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# DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR OLDE TOWN SQUARE

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF COBB

THIS DECLARATION (hereinafter referred to as the "Declaration"), made on the date hereinafter set forth by Olde Town Properties, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Declarant").

# WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Declarant is the owner of certain real property located in Land Lots 105 and 106 of the 20<sup>th</sup> District, 2<sup>nd</sup> Section, Cobb County, Georgia, which is more particularly described on Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference.

WHEREAS, Declarant intends to develop on lands, including the real property described above, a development to be known as Olde Town Square (hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Development"); and

WHEREAS, Declarant has caused the Association (as hereinafter defined) to be formed as a non-profit civic organization to perform certain functions for the common good and general welfare of the Owners (as hereinafter defined).

NOW, THEREFORE, Declarant hereby declares that all of the properties described on Exhibit "A" referenced above shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to the following easements, restrictions, covenants, and conditions, which are for the purpose of protecting the value and desirability of, and which shall run with, the real property and be binding on all parties having any right, title or interest in the described properties or any part thereof, their heirs, successors and assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of each owner thereof.

#### ARTICLE I

# **DEFINITIONS**

- Section 1. Additional Property. "Additional Property" means the additional property which may be added to the Property and made subject to this Declaration pursuant to Article X hereof and more particularly described on Exhibit "B" attached hereto and made a part hereof by reference.
- Section 2. Association. "Association" means Olde Town Square HOA, Inc., (a non-profit corporation organized under the Georgia Nonprofit Corporation Code), its successors and assigns.
  - Section 3. Board. "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Association.
  - Section 4. By-Laws. "By-Laws" means the By-Laws of the Association.
- Section 5. Common Property or Common Area. "Common Property" or "Common Area" shall mean all real property (including the improvements thereto) owned by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the owners. The Common Property shall include, but not be limited to, the recreation area, as shown on the recorded plat for Olde Town Square, any private roads, any parking areas, as well as any open space required to be maintained as open space pursuant to Cobb County zoning requirements and any other property deeded to the Association by the Declarant.
- Section 6. Declarant. "Declarant" shall mean and refer to Olde Town Properties, Inc., its successors and assigns, if such successors or assigns should acquire more than one undeveloped Lot from the Declarant for the purpose of development, and if Olde Town Properties, Inc. transfers to such successors or assigns its rights as Declarant by written instrument. Any successor or assign who has become Declarant as provided for herein may also transfer Declarant's rights as set forth herein.
- Section 7. Lot. "Lot" shall mean and refer to any plot of land shown upon any recorded subdivision map of the Properties with the exception of the Common Property.
  - Section 8. Member. "Member" means any member of the Association.
- Section 9. Owner. "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of a fee simple title to any Lot which is a part of the Properties, including contract sellers, but excluding those having such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation.
- Section 10. Property or Properties. "Property or Properties" shall mean and refer to that certain real property hereinabove described, and such additions thereto as may hereafter be brought within the jurisdiction of the Association.

Section 11. Restrictions. "Restrictions" means all covenants, restrictions, easements, charges, liens and other obligations created or imposed by this Declaration.

#### Section 12. Structure. "Structure" means:

- (a) any thing or object the placement of which upon any Lot may affect the appearance of such Lot, including by way of illustration and not limitation, any building or part thereof, garage, porch, shed, greenhouse or bathhouse, coop or cage, covered or uncovered patio, swimming pool, fence, curbing, paving, wall, tree, shrub, sign, signboard, temporary or permanent living quarters (including any house trailer) or any other temporary or permanent improvement to such Lot;
- (b) any excavation, grading, fill ditch, diversion dam or other thing, or device which affects or alters the natural flow of surface waters from, upon or across any Lot, or which affects or alters the flow of any waters in any natural or artificial creek, stream, wash or drainage channel from, upon or across any Lot; and
- (c) any change in grade at any point on a Lot of more than six (6) inches, whether or not subsection (b) of this Section 12 applies to such change.

# **ARTICLE II**

#### **PROPERTY RIGHTS**

Section 1. Owners' Easements of Enjoyment. Every Owner shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to the Common Property which shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot, subject to the following provisions:

- (a) the right of the Association to charge reasonable admission and other fees for the use of any recreational facility situated upon the Common Property;
- (b) the right of the Association to suspend the voting rights and right to use of the recreational facilities by an owner for any period during which any assessment against his Lot remains unpaid; and for a period not to exceed 60 days for any infraction of its published rules and regulations;
- (c) the right of the Association to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Property to any public agency, authority, or utility for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be agreed to by the members. No such dedication or transfer shall be effective unless an instrument agreeing to such dedication or transfer signed by two-thirds (2/3) of each class of members has been recorded.

(d) the right of the Declarant to dedicate the Common Property, subject to the governmental or institutional approvals required herein, to the Association, without the consent of the Association.

Further, every Owner shall have the right to ingress and egress over, upon, and across the Common Area necessary for access to his or her Lot and shall have the right to lateral support for his or her Lot, and such rights shall be appurtenant to and pass with the title to each Lot. There shall be reciprocal appurtenant easements for the maintenance and repair of a party wall or walls, if any.

Section 2. Parking Rights. Each Owner shall be entitled to use the automobile parking spaces located in the Common Area, subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as may be adopted by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Delegation of Use. Any owner may delegate, in accordance with the By-Laws, his right of enjoyment to the Common Property and facilities to the members of his family, his tenants, or contract purchasers who reside on the property.

#### ARTICLE III

#### MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

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

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

# Class A:

Initially, the Class A members shall be all Owners, with the exception of the Declarant, and shall be entitled to one vote for each Lot owned. When more than one person holds an interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be members. The vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one vote be cast with respect to any Lot. If multiple owners of a lot cannot unanimously decide how to cast their vote then no vote may be cast regarding the ownership by that particular Lot.

#### Class B:

The Class B member shall be the Declarant and shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned. The Class B membership shall cease and be converted to Class A membership on the happening of any of the following events:

(a) The date on which seventy five percent (75%) of the Lots located on the Property and any Additional Property which has been added to this Declaration by

Declarant have been sold to individuals who reside in dwellings located on said Lots. In the event the Class B membership has ceased pursuant to this provision, and the Declarant adds Additional Property which causes the number of Lots sold to individuals who reside in dwellings located on said Lots to be less than seventy five percent (75%) of the Lots located on the Property, and any Additional Property which has been added to the Declaration, then the Class B membership shall be revived, and the Class B member shall again have three (3) votes for each Lot owned.

- (b) Ten (10) years from the date of this Declaration; or
- (c) When, in its discretion, the Declarant so determines.

#### ARTICLE IV

# **COVENANT FOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS**

Section 1. Creation of the Lien and Personal Obligation of Assessments. The Declarant, for each Lot owned within the Properties, hereby covenants, and each Owner of any Lot by acceptance of a deed therefor, whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association: (1) annual assessments or charges, and (2) special assessments for capital improvements, such assessments to be established and collected as hereinafter provided. The annual and special assessments, together with interest, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees, shall be a charge on the land and shall be a continuing lien upon the property against which each such assessment is made. Each such assessment, together with interest, costs, and reasonable attorney's fees, shall also be the personal obligation of the person who was the Owner of such property at the time when the assessment fell due. The personal obligation for delinquent assessments shall not pass to his successors in title unless expressly assumed by them.

Section 2. <u>Purpose of Assessments</u>. The assessments levied by the Association shall be used exclusively to promote the recreation, health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Properties and for the improvement and maintenance of the Common Property.

- Section 3. Maximum Annual Assessment. Until January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum annual assessment shall be Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000) per Lot.
  - (a) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum annual assessment may be increased each year not more than five percent (5%) above the maximum assessment for the previous year without a vote of the membership.

- (b) From and after January 1 of the year immediately following the conveyance of the first Lot to an Owner, the maximum annual assessment may be increased above five percent (5%) by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of each class of members who are voting in person or by proxy, at a meeting duly called for this purpose.
- (c) The Board of Directors may fix the annual assessment at an amount not in excess of the maximum.
- Section 4. Special Assessments for Capital Improvements. In addition to the annual assessments authorized above, the Association may levy, in any assessment year, a special assessment applicable to that year only for the purpose of defraying, in whole or in part, the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair or replacement of a capital improvement upon the Common Property, including fixtures and personalty related thereto, provided that any such assessment shall have the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of each class of members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for this purpose.
- Section 5. Notice and Quorum for any Action Authorized under Sections 3 and 4. Written notice of any meeting called for the purpose of taking any action authorized under Section 3 or 4 shall be sent to all members not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days in advance of the meeting. At the first such meeting called, the presence of members or of proxies entitled to cast sixty percent (60%) of all the votes of each class of membership shall constitute a quorum. If the required quorum if not present, another meeting may be called subject to the same notice requirement, and the required quorum at the subsequent meeting shall be one-half (1/2) of the required quorum at the preceding meeting. No such subsequent meeting shall be held more than sixty (60) days following the preceding meeting.
- Section 6. <u>Uniform Rate of Assessment</u>. Both annual and special assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Lots and may be collected on a monthly basis or annually as determined by the Board.
- Section 7. Date of Commencement of Annual Assessments: Due Dates. The annual assessments provided for herein shall commence as to all Lots on the first day of the month following the conveyance of a Lot. The first annual assessment shall be adjusted according to the number of months remaining in the calendar year. The Board of Directors shall fix the amount of the annual assessment against each Lot. Anything contained herein to the contrary notwithstanding, Declarant and any Owner of a lot held solely for resale by a person building a residence thereon, on behalf of themselves and their successors and assigns, covenant and agree to pay the annual assessment for each lot owned by Declarant and said builder which contains an occupied residence; provided, however, Declarant and such builder shall not be responsible for assessments on lots not containing an occupied residence for so long as Declarant or such builder funds any deficit which may exist between assessments and the annual budget of the Association. At the time Declarant fails to fund any deficit which exists between the annual assessments and the budget, all lots shall be fully

subject to the annual assessment. Failure of Declarant to meet its obligation to fund budget deficits or to pay assessments, if required, shall constitute a lien against the land Declarant owns in the aforementioned subdivision. Written notice of the annual assessment shall be sent to every Owner subject thereto. The due dates shall be established by the Board of Directors. The Association shall, upon demand, and for a reasonable charge, furnish a certificate signed by an officer of the association setting forth whether the assessments on a specified Lot have been paid. A properly executed certificate of the Association as to the status of assessments on a Lot is binding upon the Association as of the date of its issuance.

Section 8. Effect of Nonpayment of Assessments: Remedies of the Association. Any assessment not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall bear interest from the due date at the highest rate allowed by law. The Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or foreclose the lien against the property. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the assessments provided for herein by non-use of the Common Property or abandonment of his Lot.

Section 9. Subordination of the Lien to Mortgages. The lien of the assessments provided for herein shall be subordinate to the lien of any first mortgage. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the assessment lien. However, the sale or transfer of any Lot pursuant to mortgage foreclosure or any proceeding in lien thereof, shall extinguish the lien of such assessments as to payments which became due prior to such sale or transfer. No sale or transfer shall relieve such Lot from liability for any assessments thereafter becoming due or from the lien thereof.

Section 10. Funding of Association Deficit by Declarant. Any time prior to Declarant relinquishing control of the Association pursuant to this Declaration, Declarant shall have the right, but not the obligation, to lend sums to the Association necessary for the operation and maintenance of the subdivision. Said sums shall be evidenced by a promissory note from the Association to the Declarant and shall be due and payable when Declarant relinquishes control of the Association pursuant to this Declaration.

#### ARTICLE V

#### ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

Section 1. Architectural Control Committee - Creation and Composition. An Architectural Control Committee (the "ACC") shall be established consisting of three (3) individuals to be appointed by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that for so long as Declarant owns a Lot, Declarant shall appoint the ACC unless Declarant surrenders the right to appoint the ACC by written document.

Section 2. Purpose, Powers and Duties of the ACC. The purpose of the ACC is to review and approve any proposed installation, construction or alteration of any Structure on any Lot. All plans shall be submitted to the ACC for approval (a) as to whether the proposed installation,

construction or alteration is in conformity and harmony of external design and general quality with the existing standards of the neighborhood and with the standards of the Development, and (b) as to the location of Structures with respect to topography, finished ground elevation and surrounding Structures. To the extent necessary to carry out such purpose, the ACC shall have all of the powers and duties to do each and every thing necessary, suitable, convenient or proper for, or in connection with, or incidental to, the accomplishment of such purpose, including, without being limited to, the power and duty to approve or disapprove plans and specifications for any installation, construction or alteration of any Structure on any Lot.

Section 3. Officers, Subcommittees and Compensation. The members of the ACC shall appoint a Chairman from among their number and may appoint from among their number such other officers and subcommittees of members of the ACC as they shall from time to time determine necessary. The members of the ACC shall be reimbursed by the Association for traveling expenses and other out-of-pocket costs incurred in the performance of their duties as members of the ACC.

# Section 4. Operations of the ACC.

(a) Meetings. The ACC shall hold regular meetings at least once every three (3) months or more often as may be established by the ACC. Special meetings may be called by the Chairman and shall be called by the Chairman upon the written request of a majority of the members of the ACC then in office. Regular and special meetings of the ACC shall be held at such time and at such place as the ACC shall specify. Notice of each regular or special meeting of the ACC shall be mailed to each member thereof at his usual place of business at least three (3) days before the day the meeting is to be held. Notice of regular and special meetings need not specify the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called. Notice of a meeting need not be given to any member of the ACC who signs a waiver of notice either before or after the meeting. Attendance of a member of the ACC at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of any and all objections to the place of the meeting, the time of the meeting, or the manner in which it has been called or convened, except when the member states, at the beginning of the meeting, any such objection or objections to the transaction of business. At each meeting of the ACC the presence of a majority of the members of the ACC present at any regular or special meeting thereof at which a quorum is present shall constitute the act of the ACC. In the absence of a quorum, any member of the ACC present at the time and place of the meeting may adjourn the meeting from time to time until a quorum shall be present. At any adjourned meeting at which a quorum is present, any business may be transacted which might have ben transacted at the meeting originally called. The ACC shall maintain both a record of votes and minutes for each of its meetings. The ACC shall make such records and minutes available at reasonable places and times for inspection by Members of the Association and by the Secretary. Any action required to be taken at a meeting of the ACC, may be taken without a meeting if written consent, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by all the members of the ACC and be filed within the minutes

of the proceedings of the ACC. Such consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote, and may be stated as such in any document filed by the ACC.

## (b) Activities.

- (i) The ACC shall adopt and promulgate the Design Standards described in Section 5 hereof and shall, as required, make findings, determinations, rulings, and orders with respect to the conformity with said Design Standards of plans and specifications to be submitted for approval by the ACC pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration. The ACC shall, as required, issue permits, authorizations, or approvals, which may include specified requirements or conditions, pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration.
- (ii) Any two (2) or more members of the ACC may be authorized by the ACC to exercise the full authority of the ACC with respect to all matters over which the ACC has authority as may be specified by resolution of the ACC, except with respect to the adoption or promulgation of the Design Standards. The unanimous action of the two (2) or more members with respect to the matters specified shall be final and binding upon the ACC and upon any applicant for an approval, permit or authorization, subject, however, to review and modification by the ACC on its own motion or appeal by the applicant to the ACC as provided in this paragraph (ii). Written notice of the decision of such two (2) or more members shall, within five (5) working days thereof, be given to any applicant for an approval, permit or authorization. The applicant may, within ten (10) days after receipt of notice of any decision which he deems to be unsatisfactory, file a written request to have the matter in question reviewed by the ACC. Upon the filing of any such request, the matter with respect to which such request was filed shall be submitted to, and reviewed promptly by the ACC, but in no event later than thirty (30) days after the filing of such request. The decision of a majority of the members of the ACC with respect to such matter shall be final and binding.

#### Section 5. Design Standards.

- (a) The ACC shall from time to time adopt, promulgate, amend, revoke and enforce guidelines (the "Design Standards") for the purposes of:
  - (i) governing the form and content of plans and specifications to be submitted to the ACC for approval pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration;

- (ii) governing the procedure for such submission of plans and specifications;
- (iii) establishing guidelines with respect to the approval and disapproval of design features, architectural styles, exterior colors and materials, details of construction, location and size of Structures and all other matters that require approval by the ACC pursuant to this Declaration; and
- (iv) assuring the conformity and harmony of external design and general quality of the Development.
- (b) The ACC shall make a published copy of its current Design Standards readily available to Members and prospective Members of the Association and to all applicants seeking the ACC's approval.
- Section 6. Submission of Plans and Specifications. No Structure shall be commenced, erected, placed, moved onto or permitted to remain on any Lot nor shall any existing Structure upon any Lot be altered in any way which materially changes the exterior appearance of the Structure or Lot, unless plans and specifications therefor shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the ACC. Such plans and specifications shall be in such form and shall contain such information as may be reasonably required by the ACC in the Design Standards, including where applicable, and without being limited to:
  - (a) a site plan showing the location of all proposed and existing Structures on the Lot including building setbacks, open space, driveways, walkways and parking spaces including the number thereof and all siltation and erosion control measures;
    - (b) a foundation plan;
    - (c) a floor plan;
  - (d) exterior elevations of all proposed Structures and alterations to existing Structures, as such Structures shall appear after all back-filling and landscaping are completed;
  - (e) specifications of materials, color scheme, lighting scheme and other details affecting the exterior appearance of all proposed Structures and alterations to existing Structures; and
    - (f) plans for landscaping and grading.

Section 7. Approval of Plans and Specifications. Upon approval by the ACC of any plans and specifications submitted pursuant to this Declaration, one (1) copy of such plans and specifications, as approved, shall be deposited for permanent record with the ACC and a copy of such plans and specifications bearing such approval, in writing shall be returned to the applicant submitting the same. Approval for use in connection with any Lot or Structure of any plans and specifications shall not be deemed a waiver of the ACC's right, in its discretion, to disapprove similar plans and specifications or any of the features or elements included therein if such plans, specifications, features or elements are subsequently submitted for use in connection with any other Lot or Structure. Approval of any such plans and specifications relating to any Lot or Structure, however, shall be final as to that Lot or Structure and such approval may not be revoked or rescinded thereafter, provided that there has been adherence to, and compliance with, such plans and specifications, as approved, and any conditions attached to any such approval.

Section 8. Disapproval of Plans and Specifications. The ACC shall have the right to disapprove any plans and specifications submitted pursuant to this Declaration for any of the following reasons:

- (a) the failure to include information in such plans and specifications as may have been reasonably requested;
- (b) the failure of such plans or specifications to comply with this Declaration or the Design Standards;
- (c) any other matter which, in the judgment of the ACC, would be likely to cause the proposed installation, construction or alteration of a Structure (i) to fail to be in conformity and harmony of external design and general quality with the standards of the Development as set forth in the Design Standards, or (ii) as to location to be incompatible with topography, finished ground elevation and surrounding Structures. In any case in which the ACC shall approve the same only as modified or upon specified conditions, such disapproval or qualified approval shall be accompanied by a statement of the grounds upon which such action was based. In any such case the ACC shall, if requested, make reasonable efforts to assist and advise the applicant in order that an acceptable proposal may be prepared and submitted for approval.

Section 9. Obligation to Act. The ACC shall take action on any plans and specifications submitted as herein provided within thirty (30) days after receipt thereof. Approval by the ACC, if granted, together with any conditions imposed by the ACC shall be placed in writing on the plans and specifications and shall be returned to the applicant. Failure by ACC to take action within thirty (30) days of receipt of plans and specifications submitted for approval shall be deemed approval of such plans and specifications.

Section 10. Inspection Rights. Any employee or agent of the Association or the ACC may, after reasonable notice, at any reasonable time or times, enter upon any Lot and Structure thereon for the purpose of ascertaining whether the installation, construction, alteration or maintenance of any Structure or the use of any Lot or Structure is in compliance with the provisions of this Declaration; and neither the Association, nor the ACC, nor any such agent shall be deemed to have committed a trespass or other wrongful act solely by reason of such entry or inspection, provided such inspection is carried out in accordance with the terms of this Section.

Section 11. Violations. If any Structure shall be erected, placed, maintained or altered upon any Lot, otherwise than in accordance with the plans and specifications approved by the ACC pursuant to the provisions of this Article, such erection, placement, maintenance or alteration shall be deemed to have been undertaken in violation of this Article and without the approval required herein. If in the opinion of the ACC such violation shall have occurred, the ACC shall notify the Association. If the Board shall agree with the determination of the ACC with respect to the violation, then the Board shall provide written notice to the Owner by certified mail, setting forth in reasonable detail the nature of the violation and the specific action or actions required to remedy the violation. If the owner shall not have taken reasonable steps toward the required remedial action within thirty (30) days after the mailing of the aforesaid notice of violation, then the Association shall have the Right of Abatement as provided in Article VIII, Section 2 hereof.

# Section 12. Certification of Compliance.

- (a) Upon completion of the installation, construction or alteration of any Structure in accordance with plans and specifications approved by the ACC, the ACC shall, upon written request of the Owner thereof or upon the ACC's own initiative, issue a Certificate of Compliance, identifying such Structure and Lot upon which such Structure is place, and stating that the plans and specifications have been approved and that such Structure complies with such plans and specifications. A copy of said Certificate shall be filed for permanent record with the plans and specifications on file with the ACC.
- (b) Any Certificate of Compliance issued in accordance with the provisions of this Section shall be prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated; and as to any purchaser or encumbrancer in good faith and for value, or as to any title insurer, such certificate shall be conclusive evidence that all Structures on the Lot comply with all the requirements of this Article, provided, however, that the Certificate shall in no way be construed to certify the acceptability, sufficiency or approval by the ACC of the actual construction of Structures or of the workmanship, or to represent or warrant to anyone the quality, function or operation of the Structures or of any construction, workmanship, engineering, materials or equipment. The issuance of the Certificate shall in no way be construed to certify to any party that the Structures have been built in accordance with any applicable rule or regulation other than those of the ACC.

- Section 13. Fees. The ACC may impose and collect a reasonable and appropriate fee to cover the cost of inspection performed pursuant to Section 10. The fee shall be established from time to time by the ACC and published in the Design Standards.
- Section 14. Non-Discrimination by ACC. The ACC shall not discriminate against any applicant requesting its approval of plans and specifications because of such applicant's race, color, sex, religion, age or natural origin. Further, the ACC in the exercise of its powers granted pursuant to this Declaration shall not take any action the intent or effect of which is to discriminate against persons of a particular race, color, sex, religion, age or national origin.
- Section 15. Liability for Defects. The Declarant, the Association, the Board of Directors, officers of the Association, or the ACC shall not be liable for any defects in any plans and specifications which it approves.

#### ARTICLE VI

## GENERAL COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS

The following covenants and restrictions shall apply to all Lots and to all Structures erected or placed thereon:

- Section 1. Residential Use. All Lots shall be restricted exclusively to single-family residential use. The use of a portion of a dwelling as an office by an Owner shall not be considered to be a violation of this covenant if such use does not create regular customer, client or employee traffic. The use of a dwelling or a portion thereof for business meetings, entertainment, or the enjoyment or business of the Owner's employees, trustees, agents, clients, or customers shall not be considered to be a violation of this covenant if such use does not create regular customer, client or employee traffic. Nothing herein shall be construed to prohibit or prevent Declarant or any builder of residences on the Property from using any Lot owned by Declarant or such builder for the purpose of carrying on business related to the development and sale of Lots and/or new homes on Lots.
- Section 2. <u>Common Property</u>. The Common Property shall be used by the Owners and Declarant, and their agents, servants, tenants, family members, invitees and licensees for such other purposes as may be authorized by the Association.
- Section 3. No rubbish or debris of any kind shall be dumped, placed or permitted to accumulate upon any portion of an Owner's Lot so as to render the same unsanitary, unsightly or offensive. No nuisance shall be permitted to exist upon any portion of the Property.
- Section 4. <u>Erosion Control</u>. No activity which may create erosion or siltation problems shall be undertaken on any Lot except for the initial construction of residences and development of the Property unless the same is approved by the Architectural Control Committee.

### Section 5. Signs.

- (a) No signs whatsoever shall be installed, altered or maintained on any Lot, or on any portion of a Structure visible from the exterior thereof, except:
  - (i) such signs as may be required by legal proceedings;
  - (ii) not more than one "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign, which is subject to the approval of the Architectural Control Committee, provided, however, that in no event shall any such sign be larger than six (6) square feet in area; and
    - (iii) directional signs for vehicular or pedestrian safety;
  - (iv) entry signs used to identify subdivision, marketing signs used to advertise subdivision by Declarant and in conjunction therewith brochure holders.
- (b) Following the consummation of the sale of any Lot, the sign located thereon shall be removed immediately.
- (c) No signs whatsoever shall be installed, altered or maintained on any Lot, or on any portion of a Structure visible from the exterior thereof, for the purpose of expressing any opinion or allegations Owner may have with respect to Declarant, the Property, any builder, any neighbors, or anyone affiliated with Woodbridge at Hamilton Lake Subdivision other than one sign in support of a political candidate per candidate supported no longer than six square feet in size. The intent of this provision is to maintain property values, to maintain the integrity of the community, and to promote a peaceful residential setting in which all Owners can live without being subjected to controversy in the residential setting.

Section 6. <u>Fences</u>. No chain link or cyclone fences may be placed on the property except that Declarant may, but is not required to do so, place such fences on the Common Area or on the perimeters of the Property should Declarant deem it necessary. ALL FENCES PLACED ON THE PROPERTY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE.

Section 7. Recreational Vehicles, Trailers, etc. Recreational vehicles, trailers, campers, trucks (except pickups and passenger vans), travel buses or any such equipment are not permitted on any Lot, the Common Property, or to be parked on streets within the Property, except that a visitor may park a recreational vehicle in a driveway on a Lot for a period not to exceed forty-eight (48) hours, provided the Architectural Control Committee receives advance notice of the time the vehicle will be so parked and that the vehicle does not protrude into traffic lanes. No increasing

vehicle shall be parked on any Lot for any period of time in excess of fourteen (14) days. No Owners or occupants of any Lot or parcel of land shall repair or restore any vehicle of any kind upon any lot or upon any parcel of land, except for emergency repairs, and then only to the extent necessary to enable the movement thereon to a proper repair facility. Notwithstanding the foregoing, vehicles which are for construction, maintenance or repair may be located on the Property or on a Lot; provided, however, no such vehicle shall remain on a Lot or on the Property in excess of forty-eight (48) hours without written approval of the Architectural Control Committee. Notwithstanding the foregoing, Declarant or its successors who take any of the Property for the purpose of developing residential townhouses thereon may temporarily park or store such vehicles or trailers as is necessary to facilitate such development.

- Section 8. <u>Recreational Equipment</u>. No recreational, playground equipment or basketball goals shall be placed or installed on any Lot without the approval of the Architectural Control Committee.
- Section 9. <u>Accessory Structures</u>. Any and all accessory structures, including garages, placed on any Lot must be approved, in advance, in writing by the Architectural Control Committee.
- Section 10. <u>Improvement of Lots</u>. All construction of dwellings, accessory structures and all other improvements on the Property shall be undertaken and completed in accordance with the following conditions:
  - (a) All construction shall be carried out in compliance with the laws, code, rules, regulations and orders of all applicable governmental agencies and authorities.
  - (b) Concrete block or cinder block shall not be used as a building material for the exposed exterior surface of any dwelling or accessory structure constructed or placed on any Lot.
  - (c) All Owners shall use the common mailbox constructed for all Owners and located at the common entrance to the Property.
  - (d) No lumber, bricks, stones, cinder blocks, scaffolding, mechanical devices, or any other materials or devices used for building purposes shall be stored on any Lot except for purposes of construction of a dwelling or accessory structure on such Lot nor shall any such building materials or devices be stored on any Lot for longer than the length of time reasonably necessary for the construction in which such materials or devices are to be used.
  - (e) No exposed above-ground tanks for the storage of fuel or water or any other substance shall be located on any Lot other than apparatus relating to solar energy, the location and design of which must first be approved by the Architectural Control Committee.

- (f) Adequate off-street parking for two vehicles shall be provided for each Lot.
- (g) All garages must have doors, and each garage door must be coordinated in design and color with the dwelling to which it is appurtenant.
- (h) Any construction on a Lot shall be at the risk of the Owner of such Lot and the Owner of such Lot shall be responsible for any damage to any curbing or street resulting from construction on such Lot; repairs of such damage must be made within thirty (30) days after completion of such construction.
- Section 11. <u>Animals</u>. No animals, including birds, insects and reptiles, may be kept on any Lot unless kept thereon solely as household pets and not for commercial purposes. All animals must be kept indoors except when on a leash and being walked. No animal shall be allowed to become a nuisance.
- Section 12. Accessory Structures Installed by Declarant. Entry signs, fences, walls and landscaping installed by Declarant on the Property shall be and are hereby dedicated to the use and benefit of all owners, and shall not be removed or altered without a two-third (2/3) vote of the Association Class A members.
- Section 13. Miscellaneous Fixtures. To provide a neat, attractive and harmorious appearance throughout the neighborhood, no awnings, shades or window boxes shall be attached to, or hung or used on the exterior of, any window or door of any house; and no railings, fences, or walls shall be installed or constructed upon any lot or parcel of land without the prior written consent of the Architectural Control Committee. Further, no foil or other reflective material shall be used on any windows or sunscreens, blinds, shades or for any other purpose, nor shall any window mounted heating, air-conditioning or fan units be permitted. Outside clotheslines or other outside facilities for drying or airing clothes are specifically prohibited and shall not be erected, placed or maintained upon any lot or parcel of land, nor shall any clothing, rugs or other items be hung on any railing, fence, hedge or wall.

Section 14. Antennae. No television antenna, radio receiver, satellite dish or other similar device shall be attached to or installed on any portion of the Property, unless said antenna, radio receiver, satellite dish or other device is one meter or less in diameter and is installed at the rear of the residence, nor shall radio or television signals, nor any other form of electromagnetic radiation, be permitted to originate from any Lot which may unreasonably interfere with the reception of television or radio signals within the Subdivision; provided, however, that the Association shall not be prohibited from installing equipment necessary for master antenna, security, cable television, mobile radio or other similar systems within the Subdivision, and should cable television services be unavailable and adequate television reception not be otherwise available, then an Owner may make written application to the Architectural Control Committee for permission to install a television antenna. The location of the placement of a satellite dish that is one meter or less in

diameter shall be subject to the approval, in writing, of the Architectural Control Committee except that said committee must allow a placement at a location on an Owner's Lot where reception can reasonably be obtained.

Section 15. Traffic Regulations. All vehicular traffic on the private streets and roads in Olde Town Square shall be subject to the provisions of the laws of the State of Georgia and Cobb County concerning operation of motor vehicles on public streets. The Association is hereby authorized to promulgate, administer, and enforce reasonable rules and regulations governing vehicular and pedestrian traffic, including reasonable safety measures and speed limits and including modifications of those in force on public streets, within the Olde Town Square. The Association shall be entitled to enforce same by establishing such enforcement procedures as it deems appropriate, including levying fines for the violation thereof. In the event of a conflict between such provisions of the laws of the State of Georgia and Cobb County and such rules and regulations promulgated by the Association, the rules and regulations of the Association shall govern drivers licensed to operate motor vehicles by the State of Georgia or by any other state in the United States may operate any type of motor vehicle within Olde Town Square. All vehicles of any kind and nature which are operated on the streets of Olde Town Square shall be operated in a careful, prudent, safe, and quiet manner, and with due consideration for the rights of all residents of Olde Town Square.

#### ARTICLE VII

# EASEMENTS, ZONING AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS

#### Section 1. Easements.

- (a) Declarant hereby expressly reserves to the Declarant, its successors and assigns forever, the right to create perpetual easements in, on, over and under any part of the Property owned by Declarant for any purpose which Declarant deems necessary, including, by way of example, and not limitation, the following:
  - (i) the erection, installation, construction and maintenance of wires, lines, conduits and poles and the necessary or proper attachments in connection with the transmission of electricity, telephone, cable television and other utilities and similar facilities;
  - (ii) the erection, installation, construction and maintenance of stormwater drains, land drains, public and private sewers, irrigation systems, pipelines for supplying gas, water and heat, and for any other public or quasipublic facility, service or function;
  - (iii) slope control purposes, including the right to grade and plant slopes and to prevent the doing of any activity which might interfere with