

As Secretary of State, of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby Certify that

a copy of the Articles of Incorporation of

THE GROVE AT ASCENSION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Domiciled at BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA,

Was filed and recorded in this Office on April 18, 2016,

And all fees having been paid as required by law, the corporation is authorized to transact business in this State, subject to the restrictions imposed by law, including the provisions of R.S. Title 12, Chapter 2.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of my Office to be affixed at the City of Baton Rouge on,

Secretary of State

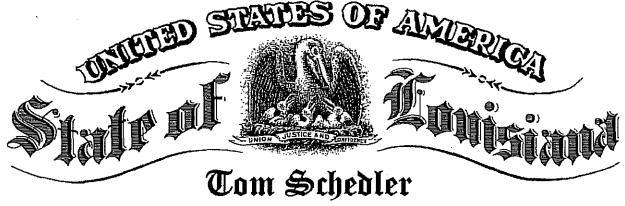
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SECRETARY OF STATE

As Secretary of State, of the State of Louisiana, I do hereby Certify that

the attached document(s) of

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are true and correct and are filed in the Louisiana Secretary of State's Office.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

STATE OF LOUISIANA

THE GROVE AT ASCENSION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE

BE IT KNOWN, that on this day of April, 2016, before me, the undersigned Notary Public in and for the Parish and State aforesaid, personally came and appeared the person of the full age of majority whose signature is subscribed who declares; in the presence of the undersigned competent witnesses that, availing himself of the provisions of the Louisiana Nonprofit Corporation law La. R.S. 12:201-12:269 (1950 as amended), to-wit, he does hereby organize a nonprofit corporation under and in accordance with the articles of incorporation as follows:

ARTICLE I NAME

The name of this corporation is:

THE GROVE AT ASCENSION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE II NON-STOCK AND NON-PROFIT

- A. This corporation is organized on a non-stock, non-profit basis and is irrevocably dedicated to the general purposes stated in Article IV of these Articles of Incorporation.
- B. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, board member, officer of the corporation or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation in pursuit of one or more of its purposes).
- C. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the corporation may not participate in or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- D. The corporation shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on the undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal tax laws or regulations.
- E. The corporation shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal laws or regulations.
- F. The corporation shall not retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent federal laws or regulations.

ARTICLE III DOMICILE

The domicile of this corporation shall be at Baton Rouge. Louisiana, and the location and post office address of its registered office shall be: The Grove at Ascension Homeowners Association, Inc., % Sebastian Alvarez, 17732 Highland Road, Suite G-125, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810-3846.

ARTICLE IV PURPOSE AND POWERS

This corporation is organized primarily for the following purposes:

- A. Performing all of the duties and obligations imposed on the corporation in that certain Act of Restrictions for The Grove at Ascension Subdivision, which is on file and of record in the office of the Clerk and Recorder for the Parish of East Baton Rouge, and performing all of the duties and obligations imposed on and accepted by the corporation in declarations of covenants and restrictions for other filings of The Grove at Ascension Subdivision and other subdivisions accepted by the corporation for administration (collectively, "Restrictions"):
- B. Providing generally for the ownership, management, and maintenance of the Common Properties covered by Restrictions;
- C. Exercising certain rights and powers and performing certain obligations relating to the individual lots in filings and subdivisions covered by Restrictions together with improvements thereon, including the homes, and as enumerated in Restrictions: and
- D. Except as limited in these Articles, perform any and all acts and things that a non-profit corporation is empowered to do under Louisiana law. which may be necessary, convenient, or desirable in the administration of its affairs.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS

The officers of this corporation shall consist of a President who shall be a member of the Board of Directors, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer and such other officers, as the directors may elect or appoint. Any two or more offices may be held by the same person, except the Office of President and Secretary. The President, the Vice-President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer are to be elected annually by the Board of Directors and shall serve one year or until their successors are duly elected and installed.

ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP

The record owner (whether an individual or other legal entity) of a lot in filings and subdivisions covered by Restrictions (excluding Common Properties) shall be a member of the corporation. Ownership shall be established by the recordation in the public records of East

Baton Rouge Parish, State of Louisiana, of an instrument conveying ownership of a lot in filings and subdivisions covered by Restrictions and the receipt by the corporation of a certified copy thereof. The foregoing is not intended to include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any lot in filings and subdivisions covered by Restrictions. When more than one person owns an interest in a lot in filings and subdivisions covered by Restrictions or when a corporate, partnership or other legal entity owns a lot in filings and subdivisions covered by Restrictions, no more than two adults may be designated as authorized to enjoy the full benefits of membership (although each owner shall be a member whether designated as authorized to enjoy full benefits of membership or not).

ARTICLE VII VOTING RIGHTS

One vote in all matters considered by the corporation shall be allocated to each lot in filings and subdivisions covered by Restrictions. When more than one person is the owner of a lot in filings and subdivisions covered by Restrictions, all such persons shall be members of the corporation, and the vote for such lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine, but in no event shall more than one vote be cast with respect to any one lot in filings or subdivisions covered by Restrictions. An owner, including, if applicable, the incorporator, owning more than one lot in filings or subdivisions covered by Restrictions shall be entitled to one vote for each lot owned. In the event of re-subdivision of one or more lots in filings or subdivisions covered by Restrictions, the vote for each original lot as shown on the original recorded final plat shall be attributed to the owner of the re-subdivided lot containing the most square footage of the original lot. In no event shall the number of votes entitled to be cast exceed the number of lots shown on the original recorded final plat of a filing or subdivision covered by Restrictions.

ARTICLE VIII MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Annual meetings of the members of the corporation shall be held for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors for the corporation. Other matters which may be considered at such annual meetings and the time and place of such annual meeting shall be determined in accordance with the Bylaws. Special meetings of the corporation may be called in accordance with the Bylaws.

ARTICLE IX POWERS AND MANAGEMENT

The powers and management of the corporation shall be vested in, and exercised by, a Board of Directors. The number of directors shall be set forth in the Bylaws. The time and place for regular or special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be determined in accordance with the Bylaws. Any vacancy occurring among the directors of this corporation by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled by election for the unexpired term, at the next regular or special meeting of the Board of Directors.

Failure to elect directors annually shall not dissolve this corporation nor impair its corporate existence or management, but the directors then in office shall remain in office until their successors shall have been duly elected and installed.

A majority of the directors shall constitute a quorum, and a quorum shall be necessary to consider any question that may come before any meeting of the Board of Directors. If a quorum is not present at a duly assembled meeting, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting from time to time, but may not transact any other business until a quorum is secured. A quorum being present, the affirmative vote of a majority of the directors present shall be necessary to decide any questions.

The Board of Directors shall have the power to make, alter; and annul such Bylaws, rules or regulations for the government of the affairs of this corporation as it may deem proper.

ARTICLE X REGISTERED AGENT

The name and address of the corporation's registered agent is as follows:

Brent J. Bourgeois
ROEDEL, PARSONS, KOCH, BLACHE, BALHOFF & MCCOLLISTER, A L.C.
8440 Jefferson Highway, Suite 301
Baton Rouge, LA 70809-7654

ARTICLE XI STOCK CLASSIFICATION

The corporation is to be organized on a non-stock basis. Members may join at any time, subsequent to the purchase of a lot or lots in any filing or subdivision covered by the Restrictions. The fiscal year of this corporation shall be from the 1st day of January in each year until the 31st day of December in the same year (i.e., the calendar year); and each member shall pay annual dues (in addition to assessments on lots in filings and subdivisions covered by Restrictions as provided for in the declarations affecting such lots), if any, as decided by a vote of the membership for each fiscal year, or inaction thereof, for which each member is a member of this corporation. Each member of this corporation, upon payment of dues as set for the above, shall be entitled to a Certificate of Membership, signed by the President and Secretary, for the fiscal year for which such dues are paid. If no dues have been authorized by the membership, then the only requirement for membership is the ownership of a lot in a filing or subdivision covered by Restrictions, and receipt of the required certified copy of the act conveying ownership. After a lapse of thirty (30) days after receipt of the required certified copy, payment of any dues, assessments, penalties, fines, or other levies against the purchased lot and a written membership certificate request, a Certificate of Membership shall be made and forwarded to the member. Failure of the member to receive said certificate shall in no way bar the member's active participation in the business of the corporation and it is specifically authorized that the member may vote and take part in the corporation activities thirty (30) days after receipt of the required certified copy evidencing ownership and payment of any dues, assessments, penalties, fines, or other levies against the purchased lot.

ARTICLE XII INCORPORATOR

The name and post office address of the incorporator is as follows:

Brent J. Bourgeois
ROEDEL, PARSONS, KOCH, BLACHE, BALHOFF & McCollister, A L.C.
8440 Jefferson Highway, Suite 301
Baton Rouge, LA 70809-7654

ARTICLE XIII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The names and addresses and officers of the first Board of Directors is as follows:

Sebastian Alvarez President

17732 Highland Road, Suite G-125 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810-3846

Carlos Alvarez Vice-President

17732 Highland Road, Suite G-125 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810-3846

Ana Alvarez Tanner Secretary-Treasurer

17732 Highland Road, Suite G-125 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70810-3846

This Board shall serve until the first annual meeting of the membership of the corporation or until their successors are elected and qualified.

ARTICLE XIV NOTICES TO HOLDERS OF MORTGAGES

The corporation shall give to each institutional holder of a first mortgage on a lot in a filing or subdivision covered by Restrictions which has made a request therefor, identified by lot and filing number, a thirty-day written notice of intent to (a) abandon or terminate the performance of its duties and obligations under Restrictions which affect the lot for which notice as been requested; (b) materially amend these Articles of Incorporation or the Bylaws of the corporation; or (c) to change from professional management to self management of any property managed by the corporation or vice versa.

ARTICLE XV INDEMNIFICATION

Each director and each member of the Architectural Control Committee of The Grove at Ascension Subdivision established by Restrictions (collectively, "the Committee") shall be indemnified by the corporation against all liabilities and expenses, including counsel fees, reasonably incurred or imposed on him in connection with any proceeding to which he may be a party or in which he may become involved by reason of his being or having been an officer or director of the corporation or a member of the Committee at the time such expenses are incurred, unless the officer or director or member of the Committee is adjudged guilty of willful malfeasance or misfeasance in the performance of his duties. In the case of a settlement, the indemnification provided for herein shall apply only when the Board of Directors approves such settlement and reimbursement as being for the corporation's and the Committee's best interests. The above described right of indemnification shall not be exclusive of all other rights to which such officer or director or member of the committee may be entitled but shall be in addition to such other rights.

ARTICLE XVI DISSOLUTION

The corporation may be dissolved with the consent given in writing and signed by not less than three-fourths (¾) of the members; Upon dissolution of the corporation; other than as incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of the corporation shall be dedicated to an appropriate public agency to be used for purposes similar to these for which the corporation was created. In the event that such dedication is refused acceptance, such assets shall be granted, conveyed, and assigned to any non-profit corporation, trust, or other organization to be devoted to such similar purposes.

ARTICLE XVII AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended at a general membership meeting held pursuant to a special ten-day (10-day) notice of the amendments to be proposed. Either the Board of Directors or the members of the corporation may originate a proposed amendment. The requirements of a general membership meeting to change these Articles may be waived in writing by three-fourths (3/4) of the members of this corporation.

An amendment shall not be effective until it has received the approval of not less than two-thirds (%) of the entire membership of the Board of Directors and not less than three-fourths (%) of the members of this corporation. No amendment, notification, supplement or deletion shall be effective if it violates any of the provisions of Restrictions.

ARTICLE XVIII LIMITS OF LIABILITY

No member of the corporation shall ever be held liable or responsible for contracts, debts, or defaults of the corporation in any further sum than the unpaid dues, if any, owed by him to the corporation (excepting assessments, charges, and fines provided for in Restrictions) nor shall any mere informality in organization have the effect of rendering those Articles of Incorporation null and void or of exposing the members to any liability other than above provided.

THUS DONE AND PASSED in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, on the day of April. 2016, in the presence of the undersigned competent witnesses and me. Notary, after due reading of the whole.

WITNESSES:

Carla G. Mornov

BRENT J/BOYRGEOIS, Incorporator

Michelle D. Holland

DÁVID A. WOOLRIDGE, JR. (La. Bar #21168) NOTARÝ PUBLIC

My Commission Expires At My Death.

AFFIDAVIT OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT BY DESIGNATED REGISTERED AGENT

To the Secretary of State State of Louisiana

State of Louisiana

Parish of East Baton Rouge

On this <u>W</u> day of April, 2016, before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and Parish aforesaid, personally came and appeared:

BRENT J. BOURGEOIS

who is to me known to be the person, and who, being duly sworn, acknowledged to me that he does hereby accept appointment as the Registered Agent of The Grove at Ascension Homeowners Association, Inc., which is a limited liability company authorized to transact business in the State of Louisiana pursuant to the provisions of the Title 12, Chapter 22 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes Annotated.

BRENT J. BOURGEOIS, Registered Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me on the day, month, and year first above set forth.

AVID A. WOOLRIDGE JR. (La. Bar #21168)

NOTARY PUBLIC

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