Exhibit "3"

BY-LAWS OF SOMMERSET VILLAS AT LEXINGTON CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.

A corporation not for profit organized under the laws of the State of Florida

- 1. <u>Identity</u>. These are the By-Laws of **SOMMERSET VILLAS AT LEXINGTON CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION**, **INC.**, a corporation not for profit incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida, and organized for the purposes set forth in its Articles of Incorporation.
 - Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Association shall be the twelve month period commencing January 1st of each year and terminating December 31st of the succeeding year.
 - 1.2 <u>Seal</u>. The seal of the Association shall bear the name of the corporation, the word "Florida", the words "Corporation Not for Profit", and the year of incorporation.
- Definitions. For convenience, these By-Laws shall be referred to as the "By-Laws" and the Articles of Incorporation of the Association as the "Articles". The other terms used in these By-Laws shall have the same definitions and meanings as those set forth in the Declaration for Sommerset Villas at Lexington Condominium No. One, unless herein provided to the contrary, or unless the context otherwise requires. This shall be so notwithstanding that the Association is intended to operate more than one (1) Condominium. For purposes hereof, the following definitions shall apply:
 - 2.1 "Condominium" shall mean a condominium which is operated by the Association per its Declaration.
 - 2.2 "Declaration" shall mean the declaration of condominium of each Condominium which, in the event of conflict, shall supersede and control over the Articles of Incorporation and these By-Laws as same pertain to that Condominium.
 - 2.3 "Votes" and "Voting Interest" shall mean the votes of Unit Owners. Where a Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation or these By-Laws provide for a vote on a matter pertaining to a Condominium, references to such votes (including to any majority or percentage thereof) shall mean only to votes of Unit Owners in the Condominium. Otherwise, such reference shall mean all votes of Unit Owners in all Condominiums.

3. Members.

- Annual Meeting. The annual members' meeting shall be held on the date, at the place and at the time determined by the Board of Directors from time to time, provided that there shall be an annual meeting every calendar year and, to the extent possible, no later than twelve (12) months after the last preceding annual meeting. The purpose of the meeting shall be, except as provided herein to the contrary, to elect Directors, and to transact any other business authorized to be transacted by the members, or as stated in the notice of the meeting sent to Unit Owners in advance thereof. Unless changed by the Board of Directors, the first annual meeting shall be held in the month of December following the year in which the Declaration is recorded.
- Special Meetings. Special members' meetings shall be held at such places as provided herein for annual meetings, and may be called by the President or by a majority of the Board of Directors of the Association, and must be called by the President or Secretary upon receipt of a written request from a majority of the members of the Association. The business conducted at a special meeting shall be limited to that stated in the notice of the meeting. Special meetings may also be called by Unit Owners in the manner provided for in the Act. Notwithstanding the foregoing: (i) as to special meetings regarding the adoption of the Condominium's estimated operating budget, reference should be made to Section 10.1 of these By-Laws; and (ii) as to special meetings regarding recall of Board members, reference should be made to Section 4.3 of these By-Laws.
- Participation by Unit Owners. Subject to the following and such further reasonable 3.3 restrictions as may be adopted from time to time by the Board, Unit Owners shall have the right to speak at the annual and special meetings of the Unit Owners, Committee meetings and Board meetings with reference to all designated agenda items. A Unit Owner does not have the right to speak with respect to items not specifically designated on the agenda, provided, however, that the Board may permit an Owner to speak on such items in its discretion. Every Unit Owner who desires to speak at a meeting may do so, provided that the Owner has filed a written request with the Secretary of the Association not less than 48 hours prior to the scheduled time for commencement of the meeting. Unless waived by the chairman of the meeting (which may be done in the chairman's sole and absolute discretion and without being deemed to constitute a waiver as to any other subsequent speakers), all Unit Owners speaking at a meeting shall be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes per speaker, unless waived by the presiding officer. Any Unit Owner may tape record or videotape a meeting, subject to the following and such further reasonable restrictions as may be adopted from time to time by the Board:
 - (a) The only audio and video equipment and devices which Unit Owners are authorized to utilize at any such meeting is equipment which does not produce distracting sound or light emissions;

- (b) Audio and video equipment shall be assembled and placed in position in advance of the commencement of the meeting.
- (c) Anyone videotaping or recording a meeting shall not be permitted to move about the meeting room in order to facilitate the recording; and
- (d) At least 48 hours prior written notice shall be given to the Secretary of the Association by any Unit Owner desiring to make an audio or video taping of the meeting.
- Notice of Meeting; Waiver of Notice. Notice of a meeting of members (annual or 3.4 special), stating the time and place and the purpose(s) for which the meeting is called, shall be given by the President or Secretary. A copy of the notice shall be posted at a conspicuous place on the Condominium Property. The notice of the annual meeting shall be hand delivered or sent by regular mail to each Unit Owner, unless the Unit Owner waives in writing the right to receive notice of the annual meeting by mail. The delivery or mailing shall be to the address of the member as it appears on the roster of members. Where a Unit is owned by more than one person, the Association shall provide notice, for meetings and all other purposes, to that one address initially identified for that purpose by the Developer and thereafter as one or more of the Owners of the Unit shall so advise the Association in writing, or if no address is given or if the Owners disagree, notice shall be sent to the address for the Owner as set forth on the deed of the Unit. The posting and mailing of the notice for either special or annual meetings, which notice shall incorporate an identification of agenda items, shall be effected not less than fourteen (14) days, nor more than sixty (60) days, prior to the date of the meeting. The Board shall adopt by rule, and give notice to Unit Owners of, a specific location on the Condominium Property upon which all notices of members' meetings shall be posted.

Notice of specific meetings may be waived before or after the meeting and the attendance of any member (or person authorized to vote for such member), either in person or by proxy, shall constitute such member's waiver of notice of such meeting, and waiver of any and all objections to the place of the meeting, the time of the meeting or the manner in which it has been called or convened, except when his (or his authorized representative's) attendance is for the express purpose of objecting at the beginning of the meeting to the transaction of business because the meeting is not lawfully called.

An officer of the Association, or the manager or other person providing notice of the meeting shall provide an affidavit or United States Postal Service certificate of mailing, to be included in the official records of the Association, affirming that notices of meetings were posted and mailed or hand delivered in accordance with this Section and Section 718.112(2)(d) of the Act, to each Unit Owner at the appropriate address for such Unit Owner. No other proof of notice of a meeting shall be required.

3.5 Quorum. A quorum at members' meetings shall be attained by the presence, either in person or by proxy (limited or general), of persons entitled to cast in excess of 33 1/3% of the Votes of members entitled to vote at the subject meeting.

3.6 <u>Voting</u>.

- (a) Number of Votes. Except as provided in Section 3.11 hereof, and except when the vote is to be determined by a percentage of shares of ownership in a Condominium (as contemplated in specific portions of the Declaration), in any meeting of members, the Owners of residential Units shall be entitled to cast one vote for each Unit owned. The vote of a Unit shall not be divisible.
- (b) Majority Vote. The acts approved by a majority of the Votes present in person or by proxy at a meeting at which a quorum shall have been attained shall be binding upon all Unit Owners for all purposes, except where otherwise provided by law, the Declaration, the Articles or these By-Laws. As used in these By-Laws, the Articles or the Declaration, the terms "majority of the Unit Owners" and "majority of the members" shall mean a majority of the Votes entitled to be cast by the members and not a majority of the members themselves and shall further mean more than 50% of the then total authorized Votes present in person or by proxy and voting at any meeting of the Unit Owners at which a quorum shall have been attained. Similarly, if some greater percentage of members is required herein or in the Declaration or Articles, it shall mean such greater percentage of the Votes of members and not of the members themselves. In the case of a vote of Unit Owners in only one (1) Condominium, this paragraph shall apply only to such Unit Owners and Condominium.
- (c) Voting Member. If a Unit is owned by one person, that person's right to vote shall be established by the roster of members. If a Unit is owned by more than one person, those persons (including husbands and wives) shall decide among themselves as to who shall cast the vote of the Unit. In the event that those persons cannot so decide, no vote shall be cast. A person casting a vote for a Unit shall be presumed to have the authority to do so unless the President or the Board of Directors is otherwise notified. If a Unit is owned by a corporation or other business entity, the person entitled to cast the vote for the Unit shall be designated by a certificate signed by an appropriate officer of the corporation, or other person authorized by law to bind the entity, and filed with the Secretary of the Association. Such person need not be a Unit Owner. Those certificates shall be valid until revoked or until superseded by a subsequent certificate or until a change in the ownership of the Unit concerned. A certificate designating the person entitled to cast the vote for a Unit may be revoked by any record owner of an undivided interest in the Unit. If a certificate designating the person entitled to cast the vote for a Unit for which such certificate is required is not on file or has been revoked, the

vote attributable to such Unit shall not be considered in determining whether a quorum is present, nor for any other purpose, and the total number of authorized Votes in the Association shall be reduced accordingly until such certificate is filed.

- Proxies. Votes to be cast at meetings of the Association membership may be cast in 3.7 person or by proxy. Except as provided herein, Unit Owners may not vote by general proxy, but may vote by limited proxies substantially conforming to the limited proxy form approved by the Division of Florida Land Sales, Condominiums and Mobile Homes (the "Division"). Limited proxies shall be permitted for Votes taken to: waive or reduce reserves; waive financial statements; amend the Declaration, Articles or ByLaws; or for any other matter requiring or permitting a vote of Unit Owners. General proxies may be used for other matters for which limited proxies are not required and may also be used in voting for nonsubstantive changes to items for which a limited proxy is required and given. A proxy may be made by any person entitled to vote, but shall only be valid for the specific meeting for which originally given and any lawful adjourned meetings thereof. In no event shall any proxy be valid for a period longer than 90 days after the date of the first meeting for which it was given. Every proxy shall be revocable at any time at the pleasure of the person executing it. A proxy must be in writing, signed by the person authorized to cast the vote for the Unit (as above described), name the person(s) voting by proxy and the person authorized to vote for such person(s) and filed with the Secretary before the appointed time of the meeting, or before the time to which the meeting is adjourned. Each proxy shall contain the date, time and place of the meeting for which it is given and, if a limited proxy, shall set forth the matters on which the proxy holder may vote and the manner in which the vote is to be cast. There shall be no limitation on the number of proxies which may be held by any person (including a designee of the Developer). If a proxy expressly provides, any proxy holder may appoint, in writing, a substitute to act in its place. If such provision is not made, substitution is not permitted.
- Adjourned Meetings. If any proposed meeting cannot be organized because a quorum has not been attained, the members who are present, either in person or by proxy, may adjourn the meeting from time to time until a quorum is present, provided notice of the newly scheduled meeting is given in the manner required for the giving of notice of a meeting. Except as required above, proxies given for the adjourned meeting shall be valid for the newly scheduled meeting unless revoked for reasons other than the new date of the meeting.
- 3.9 Order of Business. If a quorum has been attained, the order of business at annual members' meetings, and, if applicable, at other members' meetings, shall be:
 - (a) Call to order by President;
 - (b) Processing and counting of ballots for positions on the Board of Directors;

- (c) Appointment by the President of a chairman of the meeting (who need not be a member or a director);
- (d) Proof of notice of the meeting or waiver of notice;
- (e) Reading of minutes;
- (f) Reports of officers;
- (g) Reports of committees;
- (h) Unfinished business;
- (i) New business;
- (i) Adjournment.

Such order may be waived in whole or in part by direction of the chairman.

- 3.10 <u>Minutes of Meeting</u>. The minutes of all meetings of Unit Owners shall be kept in a book available for inspection by Unit Owners or their authorized representatives and Board members at any reasonable time. The Association shall retain these minutes for a period of not less than seven years.
- Action Without A Meeting. Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, to the 3.11 extent lawful any action required or which may be taken at any annual or special meeting of members, may be taken without a meeting, without prior notice and without a vote if a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken, shall be signed by the members (or persons authorized to cast the vote of any such members as elsewhere herein set forth) having not less than the minimum number of Votes that would be necessary to authorize or take such action at a meeting of members at which all members (or authorized persons) entitled to vote thereon were present and voted. In order to be effective, the action must be evidenced by one or more written consents describing the action taken, dated and signed by approving members having the requisite number of Votes and entitled to vote on such action, and delivered to the Secretary of the Association, or other authorized agent of the Association. Written consent shall not be effective to take the corporate action referred to in the consent unless signed by members having the requisite number of Votes necessary to authorize the action within sixty (60) days of the date of the earliest dated consent and delivered to the Association as aforesaid. Any written consent may be revoked prior to the date the Association receives the required number of consents to authorize the proposed action. A revocation is not effective unless in writing and until received by the Secretary of the Association, or other authorized agent of the Association. Within ten (10) days after obtaining such authorization by written consent, notice must be given to members who have not consented in writing. The notice shall fairly summarize the

material features of the authorized action. A consent signed in accordance with the foregoing has the effect of a meeting vote and may be described as such in any document.

4. <u>Directors</u>.

- Membership. The affairs of the Association shall be governed by a Board of not less than three (3) nor more than nine (9) directors, the exact number to be determined in the first instance in the Articles, and, thereafter, except as provided herein, from time to time upon majority vote of the membership. Directors must be natural persons who are 18 years of age or older. Directors may not vote at Board meetings by proxy or by secret ballot, except that a secret ballot may be used to elect officers.
- 4.2 <u>Election of Directors</u>. Members of the Board of Directors shall be elected in the manner provided in Section 718.112 of the Act, as supplemented by the Rules of the Division in effect at the commencement of the election process. As provided in the Act, though, such election procedures shall not apply if there are no more candidates for election to the Board of Directors than there are vacancies on the Board to be filled. Also, the Association may adopt different voting and election procedures upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting interests in the Association.

4.3 <u>Vacancies and Removal.</u>

- (a) Except as to vacancies resulting from removal of Directors by members (as addressed in subsection (b) below), vacancies in the Board of Directors occurring between annual meetings of members shall be filled by the remaining Directors at any Board meeting, provided that all vacancies in directorships to which Directors were appointed by the Developer pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 4.15 hereof shall be filled by the Developer without the necessity of any meeting.
- (b) Any Director elected by the members (other than the Developer) may be removed by concurrence of a majority of the Voting Interests of the members at a special meeting of members called for that purpose or by written agreement signed by a majority of all Voting Interests. The vacancy in the Board of Directors so created shall be filled by the members at a special meeting of the members called for such purpose, or by the Board of Directors, as and when permitted by the Act or by the Rules of the Division and in accordance therewith. The conveyance of all Units owned by a Director in the Condominium (other than appointees of the Developer or Directors who were not Unit Owners) shall constitute the resignation of such Director.
- (c) The removal of Directors, other than those appointed by the Developer, shall only be accomplished in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Act and the Rules of the Division including, without limitation, with respect to

- notices of meetings, voting, written agreements and the resolution of disputes regarding such removal.
- (d) Anything to the contrary herein notwithstanding, until a majority of the Directors are elected by members other than the Developer of the Condominium, neither the first Directors of the Association, nor any Directors replacing them, nor any Directors named by the Developer, shall be subject to removal by members other than the Developer. The first Directors and Directors replacing them may be removed and replaced by the Developer without the necessity of any meeting.
- (e) If a vacancy on the Board of Directors results in the inability to obtain a quorum of directors in accordance with these By-Laws, any Owner may apply to the Circuit Court within whose jurisdiction the Condominium lies for the appointment of a receiver to manage the affairs of the Association. At least thirty (30) days prior to applying to the Circuit Court, the Unit Owner shall mail to the Association and post in a conspicuous place on the Condominium Property a notice describing the intended action and giving the Association an opportunity to fill the vacancy(ies) in accordance with these By-Laws. If, during such time, the Association fails to fill the vacancy(ies), the Unit Owner may proceed with the petition. If a receiver is appointed, the Association shall be responsible for the salary of the receiver, court costs and attorneys' fees. The receiver shall have all powers and duties of a duly constituted Board of Directors, and shall serve until the Association fills the vacancy(ies) on the Board sufficient to constitute a quorum in accordance with these By-Laws.
- 4.4 <u>Term.</u> Except as provided herein to the contrary, the term of each Director's service shall extend until the next annual meeting of the members and subsequently until his successor is duly elected and has taken office, or until he is removed in the manner elsewhere provided. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any Director designated by the Developer shall serve at the pleasure of the Developer and may be removed and replaced by the Developer at any time.
- Organizational Meeting. The organizational meeting of newly-elected or appointed Directors shall be held within ten (10) days of their election or appointment. The Directors calling the organizational meeting shall give at least three (3) days advance notice thereof, stating the time and place of the meeting.
- 4.6 Meetings. Meetings of the Board of Directors may be held at such time and place as shall be determined, from time to time, by a majority of the Directors. Notice of meetings shall be given to each Director, personally or by mail, telephone or telegraph, and shall be transmitted at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Meetings of the Board of Directors and any Committee thereof (as herein defined) at which a quorum of the members of that Committee are present shall be open to all Unit Owners. Any Unit Owner may tape record or videotape meetings of the Board,

in accordance with the rules of the Division and the Association. The right to attend Board meetings includes the right to speak at such meetings with respect to all designated agenda items. The Association may adopt reasonable rules governing the frequency, duration and manner of Unit Owner statements. Adequate notice of such meetings, which notice shall specifically incorporate an identification of agenda items. shall be posted conspicuously on the Condominium Property at least forty-eight (48) continuous hours preceding the meeting, except in the event of an emergency. Notwithstanding the foregoing, written notice of any meeting of the Board at which nonemergency special assessments, or at which amendments to rules regarding Unit use will be considered shall be mailed or delivered to all Unit Owners and posted conspicuously on the Condominium property not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting. Evidence of compliance with this fourteen (14) day notice shall be made by an affidavit executed by the person providing the notice and filed among the official records of the Association. The Board shall adopt by rule, and give notice to Unit Owners of, a specific location on the Condominium Property upon which all notices of Board and/or Committee meetings shall be posted. Special meetings of the Directors may be called by the President and must be called by the President or Secretary at the written request of one-third (1/3) of the Directors or where required by the Act.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, items not included in the notice of the Board meeting may be taken up by at least a majority plus one of the Directors, but shall be noticed and ratified at the next regular meeting of the Board.

- 4.7 <u>Waiver of Notice</u>. Any Director may waive notice of a meeting before or after the meeting and that waiver shall be deemed equivalent to the due receipt by said Director of notice. Attendance by any Director at a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting, and a waiver of any and all objections to the place of the meeting, to the time of the meeting or the manner in which it has been called or convened, except when a Director states at the beginning of the meeting, or promptly upon arrival at the meeting, any objection to the transaction of affairs because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.
- 4.8 Quorum and Voting. A quorum at Directors' meetings shall consist of a majority of the entire Board of Directors. The acts approved by a majority of those present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall constitute the acts of the Board of Directors, except when approval by a greater number of Directors is specifically required by the Declaration, the Articles or these By-Laws.

Each Director shall have one (1) vote on all matters coming before the Board, such vote to be cast only by the Director (i.e. not by proxy) and to be recorded in the minutes of the Board meeting at which it is cast, except that officers of the Association may be elected by secret ballot.

- 4.9 <u>Adjourned Meetings</u>. If, at any proposed meeting of the Board of Directors, there is less than a quorum present, the majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time until a quorum is present, provided notice of such newly scheduled meeting is given as required hereunder. At any newly scheduled meeting, any business that might have been transacted at the meeting as originally called may be transacted as long as notice of such business to be conducted at the rescheduled meeting is given, if required (e.g., with respect to budget adoption).
- 4.10 <u>Joinder in Meeting by Approval of Minutes</u>. The joinder of a Director in the action of a meeting by signing and concurring in the minutes of that meeting shall constitute the approval of that Director of the business conducted at the meeting, but such joinder shall not allow the applicable Director to be counted as being present for purposes of quorum.
- 4.11 <u>Presiding Officer</u>. The presiding officer at the Directors' meetings shall be the President (who may, however, designate any other Unit Owner to preside).
- 4.12 <u>Order of Business</u>. If a quorum has been attained, the order of business at Directors' meetings shall be:
 - (a) Proof of due notice of meeting;
 - (b) Reading and disposal of any unapproved minutes;
 - (c) Reports of officers and committees;
 - (d) Election of officers;
 - (e) Unfinished business;
 - (f) New business;
 - (g) Adjournment.

Such order may be waived in whole or in part by direction of the presiding officer.

- 4.13 <u>Minutes of Meetings</u>. The minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors shall be kept in a book available for inspection by Unit Owners, or their authorized representatives, and Board members at any reasonable time. The Association shall retain these minutes for a period of not less than seven years.
- 4.14 <u>Committees.</u> The Board may by resolution also create Committees and appoint persons to such Committees and vest in such Committees such powers and responsibilities as the Board shall deem advisable.

As used herein, the term "Committee" shall, for purposes of notices of meetings and the rights of unit owners with respect to meetings, pertain to those committees meeting the definition thereof set forth in the Act; provided, however, that this shall not prevent the Board of Directors from forming other committees.

4.15 Proviso. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Section 4 or otherwise, the Board shall consist of three directors during the period that the Developer is entitled to appoint a majority of the Directors, as hereinafter provided. The Developer shall have the right to appoint all of the members of the Board of Directors until Unit Owners other than the Developer own fifteen (15%) percent or more of the Units in any Condominium operated by the Association. When Unit Owners other than the Developer own fifteen percent (15%) or more of such Units, the Unit Owners other than the Developer shall be entitled to elect not less than onethird (1/3) of the members of the Board of Directors. Upon the election of such director(s), the Developer shall forward to the Division the name and mailing address of the director(s) elected. Unit Owners other than the Developer are entitled to elect not less than a majority of the members of the Board of Directors upon the first to occur of: (a) three years after fifty percent (50%) of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association have been conveyed to purchasers; (b) three months after ninety percent (90%) of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association have been conveyed to purchasers; (c) when all of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association have been completed, some of them have been conveyed to purchasers, and none of the others are being offered for sale by the Developer in the ordinary course of business; (d) when some of the Units have been conveyed to purchasers, and none of the others are being constructed or offered for sale by the Developer in the ordinary course of business or (e) seven (7) years after the date the Declaration is recorded. The Developer is entitled (but not obligated) to elect at least one (1) member of the Board of Directors as long as the Developer holds for sale in the ordinary course of business five percent (5%) of the Units that will be operated ultimately by the Association.

The Developer may transfer control of the Association to Unit Owners other than the Developer prior to such dates in its sole discretion by causing enough of its appointed Directors to resign, whereupon it shall be the affirmative obligation of Unit Owners other than the Developer to elect Directors and assume control of the Association. Provided at least thirty (30) days' notice of Developer's decision to cause its appointees to resign is given to Unit Owners, neither the Developer, nor such appointees, shall be liable in any manner in connection with such resignations even if the Unit Owners other than the Developer refuse or fail to assume control.

Within seventy-five (75) days after the Unit Owners other than the Developer are entitled to elect a member or members of the Board of Directors, or sooner if the Developer has elected to accelerate such event as aforesaid, the Association shall call, and give not less than sixty (60) days' notice of an election for the members of the

Board of Directors. The meeting may be called and the notice given by any Unit Owner if the Association fails to do so.

At the time the Unit Owners other than the Developer elect a majority of the members of the Board of Directors of the Association, the Developer shall relinquish control of the Association and such Unit Owners shall accept control. At that time (except as to subparagraph (g), which may be ninety (90) days thereafter) Developer shall deliver to the Association, at Developer's expense, all property of the Unit Owners and of the Association held or controlled by the Developer, including, but not limited to, the following items, if applicable to the Condominium:

- (a) The original or a photocopy of the recorded Declaration of Condominium, and all amendments thereto. If a photocopy is provided, the Developer must certify by affidavit that it is a complete copy of the actual recorded Declaration.
- (b) A certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation of the Association.
- (c) A copy of the By-Laws of the Association.
- (d) The minute book, including all minutes, and other books and records of the Association.
- (e) Any rules and regulations which have been adopted.
- (f) Resignations of resigning officers and Board members who were appointed by the Developer.
- (g) The financial records, including financial statements of the association, and source documents from the incorporation of the Association through the date of the turnover. The records shall be audited for the period from the incorporation of the Association or from the period covered by the last audit, if an audit has been performed for each fiscal year since the incorporation of the Association, by an independent certified public accountant. All financial statements shall be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and shall be audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards as prescribed by the Florida Board of Accountancy. The accountant performing the audit shall examine to the extent necessary supporting documents and records, including the cash disbursements and related paid invoices to determine if expenditures were for Association purposes, and billings, cash receipts and related records to determine that the Developer was charged and paid the proper amounts of Assessments.

- (h) Association funds or the control thereof.
- (i) All tangible personal property that is the property of the Association or is or was represented by the Developer to be part of the Common Elements or is ostensibly part of the Common Elements, and an inventory of such property.
- (j) A copy of the plans and specifications utilized in the construction or remodeling of Improvements and the supplying of equipment, and for the construction and installation of all mechanical components serving the Improvements and the Condominium Property, with a certificate, in affidavit form, of an officer of the Developer or an architect or engineer authorized to practice in Florida, that such plans and specifications represent, to the best of their knowledge and belief, the actual plans and specifications utilized in the construction and improvement of the Condominium Property and the construction and installation of the mechanical components serving the Improvements and the Condominium Property.
- (k) A list of the names and addresses of all contractors, subcontractors and suppliers, of which Developer had knowledge at any time in the development of the Condominium, utilized in the construction or remodeling of the improvements and the landscaping of the Condominium and/or Association Property.
- (1) Insurance policies.
- (m) Copies of any Certificates of Occupancy which may have been issued for the Condominium Property.
- (n) Any other permits issued by governmental bodies applicable to the Condominium Property in force or issued within one (1) year prior to the date the Unit Owners take control of the Association.
- (o) All written warranties of contractors, subcontractors, suppliers and manufacturers, if any, that are still effective.
- (p) A roster of Unit Owners and their addresses and telephone numbers, if known, as shown on the Developer's records.
- (q) Leases of the Common Elements and other leases to which the Association is a party, if applicable.
- (r) Employment contracts or service contracts in which the Association is one of the contracting parties, or service contracts in which the Association or Unit

Owners have an obligation or responsibility, directly or indirectly, to pay some or all of the fee or charge of the person or persons performing the service.

- (s) All other contracts to which the Association is a party.
- 4.17 <u>Unit Owner Complaints</u>. When a Unit Owner files a written complaint by certified mail with the Board of Directors, the Board shall respond, in writing, to such complaint within thirty (30) days of its receipt thereof by giving a substantive response thereto or by notifying the Unit Owner that a legal opinion or the advice of the Division has been requested. If the Board requests advice from the Division, the substantive response shall be given within ten (10) days of the Board's receipt of such advice. If a legal opinion is requested, the substantive response shall be given within sixty (60) days of the Board's receipt of the complaint. The Board's failure to provide a substantive response as aforesaid shall preclude the Association from recovering attorneys' fees and costs in any subsequent litigation, administrative proceeding or arbitration arising out of the complaint.
- 4.18 <u>Community Association Voting Member</u>. Inasmuch as the Condominium Association is a "Neighborhood Association" under, and as defined in, the Master Declaration, the Voting Member representing the members of the Association in Community Association matters shall be elected by the Board of Directors; provided, however, that in the absence of such an election, the President shall be the Voting Member and the Vice President the alternate Voting Member.

5. Authority of the Board.

- Powers and Duties. The Board of Directors shall have the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the affairs of the Condominium and may take all acts, through the proper officers of the Association, in executing such powers, except such acts which by law, the Declaration, the Articles or these By-Laws may not be delegated to the Board of Directors by the Unit Owners. Such powers and duties of the Board of Directors shall include, without limitation (except as limited elsewhere herein), the following:
 - (a) Operating and maintaining all Common Elements and Association Property.
 - (b) Determining the expenses required for the operation of the Association and the Condominium.
 - (c) Employing and dismissing the personnel necessary for the maintenance and operation of the Common Elements and the Association Property.

- (d) Adopting and amending rules and regulations concerning the details of the operation and use of the Condominium and Association Property, subject to a right of the Unit Owners to overrule the Board as provided in Section 14 hereof.
- (e) Maintaining bank accounts on behalf of the Association and designating the signatories required therefor.
- (f) Purchasing, leasing or otherwise acquiring title to, or an interest in, property in the name of the Association, or its designee, for the use and benefit of its members. The power to acquire personal property shall be exercised by the Board and the power to acquire real property shall be exercised as described herein and in the Declaration.
- (g) Purchasing, leasing or otherwise acquiring Units or other property, including, without limitation, Units at foreclosure or other judicial sales, all in the name of the Association, or its designee.
- (h) Selling, leasing, mortgaging or otherwise dealing with Units acquired, and subleasing Units leased, by the Association, or its designee.
- (i) Organizing corporations and appointing persons to act as designees of the Association in acquiring title to or leasing Units or other property.
- (j) Obtaining and reviewing insurance for the Condominium and Association Property.
- (k) Making repairs, additions and improvements to, or alterations of, Condominium Property and Association Property, and repairs to and restoration of Condominium and Association Property, in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration after damage or destruction by fire or other casualty, or as a result of condemnation or eminent domain proceedings or otherwise.
- (l) Enforcing obligations of the Unit Owners, allocating profits and expenses and taking such other actions as shall be deemed necessary and proper for the sound management of the Condominium.
- (m) Levying fines against appropriate Unit Owners for violations of the rules and regulations established by the Association to govern the conduct of such Unit Owners. No fine shall be levied except after giving reasonable notice and opportunity for a hearing to the affected Unit Owner and, if applicable, his tenant, licensee or invitee. No fine may exceed \$100.00 per violation,

however, a fine may be levied on the basis of each day of a continuing violation with a single notice and opportunity for hearing, provided however, that no such fine shall in the aggregate exceed \$1,000.00. No fine shall become a lien upon a Unit.

- (n) Purchasing or leasing Units for use by resident managers or superintendents and other similar persons.
- Borrowing money on behalf of the Association or the Condominium when (o) required in connection with the operation, care, upkeep and maintenance of Common Elements (except for anticipated expenses which shall be assessed to Unit Owners on Common Expenses) or the acquisition of real property, and granting mortgages on and/or security interests in Association owned property; provided, however, that the consent of the Owners of at least twothirds (2/3rds) of the Units represented at a meeting at which a quorum has been attained in accordance with the provisions of these By-Laws shall be required for the borrowing of any sum which would cause the total outstanding indebtedness of the Association to exceed \$10,000.00. If any sum borrowed by the Board of Directors on behalf of the Condominium pursuant to the authority contained in this subparagraph (o) is not repaid by the Association, a Unit Owner who pays to the creditor such portion thereof as his interest in his Common Elements bears to the interest of all the Unit Owners in the Common Elements shall be entitled to obtain from the creditor a release of any judgment or other lien which said creditor shall have filed or shall have the right to file against, or which will affect, such Owner's Unit.
- (p) Subject to the provisions of the Act (unless waived as provided therein), contracting for the management and maintenance of the Condominium and Association Property and authorizing a duly licensed management agent (who may be an affiliate of the Developer) to assist the Association in carrying out its powers and duties by performing such functions as the submission of proposals, collection of Assessments, preparation of records, enforcement of rules and maintenance, repair, and replacement of the Common Elements and Association Property with such funds as shall be made available by the Association for such purposes. The Association and its officers shall, however, retain at all times the powers and duties granted by the Declaration, the Articles, these By-Laws and the Act, including, but not limited to, the making of Assessments, promulgation of rules and execution of contracts on behalf of the Association.
- (q) At its discretion, but within the parameters of the Act, authorizing Unit Owners or other persons to use portions of the Common Elements or

- Association Property for private parties and gatherings and imposing reasonable charges for such private use.
- (r) Exercising (i) all powers and duties specifically set forth in the Declaration, the Articles, these By-Laws and in the Act, (ii) all powers and duties of a "Neighborhood Association" and "Neighborhood Committee" under the Master Declaration (iii) all powers incidental to the foregoing and (iv) all other powers of a Florida corporation not for profit.

6. Officers.

- 6.1 Executive Officers. The executive officers of the Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer and a Secretary (none of whom need be Directors), all of whom shall be elected by the Board of Directors and who may be peremptorily removed at any meeting by concurrence of a majority of all of the Directors. A person may hold more than one office, except that the President may not also be the Secretary. No person shall sign an instrument or perform an act in the capacity of more than one office. The Board of Directors from time to time shall elect such other officers and designate their powers and duties as the Board shall deem necessary or appropriate to manage the affairs of the Association. Officers, other than designees of the Developer-appointed Board of Directors, must be Unit Owners (or authorized representatives of corporate/partnership/trust Unit Owners).
- 6.2 <u>President</u>. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association. He shall have all of the powers and duties that are usually vested in the office of president of an association.
- 6.3 <u>Vice-President</u>. The Vice-President shall exercise the powers and perform the duties of the President in the absence or disability of the President. He also shall assist the President and exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as are incident to the office of the vice president of an association and as may be required by the Directors or the President.
- 6.4 <u>Secretary</u>. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all proceedings of the Directors and the members. The Secretary shall attend to the giving of all notices to the members and Directors and other notices required by law. The Secretary shall have custody of the seal of the Association and shall affix it to instruments requiring the seal when duly signed. The Secretary shall keep the records of the Association, except those of the Treasurer, and shall perform all other duties incident to the office of the secretary of an association and as may be required by the Directors or the President.

- 6.5 Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have custody of all property of the Association, including funds, securities and evidences of indebtedness. The Treasurer shall keep books of account for the Association in accordance with good accounting practices, which, together with substantiating papers, shall be made available to the Board of Directors for examination at reasonable times. The Treasurer shall submit a treasurer's report to the Board of Directors at reasonable intervals and shall perform all other duties incident to the office of treasurer and as may be required by the Directors or the President. All monies and other valuable effects shall be kept for the benefit of the Association in such depositories as may be designated by a majority of the Board of Directors.
- 6.6 <u>Developer Appointees</u>. No officer appointed by the Developer-appointed Board of Directors may be removed except as provided in Section 4.15 hereof and by law.
- 7. Fiduciary Duty. The officers and directors of the Association have a fiduciary relationship to the Unit Owners. An officer, director or manager employed by the Association shall not solicit, offer to accept, or accept any thing or service of value for which consideration has not been provided for his own benefit or that of his immediate family, from any person providing or proposing to provide goods or services to the Association. Any such officer, director or manager who knowingly so solicits, offers to accept or accepts any thing or service of value shall, in addition to all other rights and remedies of the Association and Unit Owners, be subject to a civil penalty in accordance with the Act. Notwithstanding the foregoing, this paragraph shall not prohibit an officer, director or manager from accepting services or items received in connection with trade fairs or education programs.
- 8. Compensation. Neither Directors nor officers shall receive compensation for their services as such, but this provision shall not preclude the Board of Directors from employing a Director or officer as an employee of the Association, nor preclude contracting with a Director or officer for the management of the Condominium or for any other service to be supplied by such Director or officer. Directors and officers shall be compensated for all actual and proper out of pocket expenses relating to the proper discharge of their respective duties.
- 9. Resignations. Any Director or officer may resign his post at any time by written resignation, delivered to the President or Secretary, which shall take effect upon its receipt unless a later date is specified in the resignation, in which event the resignation shall be effective from such date unless withdrawn. The acceptance of a resignation shall not be required to make it effective. The conveyance of all Units owned by any Director or officer (other than appointees of the Developer) shall constitute a written resignation of such Director or officer.
- 10. <u>Fiscal Management</u>. The provisions for fiscal management of the Association set forth in the Declaration and Articles shall be supplemented by the following provisions:

10.1 Budget.

(a) Adoption by Board: Items. The Board of Directors shall from time to time. and at least annually, prepare budgets (which shall detail all accounts and items of expense and contain at least all items set forth in Section 718.504(20) of the Act, if applicable), determine the amount of Assessments payable by the Unit Owners to meet the expenses of each Condominium and the Association and allocate and assess such expenses among the Unit Owners in accordance with the provisions of the Declaration and hereof. In addition, if the Association maintains Limited Common Elements with the cost to be shared only by those entitled to use the Limited Common Elements, the budget or a schedule attached thereto shall show amounts budgeted therefor. In addition to annual operating expenses, the budget shall include reserve accounts for capital expenditures and deferred maintenance (to the extent required by law). These accounts shall include, but not be limited to, roof replacement, building painting and pavement resurfacing regardless of the amount of deferred maintenance expense or replacement cost, and for any other item for which the deferred maintenance expense or replacement cost exceeds \$10,000.00. The amount of reserves shall be computed by means of a formula which is based upon the estimated remaining useful life and the estimated replacement cost of each reserve item. The Association may adjust replacement and reserve assessments annually to take into account any change in estimates or extension of the useful life of a reserve item caused by deferred maintenance. Reserves shall not be required if the members of the Association have, by a majority vote at a duly called meeting of members, determined for a specific fiscal year to provide no reserves or reserves less adequate than required hereby. Prior to transfer of control of the Association to Unit Owners other than the Developer, the Developer may vote to waive reserves for the first two (2) years of operation of the Association, after which time reserves may only be waived or reduced upon the vote of a majority of non-Developer Voting Interests present at a duly called meeting of the Association or voting by limited proxy at such meeting. If a meeting of Unit Owners has been called to determine to provide no reserves or reserves less adequate than required, and such result is not attained or a quorum is not attained, the reserves, as included in the budget, shall go into effect. Reserve funds and any interest accruing thereon shall remain in the reserve account or accounts and shall be used only for authorized reserve expenditures, unless their use for any other purposes is approved in advance by a vote of the majority of the Voting Interests present at a duly called meeting of the Association or voting by limited proxy at such meeting.

The adoption of a budget hereunder shall comply with the requirements hereinafter set forth:

- (i) Notice of Meeting. A copy of the proposed budget of Common Expenses shall be mailed to each Unit Owner not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the meeting of the Board of Directors at which the budget will be considered, together with a notice of that meeting indicating the time and place of such meeting. Notice of the meeting shall also be posted as required herein.
- Special Membership Meeting. If a budget is adopted by the (ii) Board of Directors which requires Assessments against such Unit Owners in any year exceeding one hundred fifteen percent (115%) of such Assessments for the preceding year, as hereinafter defined, upon written application of ten percent (10%) of the Unit Owners, a special meeting of the Unit Owners shall be held within thirty (30) days of delivery of such application to the Board of Directors. Each Unit Owner shall be given at least ten (10) days' notice of said meeting. At the special meeting, Unit Owners shall consider and adopt a substitute budget. The adoption of said substitute budget shall require a vote of Owners of not less than a majority of all the Units (including Units owned by the Developer). If a meeting of the Unit Owners has been called as aforesaid and a quorum is not obtained or a substitute budget has not been adopted by the Unit Owners, the budget adopted by the Board of Directors shall go into effect as scheduled.
- (iii) Determination of Budget Amount. In determining whether a budget requires Assessments against Unit Owners in any year exceeding one hundred fifteen percent (115%) of Assessments for the preceding year, there shall be excluded in the computations any authorized provisions for reasonable reserves made by the Board of Directors in respect of repair or replacement of the Condominium Property or in respect of anticipated expenses of the Association which are not anticipated to be incurred on a regular or annual basis, and there shall be excluded further from such computation Assessments for improvements to the Condominium Property.
- (iv) Proviso. As long as the Developer is in control of the Board of Directors of the Association, the Board shall not impose Assessments for a year greater than one hundred fifteen percent (115%) of the prior year's Assessments, as calculated per (iii) above, without the approval of a majority of Unit Owners other

than the Developer. Also, during such period reserves, if any, shall not be used for purposes other than that for which they were intended without the approval of a majority of all non-developer voting interests voting in person or by limited proxy at a duly called meeting of the Association.

- (b) Adoption by Membership. In the event that the Board of Directors shall be unable to adopt a budget for a fiscal year in accordance with the requirements of Subsection 10.1.(a) above, the Board of Directors may call a special meeting of Unit Owners for the purpose of considering and adopting such budget, which meeting shall be called and held in the manner provided for such special meetings in said subsection, or propose a budget in writing to the members, and if such budget is adopted by the members, upon ratification by a majority of the Board of Directors, it shall become the budget for such year.
- (c) <u>Separate Budgets</u>. A separate budget for each Condominium and for the Association shall be made, adopted and provided as required herein. Each such budget shall disclose:
 - (i) Estimated expenses specific to a Condominium such as the maintenance, deferred maintenance or replacement of the Common Elements of the Condominium, which shall be provided for in the budget of the specific Condominium;
 - (ii) Estimated expenses not specific to a Condominium such as the maintenance, deferred maintenance or replacement of the portions of the Common Elements of a Condominium serving all Members of the Association, Association Property or other property serving more than one Condominium which shall be provided for in the Association budget; and
 - (iii) Each Condominium's share of the estimated expenses of the Association, which shall be shown on the individual Condominium budgets.
- (d) <u>Budget Meetings and Votes</u>. Whenever a meeting or vote of Unit Owners with respect to a budget (or reserves shown therein) is required to permitted above:
 - the meeting and vote with respect to the Association's budget shall be of all Unit Owners; and

- the meeting and vote with respect to a budget for a particular Condominium shall be of only Owners of Unit in that Condominium.
- 10.2 <u>Shares of Association Budget</u>. Unit Owners in each Condominium shall pay Assessments for expenses shown in the Association's budget calculated by multiplying (i) the Unit's percentage share of Common Expenses by (ii) the amount of Association expenses allocated to the Condominium. Association expenses shall be allocated to each Condominium based upon the following formula:

Association Expenses

x <u>Units in the Condominium</u> Units in all Condominiums

In the event that a new Condominium is created during a fiscal year, any resulting change in Assessments payable by Owners in already-existing Condominiums shall be made only as of the first day of the month next following the creation of the new Condominium.

- Assessments Assessments against Unit Owners for their share of the items of the 10.3 budget shall be made for the applicable fiscal year annually at least twenty (20) days preceding the year for which the Assessments are made. Such Assessments shall be due in equal installments, payable in advance on the first day of each quarter of the year for which the Assessments are made (unless the Board elects to levy assessments monthly). If annual Assessments are not made as required, Assessments shall be presumed to have been made in the amount of the last prior Assessments, and monthly installments on such Assessments shall be due upon each installment payment date until changed by amended Assessments. In the event the annual Assessments prove to be insufficient, the budget and Assessments may be amended at any time by the Board of Directors, subject to the provisions of Section 10.1 hereof, if applicable. Unpaid Assessments for the remaining portion of the fiscal year for which amended Assessments are made shall be payable in as many equal installments as there are full months of the fiscal year left as of the date of such amended Assessments, each such monthly installment to be paid on the first day of the month, commencing the first day of the next ensuing month. If only a partial month remains, the amended Assessments shall be paid with the next regular installment in the following year, unless otherwise directed by the Board in its resolution.
- 10.4 <u>Special Assessments and Assessments for Capital Improvements.</u> Special Assessments and Capital Improvement Assessments (as defined in the Declaration) shall be levied as provided in the Declaration and shall be paid in such manner as the Board of Directors of the Association may require in the notice of such Assessments. The funds collected pursuant to a Special Assessment shall be used

only for the specific purpose or purposes set forth in the notice of adoption of same. However, upon completion of such specific purpose or purposes, any excess funds will be considered Common Surplus, and may, at the discretion of the Board, either be returned to the Unit Owners or applied as a credit towards future assessments.

Depository: Commingling. The depository of the Association shall be such bank or banks in the State of Florida as shall be designated from time to time by the Directors and in which the monies of the Association shall be deposited. Withdrawal of monies from those accounts shall be made only by checks signed by such person or persons as are authorized by the Directors.

All funds shall be maintained separately in the Association's name. Reserve and operating funds of the Association shall not be commingled. Likewise, like-kind funds for different Condominiums may be commingled but a separate ledger for each such Condominium's funds (including reserves) shall be maintained. In no event shall the Association, or any manager or management company representing same, commingle any Association funds with such party's funds or the funds of any other condominium association or the Community Association. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that any amendment to the Act or duly adopted Rule of the Division is more liberal than the foregoing, than such amendment to the Act or Rule of the Division shall supersede and control so as to permit the commingling of funds to the maximum extent lawful.

- Acceleration of Installments Upon Default. If a Unit Owner shall be in default in the payment of an installment upon his Assessments, the Board of Directors or its agent may accelerate the next twelve (12) months' of the Assessments upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to the Unit Owner and the filing of a claim of lien, and the then unpaid balance of the Assessments for the balance of the year shall be due upon the date stated in the notice, but not less than five (5) days after delivery of the notice to the Unit Owner, or not less than ten (10) days after the mailing of such notice to him by certified mail, whichever shall first occur.
- Fidelity Bonds. Fidelity bonds shall be required by the Board of Directors for all persons handling or responsible for Association funds in such amounts as shall be determined by a majority of the Board, but in no event less than the amounts required by the Act. The premiums on such bonds shall be paid by the Association as a Common Expense.
- Accounting Records and Reports. The Association shall maintain accounting records in the State, according to accounting practices normally used by similar associations and in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Florida Administrative Code. The records shall be open to inspection by Unit Owners or their authorized representatives at reasonable times and written summaries of them

shall be supplied at least annually. The records shall include, but not be limited to, (a) a record of all receipts and expenditures, and (b) an account for each Unit designating the name and current mailing address of the Unit Owner, the amount of Assessments, the dates and amounts in which the Assessments come due, the amount paid upon the account and the dates so paid, and the balance due. Written summaries of the records described in clause (a) above, in the form and manner specified below, shall be supplied to each Unit Owner annually.

Within sixty (60) days following the end of the fiscal year, the Board shall mail, or furnish by personal delivery, to each Unit Owner a complete financial report of actual receipts and expenditures for the previous twelve (12) months. The report shall show the amount of receipts by accounts and receipt classifications and shall show the amount of expenses by accounts and expense classifications, including, if applicable, but not limited to, the following:

- (a) Costs for security;
- (b) Professional and management fees and expenses;
- (c) Taxes;
- (d) Costs for recreation facilities;
- (e) Expenses for refuse collection and utility services;
- (f) Expenses for lawn care;
- (g) Costs for building maintenance and repair;
- (h) Insurance costs;
- (i) Administrative and salary expenses; and
- (j) Reserves for capital expenditures, deferred maintenance and any other category for which the Association maintains a reserve account or accounts.

Any financial report issued in accordance with this Section shall comply with the Rules of the Division with respect thereto.

Application of Payment. All payments made by a Unit Owner shall be applied as provided in these By-Laws and in the Declaration or as otherwise determined by the Board.

- Notice of Meetings. Notice of any meeting where Assessments against Unit Owners are to be considered for any reason shall specifically contain a statement that Assessments will be considered and the nature of any such Assessments.
- 11. Roster of Unit Owners. Each Unit Owner shall file with the Association a copy of the deed or other document showing his ownership. The Association shall maintain such information. The Association may rely upon the accuracy of such information for all purposes until notified in writing of changes therein as provided above. Only Unit Owners of record on the date notice of any meeting requiring their vote is given shall be entitled to notice of and to vote at such meeting, unless prior to such meeting other Owners shall produce adequate evidence, as provided above, of their interest and shall waive in writing notice of such meeting.
- 12. <u>Parliamentary Rules</u>. Except when specifically or impliedly waived by the chairman of a meeting (either of members or directors), Robert's Rules of Order (latest edition) shall govern the conduct of the Association meetings when not in conflict with the Act, the Declaration, the Articles or these By-Laws; provided, however, that a strict or technical reading of said Robert's Rules shall not be made so as to frustrate the will of the persons properly participating in said meeting.
- Amendments. Except as may be provided in the Declaration to the contrary, these By-Laws may be amended in the following manner:
 - Notice. Notice of the subject matter of a proposed amendment shall be included in the notice of a meeting at which a proposed amendment is to be considered.
 - Adoption. A resolution for the adoption of a proposed amendment may be proposed either by a majority of the Board of Directors or by not less than one-third (1/3) of the members of the Association. Directors and members not present in person or by proxy at the meeting considering the amendment may express their approval in writing, provided that such approval is delivered to the Secretary at or prior to the meeting. The approval must be:
 - by not less than a majority of the Votes of all members of the Association represented at a meeting at which a quorum has been attained and by not less than 66-2/3% of the entire Board of Directors; or
 - (b) after control of the Association has been turned over to Unit Owners other than the Developer, by not less than 66-2/3% of the Votes of the members of the Association represented at a meeting at which a quorum has been attained.
 - Proviso. No amendment may be adopted which would eliminate, modify, prejudice, abridge or otherwise adversely affect any rights, benefits, privileges or priorities

granted or reserved to the Developer or mortgagees of Units without the consent of said Developer and mortgagees in each instance. No amendment shall be made that is in conflict with the Articles or Declaration. No amendment to this Section shall be valid.

- Execution and Recording. A copy of each amendment shall be attached to a certificate certifying that the amendment was duly adopted as an amendment of these By-Laws, which certificate shall be executed by the President or Vice-President and attested by the Secretary or Assistant Secretary of the Association with the formalities of a deed, or by the Developer alone if the amendment has been adopted consistent with the provisions of the Declaration allowing such action by the Developer. The amendment shall be effective when the certificate and a copy of the amendment is recorded in the Public Records of the County with an identification on the first page of the amendment of the Official Records Book and Page of said Public Records where the Declaration is recorded.
- Rules and Regulations. Attached hereto as Schedule A and made a part hereof are initial rules and regulations concerning the use of portions of the Condominium and Association Property. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, modify, amend or add to such rules and regulations, except that subsequent to the date control of the Board is turned over by the Developer to Unit Owners other than the Developer, Owners of a majority of the Units may overrule the Board with respect to any such modifications, amendments or additions. Copies of such modified, amended or additional rules and regulations shall be furnished by the Board of Directors to each affected Unit Owner not less than thirty (30) days prior to the effective date thereof. At no time may any rule or regulation be adopted which would prejudice the rights reserved to the Developer or the Community Association.

Rules regulations applicable to one or more, but not all, of the Condominiums may be adopted to reflect any unique characteristics thereof or the needs or desires of the Unit Owners therein.

- 15. Official Records. From the inception of the Association, the Association shall maintain for the condominium, a copy of each of the following, where applicable, which shall constitute the official records of the Association:
 - (a) The plans, permits, warranties, and other items provided by the Developer pursuant to Section 718.301(4) of the Act;
 - (b) A photocopy of each recorded Declaration of Condominium and all amendments thereto;
 - (c) A photocopy of the recorded By-Laws of the Association and all amendments thereto;

- (d) A certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation of the Association or other documents creating the Association and all amendments thereto;
- (e) A copy of the current Rules and Regulations of the Association;
- (f) A book or books containing the minutes of all meetings of the Association, of the Board of Directors, and of Unit Owners, which minutes shall be retained for a period of not less than 7 years.
- (g) A current roster of all Unit Owners, their mailing addresses, Unit identifications, voting certifications, and if known, telephone numbers;
- (h) All current insurance policies of the Association and of all Condominiums operated by the Association;
- (i) A current copy of any management agreement, lease, or other contract to which the Association is a party or under which the Association or the Unit Owners have an obligation or responsibility;
- (j) Bills of Sale or transfer for all property owned by the Association;
- (k) Accounting records for the Association and the accounting records for the Condominium, according to good accounting practices. All accounting records shall be maintained for a period of not less than 7 years. The accounting records shall include, but not be limited to:
 - (i) Accurate, itemized, and detailed records for all receipts and expenditures.
 - (ii) A current account and a monthly, bimonthly, or quarterly statement of the account for each Unit designating the name of the Unit Owner, the due date and amount of each Assessment, the amount paid upon the account, and the balance due.
 - (iii) All audits, reviews, accounting statements, and financial reports of the Association or Condominium.
 - (iv) All contracts for work to be performed. Bids for work to be performed shall also be considered official records and shall be maintained for a period of 1 year;
 - (v) Separate records for each Condominium and for the Association shall be maintained.

- (l) Ballots, sign-in sheets, voting proxies and all other papers relating to voting by unit owners which shall be maintained for a period of 1 year from the date of the election, vote or meeting to which the document relates.
- (m) All rental records where the Association is acting as agent for the rental of Units.
- (n) A copy of the current Question and Answer Sheet, in the form promulgated by the Division, which shall be updated annually.
- (o) All other records of the Association not specifically listed above which are related to the operation of the Association.

The official records of the Association shall be maintained within the State of Florida.

The official records of the Association shall be open to inspection by any Association member or the authorized representative of such member at all reasonable times and within ten (10) working days after receipt of written request for same by the Board or its designee. The right to inspect the records includes the right to make or obtain copies, at a reasonable expense, if any, of the Association member. The Association may adopt reasonable rules regarding the frequency, time, location, notice and manner of record inspections and copying. The failure of the Association to provide official records to a Unit Owner or his authorized representative within ten (10) working days after receipt of a written request therefor shall create a rebuttable presumption that the Association wilfully failed to comply with this paragraph. Failure to permit inspection of the Association records as provided herein entitles any person prevailing in an enforcement action to recover reasonable attorneys' fees from the person in control of the records who, directly or indirectly, knowingly denies access to the records for inspection. The Association shall maintain on the Condominium Property an adequate number of copies of the Declaration, Articles, ByLaws and rules, and all amendments to the foregoing, as well as the Question and Answer Sheet, to ensure their availability to Unit Owners and prospective purchasers. The Association may charge its actual costs for preparing and furnishing these documents to those persons requesting same.

Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, no item exempted from the records availability requirements of the Act (e.g., documents subject to attorney-client privilege) need be made available by the Association.

16. <u>Association Property</u>. Any recreation or other common facilities conveyed to the Association by the Developer, including any personalty associated therewith, shall be operated, maintained, repaired, replaced, insured and otherwise administered by the Association as if same were a condominium in which all members of the Association owned Units, unless same is maintained by the Community Association.

Expenses relating to Association Property shall be included in the Association's budget (as opposed to a budget for a Condominium). Further, reserves for Association Property may be waived, reduced or otherwise dealt with per Section 10.1(a) by vote of all Unit Owners.

- 17. <u>Alternative Dispute Resolution</u>. Any "dispute" (as such term is defined in the Act) shall be submitted to nonbinding arbitration as, and to the extent, required by the Act and in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Rules of the Division.
- 18. <u>Certificate of Compliance</u>. A certificate of compliance from a licensed electrical contractor or electrician may be accepted by the Association's Board as evidence of compliance of the Units to the applicable condominium fire and life safety code.
- 19. <u>Construction</u>. Wherever the context so permits, the singular shall include the plural, the plural shall include the singular, and the use of any gender shall be deemed to include all genders.
- 20. <u>Captions</u>. The captions herein are inserted only as a matter of convenience and for reference, and in no way define or limit the scope of these By-Laws or the intent of any provision hereof.

The foregoing was adopted as the By-Laws of **SOMMERSET VILLAS AT LEXINGTON CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION**, **INC.**, a corporation not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida, as of the day of 1996.

Approved

President

Secretary

[CORPORATE SEAL]

SCHEDULE "A"

SOMMERSET VILLAS AT LEXINGTON CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC. INITIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

Restrictions. The following restrictions, in addition to the rules and regulations hereafter promulgated by the Board of Directors, shall govern the use of the Association Property and the conduct of the members of the Association and, their respective unit owners, occupants and/or guests.

- A. Each member and their respective unit owners and occupants shall not use or permit the use of the Association Property in any manner which would be disturbing or be a nuisance to unit owners and occupants, or in such a way as to be injurious to the reputation of the property.
- B. The use of Association Property shall be consistent with existing law, these By-Laws, and the governing documents of the Associations, and shall not constitute a general nuisance.
- C. No tents or camping facilities shall be permitted on any Property.
- D. Association Property shall not be obstructed, littered, defaced or misused in any manner.
- E. No animals or pets shall be allowed on Association Property except to the extent permitted by the respective Declaration of Condominium or other governing documents of each member; further, cats and canines shall be allowed only if carried or on a leash while on Association Property. No pets are permitted in the pool area.
- F. No member or their respective unit owners or occupants shall post any advertisements or posters of any kind in or on the Association Property except as authorized, in writing, by the Board of Directors.
- G. All garbage and trash shall be deposited in the disposal installations provided for such purpose.
- H. No members or their respective unit owners or occupants shall make any alteration or improvement of Association Property, except as authorized, in writing, by the majority of the Board of Directors.

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- I. No barbecuing or outdoors cooking of any type shall be permitted on Association Property except where the Association designates a place or provides facilities for such type of cooking, and then such activity may be undertaken only in conformity with the rules established for the use of such facilities.
- J. No motorcycles, motor scooters, motorized bicycles commonly known as "mopeds", or other like vehicles shall be allowed on any Association Property.
- K. <u>Trucks, Commercial Vehicles, Recreation Vehicles, Motor Homes, Mobile Homes, Boats, Campers and Trailers.</u>
 - (A) No boat, boat trailer or other trailer of any kind, camper; mobile home, motor home, pick-up truck or disabled vehicle shall be permitted to be parked or stored in LEXINGTON COUNTRY CLUB unless kept fully enclosed inside a structure.
 - (B) No vehicle shall be parked anywhere but on paved areas intended that purpose or in garages. Parking on lawns or landscaped areas is prohibited.
 - (C) No vehicle shall be used as a domicile or residence, either permanent or temporary.
 - (D) No Owner may keep a golf cart in any Neighborhood unless the owner has a car garage and the golf cart is parked inside at all times when not in use.