directors shall call a special meeting of the Co-owners ("litigation evaluation meeting") for the express purpose of evaluating the merits of the proposed civil action. The written notice to the Co-owners of the date, time and place of the litigation evaluation meeting shall be sent to all Co-owners not less than twenty (20) days before the date of the meeting and shall include the following information copied onto 8 1/2 x 11" paper:

- (a) A certified resolution of the Board setting forth in detail the concerns of the Board giving rise to the need to file a civil action and further certifying that:

- (i) it is in the best interest of the corporation to file a lawsuit;
  - (ii) that at least one (1) Board member has personally made a good faith effort to negotiate a settlement with the putative defendant(s) on behalf of the corporation, without success;
  - (iii) litigation is the only prudent, feasible and reasonable alternative; and
  - (iv) the Board's proposed attorney for the civil action is of the written opinion that litigation is the corporation's most reasonable and prudent alternative.
- (b) A written summary of the relevant experience of the attorney ("litigation attorney") the Board recommends be retained to represent the corporation in the proposed civil action, including the following information:
- (i) the number of years the litigation attorney has practiced law; and
  - (ii) the name and address of every condominium and homeowner association for which the attorney has filed a civil action in any court, together with the case number, county and court in which each civil action was filed.
- (c) The litigation attorney's written estimate of the amount of the corporation's likely recovery in the proposed lawsuit, net of legal fees, court costs, expert witness fees, and all other expenses expected to be incurred in the civil action.
- (d) The litigation attorney's written estimate of the cost of the civil action through a trial on the merits of the case ("total estimated cost"). The total estimated cost of the civil action shall include the litigation attorney's expected fees, court costs, expert witness fees, and all other expenses expected to be incurred in the civil action.
- (e) The litigation attorney's proposed written fee agreement.
- (f) The amount to be specifically assessed against each unit in the Condominium to fund the estimated cost of the civil action in both total and on a monthly per Unit basis, as required by this subparagraph.

Section 12. Independent Expert Opinion. If the lawsuit relates to the condition of any of the Common Elements of the Condominium, the Board shall obtain a written independent expert opinion as to reasonable and practical alternative approaches to repairing the problems with the Common Elements, which shall set forth the estimated costs and expected viability of each alternative. In obtaining the independent expert opinion required by the preceding sentence, the Board shall conduct its own investigation as to the qualifications of any expert and shall not retain any expert recommended by the litigation attorney or any other attorney with whom the Board consults. The purpose of independent expert opinion is to avoid any potential confusion regarding the condition of the Common Elements that might be created by a report prepared as an instrument of advocacy for use in a civil action. The independent expert opinion will ensure that

the Co-owners have a realistic appraisal of the condition of the Common Elements, the likely cost of repairs to or replacement of the same, and the reasonable and prudent repair and replacement alternatives. The independent expert opinion shall be sent to the Co-owners with the written notice of the litigation evaluation meeting.

Section 13. Fee Agreement with Litigation Attorney. The corporation shall have a written fee agreement with the litigation attorney, and any other attorney retained to handle the proposed civil action. The corporation shall not enter into any fee agreement that is a combination of retained attorney's hourly rate and a contingent fee arrangement unless the existence of the agreement is disclosed to the Co-owners in the text of the corporation's written notice to the members of the litigation evaluation meeting.

Section 14. Co-owner Vote Required. At the litigation evaluation meeting, the Co-owners shall vote on whether to authorize the Board to proceed with the proposed civil action and whether the matter should be handled by the litigation attorney. The commencement of any civil action by the corporation (other than a suit to enforce the Condominium Bylaws or collect delinquent assessments) shall require the approval of a majority in value of members of the corporation. Any proxies to be voted at the litigation evaluation meeting must be signed at least seven (7) days prior to the litigation evaluation meeting.

Section 15. Litigation Special Assessment. All legal fees incurred in pursuit of any civil action that is subject to Section 8 through 19 of this Article shall be paid by special assessment of the Co-owners ("litigation special assessment"). The litigation special assessment shall be approved at the litigation evaluation meeting (or at any subsequent duly called and noticed meeting) by a majority in number and in value of all Co-owners in the amount of the estimated total cost of the civil action. If the litigation attorney proposed by the Board is not retained, the litigation special assessment shall be in an amount equal to the retained attorney's estimated total cost of the civil action, as estimated by the attorney actually retained by the corporation. The litigation special assessment shall be apportioned to the Co-owners in accordance with their respective percentage of value interests in the Condominium and shall be collected from the Co-owners on a monthly basis. The total amount of the litigation special assessment shall be collected monthly over a period not to exceed twenty-four (24) months.

Section 16. Attorney's Written Report. During the course of any civil action authorized by the Co-owners pursuant to this Article, the retained attorney shall submit a written report ("attorney's written report") to the Board every thirty (30) days setting forth:

- (a) The attorney's fees, the fees of any experts retained by the attorney, and all other costs of litigation during the 30-day period immediately preceding the date of the attorney's written report ("reporting period").

- (b) All actions taken in civil action during the reporting period, together with copies of all pleadings, court papers and correspondence filed with the court or sent to opposing counsel during the reporting period.
- (c) A detailed description of all discussions with opposing counsel during the reporting period, written and oral, including, but not limited to, settlement discussions.
- (d) The costs incurred in the civil action through the date of the written report, as compared to the attorney's estimated total cost of the civil action.
- (e) Whether the originally estimated total cost of the civil action remains accurate.

Section 17. Monthly Board Meetings. The Board shall meet Quarterly during the course of any civil action to discuss and review:

- (a) the status of the litigation;
- (b) the status of settlement efforts, if any; and
- (c) the attorney's written report.

Section 18. Changes in the Litigation Special Assessment. If, at any time during the course of a civil action, the Board determines that the originally estimated total cost of the civil action or any revision thereof is inaccurate, the Board shall immediately prepare a revised estimate of the total cost of the civil action. If the revised estimate exceeds the litigation special assessment previously approved by the Co-owners, the Board shall call a special meeting of the Co-owners to review the status of the litigation, and to allow the Co-owners to vote on whether to continue the civil action and increase the litigation special assessment. The meeting shall have the same quorum and voting requirements as a litigation evaluation meeting.

Section 19. Disclosure of Litigation Expenses. The attorneys' fees, court costs, expert witness fees and all other expenses of any civil action filed by the Association ("litigation expenses") shall be fully disclosed to Co-owners in the Association's annual budget. The litigation expenses for each civil action filed by the Association shall be listed as a separate line item captioned "litigation expenses" in the Association's annual budget.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### INSURANCE

Section 1. Extent of Coverage. The Association shall, to the extent appropriate in light of the nature of the General Common Elements of the Project, carry liability insurance (in a minimum amount to be determined by the Developer or the Association in its discretion, but in no event less than \$500,000 per occurrence), officers' and directors' liability insurance, and workmen's compensation insurance, if applicable, and any other insurance the Association may deem applicable, desirable or necessary, pertinent to the ownership, use and maintenance of the General Common Elements and such insurance shall be carried and administered in accordance with the following provisions:

(a) Responsibilities of Association. All such insurance shall be purchased by the Association for the benefit of the Association, the Developer and the Co-owners and their mortgagees, as their interests may appear, and provision shall be made for the issuance of certificates of mortgagee endorsements to the mortgagees of Co-owners.

(b) Insurance of Common Elements. If available at reasonable cost, and if deemed necessary by the Board of Directors in its discretion, all General Common Elements of the Condominium Project shall be insured against fire (if appropriate) and other perils covered by a standard extended coverage endorsement, if applicable and appropriate, in an amount equal to the current insurable replacement value, excluding foundation and excavation costs, as determined annually by the Board of Directors of the Association. The Association shall not be responsible, in any way, for maintaining insurance with respect to Limited Common Elements.

(c) Premium Expenses. All premiums on insurance purchased by the Association pursuant to these Bylaws shall be expenses of administration.

(d) Proceeds of Insurance Policies. Proceeds of all insurance policies owned by the Association shall be received by the Association, held in a separate account and distributed to the Association and the Co-owners and their mortgagees, as their interests may appear; provided, however, whenever repair or reconstruction of the Condominium shall be required as provided in Article V of these Bylaws, the proceeds of any insurance received by the Association as a result of any loss requiring repair or reconstruction shall be applied for such repair or reconstruction and in no event shall hazard insurance proceeds be used for any purpose other than for repair, replacement or reconstruction of the Project unless all of the institutional holders of first mortgages on Units in the Project have given their prior written approval.

Section 2. Authority of Association to Settle Insurance Claims. Each Co-owner, by ownership of a Unit in the Condominium Project, shall be deemed to appoint the Association as his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact to act in connection with all matters concerning the maintenance of fire and extended coverage, vandalism and malicious mischief, liability insurance and workmen's compensation insurance, if applicable, pertinent to the Condominium Project and the General Common Elements appurtenant thereto, with such insurer as may, from time to time,

provide such insurance for the Condominium Project. Without limitation on the generality of the foregoing, the Association as said attorney shall have full power and authority to purchase and maintain such insurance, to collect and remit the insurance premiums, to collect proceeds and to distribute them to the Association, the Co-owners and respective mortgagees, as their interests may appear (subject always to the Condominium Documents), to execute releases of liability and to execute all documents and to do all things on behalf of such Co-owner and the Condominium as shall be necessary or convenient to the accomplishment of the foregoing.

Section 3. Responsibilities of Co-owners. Each Co-owner shall be obligated and responsible for obtaining fire and extended coverage and vandalism and malicious mischief insurance with respect to the building and all other improvements constructed or to be constructed within the perimeter of his or her Condominium Unit and its appurtenant Limited Common Element and for his or her personal property located therein or thereon or elsewhere on the Condominium Project. There is no responsibility on the part of the Association to insure any of such improvements whatsoever. All such insurance shall be carried by each Co-owner in an amount equal to the maximum insurable replacement value, excluding foundation and excavation costs. Each Co-owner shall deliver certificates of insurance to the Association not less than annually to evidence the continued existence of all insurance required to be maintained by the Co-owner hereunder. In the event of the failure of a Co-owner to obtain such insurance or to provide evidence thereof to the Association, the Association may obtain such insurance on behalf of such Co-owner and the premiums therefor shall constitute a lien against the Co-owner's Unit which may be collected from the Co-owner in the same manner that Association assessments may be collected in accordance with Article II hereof. Each Co-owner also shall be obligated to obtain insurance coverage for his or her personal liability for occurrences within the perimeter of his or her Unit and affecting appurtenant Limited Common Elements or the improvements located thereon (naming the Association and the Developer as insured), and also for any other personal insurance coverage that the Co-owner wishes to carry. Such insurance shall be carried in such minimum amounts as may be specified by the Association (and as specified by the Developer during the Development and Sales Period) and each Co-owner shall furnish evidence of such coverage to the Association or the Developer annually. The Association shall under no circumstances have any obligation to obtain any of the insurance coverage described in this Section 3 or any liability to any person for failure to do so. To the extent a Co-owner does or permits anything to be done or kept on his or her Unit that will increase the rate of insurance each Co-owner shall pay to the Association, the increased cost of insurance premiums resulting from any such activity or the maintenance of any such condition shall be charged to the Co-owner responsible for such activity or condition.

Section 4. Waiver of Right of Subrogation. The Association and all Co-owners shall use their best efforts to cause all property and liability insurance carried by the Association or any Co-owner to contain appropriate provisions whereby the insurer waives its right of subrogation as to any claims against any Co-owner or the Association.

Section 5. Indemnification. Each individual Co-owner shall indemnify and hold

harmless every other Co-owner, the Developer and the Association for all damages and costs, including attorneys' fees, which such other Co-owners, the Developer or the Association may suffer as a result of defending any claim arising out of an occurrence on or within such individual Co-owner's Unit and shall carry insurance to secure this indemnity if so required by the Association (or the Developer during the Development and Sales Period). This Section 5 shall not be construed to give any insurer any subrogation right or other right or claim against any individual Co-owner, however.

## ARTICLE V

### RECONSTRUCTION OR REPAIR

Section 1. Responsibility for Reconstruction or Repair. If any part of the Condominium Premises shall be damaged, the determination of whether or not it shall be reconstructed or repaired, and the responsibility therefor, shall be as follows:

(a) General Common Elements. If the damaged property is a General Common Element, the damaged property shall be rebuilt or repaired unless all of the Co-owners and all of the institutional holders of mortgages on any Unit in the Project unanimously agree to the contrary.

(b) Unit or Improvements on the Unit. If the damaged property is a within Unit or is a Limited Common Element or any improvements thereon, the Co-owner of such Unit along shall determine whether to rebuild or repair the damaged property, subject to the rights of any mortgagee or other person or entity having an interest in such property, and such Co-owner shall be responsible for any reconstruction or repair that he or she elects to make. The Co-owner shall in any event remove all debris and restore his or her Unit and the improvements thereon to a clean and sightly condition satisfactory to the Association and in accordance with the provisions of Article VI hereof as soon as reasonably possible following the occurrence of the damage. In the event that a Co-owner has failed to repair, restore, demolish or remove the improvements on the Co-owner's Unit under this Section, the Association shall have the right (but not the obligation) to undertake reasonable repair, restoration, demolition or removal and shall have the right to place a lien on the Unit for the amounts expended by the Association for that purpose which may be foreclosed as provided for in these Bylaws.

Section 2. Repair in Accordance with Master Deed, Etc. Any such reconstruction or repair shall be substantially in accordance with the Master Deed and the original plans and specifications for any damaged improvements located within the Unit unless the Co-owners shall unanimously decide otherwise.

Section 3. Association Responsibility for Repair. Immediately after the occurrence of a casualty causing damage to property for which the Association has the responsibility of maintenance, repair and reconstruction, the Association shall obtain reliable and detailed estimates of the cost to place the damaged property in a condition as good as that existing before the damage. If the proceeds of insurance are not sufficient to defray the estimated cost of reconstruction or repair required to be performed by the Association, or if at any time during such reconstruction or repair, or upon completion of such reconstruction or repair, the funds for the payment of the cost thereof are insufficient, assessment shall be made against all Co-owners for the cost of reconstruction or repair of the damaged property in sufficient amounts to provide funds to pay the estimated or actual cost of repair. This provision shall not be construed to require replacement of mature trees and vegetation with equivalent trees or vegetation.

Section 4. Timely Reconstruction and Repair. If damage to the General Common Elements adversely affects the appearance of the Project, the Association shall proceed with replacement of the damaged property without delay.

Section 5. Eminent Domain. The following provisions shall control upon any taking by eminent domain:

(a) Taking of Unit or Improvements Thereon. In the event of any taking of all or any portion of a Unit or any improvements thereon by eminent domain, the award for such taking shall be paid to the Co-owner of such Unit and the mortgagee thereof, as their interests may appear, notwithstanding any provision of the Act to the contrary. If a Co-owner's entire Unit is taken by eminent domain, such Co-owner and his or her mortgagee shall, after acceptance of the condemnation award therefor, be divested of all interest in the Condominium Project.

(b) Taking of General Common Elements. If there is any taking of any portion of the General Common Elements, the condemnation proceeds relative to such taking shall be paid to the Co-owners and their mortgagees in proportion to their respective interests in the Common Elements and the affirmative vote of more than fifty percent (50%) of the Co-owners shall determine whether to rebuild, repair or replace the portion so taken or to take such other action as they deem appropriate.

(c) Continuation of Condominium After Taking. In the event the Condominium Project continues after taking by eminent domain, then the remaining portion of the Condominium Project shall be resurveyed and the Master Deed amended accordingly; and, if any Unit shall have been taken, then Article V of the Master Deed shall also be amended to reflect such taking and to proportionately readjust the percentages of value of the remaining Co-owners based upon the continuing value of the Condominium of one hundred percent (100%). Such amendment may be effected by an officer of the Association duly authorized by the Board of Directors without the necessity of execution or specific approval thereof by any Co-owner.



(d) Notification of Mortgagees. In the event any Unit in the Condominium, or any portion thereof, or the Common Elements or any portion thereof, is made the subject matter of any condemnation or eminent domain proceeding or is otherwise sought to be acquired by a condemning authority, the Association promptly shall so notify each institutional holder of a first mortgage lien on any of the Units in the Condominium.

(e) Applicability of the Act. To the extent not inconsistent with the foregoing provisions, Section 133 of the Act shall control upon any taking by eminent domain.

Section 6. Priority of Mortgagee Interests. Nothing contained in the Condominium Documents shall be construed to give a Co-owner or any other party priority over any rights of first mortgagees of Condominium Units pursuant to their mortgages in the case of a distribution to Co-owners of insurance proceeds or condemnation awards for losses to or a taking of Condominium Units and/or Common Elements.

Section 7. Notification of FHLMC, FNMA, Etc. In the event any mortgage in the Condominium is held by the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation ("FHLMC"), Federal National Mortgage Association ("FNMA"), Government National Mortgage Association ("GNMA"), the Michigan State Housing Development Authority ("MSHDA"), or insured by the Veterans Administration ("VA"), Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HLTD"), Federal Housing Association ("FHA") or any private or public mortgage insurance program, then the Association shall give the aforementioned parties written notice, at such address as they may from time to time direct, of any loss to or taking of the Common Elements of the Condominium if the loss or taking exceeds Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) in amount or damage to a Condominium Unit or dwelling covered by a mortgage purchased, held or insured by them exceeds One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00). Furthermore, the Association may, but is not obliged to, inform such any lender of such damages or condemnation actions.

## ARTICLE VI

### ARCHITECTURAL, BUILDING SPECIFICATIONS AND USE RESTRICTIONS

All of the Units in the Condominium shall be held, used and enjoyed subject to the following limitations and restrictions:

Section 1. Residential Use. No Unit in the Condominium shall be used for other than single-family residential purposes and the Common Elements shall be used only for purposes consistent with single-family residential use.

Section 2. Leasing and Rental.

(a) Right to Lease. A Co-owner may lease his or her Unit for the same purposes set forth in Section 1 of this Article VI, provided that written disclosure of such lease transaction is submitted to the Board of Directors of the Association in the manner specified in subsection (b) below. With the exception of a lender in possession of a Unit following a default of a first mortgage, foreclosure or deed or other arrangement in lieu of foreclosure, no Co-owner shall lease less than an entire Unit in the Condominium and no tenant shall be permitted to occupy except under a lease, the initial term of which is at least one year (however, this one-year restriction on the length of the lease shall only apply after the Development and Sales Period has ended), unless specifically approved in writing by the Association. The terms of all leases, occupancy agreements and occupancy arrangements shall incorporate, or be deemed to incorporate, all of the provisions of the Condominium Documents. The Developer may lease any number of Units in the Condominium in its discretion.

(b) Leasing Procedures. The leasing of Units in the Project shall conform to the following provisions:

(1) A Co-owner desiring to rent or lease a Unit shall supply the Association with a copy of the exact lease form for its review for its compliance with the Condominium Documents. If the Developer desires to rent units before the Transitional Control Date, it shall notify either the Advisory Committee or each Co-owner in writing.

(2) Tenants and non-owner occupants shall comply with all of the conditions of the Condominium Documents and all leases and rental agreements shall so state.

(3) If the Association determines that the tenant or non-owner occupant has failed to comply with the conditions of the Condominium Documents, the Association shall take the following action:

- i. The Association shall notify the Co-owner by certified mail advising of the alleged violation by the tenant.
- ii. The Co-owner shall have 15 days after receipt of such notice to investigate and correct the alleged breach by the tenant or advise the Association that a violation has not occurred.
- iii. If after 15 days the Association believes that the alleged breach is not cured or may be repeated, it may institute on its behalf or derivatively by the Co-owners on behalf of the Association, if it is under the control of the Developer, an action for eviction against the tenant or non-owner occupant and simultaneously for money

damages in the same action against the Co-owner and tenant or non-owner occupant for breach of the conditions of the Condominium Documents. The relief provided for in this subparagraph may be by summary proceeding. The Association may hold both the tenant and the Co-owner liable for any damages to the Common Elements caused by the Co-owner or tenant in connection with the Unit or Condominium Project.

(4) When a Co-owner is in arrears to the Association for assessments, the Association may give written notice of the arrears to a tenant occupying a Co-owner's Unit under a lease or rental agreement and the tenant, after receiving the notice, shall deduct from rental payments due the Co-owner the arrears and future assessments as they fall due and pay them to the Association. The deductions shall not constitute a breach of the rental agreement or lease by the tenant.

Section 3. Drainage. The grade of any Unit in the Condominium may not be changed from the Grading Plan prepared by the Developer and approved by the City of Novi. The Grading Plan may be subsequently amended from time to time as conditions require and subsequently approved by the City of Novi. It shall be the responsibility of each Owner to maintain the surface drainage grades of his or her Unit as established by the Developer. Each Owner covenants that he or she will not change the surface grade of his or her Unit in a manner which will materially increase or decrease the storm water flowing onto or off of his or her Unit and will not block, pond or obstruct surface water. The Board of Directors of the Association shall enforce this covenant and shall charge the costs of the correction to the Owner and such costs shall be a lien upon the Unit.

Section 4. Alterations and Modifications. No Co-owner shall make any alterations in any of the Common Elements, limited or general, without the express written approval of the Association (and the Developer during the Development and Sales Period). No Co-owner shall in any way restrict access to or tamper with any pump, plumbing, waterline, waterline valves, water meter, sprinkler system valves or any other element that must be accessible to service other Units, the Common Elements or which affects an Association responsibility in any way. Should access to any facilities of any sort be required, the Association may remove any coverings or attachment of any nature that restrict such access and it will have no responsibility for repairing, replacing or reinstalling any materials that are damaged in the course of gaining such access.

Section 5. Activities. No immoral, improper, unlawful or offensive activity shall be carried on in any Unit or upon the Common Elements nor shall anything be done which may be or become an annoyance or a nuisance to the Co-owners of the Condominium. No unreasonably noisy activity shall occur in or on the Common Elements or in any Unit at any time and disputes among Co-owners, arising as a result of this provision which cannot be amicably resolved, shall be arbitrated by the Association. No Co-owner shall do or permit anything to be done or keep or

permit to be kept in his or her dwelling, on his or her unit or on the Common Elements anything that will increase the rate of insurance on the Condominium without the written approval of the Association, and each Co-owner shall pay to the Association the increased cost of insurance premiums resulting from any such activity or the maintenance of any such condition even if approved. Activities which are deemed offensive and are expressly prohibited include, but are not limited to, the following: Any activity involving the use of firearms, air rifles, pellet guns, BB guns, bows and arrows, or other similar dangerous weapons, projectiles or devices.

Section 6. Architectural Control. No building, structure or other improvement shall be constructed within a Condominium Unit or elsewhere within the Condominium Project, nor shall any material exterior modification be made to any existing buildings, structure or improvement, unless plans and specifications therefor, containing such detail as the Developer may reasonably request, have first been approved in writing by the Developer. Construction of any building or other improvements must also receive any necessary approvals from the local public authority. Developer shall have the right to refuse to approve any such plans, specifications, location of buildings, grading, or landscaping plans, which are not suitable or desirable in its opinion for aesthetic or other reasons; and in passing upon such plans and specifications it shall have the right to take into consideration the suitability of the proposed structure, improvement or modification, the site upon which it is proposed to be constructed and the degree of harmony thereof with the Condominium as a whole.

Section 7. Pets. The following restrictions shall apply to pets:

(a) No more than three (3) pets may be maintained on a Unit or in a dwelling. The term "pet," for the purpose of this Section, shall not include fish and other similar aquatic-type life.

(b) All pets must be registered with the Association prior to being brought on to the Condominium Premise or on to a Unit. The Association may adopt a pet registration form.

(c) All animals must be cared for and restrained so as not to be obnoxious or offensive on account of, by way of illustration and not as limitation, excessive or persistent barking, odor, or unsanitary conditions.

(d) No animal may be kept or bred for any commercial purpose.

(e) No animal may be permitted to run loose at any time upon the Common Elements and any animal shall at all times be leashed and attended by some responsible person while on the general Common Elements. No pets may be "tied out" on the general Common Elements. While on the general Common Elements, all animals shall be leashed or restrained on a leash not to exceed ten feet in length. When on the general

Common Elements, all animals must be accompanied by the owner or other responsible adult.

(f) No savage or dangerous animal shall be kept in the Condominium.

(g) Any Co-owner who causes any animal to be brought or kept upon or within the Condominium shall indemnify and hold harmless the Association for any loss, damage or liability which the Association may sustain as the result of the presence of such animal on the premises, whether or not the Association has given its permission therefor.

(h) Each Co-owner shall be responsible for collection and disposition of all fecal matter deposited by any animal maintained by such Co-owner.

(i) The Association may charge all Co-owners maintaining animals a reasonable additional assessment to be collected in the manner provided in Article II of these Bylaws in the event that the Association determines such assessment necessary to defray the maintenance cost to the Association of accommodating animals within the Condominium.

(j) The Association may, without liability to the owner thereof, remove or cause to be removed any animal from the Condominium which it determines to be in violation of the restrictions imposed by this Section.

(k) The Association shall have the right to adopt such additional reasonable rules and regulations with respect to animals as it may deem proper.

(l) Stray animals and wild animals shall not be fed or housed by Co-owners, nor shall Co-owners allow any condition to exist within their dwelling, on their Unit or the Common Elements, limited or general, appurtenant to their Units, which may attract stray or wild animals.

(m) In the event of any violation of this Section, the Board of Directors of the Association may assess fines for such violation in accordance with these Bylaws and in accordance with duly adopted rules and regulations of the Association.

Section 8. Vehicles and Parking. The following restrictions shall apply to vehicles:

(a) Co-owners must park all of their vehicles in the driveway or garage and parking areas on their Units.

(b) Any vehicles parked on the General Common Elements must be moved not less than every 48 hours or they will be deemed abandoned and subject to removal by the Association at the expense of the vehicle's owner.

(c) Any unlicensed or non-operative vehicle parked within the Condominium Premises for more than 48 hours will also be deemed abandoned and subject to removal at the expense of the owner.

(d) No Unit which abuts Novi Road shall have a driveway directly onto Novi Road. All vehicle access to Novi Road shall be over the Project roads.

(e) No vehicle repair or non-emergency maintenance or similar repairs are allowed on the Common Elements or Units, except within the garages or upon the driveway of the Units.

(f) Washing or polishing of vehicles may only be undertaken in the garage or on the driveway appurtenant to the Co-owner's Unit.

(g) No vehicles may be parked, stored or maintained on any lawn areas within the Condominium Premises, including the lawns within any Units.

(h) Any damage to the Condominium Premises or Project caused by violation of these vehicle restrictions is the responsibility of the Co-owner who owns the vehicle or the Co-owner of the Unit which the operator/owner of the vehicle is visiting.

(i) No house trailers, commercial vehicles, boat trailers, boats, camping vehicles, camping trailers, all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles, snowmobile trailers or commercial vehicles, other than automobiles or vehicles used primarily for general personal transportation purposes, may be parked or stored on the Condominium Premises except in the garage appurtenant to a Co-owner's Unit.

(j) If the prior approval of the Association has been obtained, a Co-owner may park a vehicle of the type listed in subparagraph (i), above, on the Condominium Premises for a period not to exceed 72 consecutive hours, not more than once per month.

(k) All other uses of motorized vehicles (such as all-terrain vehicles, snowmobiles or mini-bikes) anywhere on the Condominium Premises, other than passenger cars, authorized maintenance vehicles and commercial vehicles as provided in this Section, are absolutely prohibited.

(l) It will be the responsibility of the Co-owner to assure that his or her garage is available for parking of the Co-owner's vehicle. The fact that garage is used for storage shall not entitle a Co-owner to park a vehicle on the General Common Elements or to appropriate unassigned parking spaces.

Section 9. Rules and Regulations. Reasonable regulations consistent with the Act, the Master Deed and these Bylaws, concerning the operation and the use of the Common Elements may be made and amended from time to time by any Board of Directors of the Association, including the First Board of Directors (or its successors elected by the Developer) prior to the First Annual Meeting of the entire Association held as provided in these Bylaws. Copies of all such regulations and amendments thereto shall be furnished to all Co-owners and shall become effective 30 days after mailing or delivery of such regulations and amendments to the designated voting representative of each Co-owner. Any such regulation or amendment may be revoked at any time by the affirmative vote of more than fifty percent (50%) of all Co-owners, except that the Co-owners may not revoke any regulation or amendment prior to said First Annual Meeting of the entire Association.

Section 10. Right of Access of Association. The Association or its duly authorized agents shall have access to each Unit (but not any dwelling) and any Common Elements appurtenant thereto from time to time, during reasonable working hours, upon notice to the Co-owner thereof, as may be necessary for the maintenance, repair or replacement of any of the Common Elements. The Association or its agents shall also have access to each Unit and any Common Elements appurtenant thereto at all times without notice as may be necessary to make emergency repairs to prevent damage to the Common Elements or to another Unit or dwelling. It shall be the responsibility of each Co-owner to provide the Association means of access to his or her Unit and any Common Elements appurtenant thereto during all periods of absence, and in the event of the failure of such Co-owner to provide means of access, the Association may gain access in such manner as may be reasonable under the circumstances and shall not be liable to such Co-owner for any necessary damage to his or her Unit and any Common Elements appurtenant. The Association shall also have a right of access to any Unit for the purpose of assuring compliance with the Project Documents. This provision shall not, however, entitle the Association to access to a dwelling built upon a Unit, except with reasonable notice to the Unit owner.

Section 11. Landscaping.

(a) No Co-owner shall perform any landscaping or plant any trees, shrubs or flowers or place any ornamental materials upon the General Common Elements without the prior written approval of the Association. Any landscaping installed by the Co-owner pursuant to this Section shall be maintained by the Co-owner and the Association shall have no responsibility for its maintenance.

(b) Lawns shall be installed as soon as practical after completion of construction in accordance with customary practices in the building industry. Lawns shall be installed prior to occupancy; however, if weather conditions do not permit installation of lawns, lawn installation may be deferred for a reasonable period of time. In any event, dwellings occupied after December 1 must have lawns installed by no later than June 30 of the following year.

(c) Foundation plantings shall be installed as soon as practical after completion of construction.

Section 12. Reserved Rights of Developer.

(a) Developer's Rights in Furtherance of Development and Sales. None of the restrictions contained in this Article VI shall apply to the commercial activities or signs or billboards, if any, of the Developer (or its assigns) during the Development and Sales Period or of the Association in furtherance of its powers and purposes set forth herein and in its Articles of Incorporation, as the same may be amended from time to time. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere herein contained, Developer and its assignees shall have the right to maintain a sales office, a business office, construction offices, model units, storage areas and reasonable parking incident to the foregoing and such access to, from and over the Project as may be reasonable to enable development and sale of the entire Project by Developer and/or its assignees; and may continue to do so during the entire Development and Sales Period. Developer shall restore the areas so utilized to habitable status upon termination of use.

(b) Enforcement of Bylaws. The Condominium Project shall at all times be maintained in a manner consistent with the highest standards of a beautiful, serene, private, residential community for the benefit of the Co-owners and all persons interested in the Condominium. If at any time the Association fails or refuses to carry out its obligation to maintain, repair, replace and landscape in a manner consistent with the maintenance of such high standards, then Developer, or any entity to which it may assign this right, at its option, may elect to maintain, repair and/or replace any Common Elements and/or to do any landscaping required by these Bylaws and to charge the cost thereof to the Association as an expense of administration. The Developer shall have the right to enforce these Bylaws throughout the Development and Sales Period, notwithstanding that it may no longer own a Unit in the Condominium, which right of enforcement shall include (without limitation) an action to restrain the Association or any Co-owner from any activity prohibited by these Bylaws.

Section 13. No Warranty On Existing Trees And Vegetation. The Developer makes no warranty, express or implied, with respect to any native trees or vegetation within the condominium project. All trees within the required Preservation Easement are delivered to Co-owners in an "as is" and "where is" condition. Excepting only damage to trees as a direct result of Developer's activities in constructing the project, the Developer shall have no responsibility or liability to any Co-owner, the Association, or any of their successors or assigns with respect to any native trees or native vegetation which is delivered dead, or dies during or after the Development and Sales Period. The cost of removal and replacement, if desirable, necessary, and permitted by the City of Novi in accordance with the terms of the Woodland Preservation Easement, shall be: (A) The responsibility of the Co-owner if the tree or vegetation is within a



Unit or a Limited Common Element, or (B) The responsibility of the Association if it is located on a General Common Element. Any damage done by the Developer to the Preserved Woodland Areas shall be addressed in accordance with the terms of the Woodland Preservation Easement.

Section 14. Tree Removal: Woodlands Preservation. No trees shall be removed, except for diseased or dead trees and trees needing to be removed to promote the growth of other trees or for safety reasons, unless approved by the Association. No such removal shall occur within a woodlands area which is regulated by the CITY of NOVI or other public agency without obtaining the proper permit from the CITY of NOVI or other public agency with jurisdiction over such matters prior to removal.

Section 15. Drainage Easement Reserved. Portions of the project may be subject to a perpetual and permanent easement in favor of the Oakland County Drain Commissioner (as "grantee"), and grantee's successors, assigns and transferees, in, over, under and through the Project as shown on Exhibit B and the Condominium Subdivision Plan. The easement may not be amended or revoked except with the written approval of grantee(s). The easement is subject to the following terms and conditions and also grants the following rights:

(a) The easement shall be for the purpose of developing, establishing, constructing, repairing, maintaining, deepening, cleaning, widening and performing any associated construction activities and grading in connection with, any type of drainage facilities or storm drains, in any size, form, shape or capacity.

(b) The grantees shall have the right to sell, assign, transfer or convey this easement to any other governmental unit.

(c) No owner in the Project shall build, or convey to others any permission to build, any permanent structures on the said easement.

(d) Neither an owner in the Project nor the Association shall build or place on the area covered by the easement any type of structure, fixture or object, or engage in any activity or take any action, or convey any property interest or right, that would in any way either actually impair or threaten to impair, obstruct, or adversely affect the rights of grantees under the easement.

(e) The grantees and their agents, contractors and designated representatives shall have right of entry on, and to gain access to, the easement.

(f) All owners in the Project release grantees and its successors, assigns or transferees from any and all claims to damages in any way arising from or incident to the construction and maintenance of a drain or sewer or otherwise arising from or incident to the exercise by grantees of its rights under the said easement. All owners covenant not to sue grantee for any such damages.

(g) The rights granted to the Oakland County Drain Commissioner, and their successors and assigns, under this Section may not be amended without the express written consent of the grantees. Any purported amendment or modification of the rights granted under this Section shall be void and without legal effect unless agreed to in writing by the grantees, their successors or assigns.

## ARTICLE VII

### MORTGAGES

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

Section 2. Insurance. The Association shall notify each mortgagee appearing in said book of the name of each company insuring the Condominium against fire, perils covered by extended coverage, and vandalism and malicious mischief and the amounts of such coverage.

Section 3. Notification of Meetings. Upon request submitted to the Association, any institutional holder of a first mortgage lien on any Unit in the Condominium shall be entitled to receive written notification of every meeting of the members of the Association and to designate a representative to attend such meeting.

## ARTICLE VIII

### VOTING

Section 1. Vote. Except as limited in these Bylaws, each Co-owner shall be entitled to one vote for each Condominium Unit owned.

Section 2. Eligibility to Vote. No Co-owner, other than the Developer, shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Association until he or she has presented evidence of ownership of a Unit in the Condominium Project to the Association. Except as provided in Article XI, Section 2 of these Bylaws, no Co-owner, other than the Developer, shall be entitled to

vote prior to the date of the First Annual Meeting of members held in accordance with Section 2 of Article IX. The vote of each Co-owner may be cast only by the individual representative designated by such Co-owner in the notice required in Section 3 of this Article VIII below or by a proxy given by such individual representative. The Developer shall be the only person entitled to vote at a meeting of the Association until the First Annual Meeting of members and shall be entitled to vote during such period notwithstanding the fact that the Developer may own no Units at some time or from time to time during such period. At and after the First Annual Meeting the Developer shall be entitled to one vote for each Unit which it owns and for which it is paying Association maintenance expenses. If, however, the Developer elects to designate a Director (or Directors) pursuant to its rights under Article XI, Section 2(c)(i) or (ii) hereof, it shall not then be entitled to also vote for the non-developer Directors.

Section 3. Designation of Voting Representative. Each Co-owner shall file a written notice with the Association designating the individual representative who shall vote at meetings of the Association and receive all notices and other communications from the Association on behalf of such Co-owner. Such notice shall state the name and address of the individual representative designated, the number or numbers of the Condominium Unit or Units owned by the Co-owner, and the name and address of each person, firm, corporation, partnership, association, trust or other entity who is the Co-owner. Such notice shall be signed and dated by the Co-owner. The individual representative designated may be changed by the Co-owner at any time by filing a new notice in the manner herein provided.

Section 4. Quorum. The presence in person or by proxy of thirty-three percent (33%) of the Co-owners qualified to vote shall constitute a quorum for holding a meeting of the members of the Association, except for voting on questions specifically required by the Condominium Documents to require a greater quorum. The written vote of any person furnished at or prior to any duly called meeting at which meeting said person is not otherwise present in person or by proxy shall be counted in determining the presence of a quorum with respect to the question upon which the vote is cast.

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

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

## ARTICLE IX

### MEETINGS

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

Section 2. First Annual Meeting. The First Annual Meeting of members of the Association may be convened only by Developer and may be called at any time after more than fifty percent (50%) of the Units that may be created in WESTONESTATES have been conveyed and the purchasers thereof qualified as members of the Association. In no event, however, shall such meeting be called later than 120 days after the conveyance of legal or equitable title to non-developer Co-owners of seventy-five percent (75%) of all Units that may be created, or 54 months after the first conveyance of legal or equitable title to a non-developer Co-owner of a Unit in the Project, whichever first occurs. Developer may call meetings of members for informative or other appropriate purposes prior to the First Annual Meeting of members, and no such meeting shall be construed as the First Annual Meeting of members. The date, time and place of such meeting shall be set by the Developer, and at least ten days' written notice thereof shall be given to each Co-owner. The phrase "Units that may be created" as used in this paragraph and elsewhere in the Condominium Documents refers to the maximum number of Units which the Developer is permitted under the Condominium Documents to include in the Condominium.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Section 9. Consent of Absentees. The transactions at any meeting of members, either annual or special, however called and noticed, shall be as valid as though made at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice, if a quorum is present either in person or by proxy; and if, either before or after the meeting, each of the members not present in person or by proxy, signs

a written waiver of notice, or a consent to the holding of such meeting, or an approval of the minutes thereof. All such waivers, consents or approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting.

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

## ARTICLE X

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

## ARTICLE XI

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Number and Qualification of Directors. The Board of Directors shall initially be comprised of three members designated by the Developer and shall continue to be so comprised until members are elected in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 hereof. Thereafter, the affairs of the Association shall be governed by the Board of three Directors, all of whom must be members of the Association or officers, partners, trustees, employees or agents of

members of the Association, except for the first Board of Directors. Directors shall serve without compensation.

Section 2. Election of Directors.

(a) First Board of Directors. The first Board of Directors, or its successors as selected by the Developer, shall manage the affairs of the Association until the appointment of the first non-developer Co-owners to the Board. Thereafter, elections for non-developer Co-owner Directors shall be held as provided in subsections (b) and (c) below.

(b) Appointment of Non-developer Co-owners to Board Prior to First Annual Meeting. Not later than 120 days after conveyance of legal or equitable title to non-developer Co-owners of fifty percent (50%) of the Units that may be created, one of the three Directors shall be selected by non-developer Co-owners. Not later than 120 days after conveyance of legal or equitable title to non-developer Co-owners of seventy-five percent (75%) of the Units that may be created, all three of the Directors shall be elected by non-developer Co-owners, except that the Developer shall have the right to designate at least one director as long as it owns at least 8% of the units in the project. When the required percentage of conveyances have been reached, the Developer shall notify the non-developer Co-owners and convene a meeting so that the Co-owners can elect the required Director or Directors, as the case may be. Upon certification by the Co-owners to the Developer of the Director or Directors so elected, the Developer shall then immediately appoint such Director or Directors to the Board to serve until the First Annual Meeting of members unless he or she is removed pursuant to Section 7 of this Article or he or she resigns or becomes incapacitated.

(c) Election of Directors at and After First Annual Meeting.

(1) Not later than 120 days after conveyance of legal or equitable title to non-developer Co-owners of seventy-five percent (75%) of the Units that may be created, and before conveyance of ninety two percent (92%) of such Units, the non-developer Co-owners shall elect all Directors on the Board, except that the Developer shall have the right to designate at least one Director as long as the Units that remain to be created and conveyed equal at least eight percent (8%) of all Units that may be created in the Project. Whenever the seventy-five percent (75%) conveyance level is achieved, a meeting of Co-owners shall be promptly convened to effectuate this provision, even if the First Annual Meeting has already occurred.

(2) Regardless of the percentage of Units which have been conveyed, expiration of 54 months after the first conveyance of legal or equitable title to a non-developer Co-owner of a Unit in the Project, the non-developer Co-

owners have the right to elect a number of members of the Board of Directors equal to the percentage of Units they own, and the Developer has the right to elect a number of members of the Board of Directors equal to the percentage of Units which are owned by the Developer and for which maintenance expenses are payable by the Developer. This election may increase, but shall not reduce, the minimum election and designation rights otherwise established in subparagraph (1). Application of this subparagraph does not require a change in the size of the Board of Directors.

(3) If the calculation of the percentage of members of the Board of Directors that the non-developer Co-owners have the right to elect under subparagraphs (b) and (c)(1), or if the product of the number of members of the Board of Directors multiplied by the percentage of Units held by the non-developer Co-owners under subparagraph (c)(2) results in a right of non-developer Co-owners to elect a fractional number of members of the Board of Directors, then a fractional election right of 0.5 or greater shall be rounded up to the nearest whole number, which number shall be the number of members of the Board of Directors that the non-developer Co-owners have the right to elect. After application of this formula the Developer shall have the right to elect the remaining members of the Board of Directors. Application of this subparagraph shall not eliminate the right of the Developer to designate one Director as provided in subparagraph (1).

(4) At the First Annual Meeting, three Directors shall be elected for a term of two years and two Directors shall be elected for a term of one year. At such meeting all nominees shall stand for election as one slate and the two persons receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for a term of two years and the one person receiving the next highest number of votes shall be elected for a term of one year. At each annual meeting held thereafter, either one or two Directors shall be elected depending upon the number of Directors whose terms expire. After the First Annual Meeting, the term of office (except for one Director elected at the First Annual Meeting) of each Director shall be two years. The Directors shall hold office until their successors have been elected and hold their first meeting.

(5) Once the Co-owners have acquired the right hereunder to elect a majority of the Board of Directors, annual meetings of Co-owners to elect Directors and conduct other business shall be held in accordance with the provisions of Article IX, Section 3 hereof

Section 3. Powers and Duties. The Board of Directors shall have the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the affairs of the Association and may do all acts and things as are not prohibited by the Condominium Documents or required thereby to be exercised and done by the Co-owners.



Section 4. Other Duties. In addition to the foregoing duties imposed by these Bylaws or any further duties which may be imposed by resolution of the members of the Association, the Board of Directors shall be responsible specifically for the following:

(a) To manage and administer the affairs of and to maintain the Condominium Project and the Common Elements thereof.

(b) To levy and collect assessments from the members of the Association and to use the proceeds thereof for the purposes of the Association.

(c) To carry insurance and collect and allocate the proceeds thereof

(d) To rebuild improvements after casualty.

(e) To contract for and employ persons, firms, corporations or other agents to assist in the management, operation, maintenance and administration of the Condominium Project.

(f) To acquire, maintain and improve; and to buy, operate, manage, sell, convey, assign, mortgage or lease any real or personal property (including any Unit in the Condominium and easements, rights-of-way and licenses) on behalf of the Association in furtherance of any of the purposes of the Association.

(g) To borrow money and issue evidences of indebtedness in furtherance of any or all of the purposes of the Association, and to secure the same by mortgage, pledge, or other lien on property owned by the Association; provided, however, that any such action shall also be approved by affirmative vote of seventy-five percent (75%) of all of the members of the Association.

(h) To make rules and regulations in accordance with Article VI, Section 9 of these Bylaws.

(i) To establish such committees as it deems necessary, convenient or desirable and to appoint persons thereto for the purpose of implementing the administration of the Condominium and to delegate to such committees any functions or responsibilities which are not by law or the Condominium Documents required to be performed by the Board.

(j) To enforce the provisions of the Condominium Documents.

Section 5. Management Agent. The Board of Directors may employ for the Association a professional management agent (which may include the Developer or any person or entity related thereto) at reasonable compensation established by the Board to perform such duties

and services as the Board shall authorize, including, but not limited to, the duties listed in Sections 3 and 4 of this Article, and the Board may delegate to such management agent any other duties or powers which are not by law or by the Condominium Documents required to be performed by or have the approval of the Board of Directors or the members of the Association. In no event shall the Board be authorized to enter into any contract with a professional management agent, or any other contract providing for services by the Developer, sponsor or builder, in which the maximum term is greater than three years or which is not terminable by the Association upon 90 days' written notice thereof to the other party and no such contract shall violate the provisions of Section 55 of the Act.

Section 6. Vacancies. Vacancies in the Board of Directors which occur after the Transitional Control Date caused by any reason other than the removal of a Director by a vote of the members of the Association shall be filled by vote of the majority of the remaining Directors, even though they may constitute less than a quorum, except that the Developer shall be solely entitled to fill the vacancy of any Director whom it is permitted in the first instance to designate. Each person so elected shall be a Director until a successor is elected at the next annual meeting of the members of the Association. Vacancies among non-developer Co-owner elected Directors which occur prior to the Transitional Control Date may be filled only through election by non-developer Co-owners and shall be filled in the manner specified in Section 2(b) of this Article.

Section 7. Removal. At any regular or special meeting of the Association duly called with due notice of the removal action proposed to be taken, any one or more of the Directors may be removed with or without cause by the affirmative vote of more than fifty percent (50%) of all of the Co-owners and a successor may then and there be elected to fill any vacancy thus created. The quorum requirement for the purpose of filling such vacancy shall be the normal thirty-five percent (35%) requirement set forth in Article VIII, Section 4. Any Director whose removal has been proposed by the Co-owners shall be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting. The Developer may remove and replace any or all of the Directors selected by it at any time or from time to time in its sole discretion. Likewise, any Director selected by the non-developer Co-owners to serve before the First Annual Meeting may be removed before the First Annual Meeting in the same manner set forth in this paragraph for removal of Directors generally.

Section 8. First Meeting. The first meeting of a newly elected Board of Directors shall be held within ten days of election at such place as shall be fixed by the Directors at the meeting at which such Directors were elected, and no notice shall be necessary to the newly elected Directors in order legally to constitute such meeting, providing a majority of the whole Board shall be present.

Section 9. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held at such times and places as shall be determined from time to time by a majority of the Directors, but at least two such meetings shall be held during each fiscal year. Notice of regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be given to each Director personally, by mail, telephone or telegraph, at least ten days prior to the date named for such meeting.

Section 10. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President on three days' notice to each Director given personally, by mail, telephone or telegraph, which notice shall state the time, place and purpose of the meeting. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the President or Secretary in like manner and on like notice on the written request of two Directors.

Section 11. Waiver of Notice. Before or at any meeting of the Board of Directors, any Director may, in writing, waive notice of such meeting and such waiver shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice. Attendance by a Director at any meetings of the Board shall be deemed a waiver of notice by him or her of the time and place thereof. If all the Directors are present at any meeting of the Board, no notice shall be required and any business may be transacted at such meeting.

Section 12. Quorum. At all meetings of the Board of Directors, a majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the acts of the majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the acts of the Board of Directors. If, at any meeting of the Board of Directors, there be less than a quorum present, the majority of those present may adjourn the meeting to a subsequent time upon 24 hours' prior written notice delivered to all Directors not present. At any such adjourned meeting, any business which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally called may be transacted without further notice. The joining of a Director in the action of a meeting by signing and concurring in the minutes thereof, shall constitute the presence of such Director for purposes of determining a quorum.

Section 13. First Board of Directors. The actions of the first Board of Directors of the Association or any successors thereto selected or elected before the Transitional Control Date shall be binding upon the Association so long as such actions are within the scope of the powers and duties which may be exercised generally by the Board of Directors as provided in the Condominium Documents.

Section 14. Fidelity Bonds. The Board of Directors shall require that all officers and employees of the Association handling or responsible for Association funds shall furnish adequate fidelity bonds. The premiums on such bonds shall be expenses of administration.

## ARTICLE XII

### OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers. The principal officers of the Association shall be a President, who shall be a member of the Board of Directors, a Vice President, a Secretary/Treasurer. The

Directors may appoint an Assistant Treasurer, and/or an Assistant Secretary, and such other officers as in their judgment may be necessary. Any two offices except that of President and Vice President may be held by one person.

(a) President. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association. He or she shall preside at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors. He or she shall have all of the general powers and duties which are usually vested in the office of the President of an association, including, but not limited to, the power to appoint committees from among the members of the Association from time to time as he or she may in his or her discretion deem appropriate to assist in the conduct of the affairs of the Association.

(b) Vice President. The Vice President shall take the place of the President and perform his or her duties whenever the President shall be absent or unable to act. If neither the President nor the Vice President is able to act, the Board of Directors shall appoint some other member of the Board to so do on an interim basis. The Vice President shall also perform such other duties as shall from time to time be imposed upon him or her by the Board of Directors.

(c) Secretary. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors and the minutes of all meetings of the members of the Association; he or she shall have charge of the corporate seal, if any, and of such books and papers as the Board of Directors may direct, and he or she shall, in general, perform all duties incident to the office of the Secretary.

(d) Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have responsibility for the Association's funds and securities and shall be responsible for keeping full and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Association. He or she shall be responsible for the deposit of all monies and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Association, and in such depositories as may, from time to time, be designated by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Election. The officers of the Association shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the organizational meeting of each new Board and shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board.

Section 3. Removal. Upon affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors, any officer may be removed either with or without cause, and his or her successor elected at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors, or at any special meeting of the Board called for such purpose. No such removal action may be taken, however, unless the matter shall have been included in the notice of such meeting. The officer who is proposed to be removed shall be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting.

Section 4. Duties. The officers shall have such other duties, powers and responsibilities as shall, from time to time, be authorized by the Board of Directors.

## ARTICLE XIII

### SEAL

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

## ARTICLE XIV

### FINANCE AND RECORDS

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

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

Section 3. Bank. Funds of the Association shall be initially deposited in such bank or savings association as may be designated by the Directors and shall be withdrawn only upon the check or order of such Officers, employees or agents as are designated by resolution of the Board of Directors from time to time. The funds may be invested from time to time in accounts or deposit certificates of such bank or savings association as are insured by the Federal Deposit

Insurance Corporation or the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation and may also be invested in interest-bearing obligations of the United States Government.

Section 4. Co-owner Access to Books and Records; Procedures. Each Co-owner has the right to review the books and records of the Association. The following procedures are to be followed regarding such requests:

(a) In order to review the records the requesting Co-owner must submit a request in writing to the Board of Directors in care of the management agent (or if there is not management agent to the Secretary of the Association).

(i) The request must state which books and records the Co-owner seeks to review.

(ii) The request must state whether the Co-owner will require copies of the records which are requested.

(iii) The request must have the name, address and telephone number of the requesting party.

(b) Upon receipt of the request from a Co-owner to review the records, the management agent (or Secretary of the Association if there is no management agent) will advise the Board of Directors of the Association of the request. The management agent (or Secretary if there is no management agent) will then inform the Co-owner of a convenient time, place and date where the requested records may be reviewed. The Co-owner shall be advised of the time place and date within five (5) working days of the receipt of the Co-owners initial request. The Co-owner shall be advised at that time of the following:

(i) The Co-owner will be responsible for payment of the actual costs of all reproductions or copies of the requested documents. The Co-owner shall be informed of the per page copying cost before copies are made.

(ii) The Co-owner shall be responsible for payment for time spent by management agent personnel at the rate set by the management contract.

(c) Each Co-owner may make only one such request per calendar quarter.

(d) These procedures shall also apply to requests for copies of books and records made by mortgagees of Units.

## ARTICLE XV

### INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

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

## ARTICLE XVI

### AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Proposal. Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by the Board of Directors of the Association acting upon the vote of the majority of the Directors or may be proposed by one-third (1/3) or more of the Co-owners by instrument in writing signed by them.

Section 2. Meeting. Upon any such amendment being proposed, a meeting for consideration of the same shall be duly called in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws.

Section 3. Voting. These Bylaws may be amended by the Co-owners at any regular annual meeting or a special meeting called for such purpose by an affirmative vote of not less than sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 2/3%) of all Co-owners. No consent of mortgagees shall be required to amend these Bylaws unless such amendment would materially alter or change the rights of such mortgagees, in which event the approval of sixty-seven percent (67%) of the mortgagees shall be required, with each mortgagee to have one vote for each first mortgage held.

Section 4. By Developer. Prior to the Transitional Control Date, these Bylaws may be amended by the Developer without approval from any other person so long as any such amendment does not materially alter or change the right of a Co-owner or mortgagee.

Section 5. When Effective. Any amendment to these Bylaws shall become effective upon recording of such amendment in the office of the Oakland County Register of Deeds.

Section 6. Binding. A copy of each amendment to these Bylaws shall be furnished to every member of the Association after adoption; provided, however, that any amendment to these Bylaws that is adopted in accordance with this Article shall be binding upon all persons who have an interest in the Project, irrespective of whether such persons actually receive a copy of the amendment.

## ARTICLE XVII

### COMPLIANCE

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

## ARTICLE XVIII

### DEFINITIONS

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

## ARTICLE XIX

### REMEDIES FOR DEFAULT



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

Section 1. Legal Action. Failure to comply with any of the terms or provisions of the Condominium Documents shall be grounds for relief, which may include, without intending to limit the same, an action to recover sums due for damages, injunctive relief, foreclosure of lien (if default in payment of assessment) or any combination thereof, and such relief may be sought by the Association or, if appropriate, by an aggrieved Co-owner or Co-owners.

Section 2. Recovery of Costs. In any proceeding arising because of an alleged default by any Co-owner, the Association, if successful, shall be entitled to recover the costs of the proceeding and such reasonable attorney's fees (not limited to statutory fees) as may be determined by the court, but in no event shall any Co-owner be entitled to recover such attorney's fees.

Section 3. Removal and Abatement. The violation of any of the provisions of the Condominium Documents shall also give the Association or its duly authorized agents the right, in addition to the rights set forth above, to enter upon the Common Elements or into any Unit, where reasonably necessary, and summarily remove and abate, at the expense of the Co-owner in violation, any structure, thing or condition existing or maintained contrary to the provisions of the Condominium Documents. The Association shall have no liability to any Co-owner arising out of the exercise of its removal and abatement power authorized herein.

Section 4. Assessment of Fines. The violation of any of the provisions of the Condominium Documents by any Co-owner shall be grounds for assessment by the Association, acting through its duly constituted Board of Directors, of monetary fines for such violations in accordance with Article XX of these Bylaws. No fine may be assessed unless rules and regulations establishing such fine have first been duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Association and notice thereof given to all Co-owners in the same manner as prescribed in Article XX of these Bylaws.

Section 5. Non-waiver of Right. The failure of the Association or of any Co-owner to enforce any right, provision, covenant or condition which may be granted by the Condominium Documents shall not constitute a waiver of the right of the Association or of any such Co-owner to enforce such right, provision, covenant or condition in the future.

Section 6. Cumulative Rights, Remedies and Privileges. All rights, remedies and privileges granted to the Association or any Co-owner or Co-owners pursuant to any terms, provisions, covenants or conditions of the aforesaid Condominium Documents shall be deemed to be cumulative and the exercise of any one or more shall not be deemed to constitute an election of

remedies, nor shall it preclude the party thus exercising the same from exercising such other and additional rights, remedies or privileges as may be available to such party at law or in equity.

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

## ARTICLE XX

### ASSESSMENT OF FINES

Section 1. General. The violation by any Co-owner, occupant or guest of any of the provisions of the Condominium Documents, including any duly adopted rules and regulations, shall be grounds for assessment by the Association, acting through its duly constituted Board of Directors, of monetary fines against the involved Co-owner. Such Co-owner shall be deemed responsible for such violations whether they occur as a result of his or her personal actions or the actions of his or her family, guests, tenants or any other person admitted through such Co-owner to the Condominium Premises.

Section 2. Procedures. Upon any such violation being alleged by the Board, the following procedures will be followed:

(a) Notice. Notice of the violation, including the Condominium Document provision violated, together with a description of the factual nature of the alleged offense set forth with such reasonable specificity as will place the Co-owner on notice as to the violation, shall be sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, or personally delivered to the representative of said Co-owner at the address as shown in the notice required to be filed with the Association pursuant to Article VIII, Section 3 of these Bylaws.

(b) Opportunity to Defend. The offending Co-owner shall have an opportunity to appear before the Board and offer evidence in defense of the alleged violation. The appearance before the Board shall be at its next scheduled meeting, but in no event shall the Co-owner be required to appear less than ten days from the date of the notice.

(c) Default. Failure to respond to the notice of violation constitutes a default.

(d) Hearing and Decision. Upon appearance by the Co-owner before the Board and presentation of evidence of defense, or, in the event of the Co-owner's default, the Board shall, by majority vote of a quorum of the Board, decide whether a violation has occurred. The Board's decision is final.

Section 3. Amounts. Upon violation of any of the provisions of the Condominium Documents and after default of the offending Co-owner or upon the decision of the Board as recited above, the following fines shall be levied:

(a) First Violation. No fine shall be levied.

(b) Second Violation. Fifty Dollar (\$50.00) fine.

(c) Third Violation. One Hundred Dollar (\$100.00) fine.

(d) Fourth Violation and Subsequent Violations. One Hundred Fifty Dollar(\$150.00) fine.

Section 4. Collection. The fines levied pursuant to Section 3 above shall be assessed against the Co-owner and shall be due and payable together with the regular Condominium assessment on the first of the next following month. Failure to pay the fine will subject the Co-owner to all liabilities set forth in the Condominium Document including, without limitations, those described in Article II and Article XIX of the Bylaws.

## ARTICLE XXI

### RIGHTS RESERVED TO DEVELOPER

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

assigns in the Master Deed or elsewhere (including, but not limited to, access easements, utility easements and all other easements created and reserved in such documents which shall not be terminable in any manner hereunder and which shall be governed only in accordance with the terms of their creation or reservation and not hereby).

## ARTICLE XXII

### SEVERABILITY/CONSTRUCTION

Section 1. Severability. In the event that any of the terms, provisions or covenants of these Bylaws or the Condominium Documents are held to be partially or wholly invalid or unenforceable for any reason whatsoever, such holding shall not affect, alter, modify or impair in any manner whatsoever any of the other terms, provisions or covenants of such documents or the remaining portions of any terms, provisions or covenants held to be partially invalid or unenforceable.

Section 2. Rules of Construction.

- (a) In the event of a conflict between the Act, the Master Deed, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and Rules and Regulations, the Act shall control.
- (b) In the event of a conflict between the Master Deed, the Bylaws, Articles of Incorporation or Rules and Regulations, the Master Deed shall control.
- (c) In the event of a conflict between the Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws or Rules and Regulations, the Bylaws shall control.
- (d) In the event of a conflict between the Bylaws and the Rules and Regulations, the Bylaws shall control.