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# DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, EASEMENTS AND RESTRICTIONS

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THIS DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS OF THE ESTATES AT HARVARD HILLS (the "Declaration"), is made this day by the Mass Devens Limited Partnership, a Massachusetts limited partnership (hereinafter referred to as "Declarant");

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Declarant is the owner of the real estate in Ayer and Harvard, Massachusetts, which is more particularly described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference and shown on a set of plans entitled "'Level One Lotting Plan' and 'Level Two Lotting Plan', Estates at Harvard Hills, Ayer and Harvard, Massachusetts Prepared For: Mass Devens Limited Partnership, 380 Union Street, Suite 300, W. Springfield, MA 01089" dated December 1, 2000, Prepared by Meisner Brem Corporation, recorded at Worcester County Worcester District Registry of Deeds simultaneously herewith but prior hereto and the Middlesex County Southern District Registry of Deeds simultaneously herewith but prior hereto (collectively, such real estate, together with any additional real estate that becomes subject to the provisions of this Declaration as herein provided, is hereinafter referred to as the "Real Estate"); and

WHEREAS, The Real Estate is divided into residential Lots in order to create a residential community to be known as "The Estates at Harvard Hills Homeowners Association, Inc." with, among other things, landscape easements, drainage easements, utility easements, access easements and common areas for the benefit of such residential community; and

WHEREAS, Declarant desires to provide for the preservation and enhancement of the values of the lots in such community and the common areas therein and, to this end, Declarant desires to subject the Real Estate to certain rights, privileges, covenants, restrictions, easements, assessments, charges and liens, each and all to the extent herein provided, for the benefit of the Real Estate and each owner of all or part thereof; and

WHEREAS, Declarant deems it desirable, for the efficient preservation of the values of the lots in said community, to create an organization to which shall be delegated and assigned, among other things, the powers of owning, maintaining and administering any common areas located on the Real Estate, administering and enforcing the covenants and restrictions contained in this Declaration, collecting and disbursing the assessments and charges imposed and created hereby and hereunder, and promoting the health, safety and welfare of the owners of the Real Estate, and all parts thereof; and

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WHEREAS, Declarant has caused, or will cause, to be incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a not-for-profit corporation under the name "The Estates at Harvard Hills Homeowners Association" or a similar name for the purpose of exercising such functions.

NOW, THEREFORE, Declarant hereby declares that the Real Estate, including any additional real estate that may be subjected to this Declaration as provided herein, shall be held, sold and conveyed subject to the following covenants, conditions, easements and restrictions which shall run with the land and shall be binding on, and inure to the benefit of, all persons or entities now or hereafter having any right, title, or interest in the Real Estate or any part thereof, their heirs, successors, successors-in-title, and assigns. Declarant, for itself and its successors and assigns, reserves the right and privilege to subject Additional Land (as hereinafter defined) to the terms and provisions of this Declaration by recording with the Worcester County Worcester District Registry of Deeds and the Middlesex County Southern District Registry of Deeds, an amendment or supplement to this Declaration making reference to the terms and provisions hereof and purporting to subject such Additional Land to the provisions hereof. Such amendment or supplement shall not require the vote or approval of any Owners or Mortgagees. To the extent any such vote or approval is required, it shall be deemed that the Declarant has been given an irrevocable power of attorney to so vote and/or approve of such addition on behalf of the Owners and Morgagees for which the Declarant shall have a power coupled with an interest. Any such Additional Land, from and after being so subjected to the provisions of this Declaration, shall be deemed a part of the Real Estate for all purposes of this Declaration. Additionally, the Declarant reserves the right to convert, subdivide and withdraw portions of the hereinafter defined Common Area into individual Lots and to build thereon Dwelling Units as hereinafter defined, all in accordance with Article XIV hereof.

# ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

- Section 1.3. "Applicable Date" means the date determined pursuant to Section 4.3 of this Declaration.
- Section 1.4. "Articles of Incorporation" means the Articles of Incorporation of the Association, as the same may be amended from time to time, as filed with the Secretary of State of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- Section 1.5. "Association" means The Estates at Harvard Hills Homeowners Association, Inc., or an organization of similar name, formed, or to be formed, as an Massachusetts not-for-profit corporation, its successors and assigns with a mailing address of 380 Union Street, Suite 300, West Springfield, Massachusetts 01089.
- Section 1.6 "Association Documents" means this Declaration, the Articles of Organization, the By-Laws and all rules and regulations adopted by the Board of Directors.
  - Section 1.7. "Board of Directors" means the Board of Directors of the Association.
- Section 1.8. "By-Laws" means the By-Laws of the Association, as the same may be amended from time to time.

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- Section 1.9. "Committee" means the "The Estates at Harvard Hills Architectural Control Committee" established pursuant to Section 6.1 of this Declaration.
- Section 1.10. "Common Areas" means (i) that area designated on any Plans recorded hereunder as Common Area, (ii) all Lots conveyed by the Declarant to the Association by a deed that contains a statement to the effect that said Lot(s) are intended to be "Common Areas", (iii) the service roads designated as such on the Plan as service roads; (iv) all Easements conveyed by the Declarant to the Association by an instrument that contains a statement to the effect that such Easement is intended to the "Common Areas", and (v) all facilities and personal property owned or leased by the Association from time to time.
- Section 1.11. "Common Expenses" means (i) expenses of administration of the Association, (ii) expenses of and in connection with the improvement, operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of the Common Areas and the performance of the responsibilities and duties of the Association, including, without limitation, expenses for the improvement, maintenance, repair or replacement of any Easement areas, the drainage system located within and upon the Drainage Easements, the Common Areas or any streets and/or service roads within or upon the Real Estate (to the extent the same are the responsibility of the Association), (iii) all sums lawfully assessed against the Owners by the Association, and (iv) all sums declared by this Declaration to be Common Expenses.
- Section 1.12. "Declarant" means Mass Devens Limited Partnership, a Massachusetts Limited Partnership, and any successors and assigns of it whom it designates in one or more written recorded instruments to have the rights of Declarant hereunder, including, without limitation, any mortgagee acquiring title to any portion of the Real Estate pursuant to the exercise of rights under, or foreclosure of, a mortgage executed by Declarant.
- Section 1.13. "Development Period" means the period of time commencing with the date of recordation of this Declaration and ending on the date Declarant no longer owns any Lot within or upon the Real Estate.
- Section 1.14. "Drainage Easement" means that area designated on any Plan as a Drainage Easement, either separately or in combination with any other easement designated on such Plan, and such other drainage easements hereafter designated by Declarant as reasonably necessary for the future development of the Real Estate, provided the same do not interfere with the improvements constructed or to be constructed on the Real Estate.
- Section 1.15. "Dwelling Unit" means one or more rooms connected together in a residential building which are arranged, designed, used and intended for use by one or more human beings living as a single household unit; and which includes lawful sanitary facilities and cooking, eating and sleeping space reserved solely for the occupants thereof.
- Section 1.16 "Land Disposition Agreement" means that certain agreement made and entered into between the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency and the Declarant dated June 30, 2000, recorded with the Worcester County Worcester District Registry of Deeds in Book 22769,

Page 110, and with the Middlesex County Southern District Registry of Deeds in Book 31583, Page 559.

Section 1.17. "Landscape Easement" means that area designated on any Planas a Landscape Easement, either separately or in combination with any other easement designated on such Plan.

Section 1.18. "Lot" means any numbered parcel of land shown and identified as a Lot on any Plan.

Section 1.19. "Mortgagee" means the holder of a recorded first mortgage lien on any Lot.

Section 1.20. "Owner" means the record owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of fee-simple title to any Lot. The term Owner as used herein shall include Declarant so long as Declarant shall own any Lot.

Schedule A) identified as the "Estates at Harvard Hills, Ayer and Harvard, Massachusetts, Prepared for: Mass Devens Limited Partnership, 380 Union Street, Suite 300, West Springfield, MA 01089 dated December 1, 2000, Prepared by Meisner Brem Corporation, Scale 1" = 200" as hereafter recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds and Middlesex South Registry of Deeds (as the same may be amended or supplemented from time to time and any subdivision plan(s) for any Additional Land hereafter subjected to the provisions of this Declaration, which subdivision plans are hereafter recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds and Middlesex South Registry of Deeds.

Section 1.22. "Regular Assessments" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.1 of this Declaration.

Section 1.23. "Special Assessments" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.1 of this Declaration.

Section 1.24. "Utility Easement" means that area designated on the Plan as a Utility Easement, be it water, sanitary sewer, gas, electric, telephone or cable, either separately or in combination with any other easement designated on such Plan, and such other utility easements designated or granted by Declarant as reasonably necessary for the development, current or future, of the Real Estate, provided the same do not interfere with the improvements constructed or to be constructed on the Real Estate. Any area designated on the Plan, or any other plan depicting the Real Estate, as an "Access Easement" area may also be utilized as a "Utility Easement". The placement of any pipe, wire, conduit, line main, pole or similar item used in connection with water, sanitary sewer, gas, electric, telephone or cable or similar item shall be deemed as the designation of a Utility Easement by the Declarant.

# ARTICLE II APPLICATION

All Owners, their tenants, guests, invitees and mortgagees, or any other person using or occupying a Lot or any part of the Real Estate, shall be subject to and shall observe and comply with the covenants, conditions, easements, restrictions, terms and provisions set forth in this Declaration and any rules and regulations adopted by Board of Directors on behalf of the Association as herein provided, as the same may be amended from time to time.

The Owner of any Lot and all other persons, (i) by acceptance of a deed conveying title thereto or the execution of a contract for the purchase thereof, whether from Declarant or a subsequent Owner of such Lot, or (ii) by the act of occupancy of such Lot, shall conclusively be deemed to have accepted such deed, executed such contract or undertaken such occupancy subject to the covenants, conditions, restrictions, terms and provisions of this Declaration. By acceptance of such deed, execution of such contract or undertaking of such occupancy, each Owner and all other persons acknowledge the rights and powers of Declarant and the Association provided for by this Declaration, and also for himself, his heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns, covenant, agree and consent to and with Declarant and the Owners from time to time of the Lots to keep, observe, comply with and perform the covenants, conditions, restrictions, terms and provisions of this Declaration.

#### ARTICLE III PROPERTY RIGHTS

Section 3.1. Owners' Easement of Enjoyment of Common Areas. Declarant hereby declares, creates and grants a non-exclusive easement in favor of each Owner for the use and enjoyment of the Common Areas which shall run with and be appurtenant to each Lot subject to the following:

- the right of the Association (after conveyance of the Common Areas to the Association) to dedicate or transfer all or any part of the Common Areas to any public agency, authority or utility for such purposes and subject to such conditions as may be set forth in the instrument of dedication or transfer, upon approval of two-thirds (2/3) of the votes cast, in person or by proxy, by all of the members of the Association entitled to vote, voting as a single voting group, present at a meeting at which a quorum is present;
- (ii) the right of the Association to grant a non-exclusive easement to the Unit Owners of The Estates At Harvard Hills Condominium to use the private ways shown on the Plans subject to such terms and conditions as may be set forth in the instrument granting the same.
- (iii) the right of the Board of Directors to suspend an Owner's right to use the Common Areas (except that access and utilities to the Dwelling Unit shall never be denied to the Owner) for any period during which such Owner shall be in default in the payment of any assessment

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levied by the Association or the payment of any other amount or in the performance of any other term of this Declaration or for any violation by an Owner of the Association's rules and regulations;

- (iv) the right of the Association to borrow money for the purpose of improving the Common Areas, or any portion thereof, for acquiring additional Common Areas, or for constructing, repairing, or improving any facilities located or to be located thereon, and to give as security for the payment of any such loan a mortgage conveying all or any portion of the Common Areas; provided that the granting of such mortgage is consented to by the Owners holding two-thirds (2/3) of the votes and provided further, that the lien and encumbrance of any such mortgage given by the Association shall be subject and subordinate to any and all rights, interests, easements and privileges reserved or established in this Declaration for the benefit of Declarant or any Owner, or the holder of any Mortgage, irrespective of when executed;
- (v) the right (but not the obligation) of the Declarant to install, construct and dedicate to the Association playgrounds, basketball courts and/or recreation areas in and on the Common Areas;
- (vi) the Declarant's reserved easements and rights as described in this Declaration and the right of the Declarant to grant easements in and to the Common Areas to any public agency, authority, or utility for such purposes as benefit the Real Estate or portions thereof;
- (vii) all other easements declared, created or reserved elsewhere in this Declaration or in any Plan, including being shown thereon; and
- (viii) the terms and provisions of this Declaration.
- Section 3.2. Any Owner may delegate, in accordance with the By-Laws and any reasonable rules and regulations promulgated from time to time by the Board of Directors, his right of enjoyment of the Common Areas to his family members or tenants who reside on the Lot or to any guests when accompanied by such Owner, family member or tenant.
- Section 3.3. Prior to the conveyance of the first Lot by Declarant, Declarant shall convey all of its right, title and interest in and to the Common Areas designated as such on any <u>Plan</u> to the Association by quitclaim deed, and such Common Areas shall then be the property of the Association, subject to its reserved rights as delineated in Article XIV hereof.

#### Section 3.4. Easements

- A. Declarant hereby declares, creates and reserves the right to grant the Utility Easements (i) for the use of Declarant during the Development Period for access to and installation, repair or removal of poles, mains, ducts, drains, lines, wires, cables and other equipment and facilities for the furnishing of utility services, including cable television services; and (ii) for the use of all public utility companies (not including transportation companies), governmental agencies and the Association, for access to and installation, maintenance, repair or removal of poles, mains, ducts, drains, lines, wires, cables and other equipment and facilities for the furnishing of such utility services. Except for (i) retaining walls, sidewalks and driveways installed by Declarant or the Association or by the Owner with the approval of the Committee, or (ii) decks and/or patios approved by the Committee, no improvements or structures shall be erected or maintained upon said Utility Easements; provided, however, that any installations permitted hereby shall in all events be installed in compliance with and subject to all applicable rules or regulations of the public utility companies and governmental agencies for which such Utility Easements are herein created and reserved.
- B. Declarant hereby declares, creates and reserves the right to grant the Drainage Easements (i) for the use of Declarant during the Development Period for access to and installation, repair or removal of a drainage system, either by surface drainage or appropriate underground installations, for the Real Estate and adjoining property and (ii) for the use of the Association and governmental agencies having jurisdiction for access to and maintenance, repair or replacement of such drainage system; provided, however, that each Owner of a Lot subject to a Drainage Easement shall be required to keep the portion of said Drainage Easement on his Lot free from obstructions (including providing for the installation of culverts as may be necessary to accomplish such purpose) so that the surface water drainage will be unimpeded. Except for (i) retaining walls, sidewalks and driveways installed by Declarant or the Association or by the Owner with the approval of the Committee, or (ii) decks and/or patios approved by the Committee, no improvements or structures shall be erected or maintained upon said Drainage Easements; provided, however, that any installations permitted hereby shall in all events be installed in compliance with and subject to all applicable rules or regulations of the governmental agencies for which such Drainage Easements are herein created and reserved.
- C. Declarant hereby declares, creates and reserves the Landscape Easements (i) for the use of Declarant during the Development Period for access to and the installation or removal of walls, permanent signs, earth mounds, trees, foliage, landscaping, screening materials and other improvements and (ii) for the use of the Association for access to and the installation, maintenance, repair or replacement of walls, permanent signs, earth mounds, trees, foliage, landscaping, screening materials and other improvements. Except as approved in writing by the Committee, no improvements or structures (including, without limitation, fences) shall be erected or maintained by any Owner in or upon said Landscape Easements.
- D. Declarant hereby declares, creates and reserves the right to grant the Access Easements (i) for the use of Declarant during the Development Period for access to the Lots and Common Areas, (ii) for the use of the Owners, their family members, tenants and guests, for access to the Lots and Common Areas, (iii) for the use of the Association for access to the Lots and Common Areas, and (iv) for the use of governmental authorities, agencies, and departments for

access to the Lots and Common Areas. Except as approved in writing by the Committee, no improvements or structures (including without limitation, fences) shall be erected or maintained by any Owner in or upon said Access Easements.

- E. Declarant hereby declares, creates and reserves an access easement over and across the entirety of the Real Estate (subject to the limitations hereinafter provided in this paragraph): (i) for the use of Declarant during the Development Period, and for the use of all public utility companies (not including transportation companies), governmental agencies and the Association for access to the Utility Easements created and reserved herein; (ii) for the use of Declarant during the Development Period and for the use of the Association, and governmental agencies having jurisdiction for access to the Drainage Easements created and reserved herein; (iii) for the use of Declarant during the Development Period, and for the use of the Association for access to the Landscape Easements created and reserved herein; and (iv) for the use of the Declarant during the Development Period for installing and constructing improvements in or on the Common Areas. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the area of the access easement created by this paragraph shall be limited to that part of the Real Estate which is not in, on, under, over, across or through a building or other improvement or the foundation of a building or other improvement located on the Real Estate. The parties for whose benefit this access easement is herein created and reserved shall exercise such access easement rights only to the extent reasonably necessary and appropriate.
- F. Notwithstanding any provisions contained in this Declaration to the contrary, Declarant hereby reserves unto itself, and its successors and assigns, the right to grant in the future, and the nonexclusive right, privilege, and easement in. on, over, under, and across the entirety of the Real Estate, without charge to Declarant, to tie into and/or otherwise connect to and use (without a tap-on or any other fee for so doing), replace, relocate, maintain, and repair any device which provides utility or similar services, including (without limitation) cable television service, gas, water, electric, sewer and drainage lines and facilities constructed or installed in, on, under, and/or over all or any portion of the Real Estate. Future grants shall be defined so as to not permanently interfere with the improvements constructed or to be constructed on the Real Estate.
- If any Dwelling Unit and all improvements associated with it, including but G. not limited to patios, porches, walks, decks, and privacy fencing, or any other improvement in existence at the time Declarant transfers title to the Owner, encroaches or projects upon any other Lot or upon any portion of the Common Area as a result of the construction of such Dwelling Unit, or if any such encroachment or projection shall occur as a result of settling or shifting of such Dwelling Unit or portion thereof, there shall be an easement for such encroachment or projection and for the maintenance of same so long as such encroaching or projecting Dwelling Unit or portion thereof shall stand. In the event one (1) or more Dwelling Units or portions thereof are partially or totally destroyed as a result of fire or other casualty or as a result of condemnation or eminent domain proceedings, or proceedings of similar import and effect, and such Dwelling Unit(s) or portions thereof are thereafter rebuilt, inadvertent encroachments or projections by such Dwelling Unit(s) or portions thereof upon any other Dwelling Unit or Lot, or upon any portion of the Common Area, in excess of any encroachment or projection which existed as a result of initial construction, due to such rebuilding, shall be permitted, and valid easements for such encroachments or projection and the maintenance thereof shall exist so long as such improvements shall stand; provided, however, that any increase in such encroachment or projection shall not be greater than two (2) feet.

H. Any lot sharing a driveway with any other Lot, or Lots, shall have an easement in common with such other Lot, or Lots, for the use thereof and such driveway shall be used and maintained so as not to impede access to any such Lot sharing the same. Unless otherwise provided herein or in the By-Laws, the Owners of the Lots sharing the use of such a driveway shall share equally in the costs of the maintenance thereof.

No rights, privileges, and easements reserved to Declarant herein shall be merged into the title of the Real Estate or any part thereof, but shall be held independent of such title, and no such right, privilege, or easement shall be surrendered, conveyed, or released unless and until and except by delivery of a quitclaim deed from Declarant releasing such right, privilege, or easement by express reference thereto with respect to all or any portion of the Real Estate.

The Board of Directors may establish reasonable rules and regulations (not inconsistent with the provisions of this Declaration) (a) governing the use and enjoyment of the Common Areas, the facilities located thereon, and individual Lots, and (b) for the enforcement of such rules and regulations and the provisions of this Declaration, including the imposition of fines and the suspension of privilege ledges. Copies of such rules and regulations and amendments thereto shall be furnished by the Association to all Owners prior to the rule's effective date. Such rules and regulations shall be binding upon the Owners, their family members, tenants, guests, invitees, and agents until and unless such rule or regulation shall be specifically overruled, cancelled, rescinded, amended or modified by the Board of Directors or by a majority of the votes cast, in person or by proxy, by all of the members of the Association, voting as a single voting group, present at a meeting at which a quorum is present. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to impose reasonable monetary fines and other sanctions for any violation of such rules and regulations, and monetary fines shall be and constitute a special assessment against the Owner against whom it is imposed and his Lot to be collected and enforced in the manner provided in this Declaration for the collection and enforcement of assessments in general.

#### Section 3.8 Character of the Community.

- A. Lot Use. Except as expressly provided otherwise in this Declaration, all Lots shall be used exclusively for residential purposes and for occupancy by a single household unit with no more than two persons per bedroom plus one. No business building shall be erected on any Lot, and no trade or business of any kind may be conducted on any Lot; provided, however, that to the extent permitted by the applicable Rules of the Devens Enterprise Commission, a person residing in any Unit, may maintain therein a personal office for his professional and/or business use, provided that no employees or persons other than such resident of the Unit shall engage in any such activities in the Unit and no such office shall be advertised or held out or used as a place for service to clients, patients or customers.
- B. Exterior Improvements. In order to preserve the natural quality and enhance the aesthetic appearance of the Real Estate, any fences, exterior lighting, basketball goal, play equipment, swimming pool, hot tub or other exterior improvement or structure or article of any kind must be approved in writing by the Committee in accordance with the provisions of Article VI of this Declaration as to size, location, height composition and appearance before it is installed. All modifications thereof must likewise be approved in writing by the Committee in accordance with the provisions of Article VI of this Declaration. Additionally, and not in limitation of the foregoing any

exterior change to, improvement of or modification to the exterior of any building on a Lot must be in compliance with and shall be subject to the legal requirements set forth in Article 2.1.bb of the Land Disposition Agreement and shall require the written approval of the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, the Devens Enterprise Commission and the Massachusetts Historical Society.

- C. <u>Exterior Materials</u>. All materials used on the exterior of any building on a Lot shall be subject to the approval of the Committee in accordance with the provisions of Article VI of this Declaration. All driveways must be paved. All window treatments shall have white exterior facing surfaces.
- D. <u>Diligence in Construction</u>. No improvement which has partially or totally been destroyed by fire or otherwise shall be allowed to remain in such state for more than three (3) months from the time of such destruction or damage unless a longer period is authorized in writing by the Committee.
  - E. Mobile Homes. Mobile homes shall not be permitted on any Lot.
- F. <u>Maintenance of Lots and Improvements</u>. Except as expressly provided otherwise in this Declaration, the Owner of any Lot shall at all times maintain the Lot and the exterior of any improvements situated thereon in such a manner as to prevent the Lot or improvements from becoming unsightly, and, specifically, such Owner shall regularly:
  - (i) Mow the grass on the Lot.
  - (ii) Maintain the exterior landscaping on the Lot.
  - (iii) Water the grass and the exterior landscaping and provide fertilizer and weed control at such times as may be reasonably required in order to maintain the grass and landscaping and to prevent the unsightly growth of vegetation and noxious weeds.
  - (iv) Remove all debris and rubbish from the Lot.
  - (v) Cut down and remove dead trees from the Lot.
  - (vi) Keep the exterior of all improvements on the Lot in good repair and condition as required to avoid their becoming unsightly.
  - (vii) Prevent the existence of any other condition on the Lot that reasonably tends to detract from or diminish the aesthetic appearance of the Real Estate.
  - (viii) Keep the yard and grounds in a neat appearance and prevent the storage of unregistered and/or inoperable motor vehicles and the storage of personal property such that it has an adverse affect on the aesthetic values of the community.

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In the event the Owner of any Lot fails to so maintain his Lot or the exterior of any improvements thereon in the manner required by this Declaration as determined by the Board of Directors, the Association shall have the right (but not the obligation), through its Board of Directors, agents, officers, employees and contractors, to enter upon said Lot and to repair, maintain and restore the Lot and the exterior of the improvements thereon. The cost thereof, including any attorneys fees and costs incurred in regard thereto, shall be and constitute a special assessment against such Lot and the Owner thereof, to be collected and enforced in the manner provided in this Declaration for the collection and enforcement of assessments in general. Neither the Association nor any of its Board of Directors, agents, officers, employees or contractors shall be liable for any damage which may result from any work performed hereunder.

- G. <u>Nuisances</u>. No outside toilets shall be permitted on any Lot (except during a period of construction and then only with the consent of the Committee); and no sanitary waste or other wastes shall be permitted to enter the storm drainage system. No noxious or offensive activities shall be carried on any Lot nor shall anything be done on any Lot that shall become or be an unreasonable annoyance or nuisance to the Owner of any other Lot. Any violation of this paragraph constitutes a nuisance which may be abated by the Association in any manner provided at law or in equity. The cost or expense of abatement, including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees, shall constitute a special assessment against the offending the Owner thereof, to be collected and enforced in the manner provided in this Declaration for the collection and enforcement of assessments in general. Neither the Association nor any of its Board of Directors, officers, agents, employees or contractors shall be liable for any damage which may result from any work performed hereunder.
- H. <u>Subdivision</u>. Except as approved in writing by the Board of Directors and the Massachusetts Development Finance Agency, no Lot shall hereafter be further subdivided.
- I. <u>Applicable Laws</u>. The use of Lots shall all times be in full compliance with the rules and regulations regarding use as regulated by the Devens Reuse Plan and By-Laws and the Rules and Regulations of the Devens Enterprise Commission as they may, from time to time, be amended.
- J. No Waste. Nothing shall be done or kept on the Property which will increase the amount of insurance for the Common Area without the prior written approval of the Board of Directors; including without limitation any activities which are unsafe or hazardous with respect to any person or property. No Person shall permit anything to be done or kept on the Property which will result in the cancellation of any insurance on the Common Area or any part thereof or which would be in violation of any law, regulation or administrative ruling. No waste will be contained on the Property.
- K. <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. No improper, offensive or unlawful use shall be made of the Property or any part thereof, and all valid laws, zoning and other ordinances and regulations of all governmental agencies having jurisdiction thereof shall be observed. All laws, orders, rules, regulations or requirements of any governmental agency having jurisdiction thereof relating to any portion of the Property shall be complied with, by and at the sole expense of the Owner, the Association or the Declarant, whichever shall have the obligation for the Upkeep of such portion of the Property, and, if the Association, then the cost of such compliance shall be a Common

Expense.

- L. <u>Harmful Discharges</u>. There shall be no emissions of dust, sweepings, dirt. cinders, gases or other substances into the atmosphere (other than normal residential emissions), no production, storage or discharge of hazardous wastes on the Property or discharges of liquids, solid wastes or other harmful matter into the ground, sewer or any body of water, if such emission, production, storage or discharge may adversely affect the use or intended use of any portion of the Property or may adversely affect the heath, safety or comfort of the occupants of the Lots.
- M. <u>Noise</u>. No Person shall cause any unreasonably loud noise (except for security devices) anywhere on the Property, nor shall any Person permit or engage in any activity, practice or behavior resulting in significant and unjustified annoyance, discomfort or disturbance to any Person lawfully present on any portion of the Property.
- N. Obstructions. No Person shall obstruct any of the Common Area, or otherwise impede the rightful access of any other Person lawfully on any portion of the Property. No Person shall place or cause or permit anything to be placed on or in any portion of the Common Area without the approval of the Board of Directors. Nothing shall be altered or constructed in or removed from the Common Area except with the prior written approval of the Board of Directors or the Declarant during the Development.
- O. <u>Association Property</u>. The Common Area shall be used only for the furnishing of the services and facilities for which the same is reasonably suited and which are incident to the use and occupancy of the Lots or provided for in any easement or agreement. The improvements located on the Common Area, if any, shall be used only for their intended purposes. Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Association Documents, no Owner shall make any private, exclusive or proprietary use of any of the Common Area without the prior written approval of the Board of Directors, and then only on a temporary basis. No other Person, other than the Board of Directors, shall engage or direct any employee of the Association on any private business of the Owner or otherwise direct, supervise or in any manner attempt to assert control over such employee during the hours such employee is employed by the Association.
- P. <u>Clothes Drying Equipment.</u> No exterior clotheslines or other clothes drying apparatus shall be permitted.
- Q. <u>Timeshares</u>. No Lot shall be subjected to or used for any timesharing, cooperative, licensing or other arrangement that would entail weekly, monthly or any other type of revolving or periodic occupancy by multiple owners, cooperators, licensees or timesharing participants.
- R. <u>Garages</u>. No garages shall be converted to living spaces or altered or used for purposes which would prevent the use of the garage for the parking of the intended number of vehicles for which it was constructed without the addition of replacement garages unless approved by the Board of Directors.
- S. <u>Leasing</u>. No dwelling or any portion thereof shall be used or occupied for revolving use, transient or hotel purposes or in any event leased for an initial period of less than one

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year. No portion of any dwelling (other than the entire dwelling) shall be leased for any period. No Owner shall lease a Lot other than on a written form of lease: (i) requiring the lessee to comply with the Association Documents; and (ii) providing that failure to comply constitutes a default under the lease. The Board of Directors may suggest or require a standard form provision for use by Owners. The foregoing provisions of this subsection, except the restriction against use or occupancy for hotel or transient or revolving use purposes, shall not apply to Lots owned by the Association, by the Declarant or by a Mortgagee in possession of a Lot as a result of foreclosure, judicial sale or a proceeding in lieu of foreclosure.

- T. In addition to any restrictions or limitations contained elsewhere in this Declaration, the following limitations, restrictions and prohibitions shall apply to the use and occupancy of the Real Estate:
  - (i) <u>Signs</u>. No signs or advertisements shall be displayed or placed on any Lot without the prior written approval of the Committee, other than signs provided by Declarant or the Association.
  - (ii) Pets. No animals of any kind shall be raised, bred, or kept on any Lot, except that (a) normal household pets may be kept in reasonable numbers subject to rules and regulations established by the Board of Directors (provided that such pets are not kept, bred, or maintained for any commercial purpose) and (b) dogs of any breed that are determined by the Board of Directors to be of a viscous nature shall not be raised, bred, or kept on any Lot.
  - (iii) Vehicles. No vehicle or watercraft shall be repaired or restored on any Lot or adjacent street, except in a carport or in a garage with the door closed. Except as approved in writing by the Board of Directors, no vehicle or watercraft shall be repaired or restored on any Lot or adjacent street, except in a carport or in a garage with the door closed. Except as approved in writing by the Board of Directors, disabled or inoperative vehicles or watercraft shall not be allowed to remain on any Lot or adjacent street, except in a garage with the door closed. Except as approved in writing by the Board of Directors, no commercial vans, trucks or tractors having a gross vehicular weight in excess of nine thousand five hundred (9,500) pounds shall be parked or stored on any Lot or adjacent street. Watercraft storage shall be permitted subject to written regulations promulgated by the Board of Directors from time to time. Except as approved in writing by the Board of Directors, no all-terrain vehicle, off-road vehicle, mini-bike, snowmobile or similar recreational vehicle and the like, shall be used or driven on any part of the Real Estate, except to enter or exit the Real Estate.
  - (iv) <u>Garbage, Trash and Other Refuse</u>. No Owner shall burn or permit the burning out-of-doors of garbage, leaves or other refuse on his Lot, nor shall any such Owner accumulate or permit the accumulation out-of-doors of such refuse on his Lot.

- (v) Temporary Structures. Except as approved in writing by the Board of Directors, no trailers or temporary storage sheds shall be erected or situated on any Lot, nor may any such structure or any structure of a temporary character be used as a residence. Except as approved in writing by the Board of Directors, overnight camping shall not be permitted on any vacant or unoccupied Lot or in any Common Area, nor shall any regular overnight camping be permitted on any Lot.
- (vi) Plantings. No planting, landscaping or gardening shall be done in any of the Common Areas, except as approved in writing by the Board of Directors. No hedges or shrub planting in excess of three (3) feet in height shall be permitted in any front yard. All exterior landscaping (other than flowers) that is installed or planted on any Lot shall be subject to the approval of the Committee in accordance with the provisions of Article VI of this Declaration.
- (vii) Satellite Dishes. No freestanding satellite dishes shall be installed or permitted on any Lot. With the written approval of the Committee, satellite dishes 18 inches or less in diameter are permitted on a Lot. Permitted satellite dishes shall be dwelling mounted so as not to be visible from any adjacent street. Notwithstanding the above, regulation of such 18 inch satellite dishes shall be done in compliance with Federal law.
- (viii) Antennas. Except as approved in writing by the Committee, no exposed antennas shall be installed or permitted on any Lot.
- (ix) Awnings. Except as approved in writing by the Committee, no awnings or patio covers shall be permitted on any Lot.
- (x) Tree Preservation. Except for dead trees, no trees shall be removed from any Lot without the written approval of the Committee, and all such requests for approval shall be made to the Committee in writing. In the event the Committee does not indicate in writing its approval or disapproval of a request for tree removal within thirty (30) days after submission, the Committee shall be deemed to have disapproved such request.
- (xi) Site Obstructions. No fence, wall, hedge or shrub planting which obstructs sight lines at elevations between two (2) and six (6) feet above the street shall be placed or permitted to remain on any corner Lot within the triangular area formed by the street and property lines and a line connecting points twenty-five (25) feet from the intersection of said street lines, or in the case of a rounded property corner, from the intersection of the street lines extended. The same sight line limitations shall apply to any Lot within ten (10) feet from the intersection of a street line with the edge of a driveway pavement or alley line. No tree shall be permitted to remain within such

distances of such intersections unless the foliage line is maintained at sufficient height to prevent obstruction of such sight lines.

- (xii) Address Identification. Individual address identification for each Lot shall be installed by each Owner in accordance with standards established by the Committee. All repairs and replacements to such standard address identification shall be consistent in color, quality and appearance with the originals thereof unless the prior written approval of the Committee is obtained.
- (xiii) Fences. Subject to the terms and conditions of Article VI of this Declaration, only fences that are five (5) feet or less in height shall be located on any Lot. No dog runs or animal pens of any kind will be permitted.
- (xiv) <u>Time Sharing</u>. No Dwelling Unit shall be made subject to any type of timesharing, fraction-sharing or similar program whereby the right to exclusive use of such Dwelling Unit rotates among members of the program on a fixed or floating time schedule over a period of years.
- (xv) <u>Firearms and Fireworks</u>. Discharge of firearms within the Real Estate is prohibited. The term "firearms" includes bows and arrows, slingshots, "BB" guns, pellet guns and other firearms of all types, regardless of size. The possession of any type of illegal fireworks is not allowed in any Dwelling Unit or on the Real Estate.

#### ARTICLE IV ASSOCIATION

Section 4.1 Membership. Each Owner shall, automatically upon becoming an Owner, be and become a member of the Association and shall remain a member of the Association until such time as his ownership ceases, at which time his membership will terminate and the new Owner shall be and become a member of the Association.

Section 4.2 Classes of Membership. The Association shall have two (2) classes of membership, as follows:

- (i) Class A. Members. Class A members shall be all Owners other than Declarant (unless the Class B membership has been converted to Class A membership as provided in the following paragraph (ii), in which event Declarant shall then be a Class A member). Class A members shall not be entitled to vote for the election of directors, the transaction of any corporate business or any other matter until the passing of the Transition Date.
- (ii) <u>Class B Members</u>. The Class B member shall be Declarant. The Class B membership shall cease and terminate and be converted to Class A membership upon the "Transition Date" (as such term is hereinafter defined in Section 4.3).