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DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON

UNION COUNTY

THIS DECLARATION, made on this 2nd day of August, 2005, by PETTUS PROPERTIES, INC. (formerly known as Eastern Enterprises Corp. and also formerly known as Pettus Development Corp.), a South Carolina corporation, hereinafter referred to as the

WITNESSETH:

THAT WHEREAS, the Declarant is the owner of certain Real Estate lying within Union County, North Carolina, more particularly described as follows:

BEING all that real property shown and described on Record Map showing THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON, Phase 1, Map 1 recorded in Plat Cabinet I, File Nos. 857 through 858, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Union County, North Carolina;

shall run with the Real Estate and shall be binding on all parties having or acquiring any right, title or interest in the Real Estate or any part thereof, and shall inure to the benefit of each Lot Owner shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to the following easements, restrictions, covenants and conditions, all of which are for the purpose of enhancing and protecting the value, desirability, and attractiveness of the Planned Community. NOW, THEREFORE, Declarant hereby declares that all of the Real Estate described above, These easements, covenants, restrictions, and conditions

- 1. **DEFINITIONS.** Any terms used herein which are defined in N.C.G.S. 47F-1-103 shall have the meanings ascribed to them in said statute where the sense requires. In addition, the following terms shall have the following definitions throughout this Declaration:
- 47F of the North Carolina General Statutes. "Act" shall mean the North Carolina Planned Community Act as contained in Chapter
- may be annexed to this Declaration in accordance with its terms 1.2. "Additional Properties" shall mean all or any portion of such additional Real Estate as
- Common Elements "Amenities" means the facilities, if any, constructed, erected or installed on the
- Inc., its successors and assigns. 1.4. "Association" shall mean to The Meadows At Weddington Homeowners' Association
- Planned Community. "Building" means a residential structure, constructed or erected on any Lot within the
- designated as such on each recorded map of the Real Estate 1.6. "Common Elements" shall mean all Real Estate owned by the Association and the easements granted thereto for the common use and enjoyment of the Lot Owners. The Common Elements to be owned by the Association shall be described in deeds to the Association and

.7. "Common Expenses" means:

- (a) All sums lawfully assessed by the Association against its Members;
- (b) Expenses of administration, lighting, landscaping, maintenance, repair or replacement of the Common Elements and for any improvements located on easements reserved in favor of the Association;
- (c) Expenses declared to be Common Expenses by the provisions of this Declaration or the ByLaws:
- (d) Expenses agreed by the Members to be Common Expenses of the Association;
- Hazard, liability or such other insurance premiums as the Declaration or the ByLaws may require the Association to purchase;
- Ad valorem taxes and public assessment charges lawfully levied against Common Elements;

- (g) Expenses of maintaining and resurfacing private roads and pedestrian walkways within the Planned Community and setting aside reserves for the same;
- (h) Expenses of maintaining entrance booths, entrance gates and entrance monuments within the Planned Community and setting aside reserves for the same;
- Accounting, legal and other professional services, including professional management, retained by the Association; and
- Unpaid assessments resulting from the purchase of a Lot at a foreclosure sale (such assessment shall be collectible from all members of the Association, including the purchaser at the foreclosure sale, his successors and assigns).
- each Lot as permitted by the Act, the Declaration or otherwise by law "Common Expense Liability" means the liability for Common Expenses allocated to
- development corporation, its successors and assigns, if such successors or assigns should acquire more than one undeveloped Lot plus the Declarant's Special Declarant rights from the Declarant for the purpose of "Declarant" shall mean and refer to Pettus Properties, Inc. a South Carolina
- Board 1.9.1 "Declarant Control Period" shall mean that period commencing with the recording of this Declaration in the office of the Register of Deeds for Union County, North Carolina and ending midnight, December 31, 2015, during which period the Declarant, or persons designated by the Declarant, may appoint and remove the Association's officers and members of the Executive
- 1.10. "Declaration" means this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions
- 1.11 "Director" means any person elected or appointed to the Executive Board.
- as the Directors of the Association. 1.12. "Executive Board" means those persons elected or appointed and acting collectively
- Limited Common Elements dedicated to the exclusive use of the owners of Lots 12,13 and 14. all, of the Lots and the respective Lot Owner(s) of such Lots(s). The private drive providing common access to Lots 12, 13 and 14 shown on the recorded subdivision map described above shall be subject to this Declaration or by operation of law for the exclusive use of one or more, but fewer than 1.13. "Limited Common Elements" shall mean any portion of the Common Elements allocated by this Declaration or by any recorded maps of all or any portion of the Real Estate made
- designated for separate ownership or occupancy by a Lot Owner 1.14. "Lot" shall mean any physical portion of the Real Estate within the Planned Community

- 1.15. "Lot in Use" shall mean any Lot owned by any person other than Declarant
- a fee simple title to any Lot which is a part of the Planned Community, including contract sellers, but excluding those having such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. All Lot be used hereafter interchangeably where the sense requires. Owners shall be Members, as that term is defined herein, and the terms Lot Owner and Member may 1.16. "Lot Owner" shall mean the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of
- Association. There shall be two classes of voting membership in the Association. All Members shall be Lot Owners, as that term is defined herein, and the terms Member and Lot Owner may be used hereafter interchangeably where the sense requires 1.17. "Member" shall mean and refer to every person or entity who holds membership in the
- A. "Class A Members" shall be all those Lot Owners as defined in Article III herein, with the exception of the Declarant. Declarant may, however, be a Class A member upon termination of Class B membership.
- B. "Class B Member" shall be the Declarant as defined herein.
- legal entity 1.18. "Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, association, trustee, or other
- jurisdiction of the Association in accordance with the terms and conditions hereof. on such Additional Properties as may be hereafter annexed to this Declaration and brought within the 1.19. "Planned Community" shall mean that Real Estate development to be named THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON to be developed on that certain Real Estate described herein and
- 1.20. "Special Declarant Rights" shall have the same meaning as defined in the Act, and, without limiting the foregoing, shall include those rights reserved unto the Declarant under this Declaration, the Association's Articles of Incorporation and the Association's ByLaws.

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- first Lot included in that plat. to the Common Elements to the Association shall be done promptly after the recording of the plat reflecting that particular Common Elements and, in any event, prior to the sale by the Declarant of the 2.1. <u>Title to Common Elements</u>. The Declarant shall convey fee simple title in the Common Elements to the Association, subject to this Declaration, current and subsequent years ad valorem taxes, and rights-of-way, restrictive covenants and easements of record. Conveyance of title
- 2.2. Lot Owners' Easement of Enjoyment. Every Lot Owner shall have a right and easement of use and enjoyment in and to the Common Elements (the "Lot Owners' Easement"), including specifically an easement for access, ingress and egress from and to public streets, private streets, common parking, and walkways. The Lot Owners' Easement shall not, however, allow any

Lot Owner the right to draw water from any ponds located within the Common Elements for irrigation or any other purposes, it being expressly understood that said ponds may be utilized only to irrigate the Common Elements. The Lot Owners' Easement shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot subject to the following provisions:

- providing for access, ingress and egress to public streets, private streets, parking, and walkways. to in writing by all Lot Owners to which such Limited Common Element is allocated. Any conveyance or encumbrance shall be made subject to that portion of the Lot Owners Easement governmental ordinances, the Association's right to convey or encumber by mortgage or deed of trust title to all or any part of the Common Elements in compliance with N.C.G.S. 47F-3-112. In addition, any conveyance or encumbrance of all or any portion of a Limited Common Element must be agreed Conveyance or Encumbrance of Common Elements: Subject to all applicable
- Articles and ByLaws, to borrow money for the purpose of improving the Common Elements and facilities and to mortgage those properties to secure those borrowings in accordance with 2.2A, above, provided the mortgage is subordinate to the Lot Owners' Easement. Berrowing for Improvements: The Association's right, in accordance with its
- C. Rules and Regulations. The Association's right to impose and enforce rules and regulations which may restrict the use and enjoyment of the Common Elements and/or Amenities.
- to grant and/or establish upon, over, under and across the Common Elements further easements (including, but not limited to those provided in this Declaration) as are required for the convenient use and enjoyment of the Planned Community. Additional Easements. The Association and the Declarant shall have the authority
- E. <u>Admission and Other Fees.</u> Subject to all applicable governmental ordinances, the right of the Association to charge reasonable admission and other fees for the use of any Amenities.
- F. Suspension of Privileges or Services. The right of the Association as provided in this Declaration or in the Act to suspend privileges or services of any Lot Owner who violates the terms and conditions of this Declaration, the Association's ByLaws or Rules or Regulations adopted by the
- 2.3. <u>Delegation of Use.</u> Any Lot Owner may delegate, in accordance with the ByLaws, his right of enjoyment to the Common Elements and facilities to his members of his family and tenants who reside at his Lot and to his guests.

3. MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS.

3.1. Lot Ownership of a Lot shall be the sole qualification for membership in the Association. The Association's Board may make reasonable rules relating to the proof of Lot Ownership of a Lot. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from Lot

- 3.2. The Association shall have two classes of voting membership.
- Declarant may, however, be a Class A Member upon the termination of Class B Membership. Class A Members shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot owned. When more than one Person holds to any Lot. as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect an interest in any one Lot, all such Persons shall be Members. The vote of that Lot shall be exercised **a** Fractional voting is prohibited. Class A Members shall be all Lot Owners with the exception of the Declarant
- A Membership upon the earlier of three (3) votes for each Lot owned. The Class B Membership shall cease and be converted to Class The Class B Member shall be the Declarant. Class B Members shall be entitled to
- (i) the date the total votes outstanding in the Class A Membership equal the total votes outstanding in the Class B Membership; provided that the Class B Membership shall be reinstated with all rights, privileges, responsibilities and voting power if, after conversion of the Class B Membership to Class A Membership, additional lands are annexed to the Planned Community by the Declarant as provided in the Declaration; or
- (ii) December 31, 2015; or
- (iii) the effective date of the Declarant's 's written consent to termination.
- (c) The Declarant's rights as a Class B Member are Special Declarant Rights which may be transferred (as may all Special Declarant Rights) in the manner prescribed by N.C.G.S. 47F-3-104.

ANNEXATION OF ADDITIONAL PROPERTIES.

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- 4.1. Annexation by Members: Except as provided in 4.2, Additional Properties may be added and annexed to the Planned Community only if 67% of each class of all the votes entitled to vote be cast in such class by Members are cast in favor of annexation.
- Planned Community is located, a Supplementary Declaration, approved by any local or municipal time to time, annex Additional Properties to the Planned Community without the consent of the Members, if the Declarant should develop an additional tract or additional tracts of Real Estate accomplished by recording with the office of the Register of Deeds for the County in which the annexation without the consent of Members is a Special Declarant Right. The annexation will be or any portion of those parcels described on Exhibit A attached hereto. The foregoing power of contiguous to or within close proximity of the Planned Community, including, but not limited to, all Annexation by Declarant: Prior to December 31, 2015, the Declarant may, from

Additional Properties annexed and incorporating the provisions of this Declaration. No other action or consent shall be necessary. Subsequent to recordation of the Supplementary Declaration, the developed. Title to these Common Elements shall be conveyed subject to the same exceptions noted in Section 2. 1. Upon annexation, the Additional Properties shall be deemed part of the Planned designated as Common Elements within the Additional Properties as such Additional Properties are Community and shall be subject to this Declaration Declarant shall deliver to the Association one or more deeds conveying any Real Estate that will be authority having jurisdiction thereof, if required, duly executed by Declarant, describing the

the Planned Community subject to a master association, and (xi) to appoint or remove any officer or Planned Community part of a larger Planned Community or group of Planned Communities; to make sales offices, management offices, signs advertising the Planned Community; (ix) to use easements Executive Board member of the Association or any master association during the Declarant Control Community or within real estate which may be added to the Planned Community; (x) to make the through the Common Elements for the purpose of making improvements within the Planned on plats and plans filed with the Declaration; (vii) to exercise any development right; (vii) to maintain Elements; (iii) to designate portions of the Common Elements as Limited Common Elements; (iv) to reallocate and reconfigure Lots within the Planned Community; (v) prior to a conveyance of all or any Period, whichever occurs later, the Declarant reserves the following development rights (which shall be deemed Special Declarant Rights, as defined herein and in the Act): (i) to add Real Estate to the portion of such Real Estate from the Planned Community; (vi) to complete improvements indicated portion of the Real Estate made subject to this Declaration to a Lot Owner, to withdraw all or any Planned Community in accordance with Section 4.2 of this Declaration; (ii) to add Common 4.3. Additional Special Declarant Rights. Subject to all applicable governmental ordinances, as long as Class B membership exists, or until the expiration of the Declarant Control

5. COVENANT FOR MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENTS

5.1. Lien of Assessments:

- provisions of this Declaration secure the liability of that Lot Owner to the Association arising from Lot Owner's breach of any of the as described below, (together the "Assessments"). The Association shall also have the authority, through the Association's Board, to establish, fix and levy an individual assessment on any Lot to agrees to pay the Association Annual Assessments, Special Assessments, and Initial Assessment, all 5.1.1. The Declarant, for each Lot, covenants, and each Lot Owner of any Lot by acceptance of a deed therefore (whether or not it shall be so expressed in such deed) is deemed to covenant and
- determined by the Executive Board. Annual Assessments shall be charged to each Lot Owner of a Lot in Use. Special Assessments shall be charged to each Lot without regard as to whether or not it Period") by the Executive Board and may be collected on a monthly semi-annual or annual basis as The Assessments shall be set on a calendar year basis (the "Annual Assessment Assessments, including fees, charges, late charges, fines, interest and other charges

Superior Court for the county or counties within which the Planned Community is located in the manner prescribed by N.C.G.S. 47F-3-116, be a lien on the applicable Lot continuing until paid in personal obligation shall not pass to that Lot Owner's successors in title unless expressly assumed by Assessment became due. While any unpaid amounts shall remain a lien on the applicable Lot, the full, as well as a personal obligation of the Person who was the Lot Owner of the Lot at the time the imposed by this Declaration or permitted under N.C.G.S. 47F-3-102, 47F-3-107, 47-f-107.1, 47F-3-115 and N.C.G.S. 47F-3-116 shall, upon the filing of a claim of lien in the office(s) of the Clerk(s) of

improvements to the Common Elements, The Association shall maintain a reserve fund for periodic maintenance, repair, and replacement of and welfare of the Lot Owners, and the improvement and maintenance of the Common Elements of this Declaration as described in the Recitals, the payment of Common Expenses, the health, safety Purpose of Assessments: The Assessments shall be used exclusively for the purposes

5.3. Annual Assessments:

- the Lot Owners to consider ratification of the Budget, such meeting to be held not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days after mailing of the summary and notice. A quorum need not be present at the meeting. The Budget shall be ratified unless at that meeting seventy-five (75%) percent of all Lot Owners reject the Budget. In the event the proposed Budget is rejected at that meeting, the Budget for the previous Annual Assessment Period shall be continued until a subsequent Budget or annual installments as fixed by the Executive Board upcoming Annual Assessment Period. Annual Assessments shall be payable in monthly, semi-annual forth in N.C.G.S. 47F-3-103 (c). The Anticipated Annual Assessments for the approved Budget shall be the basis for calculating the Annual Assessment to be charged each Lot Owner for the proposed by the Executive Board is ratified by the Lot Owners in the manner set forth above and set Budget and a notice of the meeting to consider ratification of the budget, including a statement that the Budget may be ratified without a quorum Planned Community, the Executive Board shall provide to all of the Lot Owners a summary of the (together the "Budget"). Annual Assessments") and anticipated costs for the Association for the upcoming Fiscal from Annual Assessments to be charged in the next Annual Assessment Period (the "Anticipated Year. The annual budget for the Association shall include all anticipated revenues (including revenues Association's Executive Board shall adopt the Budget (as defined below) for the upcoming Fiscal On or before December 1st of each year preceding an Annual Assessment Period, the Within thirty (30) days after adoption of any proposed Budget for the The Executive Board shall set a date for a meeting of
- initial Budget adopted by the Association Commencing January I, 2006, the Annual Assessments shall be as determined in the
- may loan the Association monies to the extent that Annual Assessments paid by the Lot Owners are Commencing January 1, 2006, and as long as Declarant has a majority of the total votes, Declarant 5.3.3. The Declarant shall fund all costs of the Association through December 31, 2005.

inadequate. Any such loan(s) shall be to the Association and on terms generally available to Declarant from its lending institution

- of the Members who are voting in person or by proxy at a meeting duly called for this purpose included in the Budget. A Special Assessment shall require the assent of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes any expenditures (including capital improvements and Real Estate acquisition costs) not otherwise levy in any Annual Assessment Period a special assessment applicable to that Annual Assessment Period only (the "Special Assessment") for the purpose of defraying in whole or in part the cost of Special Assessments: In addition to the Annual Assessments, the Association may
- violation or delinquency is cured. or services should be imposed, the suspension may be continued without further hearing until the under this Declaration and under N.C.G.S. §47F-3-116. If it is decided that a suspension of privileges violation and, without further hearing, for each day after notice of the decision is given to the Lot Owner that the violation continues to occur. Such fine(s) shall be Assessment(s) secured by liens be imposed, a fine not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) may be imposed for the Executive Board itself. After rendering a decision, the adjudicatory panel or Executive Board, as the case may be, shall give the affected Lot Owner notice of its decision. If it is decided that a fine should hear such matters, or if the Executive Board fails to appoint such an adjudicators panel, before the Such hearing shall be scheduled before an ad judicatory panel appointed by the Executive Board to violation, notice of a hearing and an opportunity to be heard and to present evidence at such hearing. Owner by the Association, the Executive Board shall give the Lot Owner notice of the charged imposing a fine upon any Lot Owner or suspending any privileges or services provided to such Lot such Lot Owner notice and an opportunity to be heard, impose a reasonable fine upon such Lot Owner or suspend privileges or services (except rights of access to such Lot Owner's Lot). Prior to By Laws or any Rules and Regulations adopted by the Association, the Association may, after giving such Lot Owner's Lot) provided by the Association to such Lot Owner. In addition, in the event any Lot Owner's rights to vote as a Member of the Association) or services (except rights of access to Owner notice and an opportunity to be heard, suspend privileges (including, but not limited to, such be in default for a period of thirty (30) days or longer with respect to the payment of any Lot Owner should violate any of the terms and conditions of the Declaration or of the Association's Assessment(s) due the Association under this Declaration, the Association may, after giving such Lot Fines and Suspension of Privileges or Services. In the event any Lot Owner should
- from that Lot Owner's breach of any of the provisions of this Declaration Special Assessment on any Lot to secure the liability of that Lot Owner to the Association arising 5.6. Uniform-Rate of Assessment. Both Annual Assessments and Special Assessments must be fixed at a uniform rate for all Lots in Use, as the case may be. Provided, however, that the Association shall also have the authority, through the Executive Board, to establish fix and levy a
- are shown to the Association. Thereafter, the Annual Assessments shall commence as to a Lot on the Assessments shall commence as to all then existing Lots in Use on the first day of the month following the conveyance of the Common Elements shown on the map(s) on which such Lots in Use Date of Commencement of Annual Assessment/Due Dates, The Annual

statement. shall be conclusive evidence of payment of any Assessment as to third parties acting in reliance on the reasonable charge may be made by the Board for the issuance of these certificates. These certificates officer of the Association setting forth whether the Assessments on a specified Lot have been paid. A Board. The Association shall, upon demand at any time, furnish a certificate in writing signed by an advance of each Annual Assessment Period. The due date shall be established by the Executive first day of the month following the date it becomes a Lot in Use. The first Annual Assessment shall be adjusted according to the number of months remaining in the calendar year. Written notice of the Annual Assessment shall be sent to every Lot Owner subject thereto at least fifteen (15) days in

- liability for Assessments by non-use of the Common Elements or abandonment of his Lot. Owner also expressly grants to the Association a power of sale in connection with foreclosure of a lien for Assessments. The lien provided for in this Article shall be in favor of the Association acting hold, lease, mortgage and convey the foreclosed Lot. on behalf of the Lot Owners, which shall have the power to bid in at foreclosure and to acquire and action brought in the name of the Association in the manner permitted under the Act. enforce the lien by all methods available for the enforcement of such liens, including foreclosure by an power to bring all actions against the Lot Owner personally liable for the collection of a debt and to acceptance of a deed to a Lot, expressly vests in the Association, its agents or assigns, the right and action shall be added to the amount of the delinquent Assessment foreclose the lien against the applicable Lot. Interest, costs, and reasonable attorney fees of any such late charge of \$25.00 and bear interest from the date of delinquency at the maximum rate allowed by outstanding balance of any Assessment due and payable if any installment thereof becomes delinquent 5.8 Non-Payment of Assessment: Remedies of the Association. Any Assessments which are not paid when due shall be delinquent. The Association shall have the option to declare the If the Assessment is not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date, the assessment shall incur a The Association may bring an action at law against the responsible Lot Owner and/or No Lot Owner may waive or otherwise escape Each Lot Owner, by the
- 5.9. Subordination of the Lien. The lien of the Assessments shall be subordinated to the lien of the first mortgage on a Lot. Except in those instances described below, the sale or transfer of a Lot shall not release or otherwise affect the lien of delinquent Assessments. Provided the Association is given prior written notice of such, the sale or transfer of a Lot pursuant to the foreclosure of a first becoming due or from the lien thereof however, shall a sale or transfer relieve the Lot from liability for any Assessments subsequently deed of trust shall extinguish the lien of the delinquent Assessments for that Lot. mortgage or deed of trust or pursuant to a deed in lieu given in satisfaction of a first mortgage or
- 5.10. Exempt Real Estate. All Lots dedicated to and accepted by a local public authority and the Common Elements shall be exempt from the Assessments.
- 6. INSURANCE
- 6.1. <u>Authority to Purchase Insurance</u>. Insurance policies upon the Real Estate and improvements located within the Planned Community (except title insurance policies insuring Lot

respective servants, agents or guests waives its rights of subrogation as to any claims against Lot Owners, the Association and their them, and if the companies writing such policies will agree, the policies shall provide that the insurer Owners and/or their Lenders) shall be purchased by the Association in the name of the Executive Board of the Association, as Trustees for the Lot Owners, for the benefit of the Lot Owners and their or mortgage endorsements to the holders of first mortgages or deeds of trust on the Lots or any of respective mortgagees as their interests may appear, and shall provide for the issuance of certificates

- 6.2. Insurance Coverage to be maintained; Use and Distribution of Insurance Proceeds. The following insurance coverage shall be maintained in full force and effect by the Association covering the operation and management of the Lots and Common Elements:
- than the Declarant, the Association shall maintain: 6.2.1. Commencing not later than the time of the first conveyance of a Lot to a person other
- (a) Property insurance on the Common Elements insuring all risks of direct physical loss commonly insured against including fire and extended coverage perils. The total amount of such insurance after application of any deductibles shall not be less than eighty percent (80%) of the replacement costs of the insured property at the time the insurance is purchased and at each renewal date, exclusive of land, excavations, foundations and other items normally excluded from property policies; and
- (b) Liability insurance in reasonable amounts covering all occurrences commonly insured against for death, bodily injury and property damage arising out of or in connection with the use, ownership, or maintenance of the Common Elements.
- 6.2.2. The following provisions apply to insurance coverage to be maintained by the Association pursuant to Sections 6.2.1, above:
- United States mail to all Lot Owners Association promptly shall cause notice of that fact to be hand-delivered or sent prepaid by If any insurance described in Sections 6.2.1, above, is not available, the
- (b) Insurance polices carried pursuant to Sections 6.2.1 shall provide that:
- Each Lot Owner is an insured person under the policy to the extent of such Lot Owner's insurable interest;
- (2) The insurer waives its right to subrogation under the policy against any Lot Owner or member of the Lot Owner's household;

- (3) No act or omission by any Lot Owner, unless acting within the scope of the Owner's authority on behalf of the Association, will preclude recovery under the policy; and
- (4) If, at the time of a loss under the policy, there is other insurance in the name of a Lot owner covering the same risk covered by the policy, the Association's policy provides primary insurance coverage.
- property has been completely repaired or restored, or the Planned Community is terminated receive payment of any portion of the proceeds unless there is a surplus of proceeds after the restoration of the damaged property, and Lot Owners and lienholders are not entitled to interests may appear. Property insurance proceeds shall be disbursed first for the repair or not to any mortgagee or beneficiary under a deed of trust. trustee designated by the Association for that purpose, or otherwise to the Association, and (c) Any loss covered by the property policies provided for in Sections 6.2.1 shall be adjusted with the Association, but the insurance proceeds for that loss are payable to any Association shall hold any insurance proceeds in trust for Lot Owners and lienholders as their The insurance trustee or the
- proceeds shall be governed by N.C.G.S. '47F-2-118. lienholders, as their interests may appear, and (ii) the remainder of the proceeds shall be distributed to all of the Lot Owners or lien holders, as their interests may appear, in foregoing, in the event the Planned Community is terminated, the distribution of insurance proportion to the Common Expense Liabilities of all the Lots. replacement in excess of insurance proceeds and reserves is a Common Expense. If any portion of the Common Elements is not repaired or replaced, (i) the insurance proceeds Owners of the Lots to which those Limited Common Elements were allocated, or to attributable to Limited Common Elements which are not rebuilt shall be distributed to the Lot Limited Common Elements not to be rebuilt, repaired or restored. The cost of repair or property, including one hundred (100%) percent approval of the Lot Owners assigned to any Owners decide by an eighty (80%) percent vote not to rebuild, repair or restore the damaged would be illegal under any State or local health or safety statute or ordinance, or (iii) the Lot by the Association unless (i) the Planned Community is terminated, (ii) repair or replacement Section 6.2.1, above, which is damaged or destroyed shall be repaired or replaced promptly (d) Any portion of the Planned Community for which insurance is required under Notwithstanding the
- 6.2.3. Fidelity Coverage protecting against dishonest acts by Association officers, directors, trustees, and employees and all others who are responsible for handling funds of the Association in the amount of one year's operating budget, plus projected reserve balance during the budget year. If professional management is obtained by the Association and it has this coverage and it handles the funds, then this requirement will be satisfied.
- the Lot Owner shall be held for the mortgagee and the Lot Owner as their interest may 6.2.4. In the event a mortgagee endorsement has been issued as to a Lot, the share of

reconstruction or repair appear, but no mortgagee shall have the right to participate in the determination of

- 6.2.5. Each Lot Owner at his expense, may obtain such additional insurance coverage on his Lot, personal property and personal liability and any additional insurance shall contain waiver of subrogation clause
- the Executive Board of the Association deems appropriate. 6.2.6. Immediately after the casualty causing damage to property, the Association shall obtain reliable and detailed estimates of the cost to place the damaged real property in condition as good as that before the casualty. Such costs may include professional fees and premiums for such bonds as
- with insurance companies all losses under policies purchased by the Association. 6.2.7. Each Lot Owner delegates to the Executive Board of the Association his right to adjust
- 6.3. <u>Repair/Reconstruction</u>. Any reconstruction or repair of any improvements damaged by fire or other casualty shall be substantially in accordance with the original plans and specifications.
- paid by the Association and shall be a Common Expense. Premiums. Premiums for contracts of insurance purchased by the Association shall be
- Community which shall cause an increase in the premiums for or the cancellation of any insurance maintained by the Association. Prohibited Acts. No Lot Owner shall do or keep anything within the Planned

EASEMENTS

- specific easement by separate recordable documents, Declarant or, after the termination of Class B membership, the Association will have the right and authority to grant such easement. The easement provided for in this Article shall in no way affect other recorded easements within the Planned Community. the Common Elements, and, to the extent reasonably necessary the portions of the Lots on which no portion of any Building is or is to be constructed, is reserved for ingress and egress, installation, replacing, repairing and maintaining all utilities, including, but not limited to water, sewer, gas, telephones, electricity, and a master antenna system. Notwithstanding such, no sewers, electrical Elements except as approved by the Declarant or, after the termination of Class B membership, the lines, water lines, or other utility equipment or facilities may be installed or relocated in the Common Should any utility furnishing a service covered by this general easement request a Blanket Utility Easement. A blanket easement upon, across, over, and under all of
- cross over the Common Elements. An easement is also granted to the Association over such portion(s) of additional Real Estate owned by the Declarant on which improvements, including agents, employees, and to any management company retained by the Association to enter in or to cross over the Common Elements. An easement is also granted to the Association over such Association Easements. An easement is granted to the Association, its officers,

subdivision map of the Real Estate made subject to this Declaration. to locate and maintain entry monuments, landscaping and lighting in the areas reserved thereon on the the Common Elements. Lots 1 and 34 shall also be subject to easements in favor of the Association (and the Persons described above) for the purpose of correcting, repairing, or alleviating any emergency condition which arises upon any Lot and that endangers any improvement or portion of location of such easements. Every Lot shall be subject to an easement for entry by the Association Estate which provide access to such improvements, subject to Declarant's right to designate the exact utilities, are located, which serve the Planned Community and over such portion(s) of such Rea

- upon which the construction is taking place. be restricted to that Common Elements which shall be reasonably servient and proximate to the Lot(s) the Association may restore the land to the required condition and that Person shall indemnify the in harmony with surrounding areas. Should that Person fail to restore the disturbed land as required each instance, the Person exercising these easement rights shall use its best efforts to minimize any soil or land disturbance activities and shall restore the land to a condition which is graded smooth and underground drainage and utility conduit and hookups to any dwelling structure situated on a Lot. In Association for the reasonable expense incurred in performing that restoration. This easement shall any time on a Lot by Declarant or Lot Owner as well as the extension of driveways, sidewalks, 7.3. Temporary Construction Access and Disturbance Easement. An easement over, through and to the Common Elements is reserved and established in favor of Declarant and all Lot Owners for purposes of ingress, egress, regress, conduct of construction activity, storage of easement shall be used only as and when necessary to facilitate the construction of improvements at construction materials and the necessary disturbance of land for construction on any Lot.
- entry and encroachment by the Declarant for the purpose of correcting any grading or drainage problems with respect to that Lot or adjoining Lots. After such an entry, the Declarant, at its expense, shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, restore the affected Lot(s) to their original 7.4. <u>Drainage Easement</u>. For a period of eighteen (18) months following the last conveyance of a Lot to an Lot Owner by the Declarant, that Lot shall be subject to an easement for

7.5. Governmental Easements.

- over all Common Elements and over an area five (5) feet behind the curb line of any street or roadway in the Real Estate existing now or in the future for the setting, removal, and reading of water meters, the maintenance and replacement of water, sewage, and drainage facilities and the collection of 7.5.1. Declarant reserves an easement for the benefit of the appropriate governmental entity
- in the performance of their duties. 7.5.2. An easement is also granted to all police, fire protection, garbage, mail delivery, ambulance, and all similar persons to enter upon the Subdivision's streets and the Common Elements

7.6. Access, Parking and for Utility Easements. All Lots and the Common Elements shall be subject to all such access, drainage and/or utility easements as are shown on any recorded plats of Real Estate located within the Planned Community, and any such access easements shall be considered part of the Common Elements, whether or not owned in fee simple by the Association, Common Expenses. and the costs of maintenance, repair and upkeep of the areas within such access easements shall be

8. ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

- topography or the general plan of development of the Planned Community harmony of external design, construction and/or location in relation to the surrounding structures, which it determines, in its reasonable discretion, violates the Architectural Guidelines, is not roofing material, siding material, driveway material, landscape design and construction technique(hereinafter the "Architectural Guidelines"). Declarant shall not approve any Improvements set forth in Section 9, below, shall establish, define and expressly limit the standards and specifications which will be approved, including, but not limited to, architectural style, exterior color or finish, written architectural standards and construction specifications which, together with Use Restrictions Declarant shall have the right (but not the obligation) to promulgate and from time to time amend specifications shall be deemed to have been approved by Declarant. Declarant shall have the right to charge a reasonable fee, not to exceed \$500.00, for receiving and processing each application. (45) days after the plans and specifications have been received by Declarant, approve or disapprove such plans and specifications for proposed Improvements within forty-five same shall have been submitted to and approved in writing by the Declarant. If the Declarant fails to plans and specifications showing the nature, kind, shape, heights, materials, color and location of or change be made, nor shall any major landscaping or relandscaping be commenced or made (such construction, alteration and landscaping are hereinafter referred to as the "Improvements") until 8.1. Architectural Control. No dwelling, outbuilding, fence, sign, wall or other structure shall be commenced, constructed, erected or maintained upon such Lot, nor shall any exterior addition to or change or alteration thereof be made, nor shall a building permit for such improvement
- accordance with its general plan of development. herein shall be construed to permit interference with the development of the Lots by Declarant in appropriate, to the Executive Board of the Association or the Architectural Committee. Nothing Any use of the term "Declarant" in this Section 8 shall be deemed to apply to Declarant and, when Rights shall be deemed a termination or assignment of the rights reserved to Declarant in Section 8 Declarant no longer owns any Lots within the Properties, and no termination of Special Declarant three (3) or more persons appointed by the Executive Board. Such delegation shall be made by the Declarant by recording in the office of the Register of Deeds for Union County an Assignment of 8.2. Architectural Committee. Declarant may, at any time, delegate the review and approval authority contained in Section 8.1 of this Declaration to the Executive Board of the Association, which, in turn, may delegate such authority, to an Architectural Committee composed of Declarant shall delegate such authority no later than the date upon which

with the approval or disapproval or failure to approve or disapprove any plans, specifications and/or damages to any person by reason of mistaken judgment, negligence, or nonfeasance in connection member or employee of either, nor any member of the Architectural Committee shall be liable for Liability. Neither Declarant nor the Association, nor any officer, director, manager,

9. ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL AND USE RESTRICTIONS

- recombined in accordance with any applicable zoning or other laws in force at the time of the change in writing by the Architectural Committee or the Declarant, its successors or assigns, and said Lot is may be used as one Building Site provided the location of any structure permitted thereon is approved appropriate governmental authority, the size and shape of any Lot may be altered. More than one Lot exists), or, thereafter, the Association's Executive Board or the Architectural Committee, and the however, that with the prior written approval of the Declarant only. The lay of the Lots as shown on the recorded plat shall be substantially adhered to; provided constitute a building site (a "Building Site") and shall be used for single-family residential purposes 9.1 Building Sites. Each Lot, as approved by the appropriate governmental entity, shall (as long as Class B Membership
- Architectural Committee may approve by written waiver a violation of these requirements. ordinances and the setbacks, if any, shown on the applicable recorded plat, the Declarant and/or the Site to encroach upon another Lot. Provided it otherwise complies with the applicable zoning provided, however, that this shall not be construed to permit any portion of a Building on a Building setbacks shown on recorded plats or required by applicable zoning or other laws. For the purposes of this covenant, eaves, steps, carports and open porches shall not be considered as a part of a Building. Setbacks. No structure shall be located on any Building Site nearer than the minimum
- temporarily or permanently. 9.3. <u>Prohibited Structures.</u> Except as provided in Section 9.5 below, no structures of a temporary character, manufactured home, trailer, basement, tent, shack, garage, barn or other outbuilding shall be used on any portion of the Planned Community at any time as a residence, either
- shall not be amended or revoked without the Declarant's 's written consent promotions at the Amenities, a temporary business/sales trailer, storage trailer, and/or area, construction trailer and/or yards, model units, and signs. Prior to December 31, 2015, this provision and any builder revocably permitted by Declarant, is permitted, subject to the laws of the applicable governmental authority, to maintain such facilities and conduct such sales activities as Declarant deems reasonably required, convenient, or incidental to the development and sale of the Lots and 9.5. <u>Declarant Facilities</u>. Notwithstanding any provision in this Article to the contrary, during the period of development and sale of the Lots and houses constructed thereon the Declarant, These facilities/activities shall include but not be limited to sales tours, sales parties and
- containing less than 3,600 square feet of heated floor area (exclusive of uncovered porches, stoops, 9.6. Minimum Square Footage. No dwelling shall be erected or placed on any lot garages and carports).

obstruct the view of said approach. vegetation in sight line approaches to any street or street intersection shall not be permitted to Obstructions to View at Intersections. The lower branches of trees or other

9.8. Walls, Fences, Hedges and Delivery Receptacles.

- (a) No wall, hedge, mass planting or other similar obstruction exceed three feet in height (and no fence of any type or height) shall be erected or permitted to remain between the street right-of-way and the applicable minimum building setback line.
- (b) No receptacles of any construction or height for the receipt of mail, newspapers or similar delivered materials shall be erected or permitted to remain between the front street right-of-way and the applicable minimum building setback line; provided, however, that this restrictions shall be unenforceable insofar as it may conflict with the regulations, now or hereafter adopted, of any governmental agency.
- (c) No chain link fences may be erected on any lot.
- pasture, or maintained on any lot, except household pets which may be kept thereon in reasonable numbers as pets for the sole pasture and use of the occupants, but not for any commercial use or purposes. Birds shall be confined in cages. 9.9. Animals and Pets. No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred,
- 9.10. Sign Boards. No sign boards of any description shall be displayed upon or above any lot with the exception of signs erected by the Declarant and "for sale" or "for rent" signs erected by Lot Owners which are manufactured by a sign company approved by the Declarant or the Architectural Committee and which meet design and template guidelines approved by the Declarant
- maintained on any Lot, and any such permitted device shall be reasonably screened from view. nature, higher than three feet or larger than three feet square, shall be allowed to be placed or 9.11. Television Receiving Devices. No television antennae, discs or other receivers of such
- erosion and sift control, and shall supervise construction personnel so as to minimize any disruption of property. During any period in which Improvements are being constructed on any Lot, the Lot Owner shall keep the Lot clean and free of trash and debris, shall be responsible for maintaining cause any noise that will or might disturb the peace and quiet of the occupants of surrounding substance, thing, or material be kept upon any lot that will emit foul or obnoxious odors, or that will or nuisance to the Planned Community. No Lot shall be used in whole or in part for storage of rubbish of any character whatsoever, nor for the storage of any property or thing which will cause such lot to appear in an unclean or untidy condition or that will be obnoxious to the eye; nor shall any 9.12. Nuisances and Unsightly Materials. No noxious, offensive or illegal activity shall be carried on upon any Lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may be or become an annoyance

promptly upon demand by the Declarant, its agents, assigns, or representative. No such entry as provided herein shall be deemed a trespass. Without limiting the foregoing the Association may also levy fines for such violation(s) in accordance with Section 5.5 of this Declaration. Association are. owner's expense, and any expenses advanced by the Declarant or the Association shall be a lieu on the affected Lot Owner's Lot enforceable in the manner liens for Assessments payable to the notice or posting, the Declarant or the Association may enter and cure such violation(s) at the of this paragraph, and if the Lot Owner fails to cure such violation(s) within five (5) days after such to the Lot Owner at his property address requesting the Lot Owner to comply with the requirements this paragraph, the Declarant or the Association shall post a notice on the Lot and/or mailing a notice any unsightly items, weeds, or underbrush. In the event any Lot Owner should violate the terms of garbage and trash removal service units. All Lot Owners shall keep their respective Lots free from materials, wrecked or inoperable vehicles or similar unsightly items shall be allowed to remain on any Lot outside an enclosed structure. However, the foregoing shall not be construed to prohibit temporary deposits of trash, rubbish or other debris for pickup by governmental and other similar the quiet enjoyment of other Lot Owners in the Planned Community. No trash, rubbish, stored Owners by acquiring property subject to these restrictions agree to pay such costs Owner's Lot enforceable in the manner liens for Assessments payable to the

- be allowed to unreasonably accumulate. 9.13. Screening. All equipment, garbage cans, service yards, wood piles, or storage piles shall be kept screened by adequate Improvements so as to screen them from view from the street and adjoining Lots. All garbage, trash, or rubbish shall be regularly removed from the Lot and shall not
- promptly provide the Association with copies of any and all leases entered into by the Lot Owner. structure on its Lot, provided that each lease must be in writing, must be for a period of not less than one (1) year, and must provide that it is subject to this Declaration and the ByLaws and that any failure by a tenant to comply with such shall be a default under the lease. The Lot Owner shall 9.14. Leasing. No Lot or any portion of the Improvements thereon shall be leased for transient or hotel purposes, except that a Lot Owner may lease not less than the entire residential
- endanger the health or unreasonably disturb an Lot Owner or his tenants or invitees Nor shall any portion of the Planned Community be used in any way or for any purpose which may shall anything be done which may be or may become a nuisance or annoyance to the neighborhood offensive activity shall be carried on within the Planned Community or Improvements thereon, nor 9.10. Business/Obnoxious Activity. No business activity of any kind or any obnoxious or
- 9.11. Lawn Ornaments. No decorative lawn ornaments shall be placed on any Lot without the prior written approval of the Architectural Committee.
- 9.13. Governmental Regulations. Each Lot Owner shall comply with all laws, ordinances, governmental building codes, health regulations, zoning restrictions and the like applicable to its Lot and/or Common Elements. In the event of any conflict between any provision of such governmental code, regulation or restriction and any provision of this Declaration, the more restrictive provision

- the architectural control and use of the Real Estate within the Planned Community. the power to formulate, amend, publish and enforce other reasonable rules and regulations concerning and thereafter, the Association, the Association's Board, or the Architectural Committee shall have Additional Restrictions The Declarant (as long as it hold Class B Membership)
- shall rest with the Association and/or Lot Owners. or the State of North Carolina be responsible for maintaining any private street. Such responsibility failing to provide any emergency or regular fire, police or other public service to the Planned Community, or to the Lot Owners or Lot occupants. In no case shall any local or municipal authority 9.19. Limited Liability. In no case shall the Declarant or the Association be responsible for
- of privileges and fines in accordance with Section 5.5 above. 9.20. <u>Completion of Construction</u>. All homes under construction within the Planned Community must be completed within fifteen (15) months from the date construction is commenced. Failure to complete the home within such period shall subject the offending Lot Owner to suspension
- nonconformance with any applicable governmental ordinances to this Declaration. No waiver shall be effective if it shall cause the Lot or structures thereon to be in operate as a waiver of any other requirement respecting the Lot in question or any other Lots subject requirements of this Article. No waiver shall be effective unless in writing and nevertheless shall not Class B Membership exists), the Association's Board, or the Architectural Committee shall have the right, in the exercise of their reasonable discretion, to waive one or more violations of the 9.21. Waiver. Notwithstanding anything above to the contrary, the Declarant (as long as

10. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- to do so thereafter Owner to enforce any covenant or restriction herein shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right proceeding at law or in equity, the terms of the Declaration. Failure by the Association or by any Lot as Class B Membership exists), the Association or any Lot Owner shall have the right to enforce, by a 10.1. Enforcement. Subject to the provisions of Section 10.4, below, the Declarant (as long
- judgment or court order shall in no way affect any other provision which shall remain in full force and 10.2. Severability Invalidation of any one or more of these covenants or restrictions by

10.3. Amendment

Declaration shall thereafter automatically be extended for successive periods of ten (10) years any Lot Owner or their respective legal representatives, of recording of the Declaration or the last Supplementary Declaration or amendment thereto, and shall inure to the benefit of the Declarant (as long as Class B Membership exists), the Association or 10.3.1. The Declaration shall run with the land for a term of twenty (20) years from the date heirs, successors, and assigns.

Except as specifically otherwise provided in this document, the Declaration may be amended by an instrument signed by not less than the Lot Owners of sixty-seven percent (67.0%) of the Lots.

- 10.3.2. If an amendment is executed, each such amendment shall be delivered to the Association's Board which shall, within thirty (30) days:
- (a) Reasonably assure itself that the amendment has been executed by the Lot Owners of the required number of Lots (for this purpose, the Board may rely on its roster of Members, and shall not be required to cause the title to any Lot to be examined); and
- (b) Attach the following certification:

CERTIFICATION

By authority of its Executive Board, The Meadows At Weddington Homeowners' Association, Inc. certifies that the foregoing instrument has been duly executed by the Lot Owners of sixty-seven percent (67%) of the Lots in the Planned Community and is therefore a valid amendment to the Declaration recorded in Book ______Page_in the office of the Register of Deeds for Union County, North Carolina.

The Meadows At Weddington Homeowners' Association, Inc

	BY:	
President		

Within the thirty (30) day period, the Association's Board shall cause the amendment to be recorded with the appropriate Register of Deeds' office. All amendments shall be effective from the date of recordation in the appropriate Register of Deeds' office; provided, however, that no such instrument shall be valid until it has been indexed in the name of the Association.

10.4.1 Resolution of Disputes Without Litigation.

- person not otherwise subject to the Declaration who agrees to submit to this Article (collectively "Bound Parties") shall not file suit in any court with respect to a Claim described in subsection (b) unless and until it has first submitted such Claim to the alternative dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Articles in a good faith effort to resolve such Claim. (a) The Association and its officers, directors and committee members, Members and any
- arising out of or relating to: (b) As used in this Section, the term "Claim" shall refer to any claim, grievance or dispute
- (i) the interpretation, application or enforcement of the Declaration, ByLaws and Articles;
- (ii) the rights, obligations and duties of any Bound Party under the Declaration, ByLaws and Articles; or

 (iii) the design or construction of improvements within the Properties, other than matters of aesthetic judgment under Section 8 of the Declaration, which shall not be subject to review;

agree to submit the matter to the procedures set forth in Section 2 belowexcept that the following shall not be considered "Claims" unless all parties to the matter otherwise

- (i) any suit or proceeding by the Association to collect assessments or other amounts due from any Owner;
- (ii) any suit by the Association to obtain a temporary restraining order (or emergency equitable relief) and such ancillary relief as the court may deem necessary in order to maintain the status quo and preserve the Association's ability to enforce the provisions of the Declaration (relating to creation and maintenance of community standards);
- (iii) any suit between Owners, which does not include Declarant or the Association as a party, if such suit asserts a Claim which would constitute a cause of action independent of the Declaration, ByLaws and Articles;
- (iv) any suit in which any indispensable party is not a Bound Party; and
- (v) any suit as to which any applicable statute of limitations would expire within 180 days of giving the Notice required by Section 2(a) below, unless the party or parties against whom the Claim is made agree to toll the statute of limitations as to such Claim for such period as may reasonably be necessary to comply with this Article.

10.4. 2. Dispute Resolution Procedures

- (a) Notice. The Bound Party asserting a Claim ("Claimant") against another Bound Party ("Respondent") shall give written notice to each Respondent and to the Board stating plainly and
- the nature of the Claim, including the persons involved and the Respondent's role in the Claim;
- (ii) the legal basis of the Claim (i.e., the specific authority out of which the Claim arises);
- (iii) the Claimant's proposed resolution or remedy; and
- (iv) the Claimant's desire to meet with the Respondent to discuss in good faith ways to resolve the Claim.

- (b) <u>Negotiation</u>. The Claimant and Respondent shall make every reasonable effort to meet in person and confer for the purpose of resolving the Claim by good faith negotiation. If requested in writing, accompanied by a copy of the Notice, the Board may appoint a representative to assist the parties in negotiating a resolution of the Claim
- agency providing dispute resolution services in the Union County area designated by the Association (if the Association is not a party to the Claim) or to an independent upon), the Claimant shall have 30 additional days to submit the Claim to mediation with an entity of the date of the notice described in Section 2(a) or within such other period as the parties may agree (c) Mediation. If the parties have not resolved the Claim through negotiation within 30 days

Respondent shall be relieved of any and all liability to the Claimant (but not third parties) on account for the mediation when scheduled, the Claimant shall be deemed to have waived the Claim, and the If the Claimant does not submit the Claim to mediation within such time, or does not appear

administrative proceedings on the Claim, as appropriate mediation, or within such time as determined reasonable by the mediator, the mediator shall issue a notice of termination of the mediation proceedings indicating that the parties are at an impasse and the date that mediation was terminated. The Claimant shall thereafter be entitled to file suit or to initiate If the parties do not settle the Claim within 30 days after submission of the matter to

shall share equally all fees charged by the mediator. Each party shall bear its own costs of the mediation, including attorney's fees, and each Party

- without limitation, attorney's fees and court costs. such parties in equal proportions) all costs incurred in enforcing such agreement or award, including entitled to recover from the non-complying party (or if more than one non-complying party, from all this event, the party taking action to enforce the agreement or award shall, upon prevailing, be such agreement, then any other party may file suit or initiate administrative proceedings to enforce such agreement without the need to again comply with the procedures set forth in this Section. In documented in writing and signed by the parties. If any party thereafter fails to abide by the terms of Settlement. Any settlement of the Claim through negotiation or mediation shall be
- Section 3. <u>Initiation of Litigation by Association</u>. In addition to compliance with the foregoing alternative dispute resolution procedures, if applicable, the Association shall not initiate any judicial or administrative proceeding unless first approved by a vote of Voting Members entitled to cast 75% of the total Class A votes in the Association, except that no such approval shall be required
- (a) initiated during the Class B Membership;

- (b) initiated to enforce the provisions of the Declaration, including collection of assessments and foreclosure of liens;
- (c) initiated to challenge ad valorem taxation or condemnation proceedings;
- (d) initiated against any contractor, vendor or supplier of goods or services arising out of a contract for services or supplies; or
- (e) to defend claims filed against the Association or to assert counterclaims in proceedings instituted against it; or

votes necessary to institute proceedings. This Section shall not be amended unless such amendment is approved by the same percentage of

- 10.5. <u>Voting.</u> Voting by Members of the Association shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions set forth in this Declaration and the ByLaws.
- Member agrees to provide the Association with evidence of his Lot Ownership for preparation of a membership roster and the roster as so completed shall be sufficient evidence as to the Lot Ownership address at any time and any notice sent or delivered to that address shall be sufficient. Each new Member Addresses. Each Member agrees to keep the Association informed of his
- 10.7. Gender and Grammar. All words and phrases in this Declaration shall be construed to include the singular or plural number, and the masculine, feminine, or neuter gender, as the context
- 10.8. Lot Owner Responsibility. Notwithstanding anything in this Declaration to the contrary, a Lot Owner shall be responsible for any and all violations of these Declarations by his employees, agents, tenants, guests and invitee. When a party to this Declaration consists of more than one individual or entity, such party's liability hereunder shall be joint and several.
- 10.9. <u>Construction.</u> This Declaration shall be construed in accordance with the laws of North Carolina without giving effect to its conflict of laws principles. In case of any conflict between the Declaration and the Articles or the ByLaws, the Declaration shall control.
- 10.10. Exhibits. All Exhibits and Schedules, if any, attached to this Declaration are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this Declaration. The term "Declaration" as used herein shall be deemed to include all such Exhibits and Schedules.
- and provisions of this Declaration (either actual or threatened) the party or parties who are thereby aggrieved shall have the right to specific performance and/or injunction in addition to any and all other rights and remedies at law or in equity. The rights and remedies provided by this Declaration 10.11. Remedies. In the event of any default in and/or breach of any of the terms, conditions

or power arising from any default on the part of the other shall impair any such right or power, or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such default or an acquiescence therein. The rights and are distinct and cumulative and the use of any one right or remedy by any party shall not preclude or waive its right to use any or all other remedies. No delay or omission of a party to exercise any right statute, ordinance or otherwise remedies provided herein are given in addition to any other rights the parties may have by law,

- 10.12 Termination. Any termination of the Planned Community shall be effected in accordance with N.C.G.S. 47F-2-118 unless such termination shall have been caused by a taking of all of the Lots by eminent domain, in which case such termination will be effected in accordance with N.C.G.S. 47F-1-107.
- 10.13 Attorneys Fees. Except as provided in N.C.G.S. 47F-3-116, in any action brought to enforce provisions of this Declaration, the Association's Articles of Incorporation or ByLaws, or rules or regulations duly adopted by the Association, the prevailing party in such action shall be entitled to collect reasonable attorneys fees awarded by the court having jurisdiction over such action.
- of Incorporation or ByLaws violate the Act, such provisions shall be deemed amended and shall be Declaration and the Association's ByLaws, the Declaration shall prevail except to the extent it is inconsistent with the Act. To the extent any provisions of the Declaration, the Association's Articles construed to the extent necessary to comply with the Act. Rules of Construction. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of the

corporate duly authorized officer by authority of its Board of Directors, this day first above written IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Declarant has caused this instrument to be executed by its

DECLARANT:

PETTUS PROPERTIES, INC.

/// Corresident

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

I, Douglas P. MacMillan, a Notary Public certify that Jerry R. Pettus, Jr. personally came before me this day and acknowledged that he is Vice President of Pettus Properties, Inc., a South Carolina corporation, and that he, as Vice President, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument on behalf of the limited liability company.

Witness my hand and seal, this 2nd day of August, 2005

My Commission Expires: 2/22/2006 Notary Public

C to BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, as holder of Promissory Note(s) secured by Deed(s) of Trust recorded in Book 3745, at Pages 230 and 253 of the Union County Public Registry, and BB&T Collateral Services Corporation, as Trustee under said Deed(s) of Trust, join in the execution hereof for the purpose of making said Deed of Trust subject to the terms and "conditions of the foregoing Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions

BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY

President

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EXHIBIT "A"

Tract I:

BEING located in the Town of Weddington, Sandy Ridge Township, Union County, North Carolina, and being more particularly described as follows:

EXHIBIT "A" - continued

Tract II:

LYING AND BEING in Sandy Ridge Township, Town of Weddington, Union County, North Carolina, and BEGINNING at an iron pipe (found) (disturbed) marking the southeasterly corner of the Jeffrey Franklin Public Registry (the "Registry") and running thence with the easterly boundary of the Jeffrey Franklin Public Registry (the "Registry") and running thence with the easterly boundary of the Jeffrey Franklin West (found) located in the centerline of the public right-of-way of Emis Dirve (S.R. #1319); running thence with distances: (1) S. 62-43-22 E. 263.67 feet to a point; (2) S. 62-44-10 E. 63.82 feet to a point; (3) S. 62-19-10 E. 46.09 feet to a point; (4) S. 60-37-13 E. 41.57 feet to point; (5) S. 8-15-24 E. 38.45 feet to a point; (6) S. feet to a point the instrument recorded in Deed Book 1438 at Page 703 in the Registry, said point the Jackson N. Steele and wife, Melanie S. Steele, property as described in the instrument recorded in Deed Book 1438 at Page 703 in the Registry, said point the Jackson N. Steele and wife, Melanie S. Steele, property as the Bryan W. Pitrnan and wife, Katharine R. Pitrnan, property as described in the instrument recorded in Deed Book 1438 at Page 703 in the Registry, said point the Jackson N. Steele and wife, Melanie S. Steele, property as described in the instrument recorded in Deed Book 1438 at Page 703 in the Registry, said point the Jackson N. Steele and wife, Melanie S. Steele Property (now or formerly); thence with the westerly boundary of the Bryan W. Pitrnan and wife, Katharine R. Pitrnan, property as described in the instrument recorded in Deed Book 283 at Page 703 in the Registry. Solution as shown on the map recorded in Plat Cabinet H, File Nos. 874 through 878 in the Registry; (now or formerly) N. 69-14-09 W. 805.09 feet, passing a robar (found) at 49.78 feet, to the point and place of Corwin Property (the "Survey") dated February 2, 2005 and prepared by Robert D. Bartlet, North Carolina Professional Land of description

BYLAWS

THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

GENERAL **ARTICLE 1**

These ByLaws are adopted ancillary to the formation of The Meadows At Weddington Homeowners' Association, Inc. (the "Association"), a North Carolina non-profit corporation formed to administer THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON, a Planned Community formed pursuant to the North Carolina Planned Community Act as adopted in Chapter 47F of the North Carolina General Statutes (the "Act") and described in the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Meadows At Weddington are hereby incorporated herein by reference. record in the office of the Register of Deeds for Union County. The definitions set forth in Section 1 of the Declaration shall have the same meanings herein, and such definitions (the "Declaration") which is being executed contemporaneously herewith and filed for

ARTICLE II OFFICES

- 2.1. Principal Office. The principal office of the Association shall be located at 16324 Strollaway Road, Charlotte, North Carolina 28217.
- to be maintained in the State of North Carolina may be, but need not be, identical with the Registered Office. The registered office of the Association required by law
- or as the affairs of the Association may require from time to time either within or without the State of North Carolina, as the Executive Board may designate Other Offices. The Association may have offices at such other places,

MEMBERSHIP ARTICLE III

qualification for membership. As evidence of each Owner's membership, the Association may require each Owner to furnish a photocopy of the page(s) of his deed(s) which contains the name of the Member and the Lot(s) owned by such Member. of any Lot which is subject to the Declaration. Ownership of such lot of shall be the sole 3.1. **Membership**. Every person or entity who is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in any Lot which is subject to the Declaration, including contract sellers, shall be a member of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include obligation. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an

- ω membership: Classes of Membership. The Association shall have two classes of voting
- When more than one Person holds an interest in any one Lot, all such Persons shall be Members. The vote of that Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot. Fractional voting is prohibited. Membership. Declarant may, however, be a Class A Member upon the termination of Class Bembership. Class A Members shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot owned. Class A Members shall be all Lot Owners with the exception of the Declarant
- (b) The Class B Member shall be the Declarant . Class B Members shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each Lot owned. The Class B Membership shall cease and be converted to Class A Membership upon the earlier of:
- (i) the date the total votes outstanding in the Class A Membership equal the total votes outstanding in the Class B Membership; provided that the Class B Membership shall be reinstated with all rights, privileges, responsibilities and voting power if, after conversion of the Class B Membership to Class A Membership, additional lands are annexed to the Planned Community by the Declarant as provided in the Declaration; or
- (ii) December 31, 2015; or
- (iii) the effective date of the Declarant's 's written consent to termination.
- its Executive Board, may levy fines against and suspend privileges of or services provide by the Association to a Member in accordance with the Declaration and the Act. Fines and Suspension of Privileges or Services. The Association, through

ARTICLE IV MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

- 4.1. Place of Meetings. All meetings of Members shall be held at the principal office of the Association, or at such other place, within Union County, North Carolina, as shall be designated on the notice of the meeting or agreed upon by a majority of the votes of the Members entitled to vote thereat.
- each year. Annual Meetings. A meeting of the Association shall be held at least once The annual meeting of Members for the election of Directors and the

the Executive Board transaction other business shall be held at such time and at such place as determined by

- day designated by these ByLaws, a substitute annual meeting may be called in accordance with the provisions of Section 4.4 of this Article IV. A meeting so called shall be designated and treated for all purposes as the annual meeting. Substitute Annual Meeting. If the annual meeting shall not be held on the
- 4.4. Special Meeting. Special meetings of the Association may be called by the President, a majority of the Executive Board or by Lot Owners having ten (10%) percent of
- Declaration or the ByLaws, any budget changes, and any proposal to remove a Director or address of each Lot or to any other mailing address designated in writing by the Lot Owner. The notice of any meeting shall state the time and place of the meeting and the items on the agenda, including the general nature of any proposed amendment to the advance of any meeting, the Association's Secretary or any other officer of the Association shall cause to be hand-delivered or sent prepaid by United States mail to the mailing Notice of Meetings. Not less than ten (10) nor more than sixty (60) days in
- 4.6. Voting Lists. At least ten days before each meeting of Members the Secretary of the Association shall prepare an alphabetical list of the Members entitled to vote at such meeting or any adjournment thereof, with the address of and number of votes held by each, which list shall be kept on file at the registered office of the Association for a period of ten days prior to such meeting, and shall be subject to inspection by any Member at any time during the usual business hours. This list shall be produced and kept open at the whole time of the meeting. the time and place of the meeting and shall be subject to inspection by any Member during
- the Executive Board are present in person or by proxy at the beginning of the meeting. persons entitled to cast ten (10%) percent of the votes which may be cast for election of Quorum. A quorum is present throughout any meeting of the Association if

less than a quorum. The Members present at a duly organized meeting may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough Members to leave

In the event business cannot be conducted at any meeting because a quorum is not present, that meeting may be adjourned to a later date by the affirmative vote of a majority of those present in person or by proxy. Notwithstanding anything herein or in the Declaration to the contrary, the quorum requirement at the next meeting shall be one-half of the quorum requirement applicable to the meeting adjourned for lack of a quorum. The

present and business can be conducted. required at the previous meeting, as previously reduced, until such time as a quorum is foregoing provision shall continue to reduce the quorum by fifty (50%) percent from that

- notice to the person presiding over a meeting of the Association. A proxy is void if it is not dated. A proxy terminates eleven (11) months after its date, unless it specifies a shorter 4.8. Proxies. Votes may be voted either in person or by one or more agents authorized by a written proxy executed by the Member or by his duty authorized attorney in proxy. A Member may not revoke a proxy given pursuant to this section except by actual protest to the casting of votes by the other owners of the Lot through a duly executed fact. If a Lot is owned by more than one person, each owner of the Lot may vote or register
- promptly to the person presiding over the meeting by any other owners of the Lot one of the multiple owners casts the votes allocated to that Lot without protest being made ByLaws expressly provide otherwise. Majority agreement is conclusively presumed if any agreement of a majority in interest of the multiple owners, unless the Declaration or these owners are present, the votes allocated to that Lot may be cast only in accordance with the present is entitled to cast all votes allocated to that Lot. If more than one of the multiple meeting of Members at which a quorum is present, regardless of class, shall be the act of the Members on that matter, unless the vote of a greater number is required by law or by the Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration or ByLaws of this Association. If only one of the multiple owners of a Lot is present at a meeting of the Association, the owner who is Voting. The vote of a majority of the votes on any matter present at a
- Association's records taken, shall be signed by all of the persons who would be entitled to vote upon such action at a meeting, and filed with the Secretary of the Association to be kept as part of the Members may be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so Informal Action. Any action which may be taken at a meeting of the
- 4.11. Presiding Officer. The President of the Association, or in the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside at all meetings of the Members and the Secretary of the Association shall act as the Secretary thereof. In the absence of the Secretary, the President shall designate some other person to act as the Secretary of the meeting. In the absence of both the President and the Vice-President, the Members present at the meeting shall elect a Presiding Officer for such meeting.
- special meeting of the Members shall be as follows: Order of Business. The order of business at the annual meeting and at any
- (a) The calling of the meeting to order;

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- (b) The calling of the roll;
- (c) The announcement by the Presiding Officer of the purpose of the meeting and of the nature of the business which may be presented by it;
- (d) The reading and approval of the minutes of any former meeting of the Members, the Minutes of which have not been previously read and approved;
- (e) The presentation of and action, if required, upon reports of officers and committees;
- (f) Unfinished business;
- (g) New business, including the election of Directors for the forthcoming year if the meeting be an annual meeting; and
- (h) Adjournment.

ARTICLE V EXECUTIVE BOARD

Executive Board shall be not less than two (2) nor more than six (6) as may be fixed by resolution duly adopted by the Members or by the Executive Board prior to the annual meeting of which such Directors are to be elected; and, in the absence of such a resolution, the number of Directors shall be the number elected at the preceding annual filled by and in the discretion of the Executive Board. meeting. Any Directorships not filled by the Members shall be treated as vacancies to be 5.1. Number, Term and Qualification. The number of Directors constituting the

Each Director shall hold office for a 3 year term, or until his death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or his successor shall have been elected and qualified. Directors need not be residents of the State of North Carolina or Members of the Association.

- 5.2. **Nomination.** Nomination for election to the Executive Board shall be made by the Executive Board. Nominating may also be made from the floor at the annual meeting. The Executive Board shall make as many nominations for election to the Executive Board as it shall in its discretion determine, but not less than the number of vacancies that are to be filled. Such nominations may be made from among Members or
- 5.3. Election of Directors. Except as provided in Section 5 of this Article V, the Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of Members; and those persons who receive the highest number of votes shall be deemed to have been elected. If any Member

permitted so demands, the election of Directors shall be by ballot. Cumulative voting is not

- same meeting. 5.4. Removal. Any Director may be removed at any time with or without cause by a vote of the Members holding a majority of the outstanding votes entitled to vote at an election of Directors. If any Directors are so removed, new Directors may be elected at the
- the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining Directors even though less than a quorum, or by the sole remaining Director. A Director elected to rill a vacancy shall be at an annual meeting or at a special meeting of Members called for that purpose elected for the unexpired term of his predecessor in office. Any Directorship to be filled by reason of an increase in the authorized number of Directors shall be filled only by election Vacancies. Any vacancy occurring in the Executive Board may be filled by
- shall preside at all meetings of the Executive Board and perform such other duties as may 5.6. Chairman of Board. There may be a Chairman of the Executive Board elected by the Directors from their number at any meeting of the Board. The Chairman be directed by the Board
- their services as such, but may provide for the payment of any or all expenses incurred by Directors in attending regular and special meetings of the Board or in performing his Compensation. The Executive Board may not compensate Directors for

ARTICLE VI MEETING OF DIRECTORS

- 6.1. Regular Meetings. A regular meeting of the Executive Board shall be held immediately after, and at the same place as, the annual meeting of Members. In addition, the Executive Board may provide, by resolution, the time and place, either within or without the State of North Carolina, for the holding of additional regular meetings.
- 6.2. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Executive Board may be called by or at the request of the President or any two Directors. Such a meeting may be held either within or without the State of North Carolina, as fixed by the person or persons calling the meeting.
- without notice. The person or persons calling a special meeting of the Executive Board shall, at least three (3) days before the meeting, give notice thereof by any usual means of communication. Such notice need not specify the purpose for which the meeting is called. Notice of Meetings. Regular meetings of the Executive Board may be held

- attendance by a Director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, except where a Director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened. 6.4 Waiver of Notice. Any Director may waive notice of any meeting.
- Board are present at the beginning of the meeting. Executive Board if persons entitled to cast fifty (50%) percent of the votes on the Executive Quorum. A quorum is deemed present throughout any meeting of the

business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough Directors to leave less than a quorum. The Directors present at a duly organized meeting may continue to transact

continue to reduce the quorum by fifty (50%) percent from that required at the previous applicable to the meeting adjourned for lack of a quorum. meeting, as previously reduced, until such time as a quorum is present and business can quorum requirement at the next meeting shall be one-half of the quorum requirement present, that meeting may be adjourned to a later date by the affirmative vote of a majority of those present. Notwithstanding anything herein or in the Declaration to the contrary, the In the event business cannot be conducted at any meeting because a quorum is no The foregoing provision shall

- 6.6. **Manner of Acting**. Except as otherwise provided in these by-laws, the act of the majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Executive Board.
- a Director who voted in favor of such action shall forward such dissent by registered mail to the Secretary of the corporation immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent shall not apply to with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting before the adjournment thereof or Executive Board at which action on any corporate matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to the action taken unless his contrary vote is recorded or his dissent is otherwise entered in the minutes or unless he shall file his written dissent to such action Presumption of Assent. A Director who is present at a meeting of the the Secretary of the corporation
- without a meeting is nevertheless Board action if written consent to the action in question is signed by all the Directors and filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board, whether done before or after the action so taken, Informal Action by Directors. Action taken by a majority of the Directors
- 6.9. Committees of the Executive Board. The Executive Board, by resolution adopted by a majority of the number of Directors fixed by these by-laws, shall designate three or more Directors to constitute an Architectural Committee as provided in the

of any committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Executive Board, or any member thereof, of any responsibility or liability imposed upon it Declaration and may appoint other committees as it deems appropriate. The designation

ARTICLE VII POWERS/DUTIES OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

- 7.1. **Powers**. The Executive Board shall have power to
- (a) adopt and-publish rules and regulations governing the use of the Common Elements, and the personal conduct of the Members and their guests thereon, and to establish penalties for the infraction thereof;
- (b) levy fines against and suspend privileges of or services provide by the Association to a Member in accordance with the Declaration and the Act;
- (c) exercise for the Association all powers, duties and authority vested in or delegated to this Association by the provisions of these ByLaws, the Articles of Incorporation, or the Declaration and not reserved to the membership by other provisions of these ByLaws, the Articles of Incorporation, or the Declaration;
- (d) declare the office of a member of the Executive Board to be vacant in the event such member shall be absent from three (3) consecutive regular meetings of the Executive Board; and
- (e) employ a manager, an independent contractor, or such other employees as they deem necessary and to prescribe their duties. Until such time as all Class B memberships shall cease, the Association shall not enter into any lease or contract (including management contracts) unless there is a right of termination of any such lease or contract, without cause, which is exercisable without penalty upon not more than ninety (90) days' notice to the other party.
- 7.2. Duties. It shall be the duty of the Executive Board to
- (a) cause to be kept, maintained and made available for examination by any Lot Owner or such Lot Owner's authorized agents, a complete record of all its acts and corporate affairs, including, without limitation, all such financial and other records as may be required by N.C.G.S.' 47F-3-188(a), and to present a statement thereof to the Members at the annual meeting of

the Members, or at any special meeting when such statement is requested in writing by one-fourth (1/4) of the Class A Members who are entitled to vote;

- (b) supervise all officers, agents, and employees of this Association, and to see that their duties are properly performed;
- (c) as more fully provided in the Declaration to:
- fix the amount of the annual assessment against each Lot at least thirty (30) days in advance of each annual assessment period;
- (2) send written notice of each assessment to every Owner subject thereto at least fifteen (15) days in advance of each annual assessment period; and
- (3) foreclose the lien against any properly for which assessments are not paid within thirty (30) days after due date or to bring an action at law against the owner personally obligated to pay the same in accordance with the Declaration and the Act.
- (d) issue, or to cause an appropriate officer to issue, upon demand by any person entitled to receive the same as set forth in the Declaration or in N.C.G.S. '47F-3-118, a statement setting forth whether there are, and if so the amount of, unpaid assessments or other charges against any Lot. A reasonable charge may be made by the Board for the issuance of these certificates. If a certificate states an assessment has been paid, such certificate shall be conclusive evidence of such payment;
- (e) procure and maintain adequate liability and hazard insurance on property owned by the Association and as otherwise provided for in the Declaration;
- (f) pay ad valorem taxes and public assessments levied against the Common Elements;
- (9) cause all officers or employees having fiscal responsibilities to be bonded, as it may deem appropriate;
- (h) cause the Common Elements and the improvements to the Common Elements to be maintained; and

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- direct and supervise the affairs of the Association and require the Association to fulfil all of its obligations and duties set forth in the Declaration.
- of Incorporation or other provisions of these ByLaws powers and/or duties as may be permitted under the Declaration, the Association's Articles 7.3 Delegation of Powers/Dutles. The Executive Board may delegate any of its

ARTICLE VIII OFFICERS

- capacity where action of two or more officers is required. or more offices may be held by the same person, but no officer may act in more than one 8.1. Officers. The officers of the Association shall consist of a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such Vice-Presidents, Assistant Secretaries, Assistant Treasurers, and other officers as the Executive Board may from time to time elect. Any two
- removal, disqualification or his successor shall have been elected and qualified. Only members of the Executive Board shall serve in the capacity of President and Vice-Executive Board and each officer shall hold office until his death, resignation, retirement Other officers need not be Directors or Members of the Association. Election, Term and Qualification. The officers shall be elected by the Only
- incurred in performing his duties on behalf of the Association. 8.3. Compensation of Officers. The Executive Board shall fix the compensation of officers; however, in no event shall Members of the Association be compensated for serving as an officer except to the extent necessary to reimburse said officer for expenses
- contract rights, if any, of the persons so removed. 8.4. Removal. Any officer or agent elected or appointed by the Executive Board may be removed by the Board whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Association will be served thereby; but such removal shall be without prejudice to the
- 8.5. **Bonds.** The Executive Board may by resolution require an officer, agent, or employee of the Association to give bond to the Association, with sufficient sureties, conditioned on the faithful performance of the duties of his respective office or position, and to comply with such other conditions as may from time to time be required by the
- Association and, subject to the control of the Executive Board, shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Association. He shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Members. He shall sign, with the Secretary, an Assistant President. The President shall be the principal executive officer of the

Association, or shall be required by law to be otherwise signed or executed; and in general he shall perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Board from time to time except in cases where the starting and execution thereof shall be expressly delegated by Secretary, or any other proper officer, any deeds, deeds of trust, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Executive Board has authorized to be executed, Executive Board or by these By-Laws to some other officer or agent of the

- duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. Any Vice-President shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or Executive Board death, inability or refusal to act, the Vice-Presidents in the order or their length of service as Vice-Presidents, unless otherwise determined by the Executive Board, shall perform the Vice-Presidents. In the absence of the president or in the event of his
- other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the by law; and (1) in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such furnished to the Secretary by such Member, (e) keep or cause to be kept a record of the Association's Members, giving the names and addresses of all Members and the number prepare or cause to be prepared voting lists prior to each meeting of Members as required of votes held by said addresses of all Members and the number of votes held by each, and authorized; (d) keep a register of the post office address of each Member which shall be these By-Laws or as required by law; (c) be custodian of the Association records and of the seal of the Association and see that the seal of the Association is affixed to all documents file execution of which on behalf of the Association under its seal is duly that purpose; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of Members, of the Executive Board and of all Committees in one or more books provided for Secretary. The Secretary shall: (a) keep the minutes of the meetings of
- perform the duties of the Secretary, and when so acting shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the Secretary. They shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to them by the Secretary, by the President, or by the Executive Board. service as Assistant Secretary, unless otherwise determined by the Executive Board, shall death, inability or refusal to act, the Assistant Secretaries in the order of their length of Assistant Secretaries. In the absence of the Secretary or in the event of his
- such moneys in the name of the Association in such depositories as shall be selected; (b) prepare, or cause to be prepared, a true statement of the Association's assets and liabilities as of the close of each fiscal year, all in reasonable detail, which statement shall moneys due and payable to the Association from any source whatsoever, and deposit all responsible for all funds and securities of the Association; receive and give receipts for Treasurer, The Treasurer shall: (a) have charge and custody of and be

office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him by the President or by the Executive Board, or by these By-Laws. specified Lot have been paid; and (e) in general perform all of the duties incident to the at the direction of the Executive Board, certificates as to whether assessments on a independent annual audit be made of the books and records of the Association, (d) issue, kept for a period of at least ten years; (c) cause, at the direction of the Executive Board, an the State of North Carolina within four months after the end of such fiscal year and there be made and filed at the Association's registered office or principal place of business in

its execution, it may be attested by the Secretary or an Assistant Secretary. Declaration may be prepared, executed, certified and recorded by, or at the direction of, the President or Vice President, and when any such amendment is to be attested as part of Amendments to the Declaration. All duly adopted amendments to the

ARTICLE IX MEMBERSHIP REGISTER

- shall be closed for at least ten (10) days immediately preceding such meeting. case, fifty (50) days. If the membership register shall be closed for the purposes of determining members entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of Members, such books of or to vote at any meeting of Members or any adjournment thereof, or in order to make a determination of Members for any other proper purpose, the Executive Board may provide that the membership register shall be closed for a stated period but not to exceed, in any For the purpose of determining members of the Association entitled to notice
- 9.2. In lieu of closing the membership register, the Executive Board may fix in advance a date as the record date for any such determination of Members, such record date in any case to be not more than fifty (50) days and, in case of a meeting of Members, not less than ten (10) days immediately preceding the date on which the particular action, requiring such determination of Members is to be taken.
- determination of Members entitled to notice of or to vote at a meeting of Members, the date on which notice of the meeting is mailed shall be the record date for such determination of If the membership register is not closed and no record date is fixed for the
- 9.4. When a determination of Members entitled to vote at any meeting of Members has been made as provided in this section, such determination shall apply to any adjournment thereof except where the determination has been made through the closing of the membership register and the stated period of closing has expired.

ARTICLE X GENERAL PROVISIONS

- Association for the immediately preceding fiscal year shall be available for inspection by any Member and any first mortgage holders, their insurers or guarantors, at the principal office of the Association, where copies may be purchased at reasonable cost. at all times, during reasonable business hours, be subject to inspection by any Member, his agent or attorney, for any proper purpose. The Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the Association and the Financial statements for the 10.1. Books & Records. The books, records and papers of the Association shall
- between which is the name of the Association and in the center of which is inscribed SEAL; and such seal, as impressed on the margin hereof, is hereby adopted as the Association's seal. The seal of the Association shall consist of two concentric circles
- 10.3. Waiver of Notice. Whenever any notice is required to be given to any Member or Director by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, Declaration or by these ByLaws, a waiver thereof in writing signed by the person or persons entitled to such notice whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be equivalent to the giving of such
- January and end on the 31st day of December or every year, except that the first fiscal year shall begin on the date of incorporation. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Association shall begin on the first day of
- or by proxy meeting of the Members, by a vote of a majority of a quorum of Members present in person 10.5 Amendments. These By-Laws may be amended, at a regular or special
- deemed amended and shall be construed to the extent necessary to comply with the Act. the Declaration and the Association's ByLaws, the Declaration shall prevail except to the extent it is inconsistent with the Act. To the extent any provisions of the Declaration, the Association's Articles of Incorporation or ByLaws violate the Act, such provisions shall be 10.6 Rules of Construction. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of

Directors Adopted this And day of , SNEWLY 2005, Ş = undersigned

H. Pettus, Director

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
Jerry Pettis, Jr., Director

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FIRST AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON

PROPERTIES, INC., a South Carolina corporation, hereinafter referred to as the "Declarant". THIS FIRST AMENDMENT is made this 26thay of March 2007 by PETTUS

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Declarant executed the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for The Meadows at Weddington (the "Declaration") and filed the same for record in Book 3919, at Page 666 in the office of the Register of Deeds for Union County, North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the Declarant now wishes to amend the Declaration; and

and WHEREAS, the Declarant owns more than 67% of the property subject to the Declaration;

forth in the Declaration and set forth herein, the Declarant hereby amends the Declaration as follows: NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants, conditions and restrictions set

and the word "in" on the third line thereof. Section 2.2.A. is amended by inserting the words "must be" between the word "Elements"

- The following definition is added as Section 1.21:
- 1.21. "Featured Builder" shall mean and refer to: (i) any person or entity acquiring a Lot from Declarant or any affiliate thereof or any successor Declarant for the express purpose of constructing a dwelling on the Lot within two (2) years of acquiring the Lot and, without at any time permitting use of the dwelling as a residence, selling the improved Lot, and (ii) who has been identified from time to time by the Board of Directors or the Architectural Committee of the Association as a Featured Builder.
- Section 5.5 of the Declaration is deleted in its entirety, and the following is substituted in lieu

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the suspension may be delinquency is cured 116. If it is decided that a suspension of privileges or services should be imposed. given to the Lot Owner that the violation continues to occur. Such fine(s) shall be The Executive Board may affirm, vacate, or modify the prior decision of such adjudicatory panel. If it is decided that a fine should be imposed, a fine not to exceed Assessment(s) secured by liens under this Declaration and under N.C.G.S. further hearing, for each day more than five days after notice of the final decision is One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) may be imposed for the violation and, without appeal to the Executive Board within fifteen (15) days after the date of the decision. adjudicatory panel appointed by the Executive Board by delivering written notice of adjudicatory panel or Executive Board, as the case may be, shall give the affected Lot Owner notice of its decision. The Lot Owner may appeal the decision of an Association or members of the Executive Board. After rendering a decision, the adjudicatory panel shall be composed of Members who are not officers of the adjudicatory panel appointed by the Executive Board to hear such matters. Such at such hearing. Such hearing shall be scheduled before the Executive Board or an violation, notice of a hearing and an opportunity to be heard and to present evidence the Association, the Executive Board shall give the Lot Owner notice of the charged (except rights of access to such Lot Owner's Lot). Prior to imposing a fine upon any impose a reasonable fine upon such Lot Owner or suspend privileges or services Association's ByLaws or any Rules and Regulations adopted by the Association, the Association may, after giving such Lot Owner notice and an opportunity to be heard, Lot Owner or suspending any privileges or services provided to such Lot Owner by Owner should violate any of the terms and conditions of the Declaration or of the provided by the Association to such Lot Owner. Common Elements) or services (except rights of access to such Lot Owner's Lot) Member of the Association or to utilize any recreational amenities located within the suspend privileges (including, but not limited to, such Lot Owner's rights to vote as a payment of any Assessment(s) due the Association under this Declaration, the 5.5. Fines and Suspension of Privileges or Services. In the event any Lot Owner should be in default for a period of thirty (30) days or longer with respect to the Association may, after giving such Lot Owner notice and an opportunity to be heard continued without further hearing until the In addition, in the event any Lot violation or

Section 5.8 of the Declaration is deleted in its entirety, and the following is substituted in lieu

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- Elements or abandonment of his Lot. waive or otherwise escape liability for Assessments by non-use of the Common acquire and hold, lease, mortgage and convey the foreclosed Lot. No Lot Owner may behalf of the Lot Owners, which shall have the power to bid in at foreclosure and to manner permitted under the Act. Each Lot Owner also expressly grants to the bring all actions against the Lot Owner personally liable for the collection of a debt and to enforce the lien by all methods available for the enforcement of such liens, Association a power of sale in connection with foreclosure of a lien for Assessments including foreclosure by an action brought in the name of the Association in the The lien provided for in this Article shall be in favor of the Association, acting on Lot, expressly vests in the Association, its agents or assigns, the right and power to North Carolina General Statutes. Each Lot Owner, by the acceptance of a deed to a mortgage on real estate under power of sale under Article 2A of Chapter 45 of the the Association may foreclose a claim of lien for Assessments in like manner as a accordance with Article 29 A of Chapter 45 of the North Carolina General Statutes, county or counties within which the Planned Community is located in the manner prescribed by N.C.G.S. 47F-3-116, be a lien on the applicable Lot continuing until requires that the Association enforce a lien for Assessments by judicial foreclosure in paid in full and shall be enforceable as Assessments. Except in cases where the Act filing of a claim of lien in the office(s) of the Clerk(s) of Superior Court for the located. Fees, charges, late charges and other charges imposed and allowed pursuant to N.C.G.S. § 47F-3-102, 47F-3-107, 47-F-107.1, and 47F-3-115 shall, upon the office of the Clerk of Superior Court for the County or Counties where the Lot is longer shall constitute a lien on that Lot when a claim of lien is filed of record in the 5.8. Non-Payment of Assessment; Remedies of the Association. Any Assessments levied against a Lot remaining unpaid for a period of thirty (30) days or
- The following provision as added as Section 8.4.:
- 8.4 Featured Builders. The Featured Builders, as defined in Article I above, will be identified from time to time by the Board of Directors or the Architectural Committee of the Association, in their sole discretion. The builders identified from time to time as Featured Builders may, and likely will, change over time. By contract, Declarant will require that Featured Builders comply with the elements of of the Lots to be conveyed by Declarant to a builder for construction of improvements on a Lot shall be conveyed to Featured Builders and, except as likewise shall be with Featured Builders. The Board of Directors or the Architectural specifications for the construction of improvements by Owners Committee may require, in its discretion, that each person submitting plans and specifications for the construction of improvements on any Lot also shall submit a Owner of the relevant Lot and a Featured Builder. In no event shall the plans and

specifications for any improvements to be constructed on any Lot be deemed to have been properly submitted unless and until any and all fees required by the Architectural Committee or Board of Directors have been paid and until a copy of a fully signed contract between the Owner of the relevant Lot and a Featured Builder for construction of the improvements has been submitted to the Architectural Committee.

In no event shall the Architectural Committee, Board of Directors of the Association or Declarant, nor any of the officers, directors, members, employees, agents or affiliates of any of them, have any responsibility whatsoever for any actions or inactions by a Featured Builder. By way of illustration and without limiting the generality of the foregoing sentence, none of the foregoing parties shall have any legal requirements applicable to it or applicable to the construction of any improvements or the non-compliance of any Featured Builder with any contractual execution of its work or the proper excrow, accounting, deposit or the payment of any Builder. The selection of the Featured Builder by the Owner, including the proper exidence that such Owner has independently satisfied itself with regard to any and all Concerns that such Owner may have about the Featured Builder's qualifications. No Board of Directors of the Association, Declarant or any of the officers, directors, members, employees, agents or affiliates of any of the them with respect to the selection of employment or retention of any Featured Builder.

In no event shall any improvements be undertaken on any Lot except pursuant to a bonafide contract with a Featured Builder who directly supervises, and controls the construction of such improvements. Each Owner, by acceptance of a deed for any Lot, acknowledges that this obligation to engage a Featured Builder to undertake the improvement of any Lot is binding upon each Owner and that a Featured Builder, in order to be included as a Featured Builder within the Properties, is agreeing to comply with the elements of Declarant's program for Featured Builders, including without limitation, a requirement that each Featured Builder pay such marketing and other fees and amounts that Declarant may require as an element of the Featured Builder program.

ò Section 9.6 of the Declaration is deleted in its entirety, and the following is substituted in lieu

Section 9.6. Minimum Square Footage. No dwelling shall be erected or placed on any Lot which dwelling contains less than the minimum heated floor area (exclusive of uncovered porches, stoops, terraces, garages, and car ports) set forth in the following schedule:

Section 9.10 of the Declaration, entitled "Sign Boards" is deleted in its entirety, and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

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- 9.10. Sign Boards. No sign boards of any description shall be displayed upon or above any lot with the exceptions of political signs, signs erected by the Declarant, and "for sale" or "for rent" signs erected by Lot Owners which shall be subject to such additional restrictions as may be adopted from time to time by the Executive Board.
- œ Sections numbered 9.10, 9.11, 9.13 and 9.14 appearing after Section 9.14, entitled "Leasing" are renumbered Sections 9.15 9.16, 9.17 and 9.18, respectively.
- 9 Section 10.13 of the Declaration is deleted in its entirety, and the following is substituted in
- 10.13 Attorneys Fees. Except as and subject to the limitations provided in N.C.G.S. § 47F-3-116, in any action brought to enforce provisions of this Declaration, the Association's Articles of Incorporation or ByLaws, or rules or regulations duly adopted by the Association, the prevailing party in such action shall be entitled to collect reasonable attorneys fees awarded by the court having jurisdiction over such action.

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This First Amendment is executed by the Declarant as of the day and year first above written.

DECLARANT;

PETTUS PROPERTIES, INC.
BY:

President

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF MECKLENBURG

executed the foregoing instrument on behalf of the limited liability company. I, Deth A lavrell a Notary Public certify that Jerry R. Pettus, Jr. personally came before me this day and acknowledged that he is Vice President of Pettus Properties, Inc., a South Carolina corporation, and that he, as Vice President, being authorized to do so, Deth A larvella

8E / WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this 23 A day of march , 2007.

Butth A. Parnelle, Notary Public Properting Name of Notary

My Commission Expires: My commission expires September 15, 2016

[SEAL]

BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, as holder of Promissory Note(s) secured by Deed(s) of Trust recorded in Book 3745, at Pages 230 and 253 of the Union County Public Registry, and BB&T Collateral Services Corporation, as Trustee under said Deed(s) of Trust, join in the execution hereof for the purpose of making said Deed of Trust subject to the terms and conditions of the foregoing Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions

BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY

BY: The President

BB&T COLLATERAL SERVICES CORPORATION
Trustee

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Adam D. Jackson personally came before me this day and acknowledged that he/she is vice President of BB&T COLLATERAL SERVICES CORPORATION, Trustee, a executed the foregoing instrument on behalf of said corporation. WITNESS my hand and notarial seal, this 26th day of March 2007. Sallie R. Gaddy Notary Public Seal Colline R. Gaddy Notary Public Seal Colline R. Gaddy Public R. Gaddy	A Notary Public certify that Gary Finch personally came before me this day and acknowledged that he/she is banking corporation, and that he/she, as sr. vice President, and that he/she, as sr. vice President, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument on behalf of said corporation. WITNESS my hand and notarial scal, this 26th day of warch 2007. WITNESS my hand and notarial scal, this 26th day of warch 2007. Sallie R. Gaddy My Commission Expires: Warch Notary Public STATE OF NORTH CARBURNA STATE OF NORTH CARBURNA COUNTY OF MECKLEMBURG COUNTY OF MECKLEMBURG COUNTY OF MECKLEMBURG COUNTY OF MECKLEMBURG To the state of Notary Public certify that and acknowledged that he/she is day and acknowledged that he/she is day and acknowledged that he/she is banking day and acknowledged that h
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SUPPLEMENTARY DECLARATION (DECLARATION OF ANNEXATION) OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON

THIS SUPPLEMENTARY DECLARATION, made as of the date hereinafter set forth by PETTUS PROPERTIES, INC., a South Carolina corporation, hereinafter referred to as

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Declarant has heretofore executed the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON, filed for record in Book 3919, at Page 666 of the Union County Public Registry, as heretofore amended and or supplemented of record, hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Declaration"; and

right to annex additional land and makes the same subject to the Declaration; WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4, Article 4.2 of the Declaration, the Declarant reserves the

NOW, THEREFORE, the Declarant does hereby publish and declare that all of the land more particularly described below is made subject to the Declaration and all the terms and conditions thereof, and, further, such land is subject to the jurisdiction of THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON and the assessments levied by the Association allocable to such additional land. The additional land hereby annexed is more particularly described as follows:

BEING all that real property shown and described on Record Map showing THE MEADOWS AT WEDDINGTON, Phase 2, Map I recorded in Plat Cabinet J, File No. 350 and 351, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Union County, North Carolina;

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Declarant has caused this instrument to be executed by its corporate duly authorized officer by authority of its Board of Directors, this day first above written.

DECLARANT:

PETTUS PROPERTIES, INC.

BY:

STATE OF Z Worth CANINA

I. Spras 6. Wallfree a Notary Public certify that Jerry R. Pettus, Jr. personally came before me this day and acknowledged that he is Vice President of Pettus Properties, Inc., a South Carolina corporation, and that he, as Vice President, being authorized to do so, executed the foregoing instrument on behalf of the limited liability company.

Witness my hand and seal, this 13 day of

JAMES G. WALLACE
NOTARY PUBLIC
Medienburg County, North Carolina
My Commission Expires April 22, 2011

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