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DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR MERIDIAN PLACE A HORIZONTAL PROPERTY REGIME WITH PRIVATE ELEMENTS

THIS DECLARATION is made and entered into by APEX BUILDING SOLUTIONS, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company, hereinafter referred to as the "Developer".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Developer is the owner of certain real property located in the County of Davidson, State of Tennessee, and described on **Exhibit "A"** attached hereto (the "Parcel"); and

WHEREAS, the Developer intends to and does hereby submit the above-described Parcel of real estate together with all buildings, structures, improvements, and other permanent fixtures of whatever kind thereon, and all rights and privileges belonging or in any way pertaining thereto (the "Property") to the provisions of the Tennessee Horizontal Property Act, Tenn. Code Ann. § 66-27-101 et seq., for the express purpose of establishing thereon a horizontal property regime with private elements to be known as **MERIDIAN PLACE**; and

WHEREAS, the Developer further desires to establish the horizontal property regime for its own benefit and for the mutual benefit of all future owners or occupants of the Property or any part thereof, and intends that all future owners, occupants, mortgagees, and any other persons hereinafter acquiring any interest in the Property, shall hold such interest subject to certain rights, easements, and privileges in, over and upon the Property and certain mutually beneficial restrictions and obligations with respect to the proper use, conduct and maintenance thereof, as hereinafter set forth, all of which are declared to be in furtherance of a plan to promote and protect the cooperative aspects of residence on the Property, and are established for the purpose of enhancing the value, desirability and attractiveness of the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Developer declares as follows:

1. **Definitions.** As used herein, unless the context otherwise requires:

   a) "Act" means the Horizontal Property Act of the State of Tennessee, Tenn. Code Ann., §§ 66-27-101, *et seq.*

   b) "Association" means **MERIDIAN PLACE** Homeowners Association, a Tennessee not-for-profit corporation.

   c) "Board" means the Board of Directors of **MERIDIAN PLACE** Homeowners Association, a Tennessee not-for-profit corporation.

   d) "Building" or "Buildings" means the buildings located on the Parcel and forming a part of the Property and containing the Units. The "Building" or "Buildings" are and shall be delineated on the Plat. Upon annexation of additional phases into the provisions hereof, Building or Buildings shall also mean the buildings located upon the additional phase or phases so annexed.

   e) "Bylaws" mean the By-Laws of the **MERIDIAN PLACE** Homeowners Association attached hereto as Exhibit B and made a part hereof, as amended from time to time. For purposes of the Act, all provisions contained in the body of this Declaration dealing with the administration and maintenance of the Property shall be deemed to be part of the Bylaws.

   f) "Common Elements" means all real and personal property within the Property other than the Units and Private Elements, which are now or hereafter owned by the Association. The Common Elements are designated on the Plat and shall be held by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the Unit Owners. The Common Elements of **MERIDIAN PLACE** are the yard areas (excluding only those areas included in "Private Elements" described below), part of the onsite parking areas, the onsite driveway and any sidewalks not located on a Private Element. "Common Elements" as used herein shall also mean "General Common Elements" as set forth in the Act.

g) "Declaration" means this instrument, as amended from time to time.

h) "Developer" means **APEX BUILDING SOLUTIONS, LLC,** a Tennessee limited liability company, its successors and assigns, provided such successors or assigns are designated in writing by Developer as a successor or assign of the rights of Developer set forth herein.

i) "Limited Common Elements" means any Common Elements serving a single Unit or a certain number of Units to the exclusion of other Units, as an inseparable appurtenance thereto, the enjoyment, benefit or use of which is reserved to the lawful Occupants of such Unit or Units either in this Declaration, on the Plat, or by later decision of all of the Unit Owners. The Limited Common Elements in **MERIDIAN PLACE**, if any, are those areas outside of the Units themselves which are labeled on the Plat as Limited Common Elements.

j) "Majority" or "majority of the Unit Owners" means the owners of more than fifty percent (50%) of the voting rights of the Unit Owners.

k) "Occupant" means a person or persons in possession of a Unit, regardless of whether said person is a Unit Owner.

l) "Parcel" means the parcel or tract of real estate described on Exhibit A attached to this Declaration. Upon annexation of additional phases into the provisions hereof, Parcel shall also mean the additional property so annexed.

m) "Person" means a natural individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, trustee, or other legal entity capable of holding title to real property.

n) "Plat" means the plat, or survey of the Parcel submitted to the provisions of the Act showing the number of each Unit, expressing its area, location, and other data necessary for identification including but not limited to the area of the Private Elements upon which the Unit is located, said Plat for **MERIDIAN PLACE** being attached hereto as Exhibit C.

o) "Private Elements" means the lot area upon which each Unit is located, and the improvements now or hereafter located thereon. Exclusive ownership in fee simple and use of the Private Elements for each Unit is reserved to such Unit. The area of the Private Elements for each Unit is as shown on the Plat. Lots or Units, as referenced on the Plat, shall be deemed to refer to the Private Elements. The Private Element applicable to each Unit shall include the improvements on the Lot within the bounds of the Unit as shown on the Plat.

p) "Property" means all the land and space comprising the Parcel, and all improvements and structures thereon, including the Buildings and all easements, rights and appurtenances belonging thereto, and all furniture, furnishings, fixtures, and equipment intended for the mutual use, benefit or enjoyment of the Unit Owners, submitted to the provisions of the Act. Upon annexation of additional phases into the provisions hereof, Property shall also mean and include the additional area so annexed.

q) "Record" or "Recording" refers to the record or recording in the office of the Register of Deeds of Davidson County, Tennessee.

r) "Unit" means a portion of the Property as shown and designated in the Plat for separate ownership and shall include the Private elements and the residence and improvements now and hereafter located hereon. The Units are identified by a number on the Plat and may be held and conveyed by reference to such Unit number. Conveyance of a Unit shall automatically convey the undivided membership of each Unit Owner in the Association. Each Unit is assigned a number as shown on the Plat. Any Unit may be jointly or commonly owned in any estate recognized under applicable law. The term "Unit" as used in this Declaration shall have the same meaning as the term "Apartment" as used in the Act.

s) "Unit Owner" means the person or persons whose estates or interests, individually or collectively, aggregate fee simple ownership of a Unit, and shall be deemed the same as a "co-owner" under the Act. Unless specifically provided otherwise herein, the Developer shall be deemed a Unit Owner so long as the Developer is the title holder of any Unit.

2. **Submission of Property to the Act.** The Developer, by recording this Declaration, does hereby submit and subject the Parcel and the Property to the provisions of the Act and hereby establishes a horizontal property regime with private elements as authorized and described in the Act and to be hereafter known as **MERIDIAN PLACE**.

3. **Plat.** The Plat sets forth the numbers, areas, locations, and other data as required by the Act.

4. **Units.** The legal description of each Unit shall consist of the identifying number of such Unit as shown on the Plat. Every deed, lease, mortgage, deed of trust, or other instrument shall legally describe a Unit by its identifying number as shown on the Plat, and every such description shall be deemed good and sufficient for all purposes, as provided in the Act. Except as provided by the Act, no Unit Owner shall, by deed, plat, court decree or otherwise, subdivide or in any other manner cause such Owner's Unit to be separated into any tracts or parcels different from the whole Unit as shown on the Plat.

5. **Association of Unit Owners and Administration and Operation of the Property.**

a) There has been or will be formed an Association having the name **MERIDIAN PLACE** Homeowners Association, a Tennessee not-for-profit corporation, which Association shall be the governing body for all Unit Owners and shall be operated to provide for the maintenance, repair, replacement, administration, operation, and care of the property as provided in the Act, this Declaration, and the Bylaws. The Unit Owners shall each be members of the Association, with each Unit holding an undivided membership interest in the Association which shall be appurtenant to such Unit, each such membership interest appurtenant to a Unit being in a share equal to the percentage of responsibility for maintenance of the Common Elements as set out on Exhibit A, subject to the provisions concerning voting hereinafter set forth. The Bylaws for the Association shall be the Bylaws attached to this Declaration as Exhibit B and made a part hereof. The Board of Directors of the Association shall be elected and shall serve in accordance with the provisions of the Bylaws. The fiscal year of the Association shall be determined by the Board and may be changed from time to time as the Board deems advisable. The Association shall not be deemed to be conducting a business of any kind. All activities undertaken by the Association shall be for the use and benefit of Unit Owners in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration and Bylaws. Each Unit Owner shall be a member of the Association so long as such Owner is a Unit Owner. A Unit Owner's membership shall automatically succeed to the former Unit Owner's membership in the Association. The aggregate number of votes for all members of the Association shall be divided among the respective Unit Owners with six (6) votes granted to each Units numbered 1-6.

b) **Voting Membership.**

Class A. Class A members shall be all Unit Owners, except for the Developer, and shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Unit owned. When more than one person holds any interest in any Unit, all such persons shall be members. The vote for such Unit shall be exercised as they determine, but in no event shall more than six (6) votes be cast.

Class B. The Class B member shall be the Developer and shall be entitled to five (5) votes for each of Unit owned. The class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership when one hundred percent (100%) of the Units in all phases of **MERIDIAN PLACE** have been sold by Developer.

c) **Management of the Property**. The Board shall have the authority to engage the services of an agent (herein sometimes referred to as the "Managing Agent") to maintain, repair, replace, administer, and operate the property, or any part thereof, to the extent deemed advisable by the Board, subject to the provisions of subparagraph (d) below. The Board shall require that such Managing Agent have fidelity bond coverage on its employees handling Association funds. The cost of such services shall be a common expense, as defined in paragraph 10 below. Any vote of the Board to adopt any form of management of the Property without the services of a professional property management company shall be subject to the prior approval of a majority of all first mortgagees of Units.

d) **Initial Management Contract**. The First Board, appointed as provided herein, shall ratify, and approve the Management Agreement between the Developer, on behalf of the Association, and a management corporation, to act as Managing Agent for the Property, for a term as approved by said First Board, but not to exceed one (1) year.

e) **Use by Developer.** During the period of sale by the Developer (and/or any builder(s)) of any Units, the Developer (and/or any builder(s)), and their agents, employees, contractors and subcontractors, and their respective agents and employees, shall be entitled to access, ingress to and egress from the Buildings and Property as may be required for purposes of sale of the Units. While the Developer (and/or any builder(s)) owns any of the Units and until each Unit sold by it is occupied by the purchasers, the Developer (and/or any builder(s)) and its employees may use

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and show one or more of such unsold or unoccupied Units as a model Unit or Units, or as a sales office, and may maintain customary signs in connection therewith.

f) **Non-Liability of the Directors, Board, Officers and Developer**. Neither the directors, Board, officers of the association, nor the Developer shall be personally liable to the Unit Owners for any mistake of judgment or for any other acts or omissions of any nature whatsoever as such directors, Board, officers, or Developer, except for any acts or omissions found by a court to constitute gross negligence or fraud. The Unit Owners shall indemnify and hold harmless each of the directors, Board, officers, or Developer, and their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns in accordance with the Charter of the Association and Bylaws.

g) **Interest of Association in Common Elements.** Ownership of the Common Elements shall be vested in the Association.

6. **Board's Determination Binding.** In the event of any dispute or disagreement between any Unit Owners relating to the Property, or any questions of interpretation or application of the provisions of the Declaration or Bylaws, the determination thereof by the Board shall be final and binding on each and all such Unit Owners.

7. **Ownership of Interests in the Association.** Subject to the provisions concerning voting rights hereinabove contained, each Unit shall be allocated a percentage ownership in the Association which is equal to the percentage of responsibility for Common Expenses as stated on Exhibit A. The percentage of ownership interest shall remain constant unless hereafter changed by recorded amendment to this Declaration consented to in writing by the Unit Owners, in accordance with the requirements hereinafter contained. Said ownership interest shall be an undivided interest, and the undivided membership interests in the Association shall be owned by the Unit Owners as Tenants in Common in accordance with their respective percentages of ownership. The ownership of each Unit shall not be conveyed separate from the percentage of ownership in the Association corresponding to said Unit. The undivided percentage of ownership in the Association corresponding to any Unit shall be deemed conveyed or encumbered with that Unit, even though the legal description in the instrument conveying or encumbering said Unit may refer only to the fee title to that Unit.

8. **Use of the Common Elements.** Except as hereinafter set forth, each Unit Owner shall have the right to use the Common Elements (and not the Private Elements) in common with all other Unit Owners, as may be required for the purposes of access, ingress to, egress from, use, occupancy and enjoyment of the respective Unit owned by such Unit Owner. Such right to use the Common Elements shall extend to each Unit Owner, and such Owner's agents, servants, tenants, family members, customers, invitees, and licenses. However, each Unit Owner shall have the right to the exclusive use and possession of the Private Elements attributable to the Unit. Such rights to use the Common Elements, shall be subject to and governed by the provisions of the Act, Declaration, Bylaws and any rules and regulations established by the Association. In addition, the Association shall have the authority to lease, grant concessions or grant easements with respect to parts of the Common Elements, subject to the provisions of the Declaration and Bylaws. All income derived by the Association from leases, concessions or other sources shall be held and used for the benefit of the members of the Association, pursuant to such rules, resolutions or regulations as the Board may adopt or prescribe.

9. **Storage Areas and Parking Spaces.** No storage units or areas shall be permitted upon the Property outside of a Unit, excepting only those storage areas or buildings controlled by the Association for the exclusive use by the Association. All parking of vehicles within the Parcel shall be conducted by the Unit Owners only on the Private Elements, Limited Common Elements applicable to their own Unit and Common areas designed for automobile parking as noted on the recorded plat, and otherwise in such manner and subject to such rules and regulations as the Board may prescribe.

10. (a) **Common Expenses**. Each Unit Owner shall pay the share of the expenses of the administration and operation of the Common Elements and of any other expenses incurred in conformance with the Declaration and Bylaws (which expenses are herein sometimes referred to as "common expenses"), as stated on Exhibit A, including, but not limited to, the maintenance and repair thereof and any and all replacements and additions thereto. The Developer acknowledges that the Units may vary in total size or square footage. However, such variation has been considered in the allocation of Common Expenses as stated on Exhibit A. Payment of Common Expenses, including any prepayment thereof required by any contract for a sale of a Unit, shall be in such amounts and at such times as determined in the manner provided in the Bylaws. No Unit Owner shall be exempt from payment of such Unit Owner's proportionate share of the Common Expenses by waiver or non-use of enjoyment of the Common Elements, or by abandonment of such Owner's Unit. If any Unit Owner shall fail or refuse to make any such payment of the common expenses when due, the amount thereof, together with interest thereon at the rate of eighteen percent (18%) per annum, after said common expenses become

due and payable, and also together with a one time (per payment or per month) late fee in a minimum amount of $25.00 or such higher amount as the Association may determine, said late fee being assessed upon any payment received more than ten (10) days after its due date, shall constitute a lien on the interest of such Unit Owner in the Unit as provided in the Act. Each assessment for common expenses against a Unit shall also be the personal obligation of the Unit Owner at the time the assessment is due. A successor in title to a Unit shall not be personally obligated to pay any unpaid assessments for common expenses which have been levied against a Unit unless such successor in title expressly assumes the payment of the same, provided, however, any lien encumbering a Unit as above described shall not be affected by transfer of a Unit.

The Units shall be subject to Assessments, both general and special, as provided by the Bylaws of the Association which are attached to this Declaration.

(b) Enforcement. In the event any Unit Owner fails to maintain such Owner's Unit, including the Private Elements attributable to such Unit, or in the event any Unit Owner fails to pay such Owner's proportionate share of any common expense when such is due, then in any such event the Board may after ten (10) days' written notice to the defaulting Unit Owner, perform such maintenance, advance and pay such sums, or do any other reasonable act necessary to cure such default. The Association shall have a lien against the Unit of the defaulting Unit Owner securing payment of the sums expended or advanced and shall be entitled to enforce such lien by filing suit in a court of competent jurisdiction. In the event the Association is successful in such suit, it shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred in such suit and enforcement of its rights.

(c) Mortgage and Deed of Trust Protection. The lien for common expenses payable by a Unit Owner shall be subordinate to the lien of a recorded mortgage or deed of trust on the interest of such Unit Owner, except for the amount of the proportionate share of common expenses which become due and payable from and after the date (and for a period of six months in advance of such date as provided in T.C.A. Section 66-27-415(b)(2)(A)) on which the mortgagee or beneficiary thereunder either takes possession of the Unit encumbered thereby, accepts a conveyance of any interest therein (other than as security) or forecloses its mortgage or deed of trust. This subparagraph (c) shall not be amended, changed, modified or rescinded without the prior written consent of all mortgagees and deed of trust beneficiaries of record.

(d) Special Assessments. In addition to the annual assessments for common expenses authorized above, the Association may levy a special assessment for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of capital improvements upon the Common Elements, including fixtures and personal property related thereto, provided that any such assessment shall have the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of Unit Owners, and the allocation of such special assessment between the Units shall be the same as applies to standard or regular assessments.

(e) Exemptions. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Declaration or the Bylaws attached hereto, and except for the contribution required in this paragraph, the Developer and any Successor Developer shall be exempt from the payment of assessments for any Units owned by the Developer, and any Successor Developer until such time as the weighted voting rights provided by Section 5(b) of the Declaration no longer provide an automatic majority to the Developer or any Successor Developer. During the time that the Developer and any Successor Developer is exempt from the payment of assessments, the Developer, and any Successor Developer shall fund and pay any shortfall between the annual budget for the Association and the actual costs of operating and maintaining the Common Area and administering the Association. In order to secure payment of any such shortfall, there shall arise a continuing lien/loan and charge in favor of the secure payment of any such shortfall, there shall arise a continuing lien and charge in favor of the Association against all of the property owned by the Developer within the Property, the amount of which shall include interest at the maximum effective rate allowed by the law, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees to the extent permissible by law. Said obligation to fund shortfalls, together with such interest, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the Developer or Successor Developer at the time the shortfall occurred. The lien shall survive any transfer of title and the property shall remain subject to levy and execution. The Developer's, and any Successor Developer's, obligation to fund any such shortfall shall terminate at such time as the Developer's and any Successor Developer's, weighted voting rights no longer provide an automatic majority to the Developer or any Successor Developer.

11. **Mortgages and Deeds of Trust.** Each Unit Owner shall have the right, subject to the provisions herein, to make separate mortgages and deeds of trust for such Unit Owner's respective Unit, including such Unit Owner's respective ownership interest in the Association. No Unit Owner shall have the right or authority to make or create, or cause to be made or created, from the date hereof, any

mortgage, deed of trust or other lien on or affecting the Property or any part thereof, except only to the extent of such Owner's Unit and the interest in the Association corresponding thereto.

12. **Separate Real Estate Taxes.** Real estate taxes shall be separately taxed to each Unit Owner for such Owner's Unit and including the corresponding percentage of ownership in the Association, as provided in the Act. In the event that such taxes for any year are not separately taxed to each Unit Owner, but rather are taxed on the property as a whole, then each Unit Owner shall pay such Owner's proportionate share thereof in accordance with such Owner's respective percentage of ownership interest in the Association, and, in said event, such taxes shall be deemed a common expense.

13. **Insurance.** The Board shall have the authority to and shall obtain insurance for the Property, including the Units, Private Elements, and the Common Elements, exclusive of the additions within, improvements to and decorating of the Units by the Unit Owners, against loss or damage by fire, vandalism, malicious mischief and such other hazards as are covered under standard extended coverage provisions for the full insurable replacement cost of the Common Elements and the Units, and against such other hazards and for such amounts as the Board may deem advisable. Such insurance shall, if possible, include all or any portion of all Limited Common Elements. Insurable replacement cost shall be deemed to be the cost of restoring the Common Elements, Units or any part thereof to substantially the same condition in which they existed prior to damage or destruction. Such insurance coverage shall be written in the name of, and the proceeds thereof shall be payable to, the Board of the Association, as the Trustee for each of the Unit Owners in direct ratio to said Unit Owner's respective percentage of ownership in the Association, as set forth in the Declaration, and for the holders of mortgages and deeds of trust on his Unit, if any. The policy of insurance should also contain, if possible, a waiver of subrogation rights by the insurer against individual Unit Owners. The premiums for such insurance shall be a common expense. However, at the option of the Board, and upon written notice to all Unit Owners, premiums for such insurance shall be separately billed to each Unit Owner for such Owner's Unit and such Owner's corresponding percentage of ownership in the Association.

In the event of damage to or destruction of any of Buildings or Common Elements as a result of fire or other casualty covered by insurance proceeds (unless more than two-thirds (2/3) of all buildings require reconstruction), the Board shall, in its discretion, with the prior written approval of a majority of the mortgagees of the Units affected, determine and, without intervention of any Unit Owner, arrange for the prompt repair and restoration of the damaged portions of all Units, Buildings and Common Elements substantially in accordance with the original plans and specification thereof. Where the insurance indemnity is insufficient to cover the cost of such repairs and restoration, the deficit shall be paid by all Unit Owners directly affected by the damage, in proportion to each Unit's percentage of ownership in the Association. The Board shall not be responsible for the repair, replacement or restoration of any wall, ceiling or floor decorations or covering, or furniture, furnishings, fixtures, appliances or equipment installed in the Unit by a Unit Owner or Occupant unless insurance therefore is specifically provided for in the insurance policy obtained by the Board.

Reconstruction shall not be compulsory where the whole or more than two-thirds (2/3) of all the Buildings are destroyed or damaged by fire or other casualty, as determined by the Board. In such case, and unless otherwise unanimously agreed upon by the Unit Owners and their mortgagees, the insurance proceeds shall be delivered to the Unit Owners or their mortgagees, as their interests may appear, in proportion to the respective interests of the Unit Owners, as computed by dividing the square footage of each Unit by the total square footage of all Units taken together; and the Board, as soon as reasonably possible and as agent for the Unit Owners, shall sell the Property, in its then condition, free from the effect of this Declaration, which shall terminate upon such sale, on terms satisfactory to the Board, and the net proceeds of such sale and the net proceeds of all insurance policies shall thereupon be distributed to the Unit Owners, shall sell the Property, In its then condition, free from the effect of this Declaration, which shall terminate upon such sale, on terms satisfactory to the Board, and the net proceeds of such sale and the net proceeds of all insurance policies shall thereupon be distributed to the Unit Owners or their mortgagees, as their interests may appear, in proportion to the percentage interest of each Unit Owner in the Association. If the Board fails to consummate a sale pursuant to this paragraph within twenty-four (24) month after the destruction or damage occurs, then the Managing Agent, or the Board, shall, or if they do not, any Unit Owner, or Mortgagee may, record a sworn Declaration setting forth such decision and reciting that under the provisions of this Declaration the prohibition against judicial partition provided for in this Declaration has terminated and that judicial partition of the Property may be obtained pursuant to the laws of the State of Tennessee. Upon final judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction decreeing such partition, this Declaration shall terminate.

The Board shall also have authority to and shall obtain comprehensive public liability insurance, in such amounts as it deems desirable, and workmen's compensation insurance and other liability insurance as it deems desirable, insuring each Unit Owner, mortgagee of record, if any, the

Association, its officers, directors, Board and employees, the Developer, and the Managing Agent, if any, from liability in connection with the Common Elements. The premiums for such insurance shall be a Common Expense. However, at the option of the Board, and upon written notice to all Unit Owners, premiums for such insurance shall be separately billed equally to each Unit Owner for such Owner's corresponding percentage of ownership in the Association. The board shall retain in safekeeping any such public liability policy for six (6) years after the expiration date of the policy.

The Board shall also have authority to and may obtain such insurance as it seems desirable, in such amounts, from such sources and in such forms as it deems desirable, insuring the Property and each member of the Board and officers of the Association, and members of any committee appointed pursuant to the Bylaws of the Association from liability arising from the fact that said person is or was director or officer of the Association, or a member of such a committee.

14. Maintenance, Repairs, Replacements and Easements.

(a) Obligations of Unit Owners. Each Unit Owner, at such Owner's expense, shall furnish and be responsible for all maintenance of, repairs to and replacements within the interior and the exterior of such Owner's Unit, including plumbing, pipes, wiring, appliances, exterior veneers and coverings and structural components of the Unit, including the roof. In addition, each Unit Owner shall be responsible for all porches, decks or patios, exterior glass, windows, including storm windows, screens, and doors, including storm doors and garage doors located on or within the Unit, the Private Elements applicable to such Unit and all Limited Common Elements applicable to such Unit. By way of clarification of the above, each Unit Owner shall be exclusively responsible to maintain its own Unit, Private Elements and Limited Common Elements, but excluding landscaping and yard maintenance. Upon the Unit Owner's default in performing such required maintenance, the Association shall the right, but no duty, upon thirty (30) days' advance written notice to said Unit Owner, to perform the necessary maintenance and to charge the costs thereof to said Unit Owner, which costs shall constitute a lien on the interest of such Unit Owner in the Unit as provided in the Act. **Exception: The Association will be responsible for the brick or other veneer of the units, as each exterior is inextricably linked to the adjacent Units.**

(b) Obligations of Association. The Association will be responsible to maintain the brick veneer of the units. The Association shall also be responsible to maintain the insurance described in Section 13 above, and to maintain the corporate status and existence of the Association. The Association shall have no responsibility to maintain any portion of the Private Elements or Limited Common Elements other than the brick veneer of the units, and all landscaping and yard maintenance. Other items of maintenance, repair and replacement in the Units shall be the responsibility of the Unit Owner. The cost of maintenance of repairs to and replacements which are the responsibility of the Association shall be part of the common expenses, subject to the Bylaws, rules and regulations of the Association. The Association shall arrange for trash pickup. Units owners are not permitted to have trash receptacles outside their units for personal use.

(c) Loss Attributable to Unit Owner. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if, due to the act or neglect of a Unit Owner, or the agent, servant, tenant, family member, invitee, licensee or pet thereof, damage shall be caused to the Common Elements or to a Unit or Units owned by others, or maintenance, repair or replacement are required which would otherwise be a common expense, then such Unit owner shall pay for such damage or such maintenance, repair and replacements, as may be determined by the Association, to the extent not covered by the Association's insurance, if any, or sufficient proceeds are not collected from the insurance carrier.

The authorized representative of the Association, Board or of the Managing Agent with approval of the Board shall be entitled to reasonable access to the individual Units and Private Elements as may be required in connection with the preservation of any individual Unit or Private Elements in the event of an emergency, or in connection with maintenance of, repairs or replacements within the Common Elements, Private Elements or any equipment, facilities or fixtures affecting or serving the other Units, Common Elements or Private Elements or to make any alteration required by any governmental authority.

(d) Party Walls. Each wall built as a part of the original construction of a structure upon the Private Elements and placed on the dividing line between two Units shall constitute a party wall and, to the extent not inconsistent with the provisions of this Declaration, the general rules of law regarding party walls and liability for property damage due to negligence or willful acts or omissions shall apply thereto.

The following provisions shall apply to all party walls constructed in the Property: (i) The cost of reasonable repair and maintenance of a party wall shall be shared by the Unit Owners who make use of the wall in proportion to such use. (ii) If a party wall is destroyed or damaged by fire or

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other casualty, any Unit Owner who has used the wall may restore it. If other Unit Owners make use of the wall, they shall contribute to the cost of restoration thereof in proportion to such use subject, however, to the right of any Unit Owners to call for a larger contribution from the others under any rule of law regarding liability for negligence or willful acts or omissions from the others under any rule of law regarding liability for negligence or willful acts or omissions. (iii) The Unit Owner may construct or reconstruct a party wall subject to and within the limitations of architectural control and other limitations of this Declaration with the right to go upon the adjoining Unit or Lot to the extent reasonably necessary to perform the construction. The construction shall be done expeditiously. Upon completion of the construction, the Unit Owner shall restore, as is reasonably practicable, the adjoining Unit to as near the same condition, which prevailed on or before the commencement of the construction. (iv) The right of any Unit Owner to contribution from any other Unit Owner under this Section shall be appurtenant to the land and shall pass to the Unit Owner's successors in title. (v) If any Unit Owner desires to sell his Unit, he may, in order to assure a prospective purchaser that no adjoining Unit Owner(s) provide a certification that no right of contribution exists. It shall be the duty of each adjoining Unit owner to make a certification as to whether there is any pending claim of contribution immediately upon request and without charge.

15. **Architectural Control, Alterations, Additions or Improvements.**

(a) Architectural Control. No structure may be erected, placed or altered on any Private Elements, and no building permit may be obtained, until the construction plans and building specifications and a plan showing (i) the location of improvements on the Private Elements; (ii) the grade elevation (including rear, front and side elevations); (iii) the type of exterior material and roof material (including delivery of samples thereof); (iv) the color of paint or stain to be applied to any exterior surfaces and the color of the roof material (including delivery of samples thereof); and (v) the location and size of the driveway (which shall be asphalt, unless otherwise approved by Developer), shall have been approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee which shall be appointed (a) by the Developer until such time as the Developer has sold all of its Units and thereafter (b) designated by the Board.

(b) Alterations, Additions or Improvements. Except as provided specifically herein, no alteration of any Common Elements or Private Elements, or any additions or improvements thereto, shall be made by any Unit Owner without the prior written approval of the Board after review and approval by the Architectural Control Committee. The Board may authorize and charge as common expenses alterations, additions, and improvements of the Common Elements and Private Elements as provided in the Bylaws. The expense of such charges shall be paid out of the reserves established in the Association's annual budget, which shall be funded by a portion of the annual assessments applicable to each Unit. Any Unit Owner may make non-structural alterations, additions or improvements within his Unit without the prior written approval of the Board, but such Unit Owner shall be responsible for any damage to other Units, the Common Elements, the Private Elements, the Property, or any part thereof, resulting from such alterations, additions or improvements.

16. **Decorating.** Each Unit Owner, at such Owner's expense, shall furnish and be responsible for all decorating within such Owner's Unit and Private Elements serving such Unit.

17. **Encroachments.** If any portion of the Common Elements shall actually encroach upon any Unit or Private Elements, or if any Unit or Private Elements shall actually encroach upon any portions of the Common Elements, or if any Unit or Private Elements shall actually encroach upon another Unit or Private Elements, as the Common Elements, Units and Private Elements are shown by the Plat, there shall be deemed to be mutual easements in favor of the owners of the Common Elements and the respective Unit Owners involved, to the extent of such encroachments, so long as the same shall exist.

The Association shall have the right to grant permits, licenses and easements over the Common Elements for utilities, roads, and other purposes reasonably necessary or useful for the proper maintenance or operation of the horizontal property regime.

18. **Association's Right to Purchase at a Foreclosure Sale.** The board shall have the power and authority to bid and purchase, for and on behalf of any Unit, or interest therein, at a sale pursuant to a deed of trust or mortgage foreclosure, a foreclosure of the lien for common expenses under the Act, or an order or direction of a court, or at any other involuntary sale, upon the consent or approval of Unit Owners owning not less than one-half (1/2) of the total votes of the Unit Owners. Such consent shall set forth a maximum price which the Board or its duly authorized agent may bid and pay for said Unit.

The Board shall have authority to make such mortgage arrangements and special assessments proportionately among the respective Unit Owners, and other such financing arrangements as the Board may deem desirable, in order to close and consummate the purchase or lease of a Unit, or interest therein,

by the Association. However, no such financing arrangement may be secured by an encumbrance on any interest in the Property other than the Unit, or interest therein, to be purchased or leased, and the percentage interest in the Association appurtenant thereto.

19. Use and Occupancy Restrictions. Subject to the provisions of the By-Laws, no part of the Property may be used for purposes other than housing and the related common purposes for which the Property was designed and as allowed by municipal zoning laws. Each Unit shall be used as a residence or such other use permitted by this Declaration, and for no other purpose, except that professional and quasi-professional people may use their residence (not in violation of municipal zoning laws) as an ancillary or secondary facility to an office established elsewhere, provided such use does not create traffic by the public to the Unit. The foregoing restrictions as to residence shall not, however, be construed in such manner as to prohibit a Unit Owner form: (a) maintaining his personal professional library; (b) keeping his personal business or professional records or accounts; or (c) handling his personal business or professional telephone calls or correspondence. Such uses are expressly declared customarily incident to the principal residential use and not in violation of said restrictions or municipal zoning law.

No unit or Common Elements may be used in violation of the restrictions and provisions contained in the Bylaws. No building or other structure shall be erected, altered or permitted to remain as part of any Unit except in conformance with this Declaration.

The Common Elements shall be used only by the Unit Owners and their agents, servants, tenants, family members, invitees and licensees for access, ingress to and egress from the respective Units and for such other purposes incidental to use of the Units; provided, however, that any areas designed for a specific use shall be used for the purposes approved by the Board. The use, maintenance and operation of the Common Elements shall not be obstructed, damaged or unreasonably interfered with by any Unit Owner, and shall be subject to any lease, concession or easement, presently in existence or entered into by the Board at some future time, affecting any part or all of said Common Elements.

In addition to the above, the following restrictions shall apply:

(a) Improvement and Setback Restrictions. No building or structure, or any part thereof, shall be located on any Unit so that the improvements exceed the boundaries of the Unit. No encroachment upon any utility easement reserved on the Plat shall be authorized or permitted.

(b) Walls, Fences and Hedges. None permitted to be added, except by the Association.

(c) Storage Tanks and Refuse Disposal. No exposed above-ground tanks or receptacles shall be permitted for the storage of fuel, water, or any other substance, except for refuse produced through normal daily living and of a nature which is satisfactory for pick-up by the Department of Public Works or its equivalent. Incinerators for garbage, trash, or other refuse shall not be used or permitted to be erected or placed on or adjacent to any Unit. All equipment, coolers, and garbage cans shall be concealed inside the Unit.

(d) Signs and Advertisements. No sign, advertisement, billboard or advertising structure of any kind shall be erected upon or displayed or otherwise exposed to view on any Unit or any improvement thereon without the prior written consent of all Unit Owners; provided that this requirement shall not preclude the installation by Developer and/or any builder of signs identifying the entire residential development and provided further that this requirement shall not preclude the placement by Owners of one "For Sale" sign of customary size and style (24"x36" maximum allowed).

(e) Use of Temporary Structures. No structure of a temporary character, mobile home, camper, trailer, basement, tent, shack, garage, barn, or other outbuilding shall be erected or moved onto any Unit. No structure of any kind except a dwelling house may be occupied as a residence, and the outside of any building so occupied must be completed before occupancy, including landscaping. Temporary structures may be used as building or sales offices and for related purposes during the construction period by the Developer, any builder, or their assigns.

(f) Storage of Automobiles. Prohibition of Boats, Trailers and Other Vehicles. No inoperative vehicles may be stored in any location within the Properties. No recreational vehicles (including, but not limited to, campers, trailers, boats, boat trailers and travel trailers) may be stored anywhere on the Parcel. Additionally, no tractor trailers, buses, or other large commercial vehicles may be parked anywhere within the Properties. The foregoing shall not apply to construction vehicles of the Developer or any builder. Overnight parking of any vehicle, trailer or other wheeled instrument or equipment on any driveway within the Properties (outside of any designated parking areas) shall not be permitted.

(g) Outside Lighting. No Unit Owner may alter or add any outside lighting, except with the prior written approval of all Unit Owners.

(h) Maximum Height of Antennae. Unless approved by Developer, no electronic antenna or device of any type other than an antenna for receiving normal television signals shall be erected, constructed, placed, or permitted to remain on any Unit, house, or building. Television antennas must be located to the rear of the roof ridge line, gable or center line of the Unit. No antennae shall be permitted to extend above the roof of the Unit or shall be erected on a wooden pole. Provided, however, that Owner shall be entitled to install and erect digital satellite equipment, including satellite dishes, provided that the diameter of any such dish shall not exceed twenty (20) inches.

(i) Oil and Mining Operations. No oil drilling, oil development operations, oil refining, quarrying, or mining operations shall be permitted on any Unit, nor shall oil wells, tanks, tunnels, mineral excavations or shafts be permitted upon or in any Unit. No derrick or other structure designed for use in boring for oil or natural gas shall be erected, maintained, or permitted upon any Unit.

(j) Use of Premises. Each Unit shown on the Plat shall be used only for residential purposes and not otherwise.

(k) Animals and Pets. A Unit Owner or other Occupant of a Unit shall keep no more than two (2) dogs or cats (for a combined total of two (2)) per Unit and a reasonable number of other generally recognized household pets, as determined in the Board's sole discretion, weighing less than two (2) pounds each (including by way of illustration, but not limitation, fish, gerbils and small birds). Notwithstanding the above, no Unit Owner or other Occupant of a Unit shall keep or bring onto the Condominium Property, at any time, any animal, as determined in the sole discretion of the Board that presents an inherent danger to the health and safety of other Unit Owners and occupants, and their guests, including, but not limited to, venomous snakes and spiders. Notwithstanding the foregoing, pets must be kept on a leash and be under the physical control of a responsible person at all times while on the Common Elements. No device or structure may be temporarily or permanently placed upon or affixed to the Common Elements or Limited Common Elements for purposes of restraining or housing a pet, including, but not limited to, chains or doghouses. Feces and/or other bodily excrements left upon the Common Elements by pets must be immediately removed by the owner of the pet or the person responsible for the pet.

The Board may require that any animal that, in the Board's opinion, endangers or potentially may endanger the health of any Unit Owner or Occupant of a Unit or creates or potentially may create a nuisance or unreasonable disturbance, be permanently removed from the Property upon seven (7) days written notice. If the owner or person responsible for the pet fails to do so, the Board may remove the pet. Any pet that in the Board's sole discretion presents an immediate danger to the health, life-safety or property of any community member may be removed by the Board without prior notice to the pet's owner. Any Unit Owner or Occupant who keeps or maintains any pet upon the Properly shall be deemed to have agreed to indemnify and hold Declarant, the Association, and their directors, officers, employees, and agents free and harmless from any loss, claim or liability of any kind or character whatever arising by reason of keeping or maintaining such pet within, or removing it from, the Property.

(l) Nuisances and Unsightly Materials. No house or other structure on any Unit shall be used for any business or commercial purpose. Each Owner or Occupant shall refrain from any act or use of his Unit which could reasonably cause embarrassment, discomfort, annoyance, or nuisance to others. No noxious, offensive, or illegal activity shall be carried on upon any Unit. No unlicensed motorized vehicle shall be permitted to be operated on or in the Common areas. No Unit shall be used, in whole or in part, for the storage of rubbish of any character whatsoever; nor shall any substance, thing, or material be kept upon any Unit which will emit foul or noxious odors, or which will cause any noise that will or might disturb the peace and quiet of the Owners or Occupants of surrounding Lots or property. The foregoing shall not be construed to prohibit the temporary deposits of trash and other debris for pick-up by garbage and trash removal service units.

(m) Hobbies and Activities. The pursuit of any inherently dangerous activity or hobby, including, without limitation, the assembly and disassembly of motor vehicles or other mechanical devices, the shooting of firearms, fireworks, or pyrotechnic devices of any type or size, and other such activities shall not be pursued or undertaken on any part of any Lot or upon the Common Areas without the consent of all Units Owners.

(n) Governmental Restrictions. Each Owner shall observe all governmental building codes, health regulations, zoning restrictions, and other regulations applicable to his Unit. In the event of any conflict between any provision of any such governmental code, regulation, or restriction and any provisions of this Declaration, the more restrictive provision shall apply.

20. **Remedies.** If a dispute arises from or relates to these covenants or the breach thereof, and if the dispute cannot be settled through direct discussions, the parties agree to endeavor first to settle the dispute by mediation administered by the American Arbitration Association under its Commercial Mediation Rules before resorting to arbitration. Any unresolved controversy or claim arising from or relating to these restrictions and covenants, or any other dispute under this Declaration shall be settled by arbitration administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its Commercial Arbitration Rules, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. If the parties agree, a mediator involved in the parties' mediation may be asked to serve as the arbitrator.

In the event of any violation of the provisions of the Act, this Declaration, Bylaws, or rules and regulations of the Association by any Unit Owner (either by the Unit Owner's own conduct or by the conduct of any other Occupant of such Owner's Unit), the Association, or its successors or assigns, or the Board, or its agent, and any Unit Owner(s) shall have each and all of the rights and remedies which may be provided for in the Act, this Declaration, Bylaws, or said rules and regulations, or which may be available at law or in equity, and may prosecute an action or other proceedings against such defaulting Unit Owner and/or others for enforcement of any lien and the appointment of a receiver for the Unit and ownership interest of such Unit Owner, or for damages or injunction or specific performance, or for judgment for payment of money and collection thereof, or the right to sell the Unit through judicial process as provided hereinbefore, or for any combination of remedies, or for any other relief. All expenses of the Board in connection with any such actions or proceedings, including court costs and attorney's fees and other fees and expenses and all damages, liquidated or otherwise, together with interest thereon at the rate of eighteen (18%) percent per annum until paid, shall be charged to and assessed against such defaulting Unit Owner, and shall be added to and deemed part of such Owner's respective share of the common expenses, and the Board shall have a lien for all of the same, as well as for nonpayment of the Unit Owner's respective share of the common expenses, upon the Unit and ownership interest in the Association of such defaulting Unit Owner and upon all of such Owner's additions and improvements thereto and upon all of such Owner's personal property in such Owner's Unit or located elsewhere on the Property; provided, however, that such lien shall be subordinate to the lien of a recorded first mortgage or deed of trust on the interest of such Unit Owner, except for the amount of the proportionate share of said common expenses which become due and payable from and after the date on which the said mortgage or deed of trust owner or holder either takes possession of the Unit, accepts a conveyance of any interest therein (other than as a security) or files suit to foreclose its mortgage or deed of trust. In the event of any such default by any Unit Owner, the Board and the manager or Managing Agent, if so authorized by the Board, shall have the authority to correct such default, and to do whatever may be necessary for such purpose and all expenses in connection therewith shall be charged to and assessed against such defaulting Unit Owner. Any and all such rights and remedies may be exercised at any time and from time to time, cumulatively or otherwise, by the Board. This paragraph shall not be amended, changed, modified, or rescinded without the prior consent of all holders of record of mortgages and deeds of trust against Units.

The violation of any restriction or condition or regulation adopted by the Board or the breach of any covenant or provision herein contained, shall give the Board the right, in addition to any other rights provided for in this Declaration: (a) to enter (either peaceably or forcibly by court action without liability to such Unit Owner for such entry) upon the Unit, or any portion of the Property upon which or as to which such violation or breach exists, and to summarily abate and remove, at the expense of the defaulting Unit Owner, any structure, thing or condition that may exist thereon contrary to the intent and meaning of the provisions hereof, and the Board, or its employees or agents, shall not thereby be deemed guilty in any manner of trespass; or (b) to enjoin, abate or remedy by appropriate legal proceedings, either at law or in equity, the continuance of any breach: or (c) to take possession (either peaceably or forcibly by court action without liability to such Unit Owner for such entry) of such Unit Owner's interest in the Property and to maintain an action for possession of such Unit in the manner provided by law. **Voting rights of any Unit Owner are suspended during any period during which the Unit Owner is delinquent on payments to the Association.**

In addition to the other remedies provided for herein, in the event of a default by a Unit Owner in the payment of such Unit Owner's respective share of the common expenses which default continues for a period of ninety (90) days, the Board shall have the power and authority to place such Unit Owner's name on a list of delinquent Unit Owners, which list may be posted at a place designated by the Board for notices.

21. **Amendments.** Except as specifically stated elsewhere herein, and except for this Section 21, any provisions of this Declaration may be changed, modified or rescinded by an instrument in writing, setting forth such change, modification or rescission, signed by Unit Owners owning not less than all of the total Units, including the votes or Units of the Developer, provided, however, that all lien holders of record have been notified by certified mail of such change, modification or rescission, and an affidavit by the secretary of the Association certifying to such mailing is made a part of such instrument, and further

provided that during the period of time that the Developer maintains weighted voting rights under Class B membership in the Association such amendment(s) shall require approval by FHA, VA and/or HUD prior to becoming effective.

However, if the Act, this Declaration, or the By-Laws require the consent or agreement of all Unit Owners or of all lien holders for any action specified in the Act or in this Declaration, then any instrument amending, modifying or rescinding any provision of this Declaration with respect to such action shall be signed by all Unit Owners and/or all lien holders or both as required by the Act or this Declaration. The change, modification, or rescission, whether accomplished under the provisions of the preceding paragraph, shall be effective upon the recording of such instrument in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Davidson County, Tennessee: provided, however, that no provisions in this Declaration may be changed, modified or rescinded so as to conflict with the provisions of the Act.

Notwithstanding the above, the Developer shall have the right to make and record any necessary amendment to this instrument for the express purpose of completion of development or correction of clerical errors, or as may be required to obtain FHA/VA, FNMA, FHLMC or other desired approval for the horizontal property regime. Additionally, so long as the Developer maintains weighted voting rights under Class B membership in the Association, the Developer shall have the right and authority to reconfigure the layout, floorplan or other aspects of any Units or the location of any Units as determined by the Developer.

Any amendments adopted pursuant to this Section shall be evidenced by a supplemental Declaration signed by a party or parties holding the requisite number of votes required to adopt the amendment, which Supplemental Declaration shall be recorded in the Register's Office for Davidson County, Tennessee. Any such Supplemental Declaration which has been properly enacted or adopted, shall be binding upon all Owners without regard for whether all of the Owners signed the subject Supplemental Declaration.

Developer reserves the right to annex additional property into the development.

22. Notices. Notices provided for in the Act, Declaration or Bylaws shall be in writing, and shall be addressed if to a Unit Owner, to the address of such Owner's Unit, and if to the Association or Board, as the case may, be to the registered office, as set forth in Charter of the Association or to such other address as may be designated by the Association or Board from time to time, or at such other address as may be hereinafter provided. The Association or Board may designate a different address or addresses for notices to them, respectively, by giving written notice to the Association. Notices addressed as above shall be deemed delivered when mailed by United States registered or certified mail, or when delivered in person with written acknowledgment of the receipt thereof.

Upon written request to the Board, the holder of any recorded mortgage or trust deed encumbering any Unit shall be given a copy of all notices permitted or required by this Declaration to be given to the Owner or Owners whose Unit is subject to such mortgage or trust deed.

23. Severability. If any provision of the Declaration or Bylaws, or any section, sentence, clause, phrase, word, or the application thereof in any circumstance, is held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Declaration and the Bylaws and of the application of any such provision, section, sentence, clause, phrase or word in any other circumstances shall not be affected thereby and the remainder of this Declaration or the Bylaws shall be construed as if such invalid part was never included therein.

24. Perpetuities and Restraints on Alienation. If any of the options, privileges, covenants, or rights created by this Declaration shall be unlawful, void or voidable for violation of the rule against perpetuities, then such provisions shall continue only until twenty-one (21) years after the death of the survivor of the now living descendants of the Governor of Tennessee holding office as of the date of this Declaration.

25. Rights and Obligations. Each Grantee of Developer, by the acceptance of a deed of conveyance, accepts the same subject to all restrictions, conditions, covenants, reservations, liens, and charges, and the jurisdiction, rights, and powers created or reserved by this Declaration. All future Unit Owners and Occupants shall be subject to and shall comply with the provisions of this Declaration. Any restrictions or rules in the By-Laws which are more than administrative in nature such as, but not limited to, reservations and future rights of Developer are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Declaration by reference. All rights, benefits and privileges hereby imposed shall be deemed and taken to be covenants running with the land, and shall bind any person having at any time any interest or estate in said land, and shall inure to the benefit of such grantee in like manner as though the provisions of this Declaration were recited and stipulated at length in each and every deed of conveyance or contract for conveyance.

All present and future Unit Owners, tenants and Occupants of a Unit shall be subject to, and shall comply with, the provisions of the By-Laws appended hereto and recorded herewith as they may be amended from time to time. The acceptances of a deed of conveyance, devise, or of a lease to a Unit, or the entering into occupancy of any Unit shall constitute an agreement that the provisions of the By-Laws,

and any Rules and Regulations promulgated thereunder, as they may be amended from time to time, are assumed, accepted and ratified by such Unit Owner or Occupant, and all of such provisions shall be deemed and taken to be covenants running with the land and shall bind any person having at any time any interest or estate in such Unit, as though such provisions were recited and stipulated at length in each and every deed, conveyance or lease thereof.

The terms and conditions of the Declaration, By-Laws, and rules and regulations of the Association may be incorporated by reference in, and become part of, the agreement between any first mortgagee and any present or future Unit Owner who enters into such an agreement with a first mortgagee. When so incorporated, any default in the terms and conditions of this Declaration, By-Laws, and rules and regulations may be considered by the first mortgagee as a default, whereupon said first mortgagee, after exercising its option to declare a default, shall then have all of the rights and privileges arising as a result of a default under its agreement with said Unit Owner.

26. Trustee as Unit Owner. In the event title to any Unit is conveyed to a land title-holding trust, under the terms of which all powers of management, operation, and control of the Unit remain vested in the trust beneficiary or beneficiaries, then the beneficiaries thereunder shall be considered Unit Owners for all purposes and they shall be responsible for payment of all obligations, liens or indebtedness and for the performance of all agreements, covenants and undertakings chargeable or created under this Declaration against such Unit. No claim shall be made against any such title-holding trustee personally for payment of any lien or obligation hereunder created, and the trustee shall not be obligated to sequester funds or trust property to apply in whole or in part against such lien or obligation. The amount of any such lien or obligation shall continue to be a charge or lien upon the Unit and the beneficiaries of such trust, notwithstanding any transfers of the beneficial interest of any such trust or any transfer of title to such Unit.

27. Condemnation. In the event of a taking of part of the Common Elements in condemnation or by eminent domain, the award made for such taking shall be payable to the Association. If a majority of the Board in their sole and absolute discretion approve the repair and restoration of such Common Elements, the Board shall arrange for the repair and restoration of such Common Elements, and the Board shall disburse the proceeds of such award to the contractors engaged in such repair and restoration in appropriate progress payments. In the event the Board does not approve the repair and commence restoration of such Common Elements within one hundred twenty (120) days after taking by the public or private authority, the Board shall disburse the net proceeds of such award on the basis of such Unit's percentage of ownership in the Association to the Unit Owners and the mortgages as their interests may appear.

28. Rights Reserved. Unit Owner's right of enjoyment in the property commonly owned by the Association as herein created shall be subject to:

a) The right of the Association, as provided in its By-Laws or rules and regulations, to suspend the enjoyment rights of any member for any period during which any assessment remains unpaid, and for such period as it considers appropriate for any infraction of its published rules and regulations;

b) The right of the Association to charge reasonable fees for the use of any part or parts of the Common Elements;

c) The right of the Association to diminish in any way or to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Elements to any public agency or authority for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the members entitled to vote thereon, provided that no such diminution or dedication or transfer or determination as to the purposes or as to the conditions thereof, shall be effective unless both members of the Association have agreed to such dedication, transfer, purpose, or condition; and

d) The right of the Association to grant such easements and rights-of-way to such utility companies or public agencies or authorities as it shall deem necessary for the proper servicing and maintenance of the Common Elements and the Units.

29. Provisions Relative to Mortgagee's rights and to Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation and Federal National Mortgage Association Regulations. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Declaration or in the By-Laws of the Association which are attached hereto, all terms, conditions, regulations, and requirements which are now existing, or which may be amended from time to time by the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, or the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, pertaining to Planned Unit Developments, if applicable, are hereby incorporated as terms and conditions of this Declaration and By-Laws and such shall be governing upon

the Property, Developer, and the Association, so long as such terms or conditions are not inconsistent with the laws of the State of Tennessee as found in T.C.A., § 66-27-101. *et seq.*, as amended.

Specifically, without limitation upon the foregoing, the following declarations shall be controlling over any terms of this Declaration or By-Laws which are in conflict therewith. Any portions of this Declaration or By-Laws which are in conflict with this paragraph, or any portion of the regulations of the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, or the Federal Home Loan Bank Board, pertaining to apartments, are hereby deleted and the following rights of mortgagees are itemized as follows:

a) A first mortgagee, and any insurer or guarantor of any mortgage or deed of trust, under a Unit at such party's request is entitled to a financial statement of the Association for the preceding fiscal year.

b) Any first mortgagee, or other transferee, of a Unit who comes into possession of the Unit pursuant to the remedies provided in the mortgage, or deed of trust, or by foreclosure of the mortgage or deed of trust, or by deed in lieu of foreclosure, 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.

c) Unless all (100%) of the first mortgagees (based upon one (1) vote for each mortgage owned), or owners (other than the Developer) of Units have given their prior written approval, the Association shall not be entitled to:

   i) Change the percentage interests of ownership of all or any Unit or Unit Owners, except that percentage ownership of the Association may be reduced due to the addition of a phase or phases to the horizontal property regime as provided hereinabove.

   ii) Partition or subdivide any Unit or the Common Elements.

   iii) By act or omission seek to abandon the horizontal property regime or status of the Property, or encumber, sell or transfer the Common Elements, except for the granting of easements for public utilities or for other public purposes consistent with the intended use of the Common Elements.

   iv) Use hazard insurance proceeds for losses to any Property (whether to individual Units or Common Elements) for other than the repair, replacement or reconstruction of such improvements, except as provided by T.C.A. Section 66-27-118, in case of substantial loss to the Units and/or Common Elements to the horizontal property regime.

d) Unit Owners, first mortgage holders, and insurers or guarantors of any first mortgage shall have the right to examine the books, records, current copies of the Declaration and Bylaws, rules and regulations of the Association during normal business hours and upon request.

e) An adequate reserve fund for maintenance, repair and replacement of the Common Elements which must be replaced on a periodic basis will be established and funded by regular monthly payments rather than by special assessments. A working capital fund for the initial months of operation equal to at least two (2) months' assessments for each Unit must be established, collected and transferred to the Association at the time of closing of sale by the Developer of each Unit and maintained in an account for the use and benefit of the Association.

f) As set forth in T.C.A., Section 66-27-120, all taxes, assessments, and charges which may become liens prior to the first mortgage under the laws of the State of Tennessee shall relate only to the individual Unit and not to horizontal regime as a whole.

g) No Unit Owner, or any other party, shall have priority over any rights of the first mortgagees of Units and/or Common Elements.

h) Any agreement for professional management of the horizontal property regime, whether it be by the developer, its successors and assigns, or any other person or entity, may be terminated on ninety (90) days' written notice, and the terms of any such contract shall so provide and shall not be of a duration in excess of three (3) years. Prior to passage of control from the Developer, the Association shall not be bound, directly or indirectly, to contracts or leases unless there is a right of termination of such upon not more than ninety (90) days' notice without penalty.

i) Upon written request, the Association shall give to any mortgagee of a Unit, the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, or any lending institution

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servicing such mortgages as are acquired by the FHLMC or FNMA, or any insurer or guarantor of a mortgage or deed of trust on a Unit, timely notice in writing of any loss to or the taking of Common Elements if such loss or taking exceeds $50,000.00, or of any other condemnation or casualty loss that affects either a material portion of the project or the Unit securing its mortgage, a lapse, cancellation or material modification of any insurance policy or fidelity bond maintained by the Association, or any proposed action that requires the consent of a specified percentage of mortgagees. The Association may rely upon the information contained in the book entitled "Mortgage of Units" as must be established pursuant to the By-Laws, for a list of mortgagees to be notified hereby.

j) The interest of a first mortgagee in a mortgaged Unit shall be superior to the interest of any person, group, partnership, corporation, or entity of any kind, including any interest the Association, Developer, or any Unit Owner may have in any portion of the premises, regardless of the nature of the interest or the manner in which it is acquired.

k) Notwithstanding the above, any first mortgagee shall have all of the rights granted to a first mortgagee herein, and in addition shall have all of the rights granted to an institutional first mortgagee under its Deed of Trust, and under the laws of the State of Tennessee.

l) A first mortgagee of a Unit Owner, upon written request, is entitled to written notification from the Association of any default in the performance by such Unit Owner of any obligation under this Declaration and/or Bylaws which is not cured within sixty (60) days.

m) The casualty and liability insurance and fidelity bond coverage required to be maintained by the Association shall meet the requirements specified in FNMA Lending Guide, Chapter Three, Part 5, "Insurance Requirements."

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Declaration this the 25 day of January, 2021.

DEVELOPER:

APEX BUILDING SOLUTIONS, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company

By: _____

Name: Gary Wisniewski

Title: Vice President

STATE OF Tennessee
COUNTY OF Wilson

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for the County and State, the within named Gary Wisniewski, with whom I am personally acquainted (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence), and who, upon oath, acknowledged himself/themselves to be Vice President of Apex Building Solutions, LLC , a Tennessee limited liability company, and that he, acting in such capacity, and authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument on behalf of said company for the purposes therein contained.

Witness my hand and seal this the 25th day of January, 2021

Shelley Harper
Notary Public

SHELLEY HARPER
STATE OF TENNESSEE NOTARY PUBLIC
WILSON COUNTY

Class B. The Class B member shall be the Developer and shall be entitled to five (5) votes for each Unit owned. The class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership on the happening of either of the following events, whichever occurs earlier:

(i) when one hundred percent (100%) of the Units in all phases of **MERIDIAN PLACE** which are contemplated to be platted have been sold by Developer; or

(ii) February 1, 2031.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, no Unit Owner who is in default in the payment of assessments hereunder shall be entitled to exercise the right to vote hereunder until such Owner has cured such default. A Unit Owner shall be deemed to be in default if such Owner has not paid his or her assessments to the Board or their agent, within ten (10) days after the date such assessments are due. A Unit Owner may protest the amount of the assessment, but it still must be paid during the pendency of the protest to the Board.

Section 8. **Quorum.** Unless otherwise required by law, two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast by Unit owners must be represented at any meeting of the Unit Owners to constitute a quorum on that matter. If, however, such quorum is not represented at any such meeting, the Unit Owners present at the meeting in person or represented by proxy shall have the power to adjourn the meeting and schedule a follow-up meeting at which the quorum requirement shall be one-half of that required for the previous meeting. Notice of the follow-up meeting shall be given in similar manner to the previous meeting. At such time as a quorum is present, the meeting shall be held when any business may be transacted which might have been transacted at the meeting as provided in the original notice.

Section 9. **Voting Requirements.** Except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws, the Declaration or the Act, action on any matter voted upon at a meeting of the Unit Owners is approved if a majority of the Unit Owners vote in favor of the action. However, Directors shall be elected by a plurality of the votes cast by the Unit Owners entitled to vote in the election at a meeting of the Unit Owners at which a quorum is present. Unit Owner shall vote in person or by proxy executed in writing by the Unit Owner. No proxy shall be valid after eleven (11) months from the date of its execution or upon conveyance by the Unit Owner of his Unit. No proxy shall be valid unless promulgated by the Board of Directors as an official proxy. A corporate Unit Owner's vote shall be cast by the President of the Unit Owner corporation or by any other office or proxy appointed by the President or designated by the Board of Directors of such corporation. Voting on all matters except the election of directors shall be by voice vote or by show of hands unless a majority of the Unit Owners present at the meeting shall, prior to the voting on any matters, demand a ballot vote on that particular matter. Where directors or officers are to be elected by the Unit Owner, the official solicitation of proxies for such elections may be conducted by mail.

Section 10. **Action by Written Consent.** Action which is required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Unit Owners may be taken without such a meeting if all Unit Owners entitled to vote on the action consent to taking such action without a meeting. If all of such Unit Owners so consent, the affirmative vote of the number of votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting shall be the act of the Unit Owners, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws. Such consent (or counterpart(s) thereof) shall describe the action taken, be in writing, be signed by each Unit Owner entitled to vote on the action, indicate each signing Unit Owner's vote or abstention on the action, and be delivered to the Secretary of the Association and included in the minutes or Association records.

Section 11. **Action by Written Ballot** Any action which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of Unit Owners may be taken without a meeting if the Association delivers a written ballot to every Unit Owner entitled to vote on the matter. The written ballot shall set forth each proposed action and shall provide an opportunity to vote for or against each proposed action. Approval by written ballot shall be valid only when the number of votes cast by ballot equals or exceeds the quorum required to be present at a meeting authorizing the action, and the number of approvals equals or exceeds the number of votes that would be required to approve the matter at a meeting at which the total number of votes cast was the same as the number of votes cast by ballot. All solicitations for votes by written ballot shall:

(a) Indicate the number of responses needed to meet the quorum requirements.

(b) State the percentage of approvals necessary to approve each matter other than election of Directors; and

(c) Specify the time by which the ballot must be received by the Association in order to be counted.

ARTICLE II

Board of Directors

Section 1. **Number, Election and Term of Office.** The Board of Directors of the Association (referred to in the Horizontal Property Act of the State of Tennessee as the "board of administrators" and sometimes referred to herein as the "Board") shall consist of two (2) persons (hereinafter referred to as "Directors"). Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of Association's Unit Owners by the vote of Unit Owners (including the Developer and any builders) as hereinafter provided, except that the Developer shall appoint the interim Board of Directors ("Interim Board") to serve until all of the Units are sold and transferred out of the Developer. From and after the time that all of the Units are sold and transferred out of the Developer, each Unit Owner shall appoint and elect one of the two Directors. Nothing in this Declaration shall be construed to mean that the Developer and any builder do no have voting rights as a Unit Owner, and the Developer hereby specifically declares that the Developer, together with its successors and any builder(s) shall have and maintain the voting rights applicable to the Units owned by them (and any weighted voting rights shall remain applicable.)

Section 2. **Qualifications.** Except for those persons making up the Interim Board, each Director shall be a Unit Owner or the spouse of a Unit Owner (or, if a Unit Owner is a trustee of a trust, a Director may be a beneficiary of such trust, and if a Unit Owner or such a beneficiary is a corporation or partnership, a Director may be an officer, partner or employee of such Unit Owner or beneficiary). If a director shall cease to meet such qualifications during his term, he shall thereupon cease to be a Director and his place on the Board shall be deemed vacant. Notwithstanding the above, until such time as the Developer has sold each and every Unit owned by the Developer, any person designated by the Developer as a qualified candidate for a Director position shall be deemed to be so qualified without regard to their ownership or non-ownership of a Unit.

Section 3. **Vacancies.** Any vacancy occurring in the Board shall be filled by vote or appointment by the Unit Owner represented by the vacant post. Any Director so elected to fill a vacancy shall hold office for a term equal to the unexpired term of the Director whom he succeeds.

Section 4. **Regular Meetings.** Except as otherwise provided herein, regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held without notice at such time and place as the Board of Directors shall determine from time to time, but no less frequently than once a year.

Section 5. **Special Meetings.** Special meeting of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or by any one (1) Director.

Section 6. **Notice of Meetings.** Except as otherwise provided herein, regular meetings of the Board of Directors may be held without notice of the date, time, place, or purpose of the meeting. Except as otherwise provided herein, special meetings of the Board of Directors must be preceded by at least two (2) days' notice to each Director of the date, time and place, but not the purpose, of such special meeting. Notice of any adjourned meeting need not be given if the time and place to which the meeting is adjourned are fixed at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, and if the period of adjournment does not exceed one (1) month in any one (1) adjournment.

Section 7. **Waiver of Notice.** If a Director attends or participates in a meeting, he or she waives any required notice to him or her of the meeting unless the Director at the beginning of the meeting (or promptly upon arrival) objects to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting and does not thereafter vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting.

Section 8. **Quorum and Voting.** A quorum of the Board of Directors consists of all (and no fewer than two (2)) of the Directors then in office before a meeting begins. If a quorum is present

when a vote is taken, the affirmative vote of a majority of the Directors present is the act of the Board of Directors, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws.

Section 9. Vacancy. If a vacancy occurs on the Board of Directors, including a vacancy resulting from an increase in the number of Directors or a vacancy resulting from a removal of a Director with or without cause, the affected Unit Owners shall fill the vacancy.

Any Director elected to fill a vacancy shall hold office for a term equal to the unexpired term of the Director succeeded.

Section 10. Removal of Directors. The Unit Owners may, by unanimous agreement, remove any one (1) or more Directors, with or without cause, at any special meeting which is specifically called for that purpose.

Section 11. Action Without Meeting. Action which is required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Board of Directors may be taken without such a meeting if all Directors consent to taking such action without a meeting. If all Directors so consent, the affirmative vote of the number of directors that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting shall be the act of the Board, except as otherwise provided in these Bylaws. Such consent(s) shall describe the action taken, be in writing, be signed by each Director entitled to vote, indicate each signing Director's vote or abstention on the action, and be delivered to the Secretary of the Association and included in the minutes filed with the Association's records.

Section 12. Indemnification. With respect to claims or liabilities arising out of service as a Director of the Association, the Association shall indemnify and advance expenses to each present and future Director (and his or her estate, heirs, and personal representatives) to the fullest extent allowed by the laws of the State of Tennessee, both as now in effect and as hereafter adopted or amended.

Section 13. Immunity. To the fullest extent allowed by the laws of the State of Tennessee, both as now in effect and as hereafter adopted or amended, each present and future Director (and his or her estate, heirs, and personal representatives) shall be immune from suit arising from the conduct of the affairs of the Association.

Section 14. Compensation. Directors shall receive no compensation for their services as Directors, unless expressly provided for in resolutions duly adopted by the Unit Owners.

Section 15. Powers and Duties. The Board shall have the following powers and duties:

(a) to elect and remove the officers of the Association as hereinafter provided;

(b) to administer the affairs of the Association and the Property;

(c) to engage the services of an agent (hereinafter sometimes called the 'Managing Agent") to maintain, repair, replace, administer, and operate the Property or any part thereof for all Unit Owners, upon such terms and for such compensation and with such authority as the Board may approve; provided however, that the First Board, appointed as provided herein, shall ratify and approve the Management Agreement between the Developer, on behalf of the Association, and a management corporation, to act as Managing Agent for the Property for a term as approved by said First Board, but not to exceed one (1) year, and in accordance with Section 29(h) of the Declaration; provided further, that the Board shall not have the authority to adopt any form of management of the Property which excluded professional management by and independent agent;

(d) to formulate policies for the administration, management and operation of the Property and the Common Elements thereof;

(e) to adopt rules and regulations, with written notice thereof to all Unit Owners, governing the administration, management, operation and use of the Property and the Common Elements, and to amend such rules and regulations from time to time and to establish reasonable financial assessments for infractions thereof;

(f) to provide for the maintenance, repair, and replacement of the Common Elements and payments therefore, and to approve payment vouchers or to delegate such approval to the officers or the manager or Managing Agent;

(g) to provide for the designation, hiring and removal of employees and other personnel, including accountants and attorneys, and to engage or contract for the services of others, and to make purchases for the maintenance, repair, replacement, administration, management, and operation of the Property and the Common Elements, and to delegate any such powers to the Managing Agent (and any such employees or other personnel who may be the employees of a Managing Agent);

(h) to appoint committees of the Board and to delegate to such committees the Board's authority to carry out certain duties of the Board;

(i) to determine the fiscal year of the Association and to change said fiscal year from time to time as the Board deems advisable;

(j) to estimate the amount of the annual budget, and to provide the manner of assessing and collecting from Unit Owners their respective shares of such estimated expenses, as hereinafter provided;

(k) unless otherwise provided herein or in the Declaration, to comply with the instructions of a majority of the Unit Owners (as said majority is defined in the Declaration), as expressed in a resolution duly adopted at any annual or special meeting of the Unit Owners;

(l) to resolve or mediate disputes, conflicts or problems between Unit Owners;

(m) when necessary, to interpret the rules and regulations of the Association and the Declaration;

(n) to exercise all other powers and duties of Unit Owners as a group referred to in the Horizontal Property Act of the State of Tennessee or in the Declaration or these By-Laws

Section 16. Non-Delegation. Nothing in this Article or elsewhere in these Bylaws shall be considered to grant to the Board, the Association, or to the officers of the Association, any powers or duties which, by law, have been delegated to Unit Owners.

ARTICLE III

Officers

Section 1. Designation. At each regular annual meeting of the Board, the Directors present at such meeting may elect the following officers of the Association by a majority vote, provided a quorum exists:

a) A President, who shall be a Director, who shall preside over meetings of the Board and of Unit Owners, and who shall be the chief executive officer of the Association;

b) A Secretary/Treasurer, who shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Board and of Unit Owners, financial records, and who shall, in general, perform all the duties incident to the office of Secretary/Treasurer, and who may be a representative of the Managing Agent, and who shall be responsible for financial records and books of account and the manner in which such records and books are kept and reported;

c) Such additional officers as the Board shall see fit to elect.

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Section 2. **Powers.** The respective officers shall have the general powers usually vested in such officers; provided that the Board may delegate any specific powers to any other officer or impose such limitations or restrictions upon the powers of any officer as the Board may see fit.

Section 3. **Terms of Office.** Each officer shall hold office for the term of one (1) year and until his successor shall have been appointed or elected and qualified.

Section 4. **Vacancies.** Vacancies in any office shall be filled by the Board by a majority vote of the remaining directors at a special meeting of said Board. Any Director so elected to fill a vacancy shall hold office for a term equal to the unexpired term of the officer he succeeds.

Section 5. **Compensation.** The officers shall receive no compensation for their services as officers, unless expressly provided for in a resolution duly adopted by the Unit Owners.

Section 6. **Removal.** The Board of Directors may remove any officer at any time with or without cause.

Section 7. **Indemnification.** With respect to claims or liabilities arising out of service as an officer of the Association, the Association shall indemnify and advance expenses to each present and future officer (and his or her estate, heirs and personal representatives) to the fullest extent allowed by the laws of the State of Tennessee, both as now in effect and as hereafter adopted or amended.

ARTICLE IV

Assessments

Section 1. **Annual Budget.** The Board shall cause to be prepared an estimated annual budget for each fiscal year of the Association. Such budget shall take into account the estimated common expenses and cash requirements for the year, including but not limited to salaries, wages, payroll taxes, legal and accounting fees, working capital funds, supplies, materials, parts, services, maintenance, repairs, replacements, landscaping, insurance, fuel, power, and all other common expenses. To the extent that the assessments and other cash income collected from the Unit Owners during the preceding year shall be more or less than the expenditures for such preceding year, the surplus or deficit, as the case may be, shall also be taken into account. The annual budget shall also take into account any estimated net available cash income for the year from the lease, operation or use of the Common Elements. The annual budget shall provide for a reserve for contingencies for the year and a reserve for replacements, in reasonable amounts as determined by the Board.

Section 2. **Assessments.** The estimated annual budget for each fiscal year shall be approved by the Board, and copies thereof shall be furnished by the board to each Unit Owner, not later than thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of such year. On or before the first day of the first month and of each succeeding month of the year covered by the annual budget, each Unit Owner shall pay, as such Owner's respective monthly assessment for the common expenses, one-twelfth (1/12) of such Owner's Proportionate share of the common expenses for such year as shown by the annual budget. Such proportionate share for each Unit Owner shall be in accordance with the proportion or percentage of Common Expenses as stated on Exhibit A to the Declaration. In the event that the Board shall not approve an estimated annual budget or shall fail to determine new monthly assessment for any year, or shall be delayed in doing so, each Unit Owner shall continue to pay each month the amount of such Owner's respective monthly assessment as last determined. Each Unit Owner shall pay such Owner's monthly assessment on or before the first day of each month to the Managing Agent or as may be otherwise directed by the Board. No Unit Owner shall be relieved of the obligation to pay such Owner's assessment by abandoning or not using such Owner's Unit, the Common Elements, or the Private Elements. Nothing herein shall prohibit the Association from requiring said monthly assessments to be collected in advance on a quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, each initial purchaser of Unit form the Developer shall pay to the Association at closing of the purchase of the Unit a nonrefundable amount equal to two (2) months' assessment for working capital of the Association.

The Board of Directors of the Association shall fix the commencement date for monthly or annual assessments on the first day of the month following the conveyance of the first Unit from Developer (or a builder) to an Owner (other than a builder) and shall provide for a partial assessment between the commencement date and the end of the calendar year next following. Thereafter, monthly or annual assessments shall be levied by the Board of Directors of the Association, by action taken on or before December 1 of each year for the ensuing year. The Board, in its discretion, may provide for the periodic payment of such assessments at some intervals other than monthly. Special assessments may be levied in any year for the purpose of defraying, in whole or part, the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement upon the Common Areas, if any, including fixtures and personal property related thereto; provided that the same are first approved by affirmative vote of Members entitled to cast at least two-thirds (2/3) of the votes at a meeting of the Members duly held for that purpose. Written notice of the monthly, annual or special assessment shall be mailed (by U.S. first class mail) to every Owner subject thereto. The Association shall upon demand, and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the Association setting forth whether the assessments on a specified Unit have been paid and the amount of any delinquencies. The Association shall not be required to obtain a request for such certificate signed by the Owner, but may deliver such certificate to any party who in the Association's judgment has a legitimate reason for requesting the same.

The Assessments provided for here in shall be allocated according to Units in accordance with the percentage allocation specified in Exhibit A to the Declaration. The Association at its option may allow the payment of the annual assessment on a monthly or quarterly basis. From and after one year from the date hereof, the maximum annual assessment may be increased by the Board of Directors each year by an amount up to, but not in excess of ten percent (10%) of the maximum annual assessment for the previous year without a vote of the membership.

Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in these ByLaws or the Declaration to which they are attached, and except for the contribution required in this paragraph, the Developer and any Successor Developer shall be exempt from the payment of assessments for any Units owned by the Developer, and any Successor Developer until such time as the weighted voting rights provided by Section 5(b) of the Declaration no longer provide an automatic majority to the Developer is exempt from the payment of assessments, the Developer, and any Successor Developer shall fund and pay any shortfall between the annual budget for the Association and the actual costs of operating and maintaining the Common Area and administering the Association. In order to secure payment of any such shortfall, there shall arise a continuing lien and charge in favor of the Association against all of the property owned by the Developer within the Property, the amount of which shall include interest at the maximum effective rate allowed by the law, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees to the extent permissible by law. Said obligation to fund shortfalls, together with such interest, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the Developer or Successor Developer at the time the shortfall occurred. The lien shall survive any transfer of title and the property shall remain subject to levy and execution. The Developer's, and any Successor Developer's obligation to fund any such shortfall shall terminate at such time as the Developer's and any Successor Developer's weighted voting rights no longer provide an automatic majority to the Developer or any Successor Developer.

Section 3. **Partial Year Or Month.** For the first fiscal year and thereafter until the first Board is elected, the annual budget shall be approved by the Interim Board. If such first fiscal year, or any succeeding fiscal year, shall be less than a full year, then the monthly assessments for each Unit Owner shall be proportionate to the number of months and days in such period covered by such budget. Each Unit Owner shall pay such Owner's assessment for the following month or fraction of a month, which assessment shall be in proportion to the Owner's respective ownership interest in the Association and the number of months and days remaining of the period covered by the current annual budget, and which assessment shall be computed by the Board.

Section 4. **Annual Report**. Within ninety (90) days after the end of each fiscal year covered by an annual budget, or as soon thereafter as shall be practicable, the Board shall cause to be furnished to each Unit Owner, and to any other party required by the Declaration, a statement for such year so ended, showing the receipts and expenditures and such other information as the Board may deem desirable.

Section 5. **Supplemental Budget.** In the even that during the course of any year, it shall appear to the Board that the monthly assessments, determined in accordance with the estimated common

expenses and limited common expenses for the remainder of such year will be inadequate, then the Board shall prepare and approve a supplemental budget covering the estimated deficiency for the remainder of such year, copies of which supplemental budget shall be furnished to each Unit Owner, and thereupon a supplemental assessment shall be made to each Unit Owner for such Owner's proportionate share of such supplemental budget.

Section 6. **Lien.** It shall be the duty of every Unit Owner to pay such Owner's proportionate share of the common expenses and limited common expenses, as provided in the Declaration, and as assessed in the manner herein provided.

If any Unit Owner shall fail or refuse to make any such payment of the common expenses or limited common expenses when due, the amount thereof, together with interest thereon at the rate of ten percent (10%) per annum after said common expenses become due and payable, and also together with a one time (per payment of per month) late fee in a minimum amount of $50.00 or such higher amount as the Association may determine, said late fee being assessed upon any payment received more than ten (10) days after its due date, shall constitute a lien, as provided in the Act, enforceable by the Board, on the interest of such Unit Owner in the Property, provided, however, that such lien shall be subordinate to the lien of a recorded deed of trust on the interest of such Unit Owner, except for the amount of the proportionate share of common expenses and limited common expenses which are due and payable from and after the date on which such deed of trust beneficiary either takes possession of the Unit, accepts a conveyance of any interest therein (other than as security), or files suit to foreclose on its deed of trust. The provisions of this paragraph of this Section 6 shall not be amended, changed, modified or rescinded in any way without the prior written consent of all such lien holders of record.

The Association or its successors and assigns, and the Board or its agents, shall have the right to enforce the lien as provided in this Declaration, and there shall be added to the amount due the costs of any suit maintained to enforce the lien and other fees and expenses, together with legal interest and reasonable attorney's fees. Furthermore, if any Unit Owner shall fail or refuse to pay when due his proportionate share of the common expenses or limited common expenses and such Unit Owner withholds possession of such Owner's Unit after demand by the Board or the Association in writing setting forth the amount claimed, the Board or the Association, shall have the right to possession of such Unit. The Board or the Association shall have the authority to exercise and enforce any and all rights and remedies as provided for in the Horizontal Property Act, the Declaration, or these By-Laws, or as otherwise available at law or in equity, for the collection of all unpaid assessments.

Section 7. **Records and Statement of Account.** The Board shall cause to be kept detailed and accurate records in chronological order of the receipts and expenditures affecting the Property, specifying and itemizing the expenses incurred. Payment vouchers may be approved in such manner as the Board may determine. Said book and the vouchers shall be available for examination by all Unit Owners at convenient hours on working days which shall be set and announced for general knowledge.

The Board shall, upon receipt of ten (10) days' written notice to it or the Association and upon payment of a reasonable fee, furnish to any Unit Owner a statement of account setting forth the amount of any unpaid assessments or other charged due and owing rom such Unit Owner.

Section 8. **Discharge of Liens.** The Board may cause the Association to discharge any mechanic's lien or other encumbrances which in the opinion of the Board may constitute a lien against the Property or the Common Elements, rather than a lien against only a particular Unit ownership. When fewer than all the Unit Owners are responsible for the existence of any such lien, the Unit Owners responsible shall be jointly and severally liable for the amount necessary to discharge the same and for all costs and expenses, including attorney's fees, incurred by reason of such lien.

Section 9. **Holding of Funds.** All funds collected hereunder shall be held and expended for the purposes designated herein, and (except for such special assessments as may be levied hereunder against less than all the Unit Owners and for such adjustments as may be required to reflect delinquent or prepaid assessments) shall be deemed to be held for the benefit, use and account of all the Unit Owners.

Section 10. **Association Records.** The Association shall keep as permanent records minutes of all meetings of its Unit Owners and Board of Directors, a record of all actions taken by the Unit Owners of Board of Directors without a meeting and all appropriate accounting records.

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Section 11. **Records at Principal Office.** The Association shall keep at all times a copy of the following records at its principal office:

(a) Its Charter and all amendments thereto;

(b) These Bylaws and all amendments thereto;

(c) Resolutions adopted by the Board of directors relating to the characteristics, qualifications, rights, limitations and obligations of Unit Owners or any class or category of Unit Owners;

(d) The minutes of all meetings of Unit Owners and the records of all actions taken by Unit Owners without a meeting for the past three (3) years;

(e) All written communications to Unit Owners generally within the past three (3) years, including the past three (3) years' annual financial statements;

(f) A list of the names and business or home addresses of its current Directors and officers;

(g) The most recent annual report delivered to the Tennessee Secretary of State; and

(h) Its Declaration and all amendments thereto.

Section 12. **Annual financial Statements.** The Association shall prepare annual financial statements that include a balance sheet as of the end of the fiscal year, an income statement for that year, and such other information necessary to comply with the requirements of the applicable provisions of the Tennessee Nonprofit Corporation Act.

ARTICLE V

Contractual Powers

No contract or other transaction between the Association and one or more of its Directors or between the Association and any corporation, firm or association in which one or more of the Directors of the Association are directors, or are financially interested, is void or voidable because such Director or Directors are present at the meeting of the Bard or a committee thereof which authorizes or approves the contract or transaction or because his or their votes are counted, if the circumstances specified in either of the following subparagraphs exists:

(a) the fact of the common directorship or financial interest is disclosed or known to the Board or committee and noted in the minutes and the Board or committee authorizes, approves or ratifies the contract or transaction in good faith by a vote sufficient for the purpose without counting the vote or votes of such Director or Directors; or

(b) the contract or transaction is just and reasonable as to the corporation at the time it is authorized or approved.

Common or interested Directors may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board or a committee thereof which authorizes, approves or ratifies a contract or transaction.

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ARTICLE VI

Amendments

These Bylaws may be amended or modified from time to time by action or approval of all of the Unit Owners. Such amendment(s) shall not be operative until they are recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Davidson County, Tennessee. These Bylaws may not be amended by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII

Deeds of Trust

Section 1. **Notice to Board.** A Unit Owner who mortgages his Unit shall notify the Board of the name and address of his mortgagee and shall file a conformed copy of the note and deed of trust or mortgage with the Board; and the Board shall maintain such information in a book entitled "Mortgages of Units."

Section 2. **Notice of Unpaid Common Charges.** The Board, whenever so requested in writing by a deed of trust beneficiary of a Unit, shall promptly report any then unpaid assessments, fees or common charges due from, or any other default by, the owner of the mortgaged Unit.

Section 3. **Notice of Default.** The Board, when giving notice to a Unit Owner of a default in paying common charges or other default, shall send a copy of such notice to each deed of trust beneficiary of record covering such Unit whose name and address has therefore been furnished to the Board and which has requested in writing to be sent a copy of such notice(s).

Section 4. **Examination of Books.** Each Unit Owner, and others specified in the Declaration, shall be permitted to examine the books and records of the Association, current copies of the Declaration and Bylaws, and rules and regulations of the Association during normal business hours and upon request.

Section 5. **Interest of Valid First Mortgagee.** The interest of valid first lien deed of trust shall be superior to the interest of the Board in the event of a default, and nothing in this instrument shall be construed to the contrary. If the first lien deed of trust has incorporated the terms of these By-Laws, the Declaration and the contract in its deed of trust, then said first lien deed of trust may at its option declare a default in its deed of trust by reason of any default hereunder, and may proceed to enforce its rights according to the terms of the deed of trust notwithstanding any enforcement instituted by the Board.

ARTICLE VIII

Definition of Terms

The terms used in these Bylaws, to the extent they are defined herein, shall have the same definition as set forth in the Declaration, as such may be amended from time to time, which Declaration is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Davidson County, Tennessee.

The term "member," as used in these Bylaws, generally means "Unit Owner" as defined in the Declaration. "Deed of Trust," as used herein, includes a mortgage; and "deed of trust beneficiary" includes a mortgagee and a holder of a deed of trust.

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ARTICLE IX

Miscellaneous Provisions

Section 1. **No Seal.** The Association shall have no seal.

Section 2. **Notices.** Whenever notice is required to be given to Unit Owners, Directors or officers, unless otherwise provided by law, the Declaration, the Charter or these Bylaws, such notice may be given in person or by telephone, telegraph, mail or private carrier. If such notice is given by mail, it shall be sent postage prepaid by first class United States mail or by registered or certified United States mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to the respective address which appears for each such person on the books of the Corporation. Written notice sent by mail to Unit Owners shall be deemed to have been given when it is mailed. Any other written notice shall be deemed to have been given at the earliest of the following:

(a) When received;

(b) Five (5) days after its deposit in the United States mail if sent first class, postage prepaid; or

(c) On the date on the return receipt, if sent by registered or certified United States mail, return receipt requested, and the receipt is signed by or on behalf of the addressee.

Section 3. **Waiver of Notice.** Whenever any notice is required to be given under the provisions of any statute, or of the Declaration, the Charter or these Bylaws, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person entitled to such notice, whether before or after the date stated thereon, and delivered to the Secretary of the Association and included in the minutes of corporate records, shall be deemed equivalent thereto.

Section 4. **Negotiable Instruments.** All checks, drafts, notes or other obligations of the Association shall be signed by such of the officers of the Association, or by such other person(s), as may be authorized by the Board of Directors.

Section 5. **Deposits.** The monies of the association may be deposited in the name of the Association in such bank(s) or financial institution(s) as the Board of Directors shall designate from time to time and shall be drawn out by check signed by the officer(s) or person(s) designated by resolution adopted by the Board of Directors.

Section 6. **Committee Members.** With respect to claims or liabilities arising out of service as a member of a committee duly appointed by the Board of Directors of the Association, the Association shall indemnify and advance expenses to each such present and future committee member (and his or her estate, heirs and personal representatives) to the fullest extent allowed by the laws of the State of Tennessee, both as now in effect and as hereafter adopted or amended.

Section 7. **Developer.** With respect to claims or liabilities arising out of service as an agent of the Association, the Association shall indemnify and advance expenses to the Developer (its officers, employees and successors) to the fullest extent allowed by the laws of the State of Tennessee, both as now in effect or as hereafter adopted or amended.

ARTICLE X

Conflicts

These Bylaws are set forth to comply with the requirements of Chapter 27 of Title 66, Tennessee Code Annotated, as it may be amended from time to time, and to allow the Bylaws to control in specific situations where such law allows. In case any of the Bylaws conflict with the provisions of said statue or of this Declaration, the provisions of said statute or of the Declaration, as the case may be, shall control.

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EXHIBIT C

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The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing Bylaws were duly adopted as the Bylaws of **MERIDIAN PLACE** Homeowners Association.

DATED this 28 day of May, 2021.

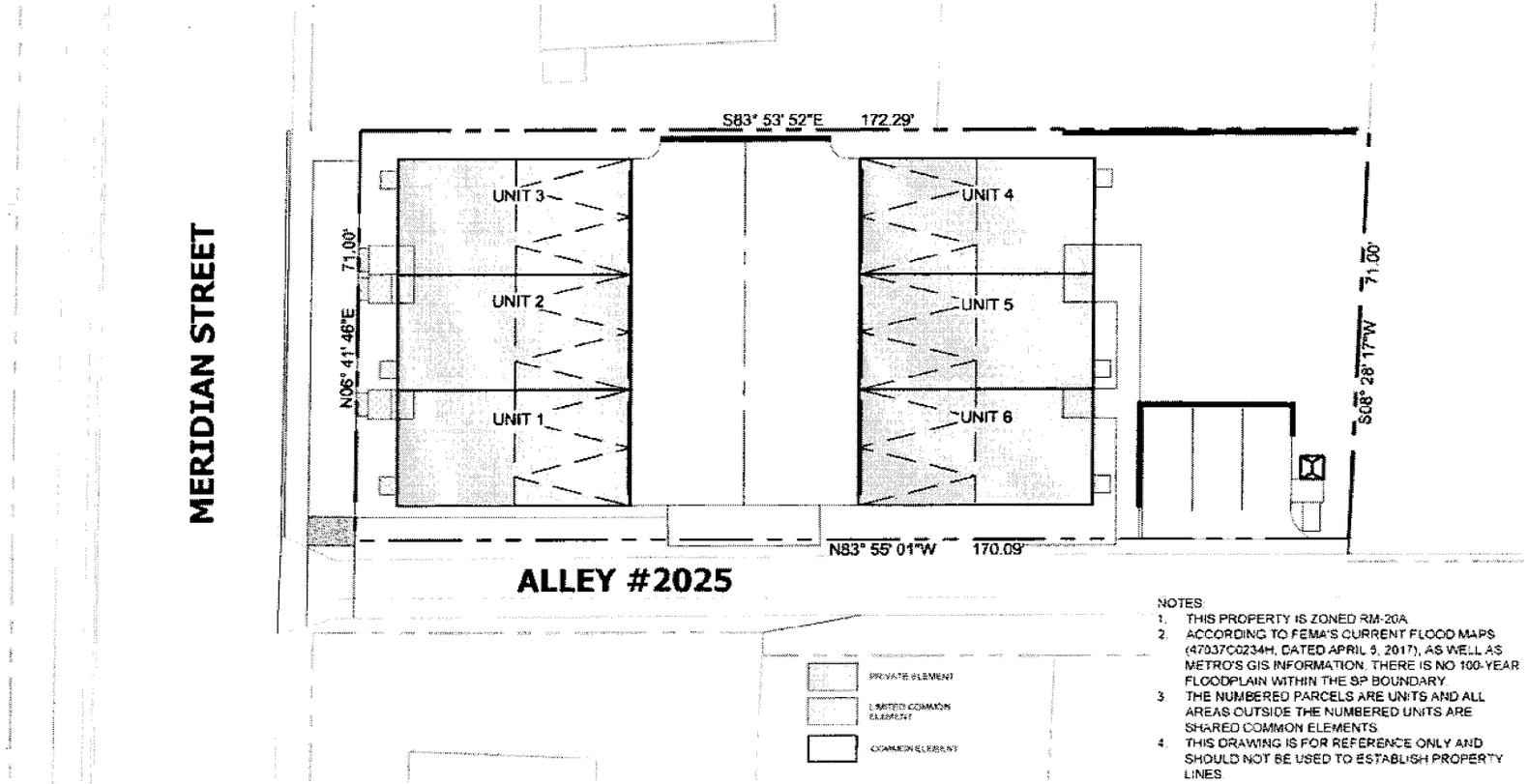
APEX BUILDING SOLUTIONS, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company

By: _____

Name: Corey Wilson Sr.

Title: V. President

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NOTES:

1. THIS PROPERTY IS ZONED RM-20A.
2. ACCORDING TO FEMA'S CURRENT FLOOD MAPS (47037C0234H, DATED APRIL 5, 2017), AS WELL AS METRO'S GIS INFORMATION, THERE IS NO 100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN WITHIN THE SP BOUNDARY.
3. THE NUMBERED PARCELS ARE UNITS AND ALL AREAS OUTSIDE THE NUMBERED UNITS ARE SHARED COMMON ELEMENTS.
4. THIS DRAWING IS FOR REFERENCE ONLY AND SHOULD NOT BE USED TO ESTABLISH PROPERTY LINES.

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SCALE: 1"=20'

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HORIZONTAL PROPERTY REGIME EXHIBIT

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True Copy Certification

I, **Angie Lawless**, do hereby make oath that I am a licensed attorney and/or the custodian of the electronic version of the attached document tendered for registration herewith and that this is a true and correct copy of the original document executed and authenticated according to law.

Signature

State of **TN**
County of **Davidson**

Personally appeared before me, **J. Brandon Miller**, a notary public for this county and state, **Angie Lawless** who acknowledges that this certification of an electronic document is true and correct and whose signature I have witnessed.

Notary's Signature

My Commission Expires: 5-2-22

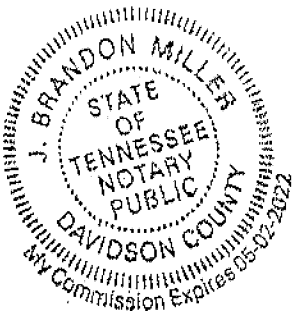


EXHIBIT A

Legal Description

Land in Davidson County, Tennessee, being the South 75 feet of Lots Nos. 67 and 72 on the Map of Trinity Heights Addition, as of record in Book 161, Page 38, Register's Office for Davidson County, Tennessee, further described as follows:

Said parts of said Lot Nos. 67 and 72 front 75 feet on the east side of Meridian Street and run back between lines, 187 feet on the north line and 185.2 feet on the south line, along the north margin of an alley to a dead line in the rear on which they measure 75 feet.

Being the same property conveyed to Apex Building Solutions, LLC by Warranty Deed from Magness Devco 2017 GP, a Tennessee General Partnership, dated April 29, 2020 and recorded on May 6, 2020, at Instrument No. 20200506-0047378, Register's Office for Davidson County, Tennessee.

Percentage of Common Expenses*

Unit No.	Votes	Percentage of Common Expenses
1	1	16.67%*
2	1	16.67%*
3	1	16.67%*
4	1	16.67%*
5	1	16.66%*
6	1	16.66%*