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BYLAWS AND
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

BYLAWS

The bylaws establish the procedures for carrying out the responsibilities set forth in the articles of incorporation. They define the powers and the manner for exercising those powers for the board of directors and by each of the association's officers. The bylaws create committees and describe how rules and regulations can be made and amended. Stated differently, the actual operation of the homeowner's association is governed by the bylaws of the association.

Among the specifics traditionally found in the bylaws are the policies governing the use of the proxies, the budget and finance procedures, and qualifications and eligibility requirements for the officers and directors. Meetings can be found in the bylaws as well as the dates for the annual and regular meetings.

BYLAWS OF
HICKORY CREEK (DENTON)
HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
(A Texas Non-Profit Corporation)

ARTICLE I
DEFINITIONS

1.01. Definitions.

(a) All terms used herein, such as (but not by way of limitation) "owners", "lot", "land", "Areas of Common Responsibility", "Declarant", and "assessments" shall have the same meanings as set forth in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions filed of record as instrument number R0002416 of the Real Property Records of Denton County, Texas.

(b) "Act" shall refer to the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act, as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE II
NAME

2.01. Name. The name of this corporation shall be Hickory Creek (Denton) Homeowners' Association, Inc. (hereinafter called the "Association").

ARTICLE III
OFFICES OF THE ASSOCIATION

3.01. Principal Office. The initial principal office of the Association shall be located at 2611 Westgrove, Suite 101, Carrollton, TX 75006, but meetings of members and directors may be held at such place within the State of Texas as may be designated by the Board of Directors.

3.02. Other Offices. The Association may also have offices at such other places both within and without the State of Texas as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine or as the business of the Association may require.

ARTICLE IV

ASSOCIATION RESPONSIBILITIES AND MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

4.01. Association Responsibilities. The members will constitute the Association, which shall be responsible for administering and enforcing the covenants, conditions and restrictions contained in the Declaration, including with respect to the collection and disbursement of charges and assessments as provided therein, and coordinating with other homeowners' associations in the adjacent subdivisions in administering and enforcing such covenants, conditions and restrictions through their respective boards of directors. In the event of any dispute or disagreement between any members relating to the land, or any questions of interpretation or application of the provisions of the Declaration, Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws, such dispute or disagreement shall be submitted to the Board of Directors of the Association. The resolution of such dispute or disagreement by such Board of Directors shall be binding on each and all such members, subject to the right of members to seek other remedies provided by law after such determination by such Board of Directors.

4.02. Place of Meeting. Meetings of the Association shall be held at such suitable place, reasonably convenient to the members, within the State of Texas, County of Denton, as the Board of Directors may determine.

4.03. Annual Meetings. The first meeting of the Association shall be held within one (1) year from the date of incorporation of the Association, and each subsequent regular annual meeting of the members shall be held on the same day of the same month of each year thereafter unless otherwise determined by the Board. At such meetings, there shall be elected a Board of Directors by ballot of the members in accordance with the requirements of Article V of these Bylaws. The members may also transact such other business of the Association as may properly come before them at such meeting. If the day for the annual meeting of the members is a legal holiday, the meeting will be held at the same hour on the first day following such day which is not a legal holiday.

4.04. Special Meetings. It shall be the duty of the President of the Association to call a special meeting of the members as directed by resolution of the Board of Directors or upon receipt of a written request of members entitled to vote at least one-fourth (1/4) of all of the votes of either class of membership. No business except as stated in the notice shall be transacted at a special meeting of the members. Any such meetings shall be held after the first annual meeting and shall be held within forty-five (45) days after receipt by the President of such request or petition.

4.05. Notice of Meetings. Written or printed notice stating the place, day and hour of the meeting and, in case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, shall be delivered by the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Association not less than fifteen (15) nor more than thirty (30) days before the date of the meeting, either personally or by mail, to each member of record entitled to vote at such meeting. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the member at his address as it appears on the books of the Association, with postage thereon prepaid. Business transacted at any special meeting shall be confined to the purposes stated in the notice or waiver thereof.

4.06. Quorum. The holders of one-tenth (1/10) of the votes of each class of membership, represented in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum for any meetings of members except as otherwise provided in the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration or the Bylaws. If, however, such quorum shall not be present or represented at any meeting of the members, the members present, or represented by proxy, shall have the power to adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum as aforesaid shall be present or be represented. At such adjourned meeting at which a quorum shall be present or represented, any business may be transacted which may have been transacted at the meeting as originally notified.

4.07. Proxies. At all meetings of members, each member may vote in person or by proxy. All proxies shall be in writing and shall be filed with the Secretary of the Association. Every proxy shall be revocable and shall automatically cease upon conveyance by a member of his lot.

4.08. Voting by Association and Members. The Association shall not be a voting member of the Association by virtue of its ownership of any lot. Each member may vote the number of votes and in the manner set forth in the Declaration and Articles of Incorporation.

4.09. Order of Business. The order of business at all meetings of the Members shall be as follows:

- (a) roll call and certifying proxies;
- (b) proof of notice of meeting or waiver of notice;
- (c) reading and disposal of unapproved minutes of prior meetings;
- (d) reports of officers;
- (e) reports of committees;
- (f) election of directors;

- (g) unfinished business;
- (h) new business; and
- (i) adjournment.

4.10. Membership List. The officer or agent having charge of the membership books shall make, at least five (5) days before each meeting of members, a complete list of the members entitled to vote at such meeting or any adjournment thereof, arranged in alphabetical order, with the address of and number of votes held by each, which list, for a period of five (5) days prior to such meeting, shall be kept on file at the principal office of the Association, and shall be subject to inspection by any member at any time during usual business hours. Such list shall also be produced and kept open at the time and place of the meeting, and shall be subject to the inspection of any member during the whole time of the meeting. The original member books shall be prima facie evidence as to who are the members entitled to examine such list or to vote at any such meeting of members.

4.11. Action Taken Without a Meeting. Any action required by statute to be taken at an annual or special meeting of the members, or any action which is otherwise permitted by law or by these Bylaws, may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote, if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all of the members entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof, and such consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote of members. Subject to the provisions required or permitted by statute for notice of meetings, unless otherwise restricted by the Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws, the members may participate in and hold a meeting by means of telephone conference or similar communications equipment by which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other.

ARTICLE V

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

5.01. Number and Qualification. Until the first meeting of the Association, the affairs of the Association shall be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of the three (3) persons delineated in the Articles of Incorporation of the Association. At such first meeting, there shall be elected three (3) directors to the Board of Directors who shall thereafter govern the affairs of the Association until their successors have been duly elected and qualified.

5.02. Powers and Duties. The Board of Directors shall have the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the affairs of the Association and for the operation and maintenance of the land in keeping with the character and quality of the area in which it is located. The business and affairs of the Association shall be managed by or under the direction

of the Board of Directors which may exercise all such powers of the Association and do all such lawful acts and things as are not by statute, the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws or the Declaration directed or required to be exercised or done by the members.

5.03. No Waiver of Rights. The omission or failure of the Association or any member to enforce the covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, uses, liens, limitations, obligations or other provisions of the Declaration, these Bylaws or the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto or hereto, shall not constitute or be deemed a waiver, modification or release thereof, and the Board of Directors shall have the right to enforce the same at any time thereafter.

5.04. Election and Term of Office. At the first meeting of the Association, the term of office for three (3) Directors shall be fixed at one (1) year. At the expiration of the initial term of office of each respective Director, his successor shall be elected to serve a term of one (1) year. The Directors shall hold office until their successors have been elected and hold their first meeting, except as is otherwise provided herein.

5.05. Vacancies. Vacancies in the Board of Directors caused by death, resignation or disqualification (i.e., by any reason other than the removal of a Director by a vote of the Association as set forth in Section 5.06 hereof) shall be filled by vote of the majority of the remaining Directors, even though they may constitute less than a quorum, and each person so elected shall be a Director until his successor is elected at the next annual meeting of the Association to serve out the unexpired term (if any) of his predecessor in office. Vacancies in the Board of Directors caused by a removal of a Director by a vote of the Association shall be filled in the manner set forth in Section 5.06 hereof.

5.06. Removal of Directors. At any annual or special meeting of the Association duly called, any one or more of the Directors may be removed with or without cause by the affirmative vote of a majority of members of each class entitled to vote who are present at a meeting at which a quorum is present, and a successor may then and there be elected to fill the vacancy thus created. Any Director whose removal has been proposed by the members shall be given an opportunity to be heard at the meeting.

5.07. Organizational Meeting. The first meeting of each newly elected Board of Directors shall be held at such time and place as shall be fixed by the vote of the members at the annual meeting, and no notice of such meeting shall be necessary to the newly elected directors in order legally to constitute the meeting, provided a quorum shall be present. In the event of the failure of the members to fix the time and place of such first meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors, or in the event such meeting is not held at the time and place so fixed by the members, the meeting shall be held within ten (10) days after the annual meeting of the members 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 to legally constitute such meeting, provided a quorum of the Board of Directors shall be present.

5.08. Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held at such time and place as shall be determined, from time to time, by a majority of the Directors, but at least one (1) such meeting shall be held during each calendar year. Notice of regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be given to each Director, personally or by mail, telephone or telegraph, at least five (5) days prior to the day named for such meeting.

5.09. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President upon five (5) days' notice to each Director, given personally or 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, Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Association in like manner and on like notice on the written request of one (1) or more Directors.

5.10. Meeting by Telephonic Means. Members of the Board of Directors may participate in a meeting by means of conference telephone or similar communications equipment by means of which all persons participating in the meeting can hear each other, and participation in a meeting pursuant to this Section 5.10 shall constitute presence in person at the meeting.

5.11. Waiver of Notice. Before or after 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 meeting of the Board of Directors shall be a waiver of notice by him of the time and place thereof. If all of the Directors are present at any meeting of the Board of Directors, no notice shall be required and any business may be transacted at such meeting.

5.12. Board of Directors' Quorum. At all meetings of the Board of Directors, a majority of the Directors in office 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. Directors present by proxy may not be counted toward a quorum. If, at any meeting of the Board of Directors, there is less than a quorum present, the majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, without notice other than announcement at the meeting, until a quorum shall be 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.

5.13. Compensation. No member of the Board of Directors shall receive any compensation for acting as such.

5.14. Action Taken Without a Meeting. The Directors shall have the right to take any action in the absence of a meeting which they could take at any meeting by obtaining the written approval of all the Directors. Any action so approved shall have the same effect as though taken at a meeting of the Directors.

5.15. Nomination and Election of Directors. Nomination for election to the Board of Directors shall be made by a Nominating Committee. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall consist of a Chairman, who shall be a member of the Board of Directors, and two or more members or representatives of a member of the Association. The Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the Board of Directors prior to each annual meeting of the members, to serve from the close of such annual meeting until the close of the next annual meeting and such appointment shall be announced at each annual meeting. The Nominating Committee shall make as many nominations for election to the Board of Directors as it shall in its discretion determine, but not less than the number of vacancies that are to be filled. Such nominations may be made from members or non-members. The appropriate number of members of the Board of Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of members of the Association, which members of the Association shall vote the number of votes and in the manner set forth in the Declaration and the Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE VI

OFFICERS

6.01. Designation. The officers of the Association shall be a President, one (1) or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors, and such assistant officers as the Board of Directors shall, from time to time, appoint. Such officers need not be members of the Board of Directors. The office of President and Treasurer may be held by the same person, and the office of Vice-President and Secretary or Assistant Secretary may be held by the same person.

6.02. Election of Officers. The officers of the Association shall be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors, and such new officers shall hold office subject to the continuing approval of the Board of Directors.

6.03. Resignation and Removal of Officers. Upon an affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the Board of Directors, any officer may be removed, either with or without cause, and his successor appointed at any regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors called for such purpose. An officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board of Directors, the President or the Secretary. Such resignation shall take effect on the date such notice is received, or at any later time specified therein. Unless otherwise specified therein, the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

6.04. Vacancies. A vacancy in any office due to the death, resignation, removal or other disqualification of the officer previously filling such office may be filled by appointment by the Board of Directors. The officer appointed to such vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the term of the officer he replaces.

6.05. President. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association. He shall preside at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors. He shall have all of the general powers and duties which are usually vested in the office of president of an association, including but not limited to the power to appoint committees from the members from time to time as he may in his discretion decide is appropriate to assist in the conduct of the affairs of the Association, or as may be established by the Board of Directors or by the members of the Association at any annual or special meetings.

6.06. Vice-President. The Vice-President shall have all the powers and authority and perform all the functions and duties of the President in the absence of the President or his inability for any reason to exercise such powers and functions or perform such duties, and shall also perform any duties he is directed to perform by the President.

6.07. Secretary. (a) The Secretary shall keep all of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors and the Association. The Secretary shall have charge of such books and papers as the Board of Directors may direct, and shall, in general, perform all the duties incident to the office of Secretary as provided in the Declaration, Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation.

(b) The Secretary shall compile and keep up to date at the principal office of the Association a complete list of the members and their last known addresses as shown on the records of the Association. Such list shall be open to inspection by members and other persons lawfully entitled to inspect the same at reasonable times during regular business hours.

6.08. Assistant Secretary. The Assistant Secretary, if any, shall have all the powers and authority to perform all the functions and duties of the Secretary in the absence of the Secretary or in the event of the Secretary's inability for any reason to exercise such powers and functions or to perform such duties, and also to perform any duties as directed by the Secretary.

6.09. Treasurer. (a) The Treasurer shall have custody of and be responsible for Association funds and for keeping full and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the Association. The Treasurer shall deposit all monies and other valuable effects in the name and to the credit of the Association in such depositories as may from time to time be designated by the Board of Directors.

(b) The Treasurer shall disburse the funds of the Association as may be ordered by the Board of Directors, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the President and the Board of Directors at its regular meetings, or when the Board of Directors so requires, an account of all his transactions as Treasurer, and of the financial condition of the Association.

ARTICLE VII

INDEMNIFICATION OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

7.01. Indemnification. (a) The Association shall indemnify, to the extent provided in the following paragraphs, any person who is or was a director, officer, agent or employee of the Association. In the event the provisions of indemnification set forth below are more restrictive than the provisions of indemnification allowed by Article 1396-2.22A of the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act (the "Act"), then such persons named above shall be indemnified to the full extent permitted by the Act as it may exist from time to time.

(b) In case of a threatened or pending suit, action or proceeding (collectively, "Suit"), whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the Association), against a person named in paragraph (a) above by reason of such person's holding a position named in such paragraph (a), the Association shall indemnify such person, if such person satisfies the standard contained in paragraph (c) below, for amounts actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of the Suit as expenses (including court costs and attorneys' fees), amounts paid in settlement, judgments, penalties (including excise and similar taxes), and fines.

(c) A person named in paragraph (a) above will be indemnified only if it is determined in accordance with paragraph (d) below that such person:

(i) acted in good faith in the transaction which is the subject of the Suit; and

(ii) reasonably believed:

(A) if acting in his or her official capacity as director, officer, agent or employee of the Association, that his or her conduct was in the best interests of the Association; and

(B) in all other cases, his or her conduct was not opposed to the best interests of the Association; and

(iii) in the case of any criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

The termination of a proceeding by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, will not, of itself, create a presumption that such person failed to satisfy the standard contained in this paragraph (c).

(d) A determination that the standard in paragraph (c) above has been satisfied must be made:

(i) by the Board of Directors by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of Directors who, at the time of the vote, are not named defendants or respondents in the proceeding; or

(ii) if such quorum cannot be obtained, by a majority vote of a committee of the Board of Directors designated to act in the matter by a majority vote of all Directors, consisting solely of two (2) or more Directors who at the time of the vote are not named defendants or respondents in the proceeding; or

(iii) by special legal counsel selected by the Board of Directors or a committee of the Board of Directors by vote as set forth in subparagraphs (i) or (ii) above, or, if such a quorum cannot be obtained and such a committee cannot be established, by a majority vote of all Directors.

(e) Determination as to reasonableness of expenses must be made in the same manner as the determination that indemnification is permissible, except that if the determination that indemnification is permissible is made by special legal counsel, determination as to reasonableness of expenses must be made in the manner specified by subparagraph (d)(iii) above for the selection of special legal counsel.

(f) The Association may reimburse or pay in advance any reasonable expenses (including court costs and attorneys' fees) which may become subject to indemnification under paragraphs (a) through (e) above, but only in accordance with the provisions as stated in paragraph (d) above, and only after the person to receive the payment (i) signs a written affirmation of his or her good faith belief that he or she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification under paragraph (c) above, and (ii) undertakes in writing to repay such advances if it is ultimately determined that such person is not entitled to indemnification by the Association. The written undertaking required by this paragraph must be an unlimited general obligation of the person but need not be secured. It may be accepted without reference to financial ability to make repayment.

(g) The indemnification provided by paragraphs (a) through (e) above will not be exclusive of any other rights to which a person may be entitled by law, bylaw, agreement, vote of members or disinterested Directors, or otherwise.

(h) The indemnification and advance payment provided by paragraphs (a) through (f) above will continue as to a person who has ceased to hold a position named in paragraph (a) above and will inure to such person's heirs, executors and administrators.

(i) The Association may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who holds or has held any position named in paragraph (a) above against any liability incurred by such person in any such position, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not

the Association would have the power to indemnify such person against such liability under paragraphs (a) through (f) above.

(j) Indemnification payments and advance payments made under paragraphs (a) through (i) above are to be reported in writing to the members of the Association in the next notice or waiver of notice of annual meeting, or within twelve (12) months after the payments are made, whichever is sooner.

(k) All liability, loss, damage, cost and expense incurred or suffered by the Association by reason of or arising out of, or in connection with, the foregoing indemnification provisions shall be treated and handled by the Association as an expense subject to special assessment,

7.02. Other. The Board of Directors, officers, or representatives of the Association shall enter into contracts or other commitments as agents for the Association, and they shall have no personal liability for any such contract or commitment (except such liability as may be ascribed to them in their capacity as Owners).

7.03. Interested Directors and Officers. (a) If paragraph (b) below is satisfied, no contract or transaction between the Association and any of its Directors or officers (or any other corporation, partnership, association or other organization in which any of them directly or indirectly have a financial interest) shall be void or voidable solely because of this relationship or because of the presence or participation of such Director or officer at the meeting of the Board of Directors or committee thereof which authorizes such contract or transaction, or solely because such person's votes are counted for such purpose.

(b) The contract or transaction referred to in paragraph (a) above will not be void or voidable if:

(i) the contract or transaction is fair to the Association as of the time it is authorized, approved or ratified by the Board of Directors, a committee of the Board of Directors, or the members; or

(ii) the material facts as to the relationship or interest of each such Director or officer as to the contract or transaction are known or disclosed (A) to the members entitled to vote thereon and they nevertheless in good faith authorize or ratify the contract or transaction by a majority of the members present, each such interested person to be counted for quorum and voting purposes, or (B) to the Board of Directors or a committee of the Board of Directors and the Board of Directors or committee nevertheless in good faith authorizes or ratifies the contract or transaction by a majority of the disinterested Directors present, each such interested Director to be counted in determining whether a quorum is present but not in calculating the majority necessary to carry the vote.

(c) The provisions contained in paragraphs (a) and (b) above may not be construed to invalidate a contract or transaction which would be valid in the absence of such provisions.

ARTICLE VIII

AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS

8.01. Amendment to Bylaws. These Bylaws may be amended at a regular or special meeting of the members by a vote of a majority of a quorum of members in good standing and present in person or by proxy; provided, however, that such authority may be delegated by the majority of such members to the Board of Directors if allowed by the Act. In connection therewith, the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), the Veterans Administration ("VA") and/or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) shall have the right to veto any amendments to these Bylaws as long as there is a Class B membership but only if the FHA or VA has approved the subdivision and has insured any mortgages secured by first liens on the lots and houses in the subdivision. In the case of any conflict between the Articles of Incorporation and these Bylaws, the Articles shall control, and in the case of any conflict between the Declaration and these Bylaws, the Declaration shall control.

ARTICLE IX

EVIDENCE OF OWNERSHIP, REGISTRATION OF MAILING ADDRESS

9.01. Proof of Ownership. Except for those owners who purchase a lot from Developer, any person, on becoming an owner of a lot, shall furnish to the Board of Directors a true and correct copy of the original or a certified copy of the recorded instrument vesting that person with an interest or ownership in the lot, which copy shall remain in the files of the Association. A member shall not be deemed to be in good standing nor shall he be entitled to vote at any annual or special meeting of members unless this requirement is first met.

9.02. Registration of Mailing Address. The owner or several owners of a lot shall have the same registered mailing address to be used by the Association for mailing of monthly statements, notices, demands and all other communications, and such registered address shall be the only mailing address of a person or persons to be used by the Association. Such registered address of an owner or owners shall be deemed to be the mailing address of the lot owned by said owner or owners unless a different registered address is furnished by such owner(s) to the Board of Directors within fifteen (15) days after transfer of title, or after a change of address. Such registration shall be in written form and signed by all of the owners of the lot or by such person(s) as are authorized by law to represent the interest of all of the owner(s) thereof.

ARTICLE X

GENERAL

10.01. Assessments and Liens. As more fully provided in the Declaration, each Member shall pay to the Association annual and special assessments which are secured by a continuing lien upon the lot against which the assessment is made.

10.02. Abatement and Enjoinment. The violation of any rule or regulation, or the breach of any Bylaw or any provision of the Declaration, shall give the Board of Directors the right, in addition to any other rights set forth in the Declaration or herein, to enjoin, abate or remedy by appropriate legal proceedings, either at law or in equity, the continuance of such violation or breach.

10.03. Committees. The Association may appoint an Architectural Control Committee, subject to the terms of and as provided in the Declaration, and a Nominating Committee, as provided in these Bylaws. In addition, the Board of Directors shall appoint other committees as deemed appropriate in carrying out its purpose.

10.04. Books and Records. The books, records and accounts of the Association shall, at reasonable times upon reasonable written notice, be subject to inspection by any member at such member's sole cost and expense. The Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws of the Association shall be available for inspection by any member at the principal office of the Association, and copies of such documents may be purchased from the Association at a reasonable cost.

10.05. Non-Profit Association. This Association is not organized for profit. No member of the Association, member of the Board of Directors, officer or person from whom the Association may receive any property or funds shall receive or shall be lawfully entitled to receive any pecuniary profit from the operation thereof, and in no event shall any part of the funds or assets of the Association be paid as salary or compensation to, or distributed to, or inure to the benefit of, any member of the Board of Directors, officer or member; provided, however, that (a) reasonable compensation may be paid to any member, Director or officer while acting as an agent or employee of a third party for services rendered to the Association in effecting one or more of the purposes of the Association, and (b) any member, Director or officer may, from time to time, be reimbursed for his actual and reasonable expenses incurred in connection with the administration of the affairs of the Association.

10.06. Execution of Documents. The persons who shall be authorized to execute any and all contracts, documents, instruments of conveyance or encumbrances, including promissory notes, shall be the President or any Vice President, and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary, of the Association.

10.07. Proxy for Beneficiary or Mortgagee Under Deed of Trust. Owners shall have the right to irrevocably constitute and appoint their Mortgagees their true and lawful attorney to vote

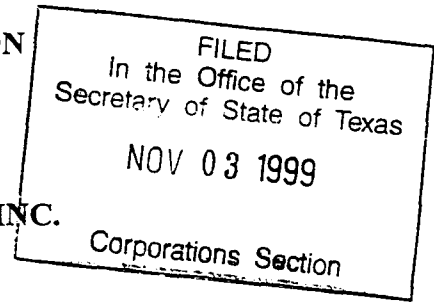
their lot membership in this Association at any and all meetings of the Association and to vest in such beneficiary or his nominees any and all rights, privileges and powers that they have as owners under the Bylaws of this Association or by virtue of the Declaration. Such proxy shall become effective upon the filing of a notice by the beneficiary with the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Association at such time or times as the beneficiary shall deem its security in jeopardy by reason of the failure, neglect or refusal of the Association or the owners to carry out their duties as set forth in the Declaration. Such proxy shall be valid until such time as a release of the beneficiary's deed of trust is executed and a copy thereof delivered to the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Association, which shall operate to revoke such proxy. Such proxy may be terminated prior to such revocation by the beneficiary's delivering written notice of such termination to the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Association. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to relieve owners of, or to impose upon the beneficiary of the Deed of Trust, the duties and obligation of an owner.

10.08. Conflicting or Invalid Provisions. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, should all or part of any Article or Section of these Bylaws be in conflict with the provisions of the Act or any other Texas law, such Act or law shall control, and should any part of these Bylaws be invalid or inoperative for any reason, the remaining parts, so far as is possible and reasonable, shall be valid and operative.

10.09. Notices. All notices to members of the Association shall be given by delivering the same to each owner in person or by depositing the notices in the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to each owner at the address last given by each owner to the Secretary of the Association. If an owner shall fail to give an address to the Secretary for mailing of such notices, all such notices shall be sent to the street address of the lot of such owner. All owners shall be deemed to have been given notice of the meetings upon the proper mailing of the notices to such addresses irrespective of the actual receipt of the notices by the owners.

10.10. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of January and end on the 31st day of December of every year, except that the first fiscal year shall begin on the date of incorporation of the Association.

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At all meetings of the Association, there shall be no cumulative voting. Prior to all meetings, the Board of Directors shall determine the total number of votes outstanding and entitled to vote by the Members.

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No Director of the Association shall be personally liable to the Association for monetary damages for any act or omission in the Director's capacity as a Director, except that this Article does not eliminate or limit the liability of a Director for (1) a breach of a Director's duty of loyalty to the Association, (2) an act or omission not in good faith or that involves intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of the law, (3) a transaction from which a Director received an improper benefit, whether or not the benefit resulted from an action taken within the scope of the Director's office, or (4) an act or omission for which the liability of a Director is expressly provided for by statute. Neither the amendment nor repeal of this Article shall eliminate or reduce the effect of this Article in respect of any matter occurring, or any cause of action, suit or claim that, but for this Article, would accrue or arise prior to such amendment or repeal. If the Act or the Texas Miscellaneous Corporation Laws Act (the "TMC Act") is hereafter amended to authorize corporate action further eliminating or limiting the personal liability of directors, then the liability of a Director of the Association shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the Act or the TMC Act, as so amended from time to time. Without limiting the foregoing, the following shall apply:

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(b) In case of a threatened or pending suit, action or proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative) against a person named in paragraph (a) above by reason of such person's holding a position named in such paragraph (a), the Association shall indemnify such person if such person satisfies the standard contained in paragraph (c) below, for amounts actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of the suit as expenses (including court costs and attorneys' fees), amounts paid in settlement, judgments, penalties (including excise and similar taxes), and fines.

(c) A person named in paragraph (a) above will be indemnified only if it is determined in accordance with paragraph (d) below that such person:

- (i) acted in good faith in the transaction which is the subject of the suit; and
- (ii) reasonably believed:
 - (A) if acting in his or her official capacity as director, officer, agent or employee of the Association, that his or her conduct was in the best interests of the Association; and

(B) in all other cases, that his or her conduct was not opposed to the best interests of the Association; and

(iii) in the case of any criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

The termination of a proceeding by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, will not, or itself, create a presumption that such person failed to satisfy the standard contained in this paragraph (c).

(d) A determination that the standard in paragraph (c) above has been satisfied must be made:

(i) by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of Directors who at the time of the vote are not named defendants or respondents in the proceeding; or

(ii) if such quorum cannot be obtained, by a majority vote of a committee of the Board, designated to act in the manner by a majority vote of all Directors, consisting solely of two (2) or more Directors who at the time of the vote are not named defendants or respondents in the proceeding; or

(iii) by special legal counsel selected by the Board or a committee of the Board by vote as set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) above, or, if such quorum cannot be obtained and such committee cannot be established, by a majority vote of all Directors.

(e) Determination as to reasonableness of expenses must be made in the same manner as the determination that indemnification is permissible, except that if the determination that indemnification is permissible is made by special legal counsel, determination as to reasonableness of expenses must be made in the manner specified by subparagraph (d)(iii) above for the selection of special legal counsel.

(f) The Association may reimburse or pay in advance any reasonable expenses (including court costs and attorneys' fees) which may become subject to indemnification under paragraphs (a) through (e) above, but only in accordance with the provisions as stated in paragraph (d) above, and only after the person to receive the payment (i) signs a written affirmation of his or her good faith belief that he or she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification under paragraph (c), and (ii) undertakes in writing to repay such advances if it is ultimately determined that such person is not entitled to indemnification by the Association. The written undertaking required by this paragraph must be an unlimited general obligation of the person but need not be secured. It may be accepted without reference to financial ability to make repayment.

(g) The indemnification provided by paragraphs (a) through (e) above will not be exclusive of any rights to which a person may be entitled to by law, bylaws, agreement, vote of Members or disinterested Directors, or otherwise.

(h) The indemnification and advance payment provided by paragraphs (a) through (f) above will continue as to a person who has ceased to hold a position named in paragraph (a) above and will inure to such person's heirs, executors and administrators.

(i) The Association may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who holds or has held any position named in paragraph (a) above against any liability incurred by such person in any such position, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the Association would have power to indemnify such person against such liability under paragraphs (a) through (f) above.

(j) Indemnification payments and advance payments made under paragraphs (a) through (i) above are to be reported in writing to the Members of the Association in the next notice or waiver of notice of annual meeting, or within twelve (12) months after the payments are made, whichever is sooner.

(k) All liability, loss, damage, cost and expense incurred or suffered by the Association by reason of or arising out of, or in connection with, the foregoing indemnification provisions shall be treated and handled by the Association as an expense subject to special assessment.

ARTICLE TEN

The Association may be dissolved with the assent given in writing and signed by not less than two-thirds (2/3) of each class of voting Members. Upon dissolution of the Association, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of the Association shall be conveyed to either (a) another non-profit Texas corporation, association, trust or other organization devoted to purposes similar to those of the Association, or (b) an appropriate governmental agency to be used for purposes similar to those for which the Association was created. In the event such dedication is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed and assigned to any non-profit corporation, association, trust or other organization to be devoted to such similar purposes.

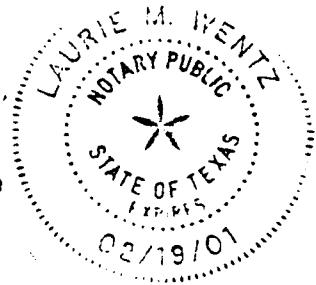
ARTICLE ELEVEN

Amendment of these Articles shall require the assent of the requisite number of votes of the voting Members as set forth in the Declaration.

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF DALLAS §

Before me, a notary public, on this day personally appeared Cheryl Heaton
_____, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing document
and, being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein contained are true and
correct.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 29 day of October,
1999.

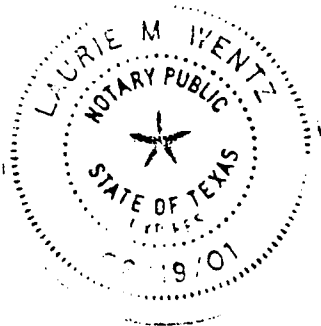


Laurie M. Wentz
Notary Public, State of Texas

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Before me, a notary public, on this day personally appeared John Pipprard
_____, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing document
and, being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein contained are true and
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Given under my hand and seal of office this 29 day of October,
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As long as there is a Class B membership, the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration ("FHA"), the Veterans Administration ("VA") and/or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") (if FHA or VA has approved the Lots located in the Addition and is insuring mortgages of buyers of homes located in the Addition) shall be required for (a) annexation of additional properties under the Declaration, (b) mergers and consolidations of the Association, (c) mortgaging of the Areas of Common Responsibility or Open Space, (d) dedication of the Areas of Common Responsibility or Open Space to any governmental authority, (e) dissolution of the Association, or (f) amendment of these Articles if such amendments affects or alters any provisions of the Declaration directly governed or regulated by the FHA or VA.


ARTICLE THIRTEEN

The name and address of each incorporator is set for the in Article Eight hereinabove.

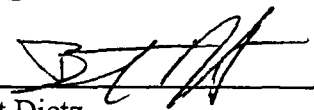
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Cheryl Heaton
Incorporator



John Pippard
Incorporator

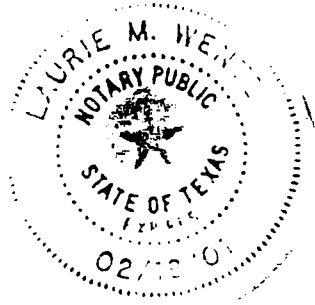


Brett Dietz
Incorporator

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

The article of incorporation or “corporate charter” is the document that formally establishes the entity responsible for the maintenance, management and operation of the community property and the community concept. This entity is the homeowners association. The articles of incorporation provide the framework for the association’s organization, they define its membership and the voting rights of its members, and they create the officers and directors who will act on behalf of the organization. The charter establishes the association’s responsibility to administer to the shared community facilities and to promote and preserve harmony and uniformity within the residential community.



The State of Texas

Secretary of State

NOV. 4, 1999

VICTOR TOLEDO/KAUFMAN BRDAS
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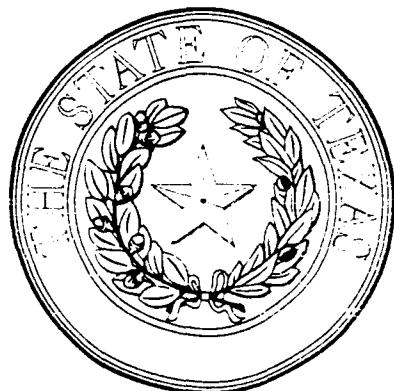
RE:
PICKERY CREEK (DENTON) HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

CHARTER NUMBER 01556422-01

IT HAS BEEN OUR PLEASURE TO APPROVE AND PLACE ON RECORD THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION THAT CREATED YOUR CORPORATION. WE EXTEND OUR BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS IN YOUR NEW VENTURE.

AS A CORPORATION, YOU ARE SUBJECT TO STATE TAX LAWS. SOME NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF FRANCHISE TAXES AND MAY ALSO BE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF SALES AND USE TAX ON THE PURCHASE OF TAXABLE ITEMS. IF YOU FEEL THAT UNDER THE LAW YOUR CORPORATION IS ENTITLED TO BE EXEMPT YOU MUST APPLY TO THE COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS FOR THE EXEMPTION. THE SECRETARY OF STATE CANNOT MAKE SUCH DETERMINATION FOR YOUR CORPORATION.

IF WE CAN BE OF FURTHER SERVICE AT ANY TIME, PLEASE LET US KNOW.



VERY TRULY YOURS,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Elton Bomer".

Elton Bomer, Secretary of State



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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

HICKORY CREEK (DENTON) HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
CHARTER NUMBER 01556422

THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS, HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THE ATTACHED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION FOR THE ABOVE NAMED CORPORATION HAVE BEEN RECEIVED IN THIS OFFICE AND ARE FOUND TO CONFORM TO LAW.

ACCORDINGLY, THE UNDERSIGNED, AS SECRETARY OF STATE, AND BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN THE SECRETARY BY LAW, HEREBY ISSUES THIS CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.

ISSUANCE OF THIS CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION DOES NOT AUTHORIZE THE USE OF A CORPORATE NAME IN THIS STATE IN VIOLATION OF THE RIGHTS OF ANOTHER UNDER THE FEDERAL TRADEMARK ACT OF 1946, THE TEXAS TRADEMARK LAW, THE ASSURED BUSINESS OR PROFESSIONAL NAME ACT OR THE COMMON LAW.

DATED NOV. 3, 1999

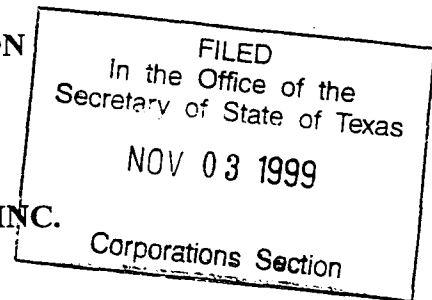
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(b) In case of a threatened or pending suit, action or proceeding (whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative) against a person named in paragraph (a) above by reason of such person's holding a position named in such paragraph (a), the Association shall indemnify such person if such person satisfies the standard contained in paragraph (c) below, for amounts actually and reasonably incurred by such person in connection with the defense or settlement of the suit as expenses (including court costs and attorneys' fees), amounts paid in settlement, judgments, penalties (including excise and similar taxes), and fines.

(c) A person named in paragraph (a) above will be indemnified only if it is determined in accordance with paragraph (d) below that such person:

- (i) acted in good faith in the transaction which is the subject of the suit; and
- (ii) reasonably believed:
 - (A) if acting in his or her official capacity as director, officer, agent or employee of the Association, that his or her conduct was in the best interests of the Association; and

(B) in all other cases, that his or her conduct was not opposed to the best interests of the Association; and

(iii) in the case of any criminal proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe that his or her conduct was unlawful.

The termination of a proceeding by judgment, order, settlement or conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, will not, or itself, create a presumption that such person failed to satisfy the standard contained in this paragraph (c).

(d) A determination that the standard in paragraph (c) above has been satisfied must be made:

(i) by a majority vote of a quorum consisting of Directors who at the time of the vote are not named defendants or respondents in the proceeding; or

(ii) if such quorum cannot be obtained, by a majority vote of a committee of the Board, designated to act in the manner by a majority vote of all Directors, consisting solely of two (2) or more Directors who at the time of the vote are not named defendants or respondents in the proceeding; or

(iii) by special legal counsel selected by the Board or a committee of the Board by vote as set forth in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) above, or, if such quorum cannot be obtained and such committee cannot be established, by a majority vote of all Directors.

(e) Determination as to reasonableness of expenses must be made in the same manner as the determination that indemnification is permissible, except that if the determination that indemnification is permissible is made by special legal counsel, determination as to reasonableness of expenses must be made in the manner specified by subparagraph (d)(iii) above for the selection of special legal counsel.

(f) The Association may reimburse or pay in advance any reasonable expenses (including court costs and attorneys' fees) which may become subject to indemnification under paragraphs (a) through (e) above, but only in accordance with the provisions as stated in paragraph (d) above, and only after the person to receive the payment (i) signs a written affirmation of his or her good faith belief that he or she has met the standard of conduct necessary for indemnification under paragraph (c), and (ii) undertakes in writing to repay such advances if it is ultimately determined that such person is not entitled to indemnification by the Association. The written undertaking required by this paragraph must be an unlimited general obligation of the person but need not be secured. It may be accepted without reference to financial ability to make repayment.

(g) The indemnification provided by paragraphs (a) through (e) above will not be exclusive of any rights to which a person may be entitled to by law, bylaws, agreement, vote of Members or disinterested Directors, or otherwise.

(h) The indemnification and advance payment provided by paragraphs (a) through (f) above will continue as to a person who has ceased to hold a position named in paragraph (a) above and will inure to such person's heirs, executors and administrators.

(i) The Association may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any person who holds or has held any position named in paragraph (a) above against any liability incurred by such person in any such position, or arising out of such person's status as such, whether or not the Association would have power to indemnify such person against such liability under paragraphs (a) through (f) above.

(j) Indemnification payments and advance payments made under paragraphs (a) through (i) above are to be reported in writing to the Members of the Association in the next notice or waiver of notice of annual meeting, or within twelve (12) months after the payments are made, whichever is sooner.

(k) All liability, loss, damage, cost and expense incurred or suffered by the Association by reason of or arising out of, or in connection with, the foregoing indemnification provisions shall be treated and handled by the Association as an expense subject to special assessment.

ARTICLE TEN

The Association may be dissolved with the assent given in writing and signed by not less than two-thirds (2/3) of each class of voting Members. Upon dissolution of the Association, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of the Association shall be conveyed to either (a) another non-profit Texas corporation, association, trust or other organization devoted to purposes similar to those of the Association, or (b) an appropriate governmental agency to be used for purposes similar to those for which the Association was created. In the event such dedication is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed and assigned to any non-profit corporation, association, trust or other organization to be devoted to such similar purposes.

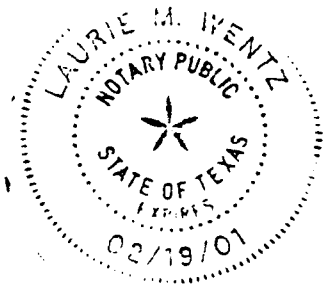
ARTICLE ELEVEN

Amendment of these Articles shall require the assent of the requisite number of votes of the voting Members as set forth in the Declaration.

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF DALLAS §

Before me, a notary public, on this day personally appeared Cheryl Heaton
_____, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing document
and, being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein contained are true and
correct.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 29 day of October,
1999.

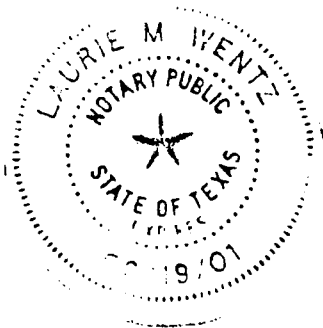


Laurie M. Wentz
Notary Public, State of Texas

STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF DALLAS §

Before me, a notary public, on this day personally appeared John Pipprard
_____, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing document
and, being by me first duly sworn, declared that the statements therein contained are true and
correct.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 29 day of October,
1999.



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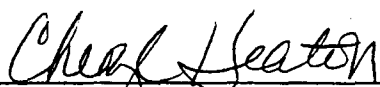
ARTICLE TWELVE

As long as there is a Class B membership, the prior approval of the Federal Housing Administration ("FHA"), the Veterans Administration ("VA") and/or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") (if FHA or VA has approved the Lots located in the Addition and is insuring mortgages of buyers of homes located in the Addition) shall be required for (a) annexation of additional properties under the Declaration, (b) mergers and consolidations of the Association, (c) mortgaging of the Areas of Common Responsibility or Open Space, (d) dedication of the Areas of Common Responsibility or Open Space to any governmental authority, (e) dissolution of the Association, or (f) amendment of these Articles if such amendments affects or alters any provisions of the Declaration directly governed or regulated by the FHA or VA.


ARTICLE THIRTEEN

The name and address of each incorporator is set for the in Article Eight hereinabove.

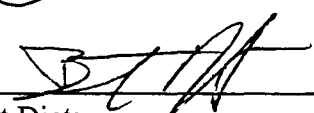
EXECUTED this 29 day of October, 1999.



Cheryl Heaton
Incorporator



John Pippard
Incorporator



Brett Dietz
Incorporator