DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS FOR LAKE RIDGE AT JOE POOL LAKE SECTION 9, PHASE TWO



STATE OF TEXAS

KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

COUNTY OF DALLAS

This Declaration is made on the date hereinafter set forth by BLUEGREEN SOUTHWEST ONE, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, duly authorized to do business in the State of Texas and formerly known as PROPERTIES OF THE SOUTHWEST, L.P., acting herein by and through it's General Partner, BLUEGREEN SOUTHWEST LAND, INC., a Delaware corporation, authorized to do business in the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as "Developer".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, Developer is the owner of that certain tract containing approximately **P. 730** acres of land situated in Dallas County, Texas, known as SECTION 9, PHASE TWO, which is a part of the community known as LAKE RIDGE AT JOE POOL LAKE;

WHEREAS, after having been approved as provided by law, the plat of Section 9, Phase Two, was recorded in Volume 2002/39, Page 2007, of the Map Records in the office of the County Cierk of Dallas County, Texas, on the 18¹¹⁴ day of 1002, 2002;

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Developer to place certain restrictions, easements, covenants, conditions, stipulations and reservations upon and against such Section 9, Phase Two, in order to establish a uniform plan for its development, improvement and sale, and to insure the preservation of such uniform plan for the benefit of both the present and future owners of Tracts in Section 9, Phase Two; and

WHEREAS, Developer reserves and retains unto itself, the right, as it, in its sole discretion shall determine to (i) add areas to Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake and (ii) hereafter place and impose such restrictions, easements, covenants, conditions, stipulations and reservations on any and all property or portions thereof, owned by Developer, in order to establish any plan chosen by Developer for the development, improvement and sale thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, Developer hereby declares that the Subdivision shall be held, sold, used and conveyed subject to the following Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake Section 9, Phase Two, all of which are for the purposes of enhancing and protecting the value, desirability and attractiveness of the Subdivision, which Declaration shall run with the title to the Subdivision, or any part thereof, shall be binding upon all persons and entities having any right, title or interest in any portion of the Subdivision, their heirs, successors, successors-in-title and assigns, and shall mure to the benefit of each owner of any portion of the Subdivision. Developer also declares that the Subdivision shall be subject to the jurisdiction of the "Association" (as hereinafter defined).

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.01 "Accessory Building" shall mean and refer to a subordinate building attached to or detached from a Dwelling, including, but not limited to, a workshop or a storage building.

Section 1.02 "Act" shall mean the Texas Residential Property Owners' Protection Act, Title 11, Chapter 209 of the Texas Property Code, as it may be amended.

Section 1.03 "Annexable Area" shall mean and refer, without limitation, to any property adjacent to or in the proximity of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake or the Subdivision.

Section 1.04 "Annexed Area" shall mean and refer to any additional property made subject to the jurisdiction of the Association pursuant to the provisions set forth herein.

Section 1.05 "Architectural Control Committee" or "Committee" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.02.

- Section 1.06 "Association" shall mean and refer to the Property Owners Association of Lake Ridge, a Texas nonprofit corporation, and its successors and assigns.
- Section 1.07 "Board of Directors" shall mean and refer to the Board of Directors of the Association.
- Section 1.08 "Builders" shall mean and refer to persons or entities that purchase Tracts and build speculative or custom homes thereon for third-party purchasers.
- Section 1.09 "Common Area" shall mean all real property and any improvements thereto, within Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake or the Subdivision owned by the Developer and/or the Association for the common use and enjoyment of all the Owners of land within Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake, but not including any private Streets or other real property in Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake the use of which is restricted to fewer than all of the Owners of land within Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake.
- Section 1.10 "Composite Building Site" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 3.02.
- Section 1.11 "Control Transfer Date" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 4.02,
- Section 1.12 "Developer" shall mean and refer to Bluegreen Southwest One, L.P. and its successors and assigns.
- Section 1.13 "Dwelling" shall mean and refer to a building having accommodations for and occupied by not more than one family.
- Section 1.14 "Front Yard" shall mean and refer to a space on a Tract facing a Street and extending across the front of the Tract between the Side Lines and being the horizontal distance between the Street Line and the Dwelling or any projection thereof other than the projection of the usual steps and cave overhangs.
- Section 1.15 "Garage" shall mean and refer to an Accessory Building or a portion of a Dwelling in which motor-driven vehicles are stored.
- Section 1.16 "Height" shall mean and refer to the measurement from the average established grade at the Street Line abutting the Tract or, if higher, from the highest point of the natural ground within the building setback lines of the Tract to the highest point of the improvement being measured.
- Section 1.17 "Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake" shall mean and refer to Sections One, Two, Three, Four (Phases I and II), Five, Six (Phases I and II), Seven (Phases I, II and III), Eight, Nine (Phase One and Two), Ten (Phases I-A, I-B and II), Eleven, Twelve, Thirteen, Fifteen (Phases I, II and III), Sixteen, Seventeen (Phases I and II) and Section 21 of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake, and any other property hereafter made subject to the jurisdiction of the Association.
- Section 1.18 "Maintenance Charge" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 6.01.
- Section 1.19 "Owner" shall mean and refer to the record Owner, whether one or more persons or entities, of fee simple title to the following: either any Tract (when such reference is to the owner of land in the Subdivision), or any plot of land identified as a tract, lot or homesite on any plat of any portion of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake (when such reference is to the owner of land within Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake, and not necessarily within the Subdivision); however, "Owner" shall not refer to the owner of any land identified as "Common Areas" or "Unrestricted Reserves" on any such plat, regardless of the use made of such area; and "Owner" shall include (i) any contract seller (i.e. a seller under a contract-forded) other than any seller having such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation, lerein), and (iii) Builders.
- Section 1.20 "Plat" shall mean and refer to the Final Plat of Lake Ridge Section Nine, Phase Two, an addition to the City of Cedar Hill, Texas, recorded on the 18" day of 1014, 2002, in Volume 2021, Page 2007, of the Map Records in the office of the County Clerk of Dallas County, Texas.
- Section 1.21 "Rear Line" shall mean the opposite of Street Line.
- Section 1.22 "Rear Yard" shall mean and refer to a space extending across the rear of a Tract from one Side Line to the other Side Line and being the horizontal distance between the Rear Line and the Dwelling or any projection thereof other than the projection of the usual steps and eave overhangs.
- Section 1.23 "Related User" shall have the meaning set forth in Section 5.04.

- Section 1.24 "Side Line" shall mean and refer to any boundary line of a Tract which is not a Street Line or Rear Line.
 - Section 1.25 "Street" shall mean and refer to any private Street or any public roadway shown on an approved plat or any replat of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake or the Subdivision.
 - Section 1.26 "Street Line" shall mean and refer to that boundary line of a Tract which is also the boundary line of a Street.
 - Section 1.27 "Subdivision" shall mean and refer to all the real property which is depicted on and subject to the Plat and subject to the Declaration. The name of the subdivision is Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake Section 9, Phase Two.
- Section 1.28 "Tract" shall mean and refer to any plot of land identified as a Tract or homesite on the Plat. For purposes of this instrument, "Tract" shall not be deemed to include any portion of any land designated on the Plat as "Common Area" or "Unrestricted Reserves," regardless of the use made of such area.

ARTICLE II RESERVATIONS, EXCEPTION AND DEDICATIONS

- Section 2.01 <u>Recorded Subdivision Map of the Property.</u> The Plat dedicates for use as such, subject to the limitations as set forth therein, the roads, Streets and easements shown thereon. The Plat further establishes certain restrictions applicable to the Subdivision. All dedications, restrictions and reservations created herein or shown on the Plat, replats or amendments of the Plat recorded or hereafter recorded shall be construed as being included in each contract, deed or conveyance executed or to be executed by or on behalf of Developer, whether specifically referred to therein or not.
- Easements. Developer reserves for public use the utility easements shown on the Plat or Section 2.02 that have been or hereafter may be created by separate instrument recorded in the Real Property Records of Dallas County, Texas, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and repairing a system or systems of electric lighting, electric power, telegraph and telephone line or lines, storm surface drainage, cable television or any other utility the Developer sees fit to install in, across and/or under the land subject to such utility easements. All public utility easements in the Subdivision may be used for the construction of drainage swales in order to provide for improved surface drainage of the Reserves, Common Area, Tracts and/or all other areas of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake or any part thereof. Should any utility company furnishing a service covered by any easement herein provided request a specific easement by separate recordable document, Developer, without the joinder of any other Owner and without conflicting with the terms hereof, shall have the right to grant such easement on the property which shall already have been made subject to the easement provided herein. Any utility company serving Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake shall have the right to enter upon any public utility easement for the purpose of installation, repair and maintenance of their respective facilities. Neither Developer nor any utility company, political subdivision or other authorized entity using the easements herein referred to shall be liable for any damages done by them or their assigns, agents, employees or servants, to fences, shrubbery, trees and lawns or any other property of the Owner on the property covered by said easements.
- Section 2.03 <u>Title Subject to Easements.</u> It is expressly agreed and understood that the title conveyed by Developer to any of the Tracts by contract-for-deed or other conveyance shall be subject to any easement affecting same for roadways or drainage, electric lighting, electric power, telegraph or telephone purposes and other easements hereafter granted affecting the Tracts. The Owners of the respective Tracts shall not be deemed to own pipes, wires, conduits or other service lines running through their Tracts which are utilized for or service other Tracts, but each Owner shall have an easement in and to the aforesaid facilities as shall be necessary for the use, maintenance and enjoyment of his Tract. The Developer may convey title to said easements to the public, a public utility company or the Association.

Section 2.04 Public Utility Easements.

- a. Utility ground and aerial easements have been dedicated in accordance with the Plat and may be dedicated by separate recorded easement documents.
- b. No building shall be located over, under, upon or across any portion of any public utility easement. The Owner of each Tract shall have the right to construct, keep and maintain concrete drives, fences and similar improvements across any utility easement and shall be entitled to cross such easements at all times for purposes of gaining access to and from such Tracts; provided, however, that no fences shall be erected across any drainage or sanitary sewer easement, and any concrete drive, fence or similar improvement placed upon any such public utility easement by the Owner shall be constructed, maintained and used at the Owner's risk. Accordingly, the Owner of each Tract subject to any such public utility easement shall be responsible for (i) the making of

any and all repairs to the concrete drives, fences and similar improvements which cross or are located upon such public utility easement and (ii) the repairing of any damage to any such improvements caused by the Utility District or any public utility in the course of installing, operating, maintaining, repairing or removing its facilities located within any such public utility easement.

ARTICLE III USE RESTRICTIONS

Single-Family Residential Construction. No building shall be erected, altered, placed or permitted to remain on any fract other than one Dwelling unit per each Tract to be used for residential purposes. Accessory Buildings may be constructed on the property at the same time as the main Dwelling is being built, or any time thereafter, so long as they are of good construction, kept in good repair and are not used for residential purposes. All Dwellings and Accessory Buildings must be approved in writing by the Architectural Control Committee and the City of Cedar Hill prior to being erected, altered or placed on the Tract. The term "Dwelling" does not include single or doublewide manufactured homes, and said manufactured homes are not permitted within the Subdivision. All Dwellings must have at least 2,400 square feet of heated/cooled living area for a single-story Dwelling or 2,600 square feet of heated/cooled living area for a two-story Dwelling, measured from the exterior walls, under one roof, excluding porches. A minimum of eighty percent (80%) of the exterior walls of all residential dwellings shall be of masonry and/or glass construction. The exterior walls of Accessory Buildings shall be a minimum of one hundred percent (100%) masonry and/or glass construction; however, storage buildings in compliance with the ordinances for the City of Cedar Hill shall be permitted. Chimneys located on the exterior walls shall be of one hundred percent (100%) masonry construction as well as all exposed portions of an interior wall chimney. Such masonry material shall be of quality and appearance equal or superior to standard clay, slate, common brick, color pigment portland cement brick, stucco or quarried stone as adopted by the Committee. The use of stucco must be approved by the City of Cedar Hill. Exterior material of any Dwelling or Accessory Building, other than the required masonry portion, shall be a material which, in the sole opinion of the Committee, compliments the architecture of the Dwelling. All roof types, colors and pitches must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee. The use of sheet metal or similar material on either the roof or exterior sides of any Dwelling or Accessory Building other than as flashing, is hereby prohibited. Each Dwelling shall be constructed so as to have a Garage accommodating at least two (2) cars and not more than five (5) cars, which Garage may be detached from the Dwelling. No vehicle entrance of a Garage located on a Tract shall face the Street Line on which the Dwelling fronts except those which are granted a written variance. No individual sewage disposal system shall be permitted in the Subdivision. All Dwellings and Accessory Buildings must be built with new construction materials. Any building, structure or improvement commenced on any Tract shall be completed as to exterior finish and appearance within six (6) months after the laying of the foundation. As used herein, the term "residential purposes" shall be construed to prohibit mobile homes or trailers being placed on Tracts, or the use of Tracts for duplex houses, condominiums, townhouses or apartment houses. All Tracts shall be for residential purposes and all homes must be site-constructed. All houses are required to have foundations designed under seal by a professional engineer licensed by the State of

Section 3.02 <u>Composite Building Site.</u> Any Owner of one or more adjoining Tracts (or portions thereof) may, with the prior written approval of the Committee and the City of Cedar Hill, consolidate such Tracts or portions into one building site (hereinafter referred to as a "Composite Building Site"), with the privilege of placing or constructing improvements on such resulting site, in which case the side setback lines shall be measured from the resulting side property lines rather than from the Tract Side Lines as indicated on the Plat.

Section 3.03 Ponds. No docks or piers extending into the water of any pond in the Subdivision will be permitted. No watercraft of any kind shall be allowed on the ponds other than watercraft used for pond maintenance or life-saving purposes.

Section 3.04 <u>Location of the Improvements upon the Tract</u>. The minimum dimension of Tracts and yards, and the minimum Tract area per family shall be as follows:

- a. Tract area: The minimum area of the tract shall be 22,000 square feet;
- b. Front Yard: Each Tract shall have a Front Yard with a depth of not less than thirty (30) feet;
- Side Yard: Each Tract shall have a side yard on each side of the Tract with a width of not less than ten (10) feet;
- d. Rear Yard: Each Tract shall have a Rear Yard with a depth of not less than thirty (30) feet; and

Height Regulations: The maximum Height of any Dwelling shall be the lesser of three stories or thirty-five (35) feet. The maximum Height for any Accessory Building shall be twentyfive (25) feet.

Nevertheless, as to any Tract, the City of Cedar Hill may waive or alter any such setback line if, in the exercise of the City of Cedar Hill's sole discretion, such waiver or alteration is necessary to permit effective utilization of a Tract. Any such waiver or alteration must be in writing and recorded in the Deed Records of Dallas County, Texas. All Dwellings must be served with water, electricity and sewer.

Section 3.05 Use of Temporary Structures. No structure of a temporary character, whether an underground structure, trailer, tent, shack, Garage, barn or other Accessory Building shall be maintained or used on any Tract at any time as a residence, either temporarily or permanently; provided, however, that Developer reserves the exclusive right to erect, place and maintain such facilities in or upon any property in the Subdivision that it owns as Developer in its sole discretion may deem necessary or convenient while selling Tracts, selling or constructing residences and constructing other improvements within the Subdivision.

Walls and Fences. Walls and fences, if any, must be approved in writing by the Section 3.06 Architectural Control Committee prior to construction. All fences fronting Streets, common areas or other public areas shall be constructed of Austin Stone and wrought iron; all other perimeter fences shall he constructed of wrought iron in accordance with the standard detail adopted by the Architectural Control Committee from time to time. No fencing shall be allowed from the front line of the house to the public right-of-way. All fences must be maintained to the satisfaction of the Board of Directors. No fences shall be erected across any drainage or sanitary sewer easements. Any improvements that are constructed within casements will be at the Owner's risk, and the City will not be responsible for the replacement thereof, should they need to be removed.

Prohibition of Offensive Activities. No activity, whether for profit or not, shall be Section 3.07 conducted on any Tract which is not related to single-family residential purposes, unless such activity meets the following criteria:

- No additional exterior sign of activity is present;
- It is the type of action that usually happens in a home;
- No additional traffic, that would not be there normally, is created;
- The entity or activity maintains an office or place of business elsewhere; and d.
- The activity does not create a dangerous situation or involve dangerous materials. e.

Nevertheless, the foregoing restrictions shall not be deemed to prohibit the customary sales activities for the sale of homes in the Subdivision. Furthermore, the discharge or use of firearms in the Subdivision is expressly prohibited. The Association shall have the sole and absolute discretion to determine what constitutes a nuisance or annoyance in violation of this Section.

Garbage and Trash Disposal. Garbage and trash or other debris accumulated in the Subdivision shall not be permitted to be dumped at any place upon adjoining land where a nuisance to any residence of the Subdivision is or may be created. No Tract shall be used or maintained as a dumping ground for rubbish. Trash, garbage or other waste shall not be allowed to accumulate, shall be kept in sanitary containers and shall be disposed of regularly. During the construction period, the builder is required to maintain a dumpster on the building site which must be in place before construction begins. All equipment for the storage or disposal of such material shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition.

Junked Motor Vehicles Prohibited. No Tract shall be used as a depository for abandoned Section 3.09 or junked motor vehicles. No junk of any kind or character, or dilapidated structure or building of any kind or character, shall be kept on any Tract.

Signs. No signs, advertisements, billboards or advertising structure of any kind may be erected or maintained on any Tract without the consent in writing of the Architectural Control Committee except (a) one (1) professionally made sign to advertise an Owner's home for sale or rent complying with the criteria for such signs adopted by the Committee, (b) one (1) professionally made sign not more than twelve inches (12") wide and twenty-four inches (24") long by which Developer identifies the name or names of each purchaser of the Tract or (c) any other signs used by Developer in conjunction with its initial marketing. Builders shall be allowed to place one professionally made sign on their Tracts, or on any Tract that they have contracted to construct a home, not more than thirty-six inches (36") by thirty-six inches (36"). All other signs are prohibited. Developer or any member of the Committee shall have the

- right to remove any such sign, advertisement or billboard or structure which is placed on any Tract in violation of these restrictions, and in doing so, shall not be liable, and is hereby expressly relieved from, any liability for trespass or other sort in connection therewith, or arising from such removal.
- Section 3.11 Animal Husbandry. No animals, livestock or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any Tract; provided, however, that dogs, cats or other common household pets may be kept on a Tract. Animals are not to be raised, bred or kept for commercial purposes or for food. Pets must be kept in a kennel, dog run or fenced in area that confines said pet(s) to that area. Dogs will not be permitted to run loose in the Subdivision and must be vaccinated for rabies according to State law once a year and registered with the City of Cedar Hill once a year.
- Section 3.12 <u>Mineral Development</u>. No commercial oil drilling, oil development operations, oil refining, quarrying or mining operation of any kind shall be permitted upon or in any Tract. No derrick or other structures designed for the use of boring for oil or natural gas shall be erected, maintained or permitted upon any Tract.
- Section 3.13 <u>Drainage.</u> Natural established drainage patterns of Streets, Tracts or roadway ditches will not be impaired by any person or persons. Driveway culverts must be installed and will be of sufficient size to afford proper drainage of ditches without backing water up into a ditch or diverting flow. Drainage culvert installation is subject to the inspection and approval of the City of Cedar Hill and must be installed prior to any construction on a Tract. All driveways must be reinforced concrete and be a minimum of ten (10) feet in width.
- Section 3.14 Re-subdividing. No Tract shall be re-subdivided; and not more than one Dwelling and one Accessory Building shall be constructed thereon.
- Section 3.15 Leasing. No Accessory Building shall be leased or rented except for the leasing or renting of the Dwelling on the Tract to the same party leasing or renting the Dwelling on the Tract.
- Section 3.16 Uses and maintenance of the Tract and All Improvements Located Thereon. Without limiting the foregoing, the following restrictions shall apply to all Tracts:
 - a. No boat, jet-ski, aircraft, travel trailer, motor home, mobile home, camper body or similar vehicle or equipment may be parked for storage in the Front Yard of any Dwelling or parked on any Street in the Subdivision, nor shall any such vehicle or equipment be parked for storage in the side yard or Rear Yard of any Dwelling unless completely concealed from public view. All boats so parked or stored in the side yard or Rear Yard must at all times also be stored on a trailer. No such vehicle or equipment shall be used as a residence temporarily or permanently. This restriction shall not apply to any vehicle, machinery or equipment temporarily parked and in use for the construction, maintenance or repair of a Dwelling in the immediate vicinity;
 - b. Trucks with tonnage in excess of one and one-half (1½) tons shall not be permitted to park overnight within the Subdivision except those used by a Builder during the construction of improvements. Any vehicle with painted advertisements or business placards on its body shall not be permitted to park overnight on any Street within the Subdivision except for those vehicles used by a Builder during the construction of improvements;
 - c. No vehicle of any size which transports inflammatory or explosive cargo may be kept in the Subdivision at any time;
 - d. No vehicles or similar equipment shall be parked or stored in an area visible from any Street except passenger automobiles, passenger vans, motorcycles, pick-up trucks and pick-up trucks with attached bed campers that are in operating condition and have current license plates and inspection stickers and are in daily use as motor vehicles on the Streets and highways of the State of Texas; and
 - e. Propane tanks or other visible equipment must be completely screened from public and private view. The screening materials, installation and location of all propane tanks or other visible equipment must be approved by the Architectural Control Committee.
- Section 3.17 Antennas. Antennas of any kind shall not exceed five feet above the roof of the Dwelling or Accessory Building. One satellite dish or other instrument or structure may be placed in the Rear Yard so long as it is completely screened from view from any Street.
- Section 3.18 Sidewalks. All sidewalks shall conform to the specifications and regulations of the City of Cedar Hill. Sidewalks must be built when the Dwelling is constructed. Builders of Dwellings on corner Tracts shall construct sidewalks on both sides that front a Street.

- Section 3.19 <u>Duty of Maintenance</u>. Owners and occupants (including lessees) of any Tract shall jointly and severally have the duty and responsibility, at their sole cost and expense, to keep that Tract so owned or occupied, including improvements and grounds in connection therewith, in a well-maintained, safe, clean and attractive condition at all times. Such maintenance includes, but is not limited to the following:
 - Prompt removal of all litter, trash, refuse and wastes;
 - b. Lawn mowing;
 - c. Tree and shrub pruning;
 - d. Watering;
 - e. Keeping exterior lighting and mechanical facilities in working order;
 - f. Keeping lawn and garden areas alive, free of weeds and attractive;
 - g. Keeping driveways in good repair;
 - Complying with all government health and policy requirements; and
 - Repair of exterior damage to improvements.

Enforcement. If, in the opinion of the Board of Directors or the Committee, any such Section 3.20 Owner or occupant (including lessees) has failed to comply with any of the foregoing restrictions or has failed in any of the foregoing duties or responsibilities, then the Committee or the Association shall deliver to such Owner or occupant (including lessees) written notice of such failure and such Owner or occupant (including lessees) must within ten (10) days from and after delivery of such notice, comply with the restrictions and/or perform the care and maintenance required. Should any such Owner or occupant (including lessees) fail to fulfill this duty and responsibility within such period, then the Committee, or the Association or their designated agents are hereby authorized to enter onto the premises and correct such violations and perform such care and maintenance as necessary without any liability for damages for wrongful entry, trespass or otherwise to any person. The Owners and occupants (including lessees) of any Tract on which such work is performed shall promptly reimburse the Committee or the Association for such cost. If such Owner or occupant (including lessees) shall fail to reimburse the Committee or the Association within thirty (30) days from and after delivery by the Association of an invoice setting forth the costs incurred by the Association for such work, then such costs shall be a debt of the Owner and occupant (including lessees) jointly and severally.

ARTICLE IV ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

Section 4.01 Basic Control.

- a. No building or other improvements of any character shall be erected or placed, or the erection or placing thereof commenced or changes made in the design or exterior appearance thereof (excluding, without limitation, painting, staining or siding), or any addition or exterior alteration made thereto after original construction, or demolition or destruction by voluntary action made thereto after original construction, on any Tract in the Subdivision until the necessary approval (as hereinafter provided) of the construction plans and specifications for the construction or alteration of such improvements or demolition or destruction of existing improvements by voluntary action has been obtained from the Committee. Approval by the Committee shall in no way effect the Owner's obligation to comply with all governmental laws and City of Cedar Hill regulations.
- b. Each application made to the Committee or to the Developer under Section 4.02. below shall be accompanied by three (3) sets of plans and specifications for all proposed construction (initial or alteration) together with engineered foundation plans for such Tract, including plot plans showing location of improvements on the Tract. Upon receipt, the Committee shall forward one set of the plans and specifications to the Developer.

Section 4.02 <u>Architectural Control Committee</u>.

a. The authority to grant or withhold architectural control approval as referred to above is initially vested in the Developer; provided, however, the authority of the Developer shall cease and terminate upon the election of the Architectural Control Committee, in which event such

authority shall be vested in and exercised by the Committee (as provided in Section 4.02 b. below), except as to plans and specifications and plot plans theretofore submitted to the Developer, which shall continue to exercise such authority over all such plans, specifications and plot plans. The rights, powers and responsibilities of the Committee as set forth in this Declaration, shall belong to the Developer until election of the Architectural Control Committee as provided below.

b. At such time as seventy-five percent (75%) of all of the Tracts in Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake are conveyed by Developer (hereinafter referred to as the "Control Transfer Date"), the Developer shall cause an instrument transferring control of the architectural control functions of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake to the Association to be placed of record in the Real Property Records of Dalias County, Texas (which instrument shall include the Control Transfer Date). Thereupon, the Developer shall appoint a committee of three (3) members to be known as the Architectural Control Committee of the Association. From and after the Control Transfer Date, each member of the Committee must be an Owner of property in Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake. Additionally, the Developer shall have the right to discontinue the exercise of architectural control privileges and arrange for the transfer of them to the Association at any time prior to the Control Transfer Date by filing a statement and instrument to such effect in the Real Property Records of Dallas County, Texas.

Section 4.03 Effect of Inaction. Approval or disapproval as to architectural control matters as set forth in the preceding provisions of this Declaration shall be in writing. In the event that the authority exercising the prerogative of approval or disapproval (whether the Developer or the Committee) fails to approve or disapprove in writing any plans and specifications and plot plans received by it in compliance with the preceding provisions within thirty (30) days following such submissions, such plans and specifications and plot plan shall be deemed approved and the construction of any such building and other improvements may be commenced and proceeded with in compliance with all such plans and specifications and plot plan and all of the other terms and provisions hereof.

Effect of Approval. The granting of the aforesaid approval (whether in writing or by Section 4.04 lapse of time) shall constitute only an expression of opinion by the Committee that the terms and provisions hereof shall be complied with if the building and/or other improvements are erected in accordance with said plans and specifications and plot plan; and such approval shall not constitute any nature of waiver or estoppel either as to the persons expressing such approval or any other person in the event that such building and/or improvements are not constructed in accordance with such plans and specifications and plot plan, but, nevertheless, fail to comply with the provisions hereof. Review and approval of any application pursuant to this Article is made on the basis of aesthetic considerations only, and neither the Developer, the Architectural Control Committee, nor the Association shall bear any responsibility for ensuring the structural integrity or soundness of approved construction or modifications, for ensuring the adequacy of soils or drainage, for ensuring compliance with building codes and other governmental requirements or for ensuring that all Dwellings are of comparable quality, value or size, of similar design, or aesthetically pleasing or otherwise acceptable to neighboring property Owners. Neither the Developer, the Association, the Association Board of Directors nor any committee or member of any of the foregoing shall be held liable for any injury, damages or loss arising out of the manner or quality of approved construction on or modifications to any Tract. Further, no person exercising any prerogative of approval of disapproval shall incur any liability by reasons of the good faith exercise thereof.

Section 4.05 <u>Variance</u>. The Developer, the Committee and the City of Cedar Hill may authorize variances from compliance with any of the provisions of this Declaration or minimum acceptable construction standards or regulations and requirements as promulgated from time to time by the Developer, the Committee and the City of Cedar Hill when circumstances such as topography, natural obstructions, Tract configuration, Tract size, hardship, aesthetic or environmental considerations may require a variance. The Developer, the Committee and the City of Cedar Hill reserve the right to grant variances as to building setback lines, minimum square footage of the residence and other items. Such variances must be evidenced in writing and shall become effective when signed by the Developer or by a majority of the members of the Committee and the City of Cedar Hill. If any such variances are granted, no violation of the provisions of this Declaration shall be deemed to have occurred with respect to the matter for which the variance is granted; provided, however, that the granting of a variance shall not operate to waive any of the provisions of this Declaration for any purpose except as to the particular property and particular provisions hereof covered by the variance, nor shall the granting of any variance by the Developer or the Committee, affect in any way the Owner's obligation to comply with all laws and City of Cedar Hill regulations affecting the property concerned and the Plat.

ARTICLE V PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF LAKE RIDGE

Membership. Every Owner of a Tract which is subject to the Maintenance Charge (or could be subject to the Maintenance Charge following the withdrawal of an exemption therefrom) and other assessments provided herein, including contract sellers, shall be a "Member" of the Association. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation or those having only an interest in the mineral estate. Owners shall have one membership for each Tract owned by such Member. Memberships shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from the ownership of the Tracts. Regardless of the number of persons who may own a Tract (such as husband and wife or joint tenants, etc.), there shall be but one membership for each Tract, and all persons owning a portion of a single Tract or a Composite Building Site shall share the privileges of such membership, subject to the reasonable regulation of the Association Board of Directors and the restrictions on voting set forth in the By-laws of the Association. Additionally, after the Control Transfer Date, the Board of Directors of the Association must be Members of the Association (as more particularly described in the By-laws). Ownership of the Tracts shall be the sole qualification for membership. The voting rights of the Members are set forth in the By-laws of the Association. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this Declaration shall not be construed as to assess the Veterans Land Board or the State of Texas. Any assessments are the personal obligation of the Veteran purchaser, his successors, heirs and assigns. Any lien imposed by the restrictive covenants does not affect the Veterans Land Board's interest in the property. The membership rights of any Owner which is not a natural person may be exercised by any officer, director, member, manager, partner or trustee of the Owner, or by any individual designated from time to time by the Owner in a written instrument delivered to the secretary of the Association.

Section 5.02 Non-Profit Corporation. The Association has been organized and is governed by its Articles of Incorporation and By-laws; and all duties, obligations, benefits, liens and rights hereunder in favor of the Association shall vest in said corporation.

Section 5.03 By-laws. The Association has adopted or may adopt whatever By-laws it may choose to govern the organization or operation of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake and the use and enjoyment of the Tracts and Common Area, provided that the same are not in conflict with the terms and provisions hereof.

Section 5.04 Owner's Right of Enjoyment. Every Owner shall have a beneficial interest of use and enjoyment in and to the Common Area and such right shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Tract, subject to the following provisions:

- a. The right of the Association, with respect to all Common Area, to limit the number of guests of Owners;
- The right of the Association to charge reasonable admission and other fees for the use of any facility situated upon any of the Common Area;
- c. The right of the Association, in accordance with its Articles and By-laws (and until the Control Transfer Date, subject to the prior written approval of the Developer), to (i) borrow money for the purpose of improving and maintaining the Common Area and facilities (including borrowing from the Developer or any entity affiliated with the Developer) and (ii) mortgage said property; however, the rights of such mortgagee of said property shall be subordinate to the rights of the Owners hereunder;
- d. The right of the Association to suspend any Member's voting rights and the rights of any Member and "Related Users" (as hereinafter defined) to use any recreational facilities within the Common Area during any period in which the Maintenance Charge or any assessment against such Member's Tract remains unpaid; and
- e. The right of the Association to suspend any Member's voting rights and the rights of any Member and the Member's family members, guests and invitees ("Related Users"), to use any recreational facilities within the Common Area, after notice and hearing by the Board of Directors, for the infraction or violation by such Member or Related Users of this Declaration or the "Rules and Regulations," as hereinafter defined, which suspension shall continue for the duration of such infraction or violation, plus a period not to exceed sixty (60) days following the cessation or curing of such infraction or violation.

ARTICLE VI MAINTENANCE FUND

Maintenance Fund Obligation. Beginning with the first conveyance of a Tract to an Owner other than Developer, each Owner of such Tract, by acceptance of a deed or other conveyance of such Tract, whether or not it shall be expressed therein, is deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association an annual maintenance charge (the "Maintenance Charge"), and any other assessments or charges levied by the Association pursuant to the terms of this Declaration. The Maintenance Charge and any other assessments, fines or charges hereby levied, together with such interest thereon and costs of collection thereof, including any reasonable attorneys' fees as allowed by the Act, as hereinafter provided, shall be a personal obligation of the Owner of the Tract and a charge on the Tracts and shall be a continuing lien upon the property against which each such Maintenance Charge, other charges or fines and assessments are made.

Section 6.02 Basis of the Maintenance Charge.

- The Maintenance Charge referred to shall be used to create a fund to be known as the "Maintenance Fund," which shall be used as herein provided; and each such Maintenance Charge (except as otherwise hereinafter provided) shall be paid by the Owner of each Tract to the Association. The Maintenance Charge for the year of purchase shall be prorated at closing and then shall be paid annually, in advance, on or before the first (1st) day of the first (1st) month of each calendar year; provided, however, that if an Owner owns more than one Tract in the Subdivision, such Owner shall pay only twice the assessment of one (1) Tract no matter how many Tracts are owned. In the event an Owner obtains consent from the Committee for a Composite Building Site pursuant to Section 3.02 hereof, such Composite Building Site shall, for this purpose, be considered one Tract beginning upon the completion of the improvements
- Any Maintenance Charge not paid within thirty (30) days after the due date shall bear interest from the due date at the lesser of (i) the rate of eighteen percent (18%) per annum or (ii) the maximum rate permitted by law. The Association may bring an action at law against the Owner personally obligated to pay the same, or foreclose the hereinafter-described lien against the Owner's Tract. No Owner may waive or otherwise escape liability for the Maintenance Charge by nonuse of any Common Area or recreational facilities available for use by Owners of Tracts or by the abandonment of his Tract.
- The exact amount of the Maintenance Charge applicable to each Tract will be determined by the Developer. All other matters relating to the Maintenance Charge and the collection, expenditures and administration of the Maintenance Fund shall be determined by the Developer until the Control Transfer Date; and thereafter by the Board of Directors of the Association, subject to contrary provisions hereof, if any.
- The Association, from and after the Control Transfer Date, shall have the further right at any time, with a majority vote of all Association members, to adjust or alter the Maintenance Charge from year to year as it deems proper to meet the reasonable operational expenses and reserve requirements of the Association in order for the Association to carry out its duties

Creation of Lien and Personal Obligation. In order to secure the payment of the Section 6.03 Maintenance Charge, and other charges, fines and assessments hereby levied, each Owner of a Tract, by such party's acceptance of a deed thereto, hereby grants to the Association a contractual lien on such Tract which may be foreclosed by judicial or nonjudicial foreclosure in like manner as a mortgage on real estate pursuant to the provisions of Title 5, Chapter 51 of the Texas Property Code (and any successor statute); and each such Owner hereby expressly grants the Association a power of sale in connection therewith. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, and as set forth in the Act, neither the Developer nor the Association shall be permitted to bring an action for foreclosure under this Section solely for fines assessed by the Association or for attorneys' fees incurred by the Association solely associated with fines assessed by the Association.

In any foreclosure action brought under the power-of-sale provisions, the Association shall be deemed to be the holder and owner of the obligation secured by this Declaration. The registered agent of the Association shall be the trustee for all purposes of the foreclosure proceeding. The Association shall have the power to appoint a substitute trustee if for any reason the Association desires to replace the trustee, and the substitute trustee shall succeed to all rights, powers and duties thereof. The Association shall request the trustee to sell the Tract subject to the lien at public auction for cash, after having first given such notice and advertising the time and place of such sale in such manner as may then be provided by law for mortgages, and upon such sale and upon compliance with the law then relating to foreclosure proceedings under power of sale, to convey the Tract to the purchaser in as full and ample manner as authorized by Title 5, Chapter 51 of the Texas Property Code. The trustee shall be authorized to retain an attorney to represent such trustee in such proceedings. After the trustee retains its commission, the proceeds of such sale, together with any additional attorneys' fees incurred by the trustee, shall be applied to the costs of the sale, including but not limited to costs of collection, taxes, assessments, costs of

recording, service fees and incidental expenditures, the amount any debt secured by the Tract and any advancements made by the Association in the protection of the security. Following any such foreclosure, each occupant of any such Tract foreclosed on and each occupant of any improvements thereon shall be deemed to be a tenant at sufferance and may be removed from possession by any and all lawful means, including a judgment for possession in an action of forcible detainer and the issuance of a writ of restitution thereunder.

The Association may bid for the Tract at the foreclosure sale and acquire, hold, lease, mortgage and convey the Tract. While a Tract is owned by the Association following foreclosure: (a) no right to vote shall be exercised on its behalf; (b) no Maintenance Charge or other charge, fine or assessment shall be levied on it; and (c) each other Tract shall be charged, in addition to its usual Maintenance Charge, its pro rata share of the Maintenance Charge that would have been charged such Tract had it not been acquired by the Association.

In the event of any Owner's nonpayment of any Maintenance Charge or other charge, fine or assessment levied hereunder, the Association may, in addition to foreclosing the lien hereby retained, and exercising the remedies provided herein, upon ten (10) days' prior written notice thereof to such delinquent Owner, exercise all other rights and remedies available at law or in equity. The Association may sue for unpaid Maintenance Charges or other charges, fines or assessments authorized hereunder without foreclosing or waiving the lien securing the same.

It is the intent of the provisions of this Section 6.03 to comply with the provisions of Title 5, Chapter 51 of the Texas Property Code relating to judicial or nonjudicial foreclosure and, in the event of the amendment of Title 5, Chapter 51 of the Texas Property code hereafter, the Board of Directors of the Association, acting without the joinder of any other Owner or mortgagee or other person may, by amendment to this Declaration filed in the Real Property Records of Dallas County, Texas, amend the provisions hereof so as to comply with said amendments to Title 5, Chapter 51 of the Texas Property

Notice of Lien. In addition to the right of the Association to enforce the Maintenance Charge or other charge, fine or assessment levied hereunder, the Association may file a claim or lien against the Tract of the delinquent Owner by recording a notice ("Notice of Lien"), setting forth:

- The amount of the claim of delinquency;
- b. The accrued interest thereon:
- The costs of collection thereof;
- The legal description and Street address of the Tract against which the lien is claimed; d. and
- The name of the Owner thereof. e.

Such Notice of Lien shall be signed and acknowledged by an officer of the Association or other duly authorized agent of the Association. The lien shall continue until the amounts secured thereby and all subsequently accruing amounts are fully paid or otherwise satisfied. When all amounts claimed under the Notice of Lien and all other costs and assessments which may have accrued subsequent to the filing of the Notice of Lien have been fully paid or satisfied, the Association shall execute and record a notice releasing the lien upon payment by the Owner of a reasonable fee as fixed by the Board of Directors to cover the preparation and recordation of such release of lien instrument. Notwithstanding the foregoing, neither the Developer nor the Association shall be permitted to file a lien on any Tract owned by the Veterans Land Board following foreclosure and assumption of ownership of the Tract by the Veterans

Liens Subordinate to Mortgages. The lien described in this Article VI shall be deemed Section 6.05 subordinate to a first (1st) lien or other liens of any bank, insurance company, savings and loan Association, university, pension and profit sharing trusts or plans or any other third (3rd)-party lender, including Developer, which may have heretofore lent or may hereafter lend money in good faith for the purchase or improvement of any Tract and any renewal, extension, rearrangement or refinancing thereof. The sale or transfer of any Tract shall not affect the lien or relieve such Tract from the lien for any subsequent Maintenance Charge or other charge, fine or assessment; however, the sale or transfer of any Tract pursuant to foreclosure of the first mortgage shall extinguish the lien as to any installments of such Maintenance Charge or other charge, fine or assessment due prior to such sale or transfer. A mortgagee or other purchaser of a Tract who obtains title pursuant to foreclosure of the mortgage shall not be personally liable for Maintenance Charges or other charges, fines or assessments on such Tract due prior to such acquisition of title. Such unpaid Maintenance Charges or other charges, fines or assessments shall be deemed to be common expenses of the Association collectible from Owners of all real property in AT:82524.2

Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake which is subject to assessment by the Association, including such acquirer, its successors and assigns. Any other sale or transfer of a Tract shall not affect the Association's lien for Maintenance Charges or other charges, fines or assessments. The Association shall make a good faith effort to give each such mortgagee sixty (60) days' advance written notice of the Association's proposed foreclosure of the lien described in Section 6.01 hereof, which notice shall be sent to such mortgagee by prepaid United States registered or certified mail, return receipt requested and shall contain a statement of delinquent Maintenance Charges or other charges, fines or assessments upon which the proposed action is based; provided, however, that the Association's failure to give such notice shall not impair or invalidate any foreclosure conducted by the Association pursuant to the provisions of this Article VI.

<u>Purpose of the Maintenance Charge</u>. The Maintenance Charge levied by the Developer or the Association shall be used exclusively for the purpose of promoting the recreation, health, safety and welfare of the Owners of the Subdivision and other portions of the Annexable Area which hereafter may become subject to the jurisdiction of the Association. In particular, the Maintenance Charge shall be used for any improvement or services in furtherance of these purposes and the performance of the Association's duties described in Article VIII, including the maintenance of any Common Area, any drainage easements and the establishment and maintenance of a reserve fund for maintenance of any Common Area. The Maintenance Fund may be expended by the Developer or, after the Control Transfer Date, by the Association, for any purposes which, in the judgment of the Association, will tend to maintain the property values in Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake, including, but not limited to, the providing of funds for the actual cost of all taxes, insurance, repairs, energy charges and replacement and maintenance of the Common Area as may from time to time be authorized by the Association. Except for the Developer's or the Association's use of the Maintenance Fund to perform its duties described in this Declaration and in the By-laws, the use of the Maintenance Fund for any of these purposes is permissive and not mandatory. It is understood that the judgment of the Developer or Association as to the expenditure of said funds shall be final and conclusive so long as such judgment is exercised in good

Section 6.07 <u>Exempt Property.</u> The following property subject to this Declaration shall be exempt from the Maintenance Charge and all other charges and assessments created herein:

- All properties dedicated to and accepted by a local public authority;
- b. The Common Area:
- c. All properties owned by a charitable or nonprofit organization exempt from taxation by the laws of the State of Texas; however, no land or improvements devoted to dwelling use shall be exempt from said Maintenance Charge; and
- d. Any property owned by the Veterans Land Board of the State of Texas.

Section 6.08 Handling of Maintenance Charges. The collection and management of the Maintenance Charge or other charge, fine or assessment levied hereunder, shall be performed by the Developer until the Control Transfer Date. Upon such conveyance, Developer shall deliver to the Association all funds of the Association in the possession of Developer, together with all books and records of receipts and disbursements of the Association. The Developer and, upon transfer, the Association, shall maintain separate special accounts for these funds, and Owners shall be provided, at least annually, information on the Maintenance Fund.

ARTICLE VII DEVELOPER'S RIGHTS AND RESERVATIONS

Section 7.01 Period of Developer's Rights and Reservations. Developer shall have, retain and reserve the rights as set forth in this Article VII with respect to the Association and the Common Area. The reservation of these rights shall extend from the date hereof until the earlier of:

- a. The Control Transfer Date; or
- Developer's written notice to the Association of Developer's termination of the rights described in Article VII hereof.

The rights and reservations hereinafter set forth shall be deemed excepted and reserved in each conveyance of a Tract by Developer to an Owner, whether or not specifically stated therein, and in each deed or other instrument by which any property within the Common Area is conveyed by Developer. The rights, reservations and easements hereafter set forth shall be prior and superior to any other provisions of this Declaration and may not, without Developer's prior written consent, be modified, amended, rescinded or affected by any amendment of this Declaration. Developer's consent to any one such amendment shall not be construed as a consent to any other or subsequent amendment.

Section 7.02 Right to Construct Additional Improvements in Common Area. Developer shall have and hereby reserves the right (without the consent of any other Owner), but shall not be obligated, to construct additional improvements within the Common Area at any time and from time to time in accordance with this Declaration for the improvement and enhancement thereof and for the benefit of the Association and Owners, so long as such construction does not directly result in the increase of such Maintenance Charge. Developer shall, on or before the Control Transfer Date, convey or transfer such improvements to the Association, and the Association shall be obligated to accept title to, care for and maintain the same as elsewhere provided in this Declaration.

Section 7.03 Developer's Rights to Use Common Areas in Promotion and Marketing of the Property. Developer shall have and hereby reserves the right to reasonable use of the Common Area and of services offered by the Association in connection with the promotion and marketing of land within the boundaries of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Developer may erect and maintain on any part of the Common Area such signs, temporary buildings and other structures as Developer may reasonably deem necessary or proper in connection with the promotion, development and marketing of land within Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake; may use vehicles and equipment within the Common Area for promotional purposes; and may permit prospective purchasers of property within the boundaries of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake, who are not Owners or Members of the Association, to use the Common Area at reasonable times and in reasonable numbers; and may refer to the services offered by the Association in connection with the development, promotion and marketing of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake.

Section 7.04 Developer's Rights to Grant and Create Easements. Developer shall have and hereby reserves the right, without the consent of any other Owner or the Association, to grant or create temporary or permanent easements for access, utilities, pipelines, cable television systems, communication and security systems, drainage, water and other purposes incidental to the development, sale, operation and maintenance of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake, located in, on, under, over and across:

- The Tracts or other property owned by Developer;
- The Common Area; and
- Existing utility easements.

Developer also reserves the right, without the consent of any other Owner or the Association, to grant or create temporary or permanent easements for access over and across the Streets and roads within Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake.

Section 7.05 Developer's Rights to Convey Additional Common Area to the Association. Developer shall have and hereby reserves the right, but shall not be obligated to, convey additional real property and improvements thereon, if any, to the Association as Common Area at any time and from time to time in accordance with this Declaration, without the consent of any other Owner or the Association.

Section 7.06 Annexation of Annexable Area. Additional residential property and common areas outside of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake including, without limitation, the Annexable Area, may, at any time and from time to time, be annexed by the Developer into the real property which becomes subject to the jurisdiction and benefit of the Association, without the consent of the Owners or any other party; provided, however, such additional residential property may be made subject to the jurisdiction of the Association, shall be entitled to the use and benefit of all Common Area that is or may become subject to the jurisdiction of the Association, provided that such Annexed Area is impressed with and subject to at least the Maintenance Charge.

ARTICLE VIII DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Section 8.01 General Duties and Powers of the Association. The Association has been formed to further the common interests of the Members. The Association, acting through the Board of Directors or though persons to whom the Board of Directors has delegated such powers (subject to the provisions of the By-laws), shall have the duties and powers hereinafter set forth and, in general, the power to do anything that may be necessary or desirable to further the common interests of their members, to maintain, improve and enhance the Common Area and to improve and enhance the attractiveness, desirability and safety of Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake. The Association shall have the authority to act as the agent to enter into any and all contracts on behalf of the Members in order to carry out the duties, powers and obligations of the Association as set forth in this Declaration.

Duty to Accept the Property and Facilities Transferred by Developer. The Association Section 8.02 shall accept title to any property, including any improvements thereon and personal property transferred to the Association by Developer, and any equipment related thereto, together with the responsibility to perform any and all administrative functions and recreational functions associated therewith (collectively herein referred to as "Functions"), provided that such property and Functions are not inconsistent with the terms of this Declaration. Property interests transferred to the Association by Developer may include fee simple title, easements, leasehold interests and licenses to use such property. Any property or interest in property transferred to the Association by Developer shall, except to the extent otherwise specifically approved by resolution of the Board of Directors, be transferred to the Association free and clear of all liens and mortgages (other than the lien for property taxes and assessments not then due and payable), but shall be subject to the terms of this Declaration, the terms of any declaration of covenants, conditions and restrictions annexing such property to the Common Area, and all easements, covenants, conditions, restrictions and equitable servitudes or other encumbrances which do not materially affect the Owners authorized to use such property. Except as otherwise specifically approved by resolution of the Board of Directors, no property or interest in property transferred to the Association by the Developer shall impose upon the Association any obligation to make monetary payments to Developer or any affiliate of Developer including, but not limited to, any purchase price, rent, charge or fee. The property or interest in property transferred to the Association by Developer shall not impose any unreasonable or special burdens of ownership of property, including the management, maintenance, replacement and operation thereof.

Section 8.03 Duty to Manage and Care for the Common Area. The Association shall manage, operate, care for, maintain and repair the Common Area and keep the same in a safe, attractive and desirable condition for the use and enjoyment of the Members. The duty to operate, manage and maintain the Common Area shall include, but not be limited to the following: establishment, operation and maintenance of a security system, if any, for Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake and/or the Subdivision; management, maintenance, repair and upkeep of entrances to Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake and the remainder of the other Common Area.

Section 8.04 Other Insurance Bonds. The Association shall obtain such insurance as may be required by law, including workmen's compensation insurance, and shall have the power to obtain such other insurance and such fidelity, indemnity or other bonds as the Association shall deem necessary or desirable.

Section 8.05 Duty to Prepare Budgets. The Association shall prepare budgets for its operation, which budgets shall include a reserve fund for the maintenance of all Common Area.

Section 8.06 <u>Duty to Levy and Collect the Maintenance Charge</u>. The Association shall levy, collect and enforce the Maintenance Charge and other charges, fines and assessments as elsewhere provided in this Declaration.

Section 8.07 <u>Duty to Provide Annual Review.</u> The Association shall provide for an annual unaudited independent review of the accounts of the Association. Copies of the review shall be made available to any Member who requests a copy of the same, upon payment by such Member of the reasonable cost of copying the same.

Section 8.08 <u>Duties with Respect to Architectural Approvals.</u> The Association shall perform functions to assist the Committee as elsewhere provided in Article IV of this Declaration.

Section 8.09 Power to Acquire Property and Construct Improvements. The Association may acquire property or interests in property (including leases) for the common benefit of Owners, including improvements and personal property. The Association may construct improvements on any Common Area and may demolish existing improvements on any Common Area.

Section 8.10 Power to Adopt Rules and Regulations. The Association may adopt, amend, repeal and enforce rules and regulations ("Rules and Regulations"), fines, levies and enforcement provisions as may be deemed necessary or desirable with respect to the interpretation and implementation of this Declaration, the operation of the Association, the use and enjoyment of the Common Area, and the use of any other property, facilities or improvements owned or operated by the Association.

Section 8.11 Power to Enforce Restrictions and Rules and Regulations. The Developer, until the Control Transfer Date, and thereafter the Association (and any Owner with respect only to the remedies described in [b] or [c] below) shall have the power to enforce the provisions of this Declaration and the Rules and Regulations and shall take such action as is necessary or desirable to cause compliance therewith by each Member and each Related User. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Developer and/or the Association shall have the power to enforce the provisions of this Declaration and the Rules and Regulations of the Association by any one or more of the following means:

- By entry upon any property within the Subdivision after notice and hearing (unless a bona fide emergency exists, in which event this right of entry may be exercised without notice [written or oral] to the Owner) in such manner as to avoid any unreasonable or unnecessary interference with the lawful possession, use or enjoyment of the improvements situated thereon by the Owner or any other person, without liability by the Developer or the Association to the Owner thereof, for the purpose of enforcement of this Declaration or the Rules and Regulations of the Association:
- By commencing and maintaining actions and suits to restrain and enjoin any breach or threatened breach of the provisions of this Declaration or the Rules and Regulations of the Association;
- By exclusion, after notice and hearing, of any Member or Related User from use of any C. recreational facilities within the Common Area during and for up to sixty (60) days following any breach of this Declaration or such Rules and Regulations by such Member or any Related User, unless the breach is a continuing breach, in which case exclusion may continue for so long as such breach continues;
- By suspension, after notice and hearing, of the voting rights of a Member during and for up to sixty (60) days following any breach by such Member or a Related User of a provision of this Declaration or such Rules and Regulations, unless the breach is a continuing breach, in which case, such suspension shall continue for so long as such breach continues;
- By levying and collecting, after notice and hearing, a fine or assessment against any Member for breach of this Declaration or such Rules and Regulations by such Member or a Related User, which assessment shall include such sums as necessary to provide reimbursement for all the costs incurred by the Developer or the Association in connection with such breach;
- By levying and collecting, after notice and hearing, reasonable and uniformly applied fines and penalties, established in advance in the Rules and Regulations of the Association, from any Member or Related User for breach of this Declaration or such Rules and Regulations by such Member or a Related User; and
- By taking action itself to cure or abate such violation and to charge the expenses thereof, if any, to such violating Member, plus attorneys' fees, as allowed by the Act, incurred by the Developer or the Association with respect to exercising such remedy.

Before the Board of Directors may invoke against any Owner the remedies provided above, it shall give notice of such alleged violation to the Owner by registered mail and shall afford the Owner a hearing using the procedures set forth in the By-laws. If, after the hearing, a violation is found to exist, the right of such Board of Directors to proceed with the listed remedies shall become absolute. Each day a violation continues shall be deemed a separate violation. Failure of the Association, the Developer or any Owner to take any action upon any breach or default with respect to any of the foregoing violations shall not be deemed a waiver of their right to take enforcement action thereafter or upon a subsequent

Power to Grant Easements. In addition to any blanket easements described in this Declaration, the Association shall have the power to grant access, utility, drainage, water facility and other such easements in, on, over or under the Common Area.

ARTICLE IX GENERAL PROVISIONS

Term. The provisions hereof shall run with all property in the Subdivision and shall be binding upon all Owners and all persons claiming under them for a period of forty (40) years from the date this Declaration is recorded, after which time this Declaration shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years each, unless an instrument, signed by Owners (including Developer) who are entitled to cast not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of all the Owners of Tracts has been recorded agreeing to amend or change, in whole or in part, this Declaration.

Section 9.02 Amendments. This Declaration may be amended or changed, in whole or in part, at any time by the written agreement or signed ballot of Members of the Association (including Developer) entitled to cast not less than two-thirds (2/3) of the votes of all of the Members of the Association, but Article VII may not be amended without the written consent of Developer. If the Declaration is amended by a written instrument signed by those Members of the Association entitled to cast not less than twothirds (2/3) of all of the votes of the Members of the Association, such amendment must be approved by Members of the Association within three hundred sixty-five (365) days of the date the first (1st) Member

executes the amendment. The date a Member's signature is acknowledged shall constitute prima facie evidence of the date of execution of said amendment by such Member. Each Tract shall be entitled to one (1) vote; and therefore, if any Member is the Owner of two (2) or more Tracts, he shall be entitled to the same number of votes as the number of Tracts he owns. Those Members in the Association (including Developer) entitled to cast not less than two-thirds (2/3) of all of the votes of the Members of the Association may also vote to amend this Declaration, in person, or by proxy, at a meeting of the Members (including Developer) duly called for such purpose, written notice of which shall be given to all Members of the Association in accordance with the By-laws of the Association and shall set forth the purpose of such meeting. Any such amendment shall become effective when an instrument is filed for record in the Real Property Records of Dallas County, Texas, accompanied by a certificate, signed by a majority of the Board of Directors, stating that the required number of Members in the Association (including Developer) executed the instrument amending this Declaration or cast a written vote, in person or by proxy, in favor of said amendment at the meeting called for such purpose. Copies of the written ballots pertaining to such amendment shall be retained by the Association for a period of not less than three (3) years after the date of filing of the amendment or termination.

Amendments by the Developer. Developer shall have and reserves the right at any time Section 9.03 and from time to time prior to the Control Transfer Date, without the joinder or consent of any Owner or other party, to unilaterally amend this Declaration by an instrument in writing duly signed, acknowledged and filed for record, if such amendment is necessary to (i) bring any provision into compliance with any applicable governmental statute, rule, regulation or judicial determination; (ii) enable any reputable title insurance company to insure title insurance coverage on the Tracts, (iii) enable any institutional or governmental lender, purchaser, insurer or guarantor of mortgage loans, including, for example, the Federal National Mortgage Association or Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, to make, purchase, insure or guarantee mortgage loans on the Tracts; (iv) satisfy the requirements of any local, state or federal governmental agency; and (v) correct any typographical or grammatical error, oversight, ambiguity or inconsistency appearing herein, provided that any such amendment shall be consistent with and in furtherance of the general plan and scheme of development as evidenced by this Declaration and shall not impair or adversely affect the vested property or other rights of any Owner or his mortgagee. Nevertheless, any such amendment shall not adversely affect the title to any Tract unless the Owner thereof shall consent in writing to such amendment. Additionally, Developer shall have and reserves the right at any time and from time to time prior to the Control Transfer Date, without the joinder or consent of any Owner or other party, to amend this Declaration by an instrument in writing duly signed, acknowledged and filed for record for the purpose of permitting the Owners to enjoy the benefits from technological advances, such as security, communications or energy-related devices or equipment which did not exist or were not in common use in residential subdivisions at the time this Declaration was adopted. Likewise, the Developer shall have and reserves the right at any time and from time to time prior to the Control Transfer Date, without the joinder or consent of any Owner or other party, to amend this Declaration by an instrument in writing duly signed, acknowledged and filed for record for the purpose of prohibiting the use of any device or apparatus developed and/or available for residential use following the date of this Declaration if the use of such device or apparatus will adversely affect the Association or will adversely affect the property values within Lake Ridge at Joe Pool Lake or the

Section 9.04 Severability. Each of the provisions of this Declaration shall be deemed independent and severable and the invalidity or unenforceability or partial invalidity or partial unenforceability of any provision or portion hereof shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision.

Section 9.05 <u>Liberal Interpretation</u>. The provisions of this Declaration shall be liberally construed as a whole to effectuate the purpose of this Declaration.

Section 9.06 Successors and Assigns. The provisions hereof shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Owners, the Developer and the Association, and their respective heirs, legal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

Section 9.07 <u>Effect of Violations on Mortgages</u>. No violation of the provisions herein contained, or any portion thereof, shall affect the lien of any mortgage or deed of trust presently or hereafter placed of record or otherwise affect the rights of the mortgagee under any such mortgage, the holder of any such lien or beneficiary of any such deed of trust; and any such mortgage, lien or deed of trust may, nevertheless, be enforced in accordance with its terms, subject, nevertheless, to the provisions herein contained.

Section 9.08 <u>Terminology</u>. All personal pronouns used in this Declaration and all exhibits attached hereto, whether used in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, shall include all other genders; the singular shall include the plural and vice versa. Title of Articles and Sections are for convenience only and neither limit nor amplify the provisions of this Declaration itself. The terms "herein," "hereof" and similar terms, as used in this instrument, refer to the entire agreement and are not limited to referring only

to the specific paragraph, section or article in which such terms appear. All references in this Declaration to Exhibits shall refer to the Exhibits attached hereto. IN WITNESS WHERE OF And seal of this _____ day of _____ IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the Developer herein, has hereunto set its hand BLUEGREEN SOUTHWEST ONE, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, formerly known as Properties of the Southwest, L.P. By: BLUEGREEN SOUTHWEST LAND, INC., a Delaware corporation, its general partner By: STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF DALLAS This instrument was acknowledged before me on the day of day of the day of th One, L.P., on behalf of the corporation and the limited partnership. JANET E. WARD MY COMMISSION EXPIRES February 5, 2005