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AMENDED, RESTATED, AND CONSOLIDATED DECLARATION OF PROTECTIVE COVENANTS FOR BEAR CREEK AT SOUTH FORK RANCHES (FILINGS 1 - 4)

THIS AMENDED, RESTATED, AND CONSOLIDATED DECLARATION is effective upon recording.

RECITALS:

- A. On August 18, 1999, the South Fork Ranches, LLC submitted Filing 1 of Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches to the covenants, conditions, and restrictions set forth in that certain Declaration of Protective Covenants for Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches recorded in the real property records of Rio Grande County, Colorado at Reception No. 360872 in Book 485 at Page 1544, as amended ("Original Filing 1 Declaration");
- B. On November 10, 1999, the South Fork Ranches, LLC submitted Filing 2 of Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches to the covenants, conditions, and restrictions set forth in that certain Declaration of Protective Covenants for Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches recorded in the real property records of Rio Grande County, Colorado at Reception No. 361883 in Book 487 at Page 608, as amended ("Original Filing 2 Declaration");
- C. On January 17, 2001, the South Fork Ranches, LLC submitted Filing 3 of Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches to the covenants, conditions, and restrictions set forth in that certain Declaration of Protective Covenants for Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches recorded in the real property records of Rio Grande County, Colorado at Reception No. 367010 in Book 494 at Page 382, as amended ("Original Filing 3 Declaration");
- D. On March 29, 2001, the South Fork Ranches, LLC submitted Filing 4 of Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches to the covenants, conditions, and restrictions set forth in that certain Declaration of Protective Covenants for Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches recorded in the real property records of Rio Grande County, Colorado at Reception No. 367703 in Book 495 at Page 908, as amended ("Original Filing 4 Declaration");
- E. On June 27, 2005, an amendment to the Original Filing 1 Declaration, Original Filing 2 Declaration, Original Filing 3 Declaration, and Original Filing 4 Declaration was recorded in the real property records of Rio Grande County, Colorado, at Reception No. 00388414 in Book 520 at Page 2926 (the "Amendment");

- G. The Owners within the Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Community desire to: (1) amend, restate, and consolidate the Original Declarations by virtue of this Amended, Restated, and Consolidated Declaration of Protective Covenants for Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches ("Declaration"); (2) upon the recording of this Declaration, have all prior recorded declarations, amendments and supplements thereto be superseded and replaced by this Declaration;
- H. The Original Declarations, except for the Amendment, all provide for and allow for this Declaration in Article XX of each of the Original Declarations, which provide as follows:

These covenants and restrictions are to run with the land and shall remain in full force and effect for ten years from the date these covenants are recorded, after which time said covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten years, unless an instrument signed by a majority of the land owners of the parcels has been recorded, changing said covenants in whole or part;

- I. Pursuant to C.R.S. §38-33.3-217(4.5), no amendment may change the uses to which any Lot is restricted in the absence of a vote or agreement of Owners to which at least 67% of the votes in the Association are allocated;
- J. All Owners are aware of the provisions of the Original Declarations allowing for amendment, by virtue of the record notice of the Original Declarations, by acts and disclosures, newsletters or notices of the Association and by other means;
- K. The amendments within this Declaration have been prepared and determined by the Association and by the Owners that have approved this Declaration to be reasonable and not burdensome;
- L. The purposes of the amendments in this Declaration are to consolidate the Original Declarations into one document, clarify maintenance obligations in the Community, remove unreasonable restrictions on the community, remove developer "boilerplate" language that is no longer applicable to the Community, remove provisions that do not allow the Board to efficiently operate the community or deal with community concerns, remove provisions that do not comply with current state law, add provisions that provide the proper tools for the Association to effectively solve problems, add provisions to provide the Association with sufficient power to create and successfully enforce Rules and Regulations, and add provisions that reflect beneficial state law provisions;
- M. The purpose of the Association as provided in the Declaration is to preserve the value and desirability of the Community and the Lots and to further the interests of the residents of the Community and Members of the Association; and

N. Pursuant to C.R.S. §38-33.3-217(4.5), at least 67% of all Owners subject to each of the Original Declarations, separately, have approved this Declaration, or alternatively, a court order entered by the District Court for Rio Grande County, Colorado pursuant to C.R.S. §38-33.3-217(7), has been entered approving this Declaration.

NOW THEREFORE, the Original Declarations are each replaced, superceded, and consolidated by the covenants, servitudes, easements and restrictions set forth below:

ARTICLE 1 DEFINED TERMS

- Section 1.1 <u>Defined Terms</u>. Each capitalized term in this Declaration shall have the meaning specified or used in the Act, unless otherwise defined in this Declaration or the context requires otherwise:
 - (a) Act shall mean the Colorado Common Interest Ownership Act, C.R.S. §38-33.3-101 et. seq., as it may be amended.
 - (b) <u>Architectural Review Committee</u> or <u>Committee</u> means the committee appointed by the Board of Directors for the purpose of implementing the architectural review provisions of this Declaration and architectural guidelines for the Community to insure proper use, appropriate improvement, and harmonious additions, alterations and improvements within the Community.
 - (c) <u>Assessment</u> shall include all Common Expense Assessments and any other expense levied to Lots pursuant to this Declaration or the Act, including interest, late fees, attorney fees, fines, and costs.
 - (d) <u>Association</u> shall mean Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Property Owner's Association, Inc., a Colorado nonprofit corporation, and its successors and assigns.
 - (e) <u>Board or Board of Directors</u> shall mean the body, regardless of name, designated in the Governing Documents to act on behalf of the Association.
 - (f) <u>Common Expenses</u> shall mean and refer to all expenditures made and liabilities incurred by or on behalf of the Association, together with any allocation by the Association to reserves.
 - (g) <u>Community</u> or <u>Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Community</u> or <u>Planned Community</u> shall mean the planned community known as "Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches," including Filings 1 through 4, inclusive, of Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches, and the real property subject to this Declaration and as further defined by the recorded Plats, and the Members of the Association.

- (h) <u>Declaration</u> shall mean and refer to this Amended, Restated, and Consolidated Declaration of Protective Covenants for Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches, as amended, recorded in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Rio Grande County, Colorado.
- (i) <u>Governing Documents</u> shall mean this Declaration, the Plat, the Articles of Incorporation, the Bylaws, any Maps and any Rules and Regulations of the Association, as all of the foregoing may be amended from time to time.
- (j) <u>Guest House</u> shall mean a residential dwelling improvement constructed on a Lot which is designed and intended for use and occupancy as a temporary residence which shall be secondary to the Primary Residence.
- (k) <u>Lot</u> or <u>Parcel</u> shall mean and refer to any plot of land shown upon any recorded Plat of the Property with the exception of Maintenance Areas, if any.
- (I) <u>Maintenance Area</u> shall mean all real property owned by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of the Owners, and such real property, utility easements, and trail easements which exist pursuant to the Plat, regardless of their location, which are the maintenance obligation of the Association as set forth in this Declaration, including but not limited to, easements for roads, pedestrian trails, entry gates, water wells, and a firewell.
- (m) <u>Member</u> shall mean any Owner. The terms "Member" and "Owner" may be used interchangeably.
- (n) <u>Outbuilding</u> shall mean any enclosed or covered building not directly attached to the Primary Residence, other than a Guest House, located on the same Lot as the Primary Residence that is clearly incidental, subordinate, secondary, and devoted to the Primary Residence, is customarily found in conjunction with the Primary Residence, and shall not be utilized for occupancy by persons.
- (o) Owner shall mean the owner of record title, whether one or more persons or entities, to any Lot or Unit which is a part of the Property, including contract sellers, but excluding those having such interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation.
- (p) Pet shall mean and include cats, dogs, birds, reptiles or other household animals, as may be further defined in or supplemented by the Rules and Regulations.
- (q) <u>Plat</u> or <u>Map</u> shall mean and refer to the plat(s) and/or map(s) of the Property and improvements that are subject to this Declaration and which are designated in the Plat or Map recorded in the records of the Office of the Clerk and Recorder of Rio Grande County. More than one plat, map or supplement thereto may be recorded, and, if so, then the term "Plat" or "Map" shall collectively mean and refer to all of such plats, maps and supplements

thereto.

- (r) <u>Primary Residence</u> shall mean the residential dwelling improvement constructed on a Lot which is designed and intended for use and occupancy as the primary residence by a single family.
- (s) <u>Property</u> shall mean the property described in or which is subject to the Declaration together with all easements, rights, and appurtenances thereto and the buildings and improvements erected or to be erected thereon.
- (t) <u>Rules and Regulations</u> shall mean any written instruments, however identified, which are adopted by the Association for the regulation and management of the Community and/or clarification of the Governing Documents, including any amendment to those instruments.
- (u) <u>Structure</u> shall mean any Primary Residence, Guest House, or Outbuilding located on a Lot.

ARTICLE 2 NAMES & DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY/EASEMENTS

- Section 2.1 Name and Type. The type of Common Interest Community is a Planned Community. The name of the Planned Community is Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches. The name of the Association is the "Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Property Owner's Association, Inc."
- Section 2.2 <u>Property</u>. The Planned Community is located in Rio Grande County, State of Colorado. The Property of the Planned Community is described in *Exhibit A* of this Declaration, in the Original Declaration, in the Plat, and/or as is consistent with the common scheme and plan for the creation and operation of the Community. Easements for utilities and other purposes over and across the Lots and any Maintenance Area may be as shown upon a recorded Plat and on any recorded Map of the Planned Community, and as may be established pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration, or granted by authority reserved in any recorded document.
- Section 2.3 Owners' Easements of Enjoyment. Every Owner shall have a right and easement of enjoyment in and to any Maintenance Area and such easement shall be appurtenant to and shall pass with the title to every Lot, subject to the following provisions:
 - (a) the right of the Association to promulgate and publish Rules and Regulations with which each Owner and their tenants, invitees, licensees and guests shall strictly comply;

- (b) the right of the Association, to suspend the voting rights and the right to use of any Maintenance Area, except for use of roads, for a period not to exceed 60 days or during any period of violation of any other provision of the Governing Documents, whichever is greater; provided that suspension of voting and use rights shall be automatic during any period that an Owner is in default in payment of any Common Expense Assessment;
- (c) the right of the Association, upon approval of at least 67% of the total Association vote, to mortgage the Maintenance Area as security for that purpose, provided, that the rights of such mortgagee shall be subordinate to the rights of the homeowners;
- (d) the right, power and authority of the Association to grant any easement, right-of-way, license, lease, dedication or similar interest through, over or in the Maintenance Area;
- (e) the right of the Association to transfer or convey ownership of any Maintenance Area, provided that any transfer or conveyance of any Maintenance Area shall be subject to the prior approval of 67% of the total Association votes;
- (f) the right of the Association to close or limit the use of any Maintenance Area while maintaining, repairing and making replacements in any Maintenance Area; and
- (g) the right of the Association to change use of, add or remove improvements to the Maintenance Area.
- (h) the right of the Association to acquire, hold, encumber and convey, in the Association's name and in the ordinary course of business, any right, title or interest to real estate, pursuant to the consent requirements for the sale of Maintenance Area or otherwise set forth in the Governing Documents, if any. At the time of the recording of this Declaration, the Association owns Lot 38, which shall be subject to this subsection (h).
- Section 2.4 <u>Delegation of Use</u>. Owners may delegate their right of enjoyment to any Maintenance Area and facilities to the members of their family, their tenants, guests, or contract purchasers who reside at their Lot. If the Owner delegates rights to use the Maintenance Area and facilities to tenants or contract purchasers who reside at their Lot, the Owner shall not be entitled to use the Maintenance Area, except for roads. The Board of Directors shall have the express right to limit Owners' ability to delegate their right to use the recreational amenities of the Community through Rules and Regulations and/or to charge reasonable fees charged for such use.
- Section 2.5 <u>Easements for the Association</u>. Each Lot shall be subject to an easement in favor of the Association, acting through the Board of Directors (including its agents, employees and contractors) to allow for their performance of obligations in this Declaration, provided that the easement granted and the use thereof shall not unreasonably interfere with or impair the use of any improvements constructed on a Lot and shall be exercised only after reasonable notice to the Owner

of the Lot. This easement is limited to the setbacks for each Lot, including a 25 foot easement set from each side of all roadways. The Association shall at all times have an easement on and across Lot 38, whether such Lot is owned by the Association or conveyed to another party, for the purpose of maintaining, improving, removing, and replacing they well and drip system located on such Lot, unless such easement is otherwise terminated or modified by a written, recorded agreement of the Association.

Section 2.6 <u>Utility. Map and Map Easements</u>. Easements for utilities and other purposes over and across the Lots and Maintenance Areas may be as shown upon the Plat or Map of the Community, and as may be established pursuant to the provisions of this Declaration, or granted by authority reserved in any recorded document. All future electric and phone lines shall be extended underground, excepting that the Board may approve overhead lines where the terrain would make the placement of underground lines difficult. Easements for the installation and maintenance of utilities, roadways, and such other purposes incidental to development of the Property as reserved and shown by notes on the recorded Plat of the Property shall be kept open and readily accessible for use, service, and maintenance.

ARTICLE 3 THE ASSOCIATION

- Section 3.1 <u>Membership</u>. Every person or entity who is a record Owner of a fee interest in any Lot which is subject to this Declaration shall be a Member of the Association. Membership shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of any Lot. Ownership of such Lot shall be the sole qualification for such membership. Each Lot shall be allocated one vote which shall be cast as a single vote and shall not be subject to fractional voting.
- Section 3.2 General Purposes and Powers of the Association. The Association, through its Board of Directors, shall perform functions and manage the Community as provided in this Declaration so as to protect the value and desirability of the Community and the Lots. The Association shall be responsible for the maintenance, repair, replacement and improvement of all Maintenance Areas, snow removal on roads, and road grading within the Community, and the administration and leasing of grazing rights within the Community. Any purchaser of a Lot shall be deemed to have assented to, ratified and approved such designation and management. The Association shall have all power necessary or desirable to effectuate such purposes.
- Section 3.3 <u>Authority of the Association</u>. The business affairs of the Community shall be managed by the Association. The Association shall be governed by the Act, this Declaration, the Plat or Map, its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, and any Rules and Regulations adopted by the Board of Directors. All corporate or other powers of the Association, unless otherwise specified or expressly reserved to the Members in the Governing Documents, shall be exercised by or under the authority of the Board of Directors, and the business and affairs of the Association shall be managed under the direction of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may, by written resolution, delegate authority to a managing agent for the Association, provided no such delegation shall relieve

the Board of final responsibility. The Association may exercise any right or privilege and shall perform all duties and obligations expressly granted or reasonably necessary or implied in the Governing Documents to effect such right or privilege or to satisfy such duty or obligation.

- Section 3.4 <u>Managing Agent</u>. The Association may employ or contract for the services of a managing agent for the Community, at a compensation established by the Board, to perform duties and services authorized by the Board. The Board shall have the authority to delegate any of the powers and duties set forth in the Governing Documents to a managing agent. Regardless of any delegation to a managing agent, the members of the Board shall not be relieved of responsibilities under the Governing Documents or Colorado law.
- Section 3.5 <u>Right to Notice and Comment.</u> Notice of matters affecting the Community shall be given by the Association or through access to Association records, as further provided in the Bylaws or as otherwise provided by the Board of Directors.
- Section 3.6 <u>Indemnification</u>. As further set forth in the Bylaws, to the full extent permitted by law, each officer, director, committee member or volunteer of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association against all expenses and liabilities including attorney fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon them in any proceeding to which they may be a party, or in which they may become involved, by reason of being or having been an officer, director, committee member or volunteer of the Association, or any settlements thereof, whether or not they are an officer, director, committee member or volunteer at the time such expenses are incurred; except in such cases wherein such officer, director, committee member or volunteer is adjudged guilty of breaching his or her duty of care (as set forth in the Act) in the performance of his or her duties.
- Section 3.7 <u>Security Disclaimer</u>. The Association may, but shall not be required to, from time to time, provide measures or take actions which directly or indirectly improve security in the Community; however, each Owner, for himself or herself and his or her tenants, guests, licensees and invitees, acknowledges and agrees that the Association is not a provider of security and shall have no duty to provide security in the Community. Furthermore, the Association does not guarantee that non-residents will not gain access to the Community and commit criminal acts in the Community, nor does the Association guarantee that criminal acts in the Community will not be committed by residents. It shall be the responsibility of each Owner to protect his or her person and property and all responsibility to provide such security shall lie solely with each Owner. The Association shall not be held liable for any loss or damage by reason of failure to provide security or the ineffectiveness of measures taken.
- Section 3.8 Education and Training. As a Common Expense, the Association shall, in accordance with the Act, provide education and training opportunities for Owners, residents and occupants, including providing funding and use of facilities for such purposes. The Association shall provide education and training activities as a tool for fostering Owner, resident and occupant awareness of governance, operations and concerns of the Community and of the Association. Appropriate educational topics include dispute or conflict resolution, issues involving the Governing

Documents, and education or topics benefitting or contributing to operation or governance of the Community and the rights and responsibilities of Owners and the Association. The Association may also fund and support education and training for officers and directors.

ARTICLE 4 COVENANT FOR ASSESSMENTS FOR COMMON EXPENSES

Section 4.1 Creation of Association Lien and Personal Obligation to Pay Assessments for Common Expenses. Each Owner, by acceptance of a deed for a Lot, whether or not it shall be so expressed in any such deed or other conveyance, shall be deemed to covenant and agree to pay to the Association annual Assessments for Common Expenses, insurance Assessments, and such other Assessments as imposed by the Association. Such Assessments, including fees, charges, late fees, attorney fees, fines and interest charged by the Association and additional fees charged by the managing agent, including but not limited to, administration and witness fees, shall be the personal obligation of the Owner of such Lot at the time when the Assessment or other charges became or fell due. The Association annual Assessments for Common Expenses and such other Assessments as imposed by the Association, including fees, charges, late fees, attorney fees, fines and interest charged by the Association, shall be a charge on each Lot and shall be a continuing lien upon the Lot against which each such Assessment or charge is made. If any Assessment is payable in installments, the full amount of the Assessment is a lien from the time the first installment becomes due. The personal obligation to pay any past due sums due the Association shall not pass to a successor in title unless expressly assumed by them. No Owner may become exempt from liability for payment of the Assessments for Common Expenses by waiver of the use or enjoyment of the Maintenance Area or by abandonment of the Lot against which the Assessments for Common Expenses are made. All Assessments shall be payable in the amounts specified in the levy thereof, and no offsets or reduction thereof, except as provided in this Declaration, shall be permitted by any reason including, without limitation, any claim that the Association or the Board of Directors is not properly exercising its duties and powers under this Declaration. Except as provided in this Declaration, all Assessments for Common Expenses shall be assessed equally.

Section 4.2 <u>Basis of Assessments</u>. Common Expense Assessments may be made on an annual basis against all Lots and shall be based upon the Association's advance budget of the cash requirements needed by it to provide for the administration and performance of its duties during such Assessment year.

Section 4.3 <u>Annual Assessment</u>. The budget for annual Assessments shall be submitted to the Owners for ratification pursuant to Section 303(4) of the Act and as set forth in the Bylaws, as the Bylaws may be amended from time to time. The budget may be vetoed by a majority of the Members present, in person or by proxy, at the ratification meeting for such budget and a quorum must be present at such meeting. Assessments for Common Expenses shall be due and payable in monthly, quarterly, or annual installments, or in any other manner, as determined by the Board of Directors. The omission or failure of the Board of Directors to levy the Assessment for any period shall not be deemed a waiver, modification or a release of the Owners from their obligation to pay.

- Section 4.4 Special Assessments. In addition to other authorized Assessments, the Association may levy Special Assessments from time to time to cover previously unbudgeted expenses or expenses in excess of those budgeted, including, without limitation, the costs of any construction, restoration, or unbudgeted repairs or replacements of capital improvements that are not covered by the general reserve fund; provided, however, the proposed Special Assessment must receive the affirmative vote of a majority of all of the Members of the Association at a duly constituted meeting called for such purpose. Special Assessments may be payable in installments extending beyond the fiscal year in which the Special Assessment is approved. The Board shall have the right to require that Special Assessments be paid in advance of the provision of the subject services or materials.
- Section 4.5 <u>Supplemental Assessments</u>. The Association shall have the right to add to any Owner's Assessment as provided in this Article the following:
 - (a) those amounts expended by the Association for the benefit of any individual Lot or any occupant thereof, including but not limited to: improvement, repair, replacement and maintenance specific to a Lot;
 - (b) improvement, repair, replacement, or maintenance caused by the negligent or willful acts of any Owner, his or her guest, employee, licensee, lessee or invitee as set forth in this Declaration:
 - (c) All fines and costs assessed against an Owner pursuant to the Governing Documents; and
 - (d) Any other expenditures or charges which the Board, in its sole discretion, chooses to allocate to a Lot and are reasonably determined to be allocable to a particular Lot.
- Section 4.6 <u>Application of Payments</u>. All sums collected on a delinquent account referred to an attorney shall be remitted to the Association's attorney until the account is brought current. All payments received on an account of any Owner or the Owner's Lot shall be applied to payment of any and all legal fees and costs (including attorney fees), expenses of enforcement and collection, late fees, returned check fees, lien fees and other costs owing or incurred with respect to such Owner pursuant to the Governing Documents, prior to application of the payment to any special or regular Assessments due or to become due with respect to such Owner.

Section 4.7 Effect of Non-Payment of Assessments.

- (a) Any Assessment, charge or fee provided for in this Declaration, or any monthly or other installment thereof, which is not fully paid on the due date thereof, as established by the Board of Directors, shall bear interest at the rate established by the Board of Directors, on a per annum basis to accrue monthly from the due date, and the Association may assess a reasonable late fee thereon as determined by the Board of Directors.
- (b) Failure to make payment within 60 days of the due date thereof shall cause the total amount of such Owner's Common Expense Assessment for the remainder of that fiscal year to become immediately due and payable at the option of the Board. The Board may, in its discretion, decelerate the Member's annual Assessment.
- (c) Further, the Association may bring an action at law or in equity, or both, against any Owner personally obligated to pay such overdue Assessments, charges or fees, or monthly or other installments thereof, and may also proceed to foreclose its lien against such Owner's Lot. An action at law or in equity by the Association against a Owner to recover a money judgment for unpaid Assessments, charges or fees, or monthly or other installments thereof, may be commenced and pursued by the Association without foreclosing, or in any way waiving, the Association's lien therefor.
- (d) Foreclosure or attempted foreclosure by the Association of its lien shall not be deemed to estop or otherwise preclude the Association from thereafter again foreclosing or attempting to foreclose its lien for any subsequent Assessment, charges or fees, or monthly or other installments thereof, which are not fully paid when due. The Association shall have the power and right to bid on or purchase any Lot at foreclosure or other legal sale, and to acquire and hold, lease, mortgage, convey or otherwise deal with the same. If a foreclosure action is filed to foreclose any Assessment lien, and a Owner abandons or leaves vacant his or her Lot, the Board may take possession and rent said Lot or apply for the appointment of a receiver for the Lot without prior notice to the Owner. The rights of the Association shall be expressly subordinate to the rights of any holder of a first lien security interest as set forth in its deed of trust or mortgage (including any assignment of rents), to the extent permitted under the Act.
- Section 4.8 <u>Assignment of Rents</u>. If a Lot is rented by its Owner, the rent is hereby pledged and assigned to the Association as security for the payment of all Assessments due by that Owner to the Association. If the Assessments owed by the Owner of a rented Lot are more than 30 days delinquent, the Association may collect, and the occupant or lessee shall pay to the Association, the rent for any Lot owned by the delinquent Owner, or that portion of the rent equal to the amount due to the Association; provided, however, the lessee need not make such payments to the Association in excess of or prior to the due date for monthly rental payments unpaid at the time of the Board's request. The Association shall send notice to the Owner by any reasonable means at least 10 days prior to initiating the collection of rent from the Owner's occupant or lessee. The

occupant and/or lessee shall not have the right to question the Association's demand for payment. Payment by the occupant or lessee to the Association will satisfy and discharge the occupant or lessee's duty of payment to the Owner for rent, to the extent of the amount paid to the Association. No demand or acceptance of rent under this Section shall be deemed to be a consent or approval of the Lot rental or a waiver of the Owner's obligations as provided in the Declaration. The Association shall not exercise this power where a receiver has been appointed with respect to a Lot or Owner, nor in derogation of the exercise of any rights to rents by a the holder of a first lien security interest of a Lot. If an occupant or lessee fails or refuses to pay rent to the Association as provided for in this Section, the Association shall have the right to bring an action for unlawful detainer for non-payment of rent under Colorado statutes, and the costs and attorney fees incurred by the Association in connection with that action shall be collectable from the occupant or lessee in that action, and from the Owner of the Lot in the same manner as any other Assessment under this Declaration.

Section 4.9 <u>Lien Priority</u>. The lien of the Association under this Section is prior to all other liens and encumbrances on a Lot except: (1) liens and encumbrances recorded before the recordation of the Declaration; (2) a first lien security interest on the Lot (except as allowed by the Act with regard to the limited lien priority allowed to the Association); and (3) liens for real estate taxes and other governmental assessments or charges against the Lot. This Section does not affect the priority of mechanics' or materialmen's liens. The lien of the Association under this Article is not subject to the provision of any homestead exemption as allowed under state or federal law. Sale or transfer of any Lot shall not affect the lien for said Assessments or charges except that sale or transfer of any Lot pursuant to foreclosure of any first lien security interest, or any proceeding in lieu thereof, including deed in lieu of foreclosure, or cancellation or forfeiture shall only extinguish the lien of Assessment charges as provided by applicable state law. No such sale, transfer, foreclosure, or any proceeding in lieu thereof, including deed in lieu of foreclosure, nor cancellation or forfeiture shall relieve any Lot from continuing liability for any Assessment charges thereafter becoming due, nor from the lien thereof.

Section 4.10 <u>Borrowing</u>. The Association shall have the power to assign its right to future income, including the right to assign its right to receive Assessments for Common Expenses.

ARTICLE 5 COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS ON USE, ALIENATION AND OCCUPANCY

Section 5.1 <u>Flexible Application of the Subsequent Covenants and Restrictions</u>. All Lots within the Community shall be held, used and enjoyed subject to the following limitations and restrictions. The strict application of the following limitations and restrictions in any specific case may be modified or waived, in whole or in part, by the Board of Directors or by an appropriate committee (subject to review by the Board of Directors) if such strict application would be unreasonable or unduly harsh under the circumstances. Any such modification or waiver must be in writing.

- Section 5.2 <u>Authority</u>. All provisions of the Governing Documents shall apply to Owners and their guests, tenants, invitees and licensees. Owners and their successors and assigns, by acceptance of a deed to their Lot, acknowledge that they have been given notice, and that:
 - (a) The ability of Owners to use their Lots may be limited by the provisions in the Governing Documents.
 - (b) The Board may, from time to time, adopt and amend definitions of words, phrases and terms used in this Declaration and other Governing Documents.
 - (c) The Board may establish penalties for the infraction of all regulations and Owners will be responsible for fines assessed against their tenants, guests and invitees for violations of the restrictions.
 - (d) All fines imposed are collectable as Assessments.
- Section 5.3 Use/Occupancy. All Lots within the Community shall be used only for those uses and/or purposes as allowed by the local zoning, control and regulation, and permitted by this Declaration, subject to any Rules and Regulations adopted by the Association. No more than three Structures per Lot shall be permitted in the Community, which prior to construction of the Structure must be approved by the Architectural Review Committee pursuant to this Declaration, consisting of one Primary Residence and up to two additional Outbuildings, as further set forth in this Declaration and the Architectural Guidelines. Lots shall not be used for any purpose other than a residential dwelling except as set forth in this Section. Home occupations shall be allowed so long as the home occupations are incidental and secondary to the use of the Lot and do not change the residential character thereof, comply with local zoning ordinances and regulations, and comply with this Declaration. External advertising of any kind is prohibited. In no instance shall a home occupation be visible externally, nor shall any home occupation employ any person other than the Owner. Uses which have one or more of the following characteristics are not permitted: (a) manufacturing or fabrication of any kind; (b) storage of hazardous materials; (c) increased traffic or parked vehicles beyond that reasonable and customary to a residential dwelling use; (d) permanent or long term parking of heavy equipment, including semi trailers; (e) the use or rental of any Structure on a Lot for any transient, hotel, motel, bed and breakfast, restaurant, bar or other commercial purposes.
- Section 5.4 <u>Leasing and Occupancy</u>. Any Owner shall have the right to lease or allow occupancy of a Lot upon such terms and conditions as the Owner may deem advisable, subject to restrictions of this Declaration, subject to restrictions of record and subject to the following:
 - (a) "Leasing" or "Renting" for the purposes of this Declaration, is defined as regular, exclusive occupancy of a Lot by any person other than the Owner; provided, however, for the purposes of this Declaration, leasing shall not include the occupancy of the Lot by the child or parent of an Owner. For the purposes of this Declaration, occupancy by a roommate of an Owner who occupies the Lot as such Owner's Primary Residence shall not constitute leasing.

- (b) Short term occupancies and rentals (of less than six months) of Lots shall be prohibited, without prior written permission from the Association.
- (c) All leases or rental agreements shall be in writing and shall provide that the leases or rental agreements are subject to all terms of the Governing Documents. Owners are required to provide tenants with copies of the current Declaration, Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws and any Rules and Regulations of the Association.
- (d) Each Owner who leases his or her Lot shall provide the Association, upon request, a copy of the current lease and tenant information, including the names of all occupants, vehicle descriptions, including license plate numbers, and any other information reasonably requested by the Association or its agents.
- (e) Each Owner is strongly encouraged to conduct full background checks, including credit and criminal reports, for each lease applicant.
- (f) All occupancies, leases and rental agreements of Lots shall state that the failure of the tenant, lessee, renter or their guests to comply with the terms of the Governing Documents shall constitute a default of the occupancy, lease or rental agreement and of this Declaration and such default shall be enforceable by either the Association or the landlord, or by both of them.
- (g) All occupancies of Lots shall be subject to the right of the Association to remove and/or evict the occupant for failure to comply with the terms of the Declaration, the Bylaws of the Association, the Articles of Incorporation or the Rules and Regulations of the Association. If the Association requests that the Owner evict the Owner's tenant based on the terms of this Declaration, and the Owner fails to commence such action within 30 days of the date of the Association's request and notice, the Association may commence eviction proceedings. Upon failure by the Owner to comply with the Association's request to evict, the Owner delegates and assigns to the Association, acting through the Board, the power and authority to evict the lessee as attorney-in-fact on behalf of and for the benefit of the Owner. If the Association evicts the lessee, any costs, including, but not limited to, reasonable attorney fees actually incurred and court costs associated with the eviction shall be an Assessment and lien against the Lot.
 - (h) Leases shall be for or of the entire Lot.
- (i) All Owners who reside at a place other than the Lot shall provide to the Association an address and phone number(s) where the Owner can be reached in the case of emergency or other Association business. It is the sole responsibility of the Owner to keep this information current.

- (j) The Association shall have the authority to adopt Rules and Regulations regarding leasing, including the implementation of this restriction, and for implementation of other restrictions in the Declaration and as allowed by law.
- Section 5.5 <u>Maintenance of Lots and Improvements</u>. Owners are responsible for the maintenance, repair and replacement of the property, Structures, and improvements located within their Lot boundaries, except for Maintenance Areas, which shall be the Association's obligation. The Association, and its agents, shall have the authority, after giving the Owner 30 days written notice, to enter, replace, maintain, repair and clean up Lots which do not conform to the provisions of this Section, and to charge and collect from the Owner thereof all reasonable costs related thereto as an Assessment hereunder.
- Section 5.6 <u>Restrictions on Structures</u>. Except for those Primary Residences existing in the Community on the date of recording of this Declaration, all Primary Residences located on Lots shall contain a minimum of 1800 square feet of living space, and any Guest House must contain a minimum of 600 square feet of living space. Those Primary Residences existing on the date of recording of this Declaration shall contain a minimum of 1400 square feet of living space. All Structures must be approved by the Architectural Review Committee, pursuant to this Declaration and the Architectural Guidelines, and must comply with the Architectural Guidelines. Mobile homes shall not be permitted on any Lot within the Community. Only IRC (International Residential Code) approved frameless modular homes shall be permitted in the Community, provided the same has been approved by the Architectural Review Committee pursuant to this Declaration.
- Section 5.7 <u>Restrictions on Number of Structures Per Lot</u>. Each Lot shall be limited to three Structures per Lot consisting of one Primary Residence and a combination of one of the following: (a) one Guest House and one Outbuilding; or (b) two Outbuildings.
- Section 5.8 Restrictions on Animals and Pets. A reasonable number of Pets, as determined in the sole discretion of the Board of Directors, may be kept on a Lot, if the Pet is not a nuisance to other residents. Additionally, one horse shall be permitted per 2.5 acres of land owned by an Owner within the Community, with a maximum of four horses per Lot allowed. The Association shall have the authority to adopt Rules and Regulations further restricting animals and Pets. No resident shall maintain or keep any Pet or animal which, in the sole discretion of the Board, is considered to be a danger to the Owners, management staff or occupants in the Community or is otherwise considered to be a dangerous breed, as may be further defined in the Rules and Regulations. If a Pet or animal is deemed a "nuisance" by the Association, as further set forth in this Declaration, the resident having control of the Pet or animal shall be given a written notice to correct the problem and if not corrected, that resident will be required to remove the Pet or animal from the Community pursuant to, and in accordance with, any dispute resolution procedures as may be set forth in this Declaration or the Rules and Regulations, if any. Pets and animals may not be kept for any commercial purposes. When on other Maintenance Area, Pets and animals must be on a leash and under control. Feces left by Pets and animals upon the Maintenance Area must be removed promptly by the owner of the Pet or animal or the person responsible for the Pet or animal. Owners

shall hold the Association harmless from any claim resulting from any action of their Pets or animals or the Pets or animals of their tenants, guests or other invitees.

- Section 5.9 <u>Restrictions on Feeding Wildlife</u>. Feeding of wildlife is restricted and subject to any Department of Wildlife guidelines; except, however, no platform or ground feeding of wildlife shall be permitted in the Community.
- Section 5.10 <u>Bear Creek Recreational Trail</u>. A trail is provided for the use of the Owners and residents within the Community only, which shall be part of the Maintenance Area. The trail runs along Bear Creek waterway in areas as designated on the Plat and is created by a 20 foot easement. Uses of this recreational trail are restricted to equestrian, foot, and all non-motorized traffic. The Association shall be responsible for the maintenance, repair, and replacement of the trail system.
- Section 5.11 <u>Propane Tanks</u>. Propane tanks for the storage of fuel installed outside any Structure in the Community shall be buried underground. Owners of Lots on which any propane tank was installed prior to September 1, 2004 shall be required to screen such above ground propane tanks using wood-like fencing or landscaping that completely hides and conceals the propane tank from view from any other Lot or Maintenance Area within the Community, as determined by the Board of Directors.
- Section 5.12 <u>Nuisances</u>. No nuisance shall be permitted within the Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Community, nor any use, activity or practice which is the source of unreasonable annoyance or embarrassment to, or which unreasonably offends or disturbs, any Owner or which may unreasonably interfere with the peaceful enjoyment or possession or the proper use of a Lot or any Maintenance Area, or any portion of the Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Community by residents. Further, no improper, offensive or unlawful use shall be permitted within the Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Community or any portion thereof. All valid laws, ordinances and regulations of all governmental bodies having jurisdiction over the Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Community or a portion thereof shall be observed.

Section 5.13 Vehicular Parking, Storage, and Repairs.

- (a) Parking upon any Maintenance Area shall be regulated by the Association.
- (b) Except as otherwise set forth in this Declaration with respect to vacation camping, and except for horse trailers and flat bed trailers used for hauling small recreational vehicles as further set forth in the Rules and Regulations, the following may not be parked or stored within the Community, unless such parking or storage is within a garage on a Lot, authorized in writing by the Association or allowed by the Act as an "emergency vehicle": oversized vehicles, commercial vehicles, vehicles with commercial writing on their exteriors, trailers, camping trailers, boat trailers, hauling trailers (except as otherwise permitted in this Declaration and/or the Rules and Regulations), boats or accessories thereto, self-contained

motorized recreational vehicles or motor homes, or other oversized types of vehicles or equipment as prohibited by rule or regulation. The foregoing may be parked as a temporary expedience for loading, delivery of goods or services, or emergency. Overnight parking is prohibited. This restriction shall not apply to trucks or other commercial vehicles temporarily located within the Community which are necessary for construction or for the maintenance of any Maintenance Area, Lots, or any improvement located thereon.

- (c) No abandoned, unlicensed or inoperable automobiles or vehicles of any kind shall be stored or parked on a Lot or within the Community unless parked or stored within a garage. An "abandoned or inoperable vehicle" shall be defined by Colorado statutes governing inoperable or abandoned vehicles on public streets, or as defined by rule or regulation adopted by the Association.
- (d) No parked vehicle may impede the safe and efficient use of the streets by residents, obstruct emergency access to/from the Community, or interfere with the reasonable needs of other residents to use their driveway, Community streets or guest parking, if any.
- (e) No activity such as, but not limited to, maintenance, repair, rebuilding, dismantling, repainting, or servicing of any kind of vehicle, trailer or boat, may be performed or conducted outside of garages.
- (f) Parking in fire lanes (as designated by the Association or as designated by local government or a local fire protection authority) shall not be permitted.
- (g) If any vehicle is parked on any portion of the Community in violation of this Section or in violation of the Association's Rules and Regulations, the Board may place a notice on the vehicle specifying the nature of the violation and stating that after 72 hours the vehicle may be towed or booted. The notice shall include the name and telephone number of a person to contact regarding the alleged violation. A notice also shall be conspicuously placed at the Community stating the name and telephone number of the person or entity which will do the towing and/or booting hereunder. If 72 hours after such notice is placed on the vehicle the violation continues or thereafter occurs again within six months of such notice, the vehicle may be towed or booted in accordance with the notice, without further notice to the vehicle owner or user, and the owner thereof shall be solely responsible for all towing and storage charges.
- (h) If a vehicle is parked in a fire lane, is blocking another vehicle or access to another Owner's or occupant's Lot, is obstructing the flow of traffic, is parked on any grassy area, or otherwise creates a hazardous condition, no notice shall be required and the vehicle may be towed or booted immediately.

- (i) If a vehicle is towed or booted in accordance with this subparagraph, neither the Association nor any officer or agent of the Association shall be liable to any person for towing and storage costs or for any claim of damage as a result of the towing or booting activity. The Association's right to tow or boot is in addition to, and not in limitation of all other rights of the Association, including the right to assess fines. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section, the Board may elect to impose fines or use other available sanctions, rather than exercise its authority to tow or boot.
- Section 5.14 <u>Camping</u>. Recreational vehicles, camper units, and tents may be used for vacation camping for periods not exceeding 90 days in any calendar year; however, in no case may a recreational vehicle or camper unit be left parked unattended or stored on vacant land.
- Section 5.15 <u>Use of Maintenance Area.</u> There shall be no obstruction of any Maintenance Area, nor shall anything be kept or stored on any part of any Maintenance Area without the prior written approval of the Association. Nothing shall be altered on, constructed in, or removed from any Maintenance Area without the prior written approval of the Association.
- Section 5.16 No Annoying Lights, Sounds or Odors. Unless otherwise set forth in the Rules and Regulations or this Declaration, no light shall be emitted from any portion of the Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Community which is unreasonably bright or causes unreasonable glare, and no sound or odor shall be emitted from any portion of the Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Community which would reasonably be found by others to be noxious or offensive. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no exterior spot lights, searchlights, speakers, homs, whistles, bells or other light or sound devices shall be located or used on any portion of the Community, except as otherwise permitted in the Rules and Regulations or with the prior written approval of the Association, and except for home security alarms, which shall be permitted at all times.
- Section 5.17 No Hazardous Activities. No activity shall be conducted on and no improvement shall be constructed on any Property within the Community which is or might be unsafe or hazardous to any person or property. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no hunting shall be permitted in the Community, and no firearms or fireworks shall be discharged upon any Property within the Community. Owners must comply with all local ordinances and forest service guidelines at all times and must notify the local forest service and police department prior to igniting any open fires in the Community; however, written notification to the Association shall not be required.
- Section 5.18 <u>Restrictions on Clotheslines and Storage</u>. No clotheslines, drying areas or yards, service yards, shops, equipment, storage or storage areas shall be installed, allowed, kept, maintained or permitted on any Lot unless the same, in each instance, is expressly permitted in writing by the Association. Owners shall deem to hold the Association harmless from any claim resulting from any clotheslines, drying areas or yards, service yards, shops, equipment, storage or storage areas maintained on their Lot.

- Section 5.19 Restriction on Signs and Advertising Devices. (a) Except as provided in this Section, no sign, poster, billboard, advertising device or display of any kind shall be erected or maintained anywhere on a Lot except such sign or signs as may be approved in writing by the Association. (b) Signs intended to impact the outcome of an election must be displayed in accordance with the Association's Rules and Regulations. (c) One professionally lettered "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign not to exceed three feet by two feet and one professionally lettered security or alarm system sign not exceeding one square foot may be displayed on a Lot.
- Section 5.20 <u>Restrictions on Outbuildings</u>. Except for approved Outbuildings existing at the time of recordation of this Declaration, and subject to the restrictions set forth in Section 5.7 of this Declaration, no Outbuilding shall be allowed on any Lot unless first approved in writing by the Board of Directors or the Architectural Review Committee. Further, no Outbuilding shall be used on any Lot at any time for residential purposes, either temporarily or permanently.
- Section 5.21 <u>Trash Removal Restriction</u>. No garbage, refuse, rubbish, or cuttings shall be deposited on any street, road or any Maintenance Area or on any Lot, unless placed in a suitable, bear-proof container suitably located. All equipment for the storage or disposal of such materials shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition. No garbage cans, trash cans or receptacles shall be maintained in an exposed or unsightly manner. If trash removal is a service ever offered by the Association to Owners, then the Association shall have the exclusive right to engage a trash removal contractor on behalf of the Owners.
- Section 5.22 <u>Rules and Regulations</u>. In furtherance of the provisions of this Declaration, and the general plan, Rules and Regulations concerning and governing the Community or any portion thereof may be adopted, amended, or repealed from time to time by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may establish and enforce penalties for the infraction thereof.
- Section 5.23 <u>Compliance with Governing Documents</u>. Each Owner shall comply strictly with the provisions of this Declaration, the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, and the Rules and Regulations of the Association, as amended.
- Section 5.24 <u>Compliance With Other Laws</u>. No improper, offensive or unlawful use shall be permitted within the Community or any portion thereof. All valid laws, ordinances and regulations of all governmental bodies having jurisdiction over the Community or a portion thereof shall be observed.
- Section 5.25 <u>Restriction on Harvesting, Mining, and Drilling</u>. No Property within the Community shall be used for the purpose of commercial wood harvesting, mining, quarrying, drilling, boring or exploring for or removing oil, gas, or other hydrocarbons, minerals, rocks, stones, gravel or earth.

Section 5.26 Well and Septic Requirements and Restrictions. Each Owner shall obtain a residential well permit from the State Engineer before installing a well on a Lot in the Community. Each Owner shall comply with the conditions of the well permit issued for his or her Lot. All costs of well permits and well installations shall be the obligation of the Owner. Well permits, well use, and well water use will be subject to the terms and conditions of the decree in that case. Each Owner shall construct a well according to standard design procedures to ensure against contamination according to State, County, or other regulatory agencies' permitted standards. Sewage systems must be designed to meet State, County, and other regulatory agencies' regulations. No sewage system may be placed within 100 feet of any well.

Section 5.27 <u>Driveways</u>. Driveways on Lots must be approved by the Architectural Review Committee pursuant to this Declaration and must comply with the Architectural Guidelines.

Section 5.28 <u>Setbacks</u>. No Structure may be erected within 25 feet of the right of way line of any road within the Community nor within 25 feet of any side or rear line of any Lot. For the purpose of this Declaration, eaves, steps, and open porches shall be considered a part of the Structure.

Section 5.29 <u>Use of the Words Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches and Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Property Owner's Association, Inc.</u> No Owner or resident shall use the words Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Property Owner's Association, Inc. or the logo of the Community or Association, if any, or any derivative thereof, in connection with any goods, materials or services, the use of which is likely to cause confusion, mistake or deception as to the source or origin of such goods, materials or services, without the prior written consent of the Association.

ARTICLE 6 ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

Section 6.1 <u>Required Approval</u>. No Structures, tennis courts, swimming pools, antennas (except as otherwise permitted in this Declaration), flag poles (except as otherwise permitted by the Act), driveways, fences, walls, exterior lighting, landscaping, or any other improvements shall be constructed, erected, relocated, removed, or installed on a Lot, nor shall any painting, alteration or change to the exterior of the improvements on a Lot or to the exterior of any Structure (including paint, awnings, patios, decks, or shutters) be commenced unless complete plans and specifications shall have been first submitted to and approved in writing by the Architectural Review Committee ("Committee") as may be outlined in the Rules and Regulations. The Committee may require that applications of Owners and their plans and specifications show exterior design, height, materials, color, location of the Structure, addition to the Structure, or proposed improvement (plotted horizontally and vertically), location and size of driveways, walls, windbreaks and grading plan, as well as such other materials and information as may be required by the Committee.

- Section 6.2 <u>Acknowledgment of Owners</u>. Owners acknowledge, accept and agree to the following:
 - (a) Owners will not commence construction or installation of an improvement until they have submitted improvement plans and specifications and received written approval from the Committee;
 - (b) Owners shall immediately comply with any request by the Association for additional information relating to an improvement prior to the Committee's approval of a request and/or prior to the completion of an improvement. Failure to comply with such a request by an Owner shall result in the withdrawal of Committee approval, if previously granted;
 - (c) Committee approval does not constitute approval of the local building or zoning department, drainage design or structural soundness;
 - (d) Owners shall notify the Committee of completion of the improvement's installation or construction within five days of such completion;
 - (e) Upon completion of an improvement, Owners authorize the Committee or its representative(s) to enter onto the Lot for exterior inspection;
 - (f) Failure of an Owner to notify the Committee of completion of an approved improvement, or refusal to allow inspection, shall result in the withdrawal of the Committee's approval;
 - (g) If the improvement as built does not conform to the improvement as approved by the Committee, the Committee's approval will be deemed withdrawn, and upon written request of the Committee, Owners shall, at their own expense and cost, promptly bring the improvement into compliance with the submitted and approved plans and specifications;
 - (h) In the event of withdrawal of Committee approval for any reason(s) cited in this Section, and upon written request from the Committee, the Owner, at his or her expense and cost, shall promptly restore the Lot to substantially the same condition as it existed prior to commencement of the improvement's installation or construction, and such withdrawal will be deemed to toll the statute of limitations as it pertains to the improvement until such time as the improvement is brought into compliance.
- Section 6.3 <u>Architectural Criteria</u>. The Committee shall exercise its reasonable judgment to the end that all attachments, improvements, construction, landscaping and alterations to improvements on a Lot, or landscaping of a Lot shall comply with the requirements set forth in this Declaration. The approval or consent of the Committee on matters properly coming before it shall not be unreasonably withheld, and actions taken shall not be arbitrary or capricious. Approval shall

be based upon, but not limited to, conformity and harmony of the exterior appearance of Structures with neighboring Structures, effective location and use of improvements on nearby Lots, preservation of aesthetic beauty, and conformity with the specifications and purposes generally set out in this Declaration. Upon its review of such plans, specifications and submittals, the Committee may require that the applicant(s) reimburse the Board for actual expense incurred by it in its review and approval process.

- Section 6.4 <u>Establishment of the Committee</u>. The Committee shall consist of a minimum of three members appointed by the Board of Directors. The Board shall have the authority to remove any members of the Committee at their sole discretion. Committee members shall serve two year terms, unless otherwise set forth by the Board of Directors at the time of appointment.
- Section 6.5 <u>Architectural Guidelines</u>. The Committee may propose architectural guidelines from time to time, which guidelines may be approved by the Board of Directors and included in or with any Rules and Regulations of the Association.
- Section 6.6 Reply and Communication. The Committee shall reply to all submittals of plans made in accordance herewith in writing within 45 days after receipt. In the event the Committee fails to take any action on submitted plans and specifications within 45 days after the Committee has received the plans and specifications, approval shall be deemed to be approved; provided, however, nothing in this Section shall authorize anyone to construct or maintain any Structure or improvement that is otherwise in violation of any of the Governing Documents of the Association. All communications and submittals shall be addressed to the Committee in care of the Association.
- Section 6.7 <u>Conditions of Approval</u>. In the discretion of the Board or the Committee, an Owner may be required to enter into a written agreement establishing the approval of the application in recordable form acknowledged by such Owner on behalf of himself or herself and all successors-in-interest. As a condition of approval for a requested architectural change, modification, addition or alteration, an Owner, on behalf of himself or herself and his or her successors-in-interest, affirms and shall assume, unless otherwise agreed in writing, all responsibilities for maintenance, repair, replacement and insurance to and on such change, modification, addition or alteration.
- Section 6.8 <u>Commencement and Completion of Construction</u>. All construction of improvements approved by the Committee must be commenced within 90 days of the start date approved and/or set forth by the Committee. If such construction is not commenced within 90 days of such start date, then such approval shall be deemed revoked by the Committee, unless the Committee gives a written extension for commencing the work. Additionally, except with written Committee approval otherwise, and except for delays caused by strikes, fires, national emergencies, critical materials shortages or other intervening forces beyond the control of the Owner, all work approved by the Committee shall be completed within 24 months of commencement.

- Section 6.9 <u>Variances</u>. The Committee may grant reasonable variances or adjustments from any conditions and restrictions imposed by this Declaration in order to overcome practical difficulties and unnecessary hardships arising by reason of the application of the conditions and restrictions contained in this Declaration or in architectural guidelines.
- Section 6.10 Right to Appeal. If the Board of Directors is not acting as the Committee, an Owner whose plans have been disapproved or conditionally approved may appeal any decision of the Committee to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall review the decision of the Committee pursuant to the criteria set forth in this Article and/or the architectural guidelines. Any decision of the Committee may be overruled and reversed by a majority of the directors by a written decision setting forth the reasons for the reversal when the directors conclude that the Committee's decision was inconsistent with the criteria set forth in this Article and the guidelines.
- Section 6.11 <u>Waivers</u>. The approval or consent of the Committee, or appointed representative thereof, to any application for architectural approval shall not be deemed to constitute a waiver of any right to hold or deny approval or consent by the Committee as to any application or other matters subsequently or additionally submitted for approval or consent.
- Section 6.12 <u>Liability</u>. The Committee and the members thereof, as well as any representative of the Board designated to act on its behalf, shall not be liable in damages to any person submitting requests for approval or for any approval, or failure to approve or disapprove in regard to any matter within its jurisdiction under these covenants. Neither the Board nor the Committee shall bear any responsibility for ensuring the design, quality, structural integrity or soundness of approved construction or modifications, nor for ensuring compliance with building codes, zoning regulations and other governmental requirements.
- Section 6.13 <u>Records</u>. The Association shall maintain written records of all architectural approval applications submitted and all actions taken and decisions made with respect thereto. Such records shall be open and available for inspection and copying by any Owner and such Owner's designated agent(s) during reasonable hours of the business day according to any policy adopted by the Board.
- Section 6.14 <u>Enforcement</u>. Enforcement of these covenants, restrictions, charges, and other provisions in this Section, as amended, may be by any proceeding at law or in equity against any person or persons violating or attempting to violate any such provision. The Association shall have the right, but not the obligation, to institute, maintain and prosecute any such proceedings. In any action instituted or maintained under this Section, the Association may be entitled to recover its costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred pursuant thereto, as well as any and all other sums awarded by the court. Failure of the Association to enforce any covenant or restriction contained in this Section shall in no event be deemed a waiver of the right to do so thereafter. In addition, or in the alternative, the Association shall have all other enforcement rights as set forth in this Declaration.

ARTICLE 7 INSURANCE/CONDEMNATION

- Section 7.1 <u>Insurance on the Lots</u>. Each Owner has the responsibility to obtain hazard insurance covering loss, damage or destruction by fire or other casualty to the improvements, installed or made to their Lot, or other property of that Owner located on such Lot, and liability insurance covering any injuries occurring to persons or property damages on a Lot.
- Section 7.2 <u>Insurance to be Carried by the Association</u>. The Association shall obtain and maintain in full force and effect, to the extent reasonably available and at all times, the insurance coverage set forth in this Declaration and as set forth in the Act, which insurance coverage shall include the following terms and shall be provided by financially responsible and able companies duly authorized to do business in the State of Colorado.
- Section 7.3 <u>Hazard Insurance on Maintenance Area</u>. The Association shall obtain hazard insurance covering loss, damage or destruction by fire or other casualty to any insurable improvements installed or made to any Maintenance Area and the other property of the Association.
- Section 7.4 <u>Association Liability Insurance</u>. The Association shall obtain public liability and property damage liability insurance covering any Maintenance Area, in such limits as the Board may determine from time to time, and in all cases covering all claims for bodily injury or property damage. Coverage shall include, without limitation, liability for personal injuries and operation of automobiles on behalf of the Association.
- Section 7.5 <u>Association Fidelity Insurance</u>. The Association shall obtain fidelity coverage or fidelity bonds to protect against dishonest acts on the parts of its officers, directors, trustees and employees and on the part of all others who handle or are responsible for handling the funds of the Association, including persons who serve the Association with or without compensation. The fidelity coverage or bonds should be in an amount sufficient to cover the maximum funds that will be in the control of the Association, its officers, directors, trustees and employees.
- Section 7.6 <u>Association Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance</u>. The Association shall obtain workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance and all other similar insurance with respect to employees, if any, in the amounts and forms as may now or hereafter be required by law.
- Section 7.7 <u>Directors' and Officers' Personal Liability Insurance</u>. The Association shall obtain directors' and officers' personal liability insurance to protect the officers, directors, committee members and any person acting at the discretion of the Board from personal liability in relation to their duties and responsibilities in acting as officers and directors on behalf of the Association.

- Section 7.8 <u>Miscellaneous Terms Governing Insurance Carried by the Association</u>. The Association shall maintain, to the extent reasonably available, insurance policies with the following terms or provisions:
 - (a) All policies of insurance shall provide that each Owner is an insured under the policy with respect to liability arising out of such Owner's membership in the Association.
 - (b) All policies of insurance shall contain waivers of subrogation against any Owner or member of his or her household.
 - (c) All policies of insurance shall contain waivers of subrogation and waivers of any defense based on invalidity arising from any acts of a Owner and shall provide that such policies may not be canceled or modified without prior written notice to all of the Owners as provided by Colorado law and to the Association.
 - (d) If requested, duplicate originals of all policies and renewals thereof, together with proof of payments of premiums, shall be delivered to all holders of first lien security interests at least 10 days prior to the expiration of the then-current policies.
 - (e) All liability insurance shall name the Association, the Board, the manager or managing agent, if any, the officers of the Association, holders of first lien security interests, their successors and assigns and Owners as insureds.
 - (f) Prior to the Association obtaining any blanket policy of casualty insurance on any Maintenance Area, the Board may obtain an appraisal from a duly qualified real estate or insurance appraiser, which appraiser shall reasonably estimate the full replacement value of any Maintenance Area and any improvements thereon, without deduction for depreciation, and/or consider other factors, for the purpose of determining the amount of the insurance to be effected pursuant to the provisions hereof. In the event the Association obtains casualty insurance on the Lots, then in no event shall that casualty insurance policy contain a co-insurance clause.
 - (g) All policies of insurance of the Association shall be primary, providing the primary insurance of the loss, if there is other insurance in the name of the Owner.
 - (h) All policies of insurance shall provide that the insurance thereunder shall not be invalidated, suspended, voidable or have any condition of recovery due to an act or omission by any Owner.
- Section 7.9 Other Association Insurance. The Association may obtain insurance against such other risks, of similar or dissimilar nature, including flood insurance, as it shall deem appropriate with respect to the Association responsibilities and duties.

- Section 7.10 <u>Insurance Premium</u>. Insurance premiums for insurance provided by the Association shall be a Common Expense to be included as a part of the annual Assessments levied by the Association.
- Section 7.11 <u>Annual Insurance Review</u>. The Board shall review the insurance carried by and on behalf of the Association at least annually, for the purpose of determining the amount of insurance required.
- Section 7.12 Adjustments by the Association. Any loss covered by an insurance policy described above shall be adjusted by the Association, and the insurance proceeds for that loss shall be payable to the Association and not to any holder of a first lien security interest. The Association shall hold any insurance proceeds in trust for the Association, Owners and holders of first lien security interests as their interests may appear. The proceeds must be distributed first for the repair or restoration of the damaged property, and the Association is not entitled to receive payment of any portion of the proceeds unless there is a surplus of proceeds after the damaged property has been completely repaired or restored.
- Section 7.13 <u>Duty to Repair</u>. Any portion of the Community for which the Association is required to insure under this Article which is damaged or destroyed must be repaired or replaced promptly by the Association, except as provided in the Act.
- Section 7.14 <u>Condemnation and Hazard Insurance Allocations and Distributions</u>. In the event of a distribution of condemnation proceeds or hazard insurance proceeds to the Owners, the distribution shall be as the parties with interests and rights are determined or allocated by record and pursuant to the Act.

Section 7.15 Responsibility for Payment of Deductible Amount.

- (a) Whether the Board, in its discretion, chooses to submit a claim under the Association insurance policies or not, the Association shall pay or absorb the deductible amount for any work, repairs or reconstruction for damage to Maintenance Area unless the damage is caused by the negligent or willful act or omission of an Owner, his family, guests, or invitees, in which case the Association shall seek reimbursement of the deductible amount in compliance with and under the terms of the Declaration.
- (b) Any Owner who receives the proceeds of any Association insurance shall be responsible for the payment of the deductible in proportion to the percentage of insurance proceeds received. Such deductible shall be due within 10 days of notification and shall be considered a Common Expense Assessment allocated directly to the Lot and shall be collected as provided in this Declaration.

Section 7.16 <u>Insurance Assessments</u>. If the proceeds of insurance are not sufficient to defray the costs of reconstruction and repair due to deductibles allocated to the Association or failure of the Association to maintain coverage to defray costs of repair and reconstruction which in the absence of insurance would be the maintenance responsibility of the Association, the deductible or additional cost shall be a Common Expense. Notwithstanding the Special Assessment procedure set forth this Declaration, such an insurance Assessment shall be ratified unless vetoed by 90% of the Members pursuant to Section 303(4) of the Act and as set forth in the Bylaws, as the Bylaws may be amended from time to time.

Section 7.17 <u>Damage to or Destruction on Lots</u>. In the event of damage to or destruction of Structures or improvements on a Lot, the Owner shall proceed promptly to repair or to reconstruct the damaged Structure and improvements in a manner consistent with the original construction or such other plans and specifications as are approved in accordance with this Declaration, unless a determination not to rebuild is made by the Owner in cases of substantial damage or destruction. If the Structure is substantially destroyed and a determination is made not to rebuild or to reconstruct, the Owner shall clear the Lot of all debris and return it to substantially the natural state in which it existed prior to the beginning of construction, and, thereafter, the Owner shall continue to maintain the Lot in a neat and attractive condition consistent with this Declaration.

ARTICLE 8 DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURES

Section 8.1 <u>Alternate Dispute Resolution</u>. The (a) Association (including its officers, directors and committee members), (b) all Owners, and (c) any other person or entity not otherwise subject to this Declaration who agrees to submit to this Article (a "Bound Party") agree to encourage the amicable resolution of disputes involving the Community without the emotional and financial costs of litigation. Accordingly, each Bound Party hereby covenants and agrees to submit all claims, grievances, controversies or disputes arising out of or relating to the interpretation, application or enforcement of this Declaration, the Bylaws, the rules and regulations of the Association, the design or construction of any improvements on the Property, or otherwise relating to the Community (the "Claims") to the dispute resolution procedures set forth in this Article, with the exception of the "Exempt Claims" described in this Article.

Section 8.2 <u>Exempt Claims</u>. The provisions of this Article shall not apply to, and the term "Claims" shall not include, any of the following: (a) the imposition and collection of Assessments or other charges levied under the Assessments section of this Declaration, including actions to foreclose assessment liens; (b) a suit by the Association to obtain injunctive relief; (c) proceedings involving challenges to ad valorem taxation, (d) counterclaims brought by the Association in proceedings instituted against it; and (e) claims against a non-Bound Party.

Section 8.3 <u>Claim Resolution Procedures</u>. All Claims other than Exempt Claims shall be resolved using the following procedures in lieu of litigation:

- ("Respondent"), other than an Exempt Claim, shall notify each Respondent in writing of the Claim (the "Notice"), stating plainly and concisely (i) the nature of the Claim, including the date, time, location, persons involved, and Respondent's role in the Claim, (ii) the basis of the Claim (i.e. the provisions of this Declaration, the Bylaws, the Articles, Rules or Regulations or other authority out of which the Claim arises); (iii) what Claimant wants Respondent to do or not do to resolve the Claim; and (iv) that Claimant wishes to resolve the Claim by mutual agreement with Respondent, and is willing to meet in person with Respondent at a mutually agreeable time and place to discuss in good faith ways to resolve the Claim.
- (b) Each Claimant and Respondent (the "Parties") shall make every reasonable effort to meet in person and confer for the purpose of resolving the Claim by good faith negotiation.
- (c) Upon receipt of a written request from any Party, accompanied by a copy of the Notice, the Board may appoint a representative to assist the Parties in resolving the dispute by negotiation, if in its discretion it believes its efforts will be beneficial to the Parties and to the welfare of the Community.
- (d) If the Parties do not resolve the Claim through negotiation within 30 days of the date of the Notice (or within such other period as may be agreed upon by the Parties) ("Termination of Negotiations"), Claimant shall have 30 additional days within which to submit the Claim to mediation under the auspices of an independent mediation service designated by the Association or such other mediator upon which the Parties may agree.
- (e) If Claimant does not submit the Claim to mediation within 30 days after Termination of Negotiations, Claimant shall be deemed to have waived the Claim, and Respondent shall be released and discharged from any and all liability to Claimant on account of such Claim; provided, nothing herein shall release or discharge Respondent from any liability to persons or entities not a Party to the foregoing proceedings.
- (f) If the Parties do not settle the Claim within 30 days after submission of the matter to the mediation process, or within such time as determined reasonable or appropriate by the mediator, the mediator shall issue a notice of termination of the mediation proceedings ("Termination of Mediation"). The Termination of Mediation notice shall set forth when and where the parties met, that the Parties are at an impasse, and the date that mediation was terminated.
- (g) Each Party shall, within 10 days of the Termination of Mediation, make a written offer of settlement in an effort to resolve the Claim. The Claimant shall make a final written settlement demand ("Settlement Demand") to the Respondent. The Respondent shall make a final written settlement offer ("Settlement Offer") to the Claimant. If the Claimant fails to make a Settlement Demand, Claimant's original Notice shall constitute the Settlement Demand. If the Respondent fails to make a Settlement Offer, Respondent shall be deemed to

have made a "zero" or "take nothing" Settlement Offer.

- (h) Subject to subsection (i) below, if the Parties do not agree in writing to accept either the Settlement Demand, the Settlement Offer, or otherwise resolve the Claim within 20 days of the Termination of Mediation, the Claimant shall have 15 additional days to submit the Claim to arbitration in accordance with the appropriate rules of the American Arbitration Association, or the Claim shall be deemed abandoned, and Respondent shall be released and discharged from any and all liability to Claimant arising out of such Claim; provided nothing herein shall release or discharge Respondent from any liability to persons not a party to the foregoing proceedings.
- If a Claim alleges that any improvements located on the Properties suffer from construction or design defects, the following additional requirements must be satisfied before such a Claim may be submitted to arbitration: (a) if the Claim relates to one or more Lots, the written approval of the Owner of each such Lot and the First Mortgagee on each such Primary Residence shall be obtained; (b) if the Claim relates generally to improvements on the Maintenance Areas, the written approval of at least 67% of all Owners must be obtained, together with the written approval of First Mortgagees holding First Mortgages on at least 67% of the Lots; and (c) if the Claim is to be pursued by the Association, the Association shall hold a meeting of the Members no sooner than 10 days following the Association providing a written statement to all Owners and First Mortgagees discussing the potential Claim. Such written statement must include at least the following information: (I) a statement of the Claim and the Declarant's response thereto, including any settlement offer; (II) an estimate of the time and costs of pursuing such Claim, (III) the potential impact of the Claim on the marketability of the Lots; and (IV) a statement advising the Owners of their duty to disclose the Claim or alleged defect to prospective purchasers of their Lots. Such written statement shall also be sent to the Declarant at least 10 days before such meeting and the Declarant shall have the right to attend and make a presentation at such meeting.
- (j) This Article is an agreement of the Bound Parties to arbitrate all Claims except Exempt Claims and is specifically enforceable under the applicable arbitration law of the State of Colorado. The arbitration award (the "Award") shall be final and binding, and judgment may be entered upon it in any court of competent jurisdiction to the fullest extent permitted under the laws of the State of Colorado.
- (k) If the Claims are resolved through negotiation or mediation as provided above, each Bound Party shall bear all of its own costs incurred in resolving the Claims, including its attorney fees and mediation expenses, unless the Bound Parties otherwise agree. If the Claims are not resolved through negotiation or mediation as provided above and the Claims go to binding arbitration, the "Prevailing Party" shall receive as a part of its Award from the opposing Party(ies) all of its costs, including attorney fees, costs for other representatives in resolving such Claim, and any expenses incurred as a result of the dispute resolution procedures of this Article.

- (l) For purposes of subparagraph (k) above, if the Award is equal or more favorable to Claimant than Claimant's Settlement Demand, the Claimant shall be deemed to be the Prevailing Party; if the Award if equal to or less favorable to Claimant than any Respondent's Settlement Offer, such Respondent shall be deemed to be the Prevailing Party. If neither of the above apply, neither party shall be deemed a Prevailing Party and each shall bear its own costs and expenses, including attorney fees.
- (m) If the Parties agree to resolve any Claim through negotiation or mediation as set forth above, and any Party thereafter fails to abide by the terms of such agreement, or if any Party fails to comply with the Award, then any other Party may file suit or initiate administrative proceedings to enforce such agreement or Award without need to comply with the provisions of this Article. In such event, the Party taking action to enforce the agreement or Award shall be entitled to recover from the non-complying Party (or if more than one noncomplying Party, from all such Parties pro rata) all costs incurred in enforcing such agreement or Award, including without limitation, attorney fees and costs.

ARTICLE 9 GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 9.1 <u>Compliance and Enforcement.</u>

- (a) Every Owner and occupant of a Lot shall comply with the Governing Documents, and each Owner shall have the right to enforce the covenants and restrictions, as set forth in this Declaration.
- (b) The Association may enforce all applicable provisions of this Declaration, and may impose sanctions for violation of the Governing Documents. Such sanctions may include, without limitation:
 - (i) imposing reasonable monetary fines, after notice and opportunity for a hearing, which fine shall constitute a lien upon the violator's Lot;
 - (ii) suspending the right to vote and the right to use Maintenance Area;
 - (iii) exercising self-help (including, but not limited to, performing such maintenance responsibilities which are the Owner's responsibility under this Declaration and assessing all costs incurred by the Association against the Lot and the Owner as an Assessment) or taking action to abate any violation of the Governing Documents;
 - (iv) by court order requiring an Owner, at the Owner's expense, to remove any Structure or improvement on such Owner's Lot in violation of the Governing Documents and to restore the Lot to its previous condition and, upon failure of the Owner to do so, the Board or its designee shall have the right to enter the property,

remove the violation and restore the property to substantially the same condition as previously existed, at the Owner's expense, and any such action shall not be deemed a trespass, with all fees and costs in connection with such removal and restoration to be assessed to the Owner as an Assessment under the terms of this Declaration:

- (v) without liability to any person, the Association precluding any contractor, subcontractor, agent, employee, or other invitee of an Owner who fails to comply with the terms and provisions of this Declaration from continuing or performing any further activities in the Community;
- (vi) levying specific Assessments to cover costs incurred by the Association to bring a Lot into compliance with the Governing Documents; and
- (vii) bringing suit at law or in equity to enjoin any violation or to recover monetary damages or both.
- (c) In addition to any other enforcement rights, if an Owner fails to properly perform his or her maintenance responsibility, or otherwise fails to comply with the Governing Documents, the Association may record a notice of violation against the Owner and the Lot.
- (d) All remedies set forth in the Governing Documents shall be cumulative of any remedies available at law or in equity. In any action to enforce the Governing Documents, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all costs, including, without limitation, attorney fees and court costs, reasonably incurred in such action.
- (e) The decision of the Association to pursue enforcement action in any particular case shall be left to the Board's discretion, subject to the duty to exercise judgment and be reasonable, as provided for in this Declaration, and further restricted in that the Board shall not be arbitrary or capricious in taking enforcement action. A decision of the Association not to pursue enforcement action shall not be construed as a waiver of the Association's right to enforce such provisions at a later time under other circumstances or preclude the Association from enforcing any other covenant, restriction or rule.
- Section 9.2 Attorney Fees. If an Owner fails to pay any Assessment as provided in this Declaration, the Association may require reimbursement for reasonable attorney fees and costs without the necessity of commencing a legal proceeding. If an Owner or an Owner's family member, guest, tenant, invitee or licensee fails to comply with any other provision of the Governing Documents, the Association may seek reimbursement for reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred as a result of such failure to comply, without the necessity of commencing a legal proceeding. In a legal proceeding in any way related to the Governing Documents or the Community, the court shall award to the party prevailing on each claim the prevailing party's reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred in asserting or defending the claim. Such reasonable attorney fees and costs, if awarded against an Owner shall be charged as an Assessment and shall constitute a lien against the Lot.

- Section 9.3 Severability. Each of the provisions of this Declaration shall be deemed independent and severable. If any provision of this Declaration or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Declaration which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or applications.
- Section 9.4 <u>Term of Declaration</u>. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land in perpetuity.
- Section 9.5 Amendment of Declaration by Owners. Any provision, covenant, condition, restriction or equitable servitude contained in this Declaration may be amended, revised, removed or repealed, and new provisions, covenants, conditions, restrictions or equitable servitudes may be added, at any time and from time to time upon approval of at least a majority of all votes in the Association and with the written consent of the Association. Notice of any meeting at which a proposed amendment will be considered shall state the fact of consideration and the subject matter of the proposed amendment. The amendment or repeal shall be effective upon the recordation in the office of the Clerk and Recorder of Rio Grande County of a certificate setting forth the amendment in full and certifying that the amendment has been approved as set forth above, and containing the written consent and approval of the Association.
- Section 9.6 <u>Captions</u>. All captions and titles used in this Declaration are intended solely for convenience of reference and shall not enlarge, limit or otherwise affect that which is set forth in any paragraph, section or article hereof.
- Section 9.7 <u>Interpretation</u>. The provisions of this Declaration shall be construed to effectuate their purposes of creating a uniform plan for promoting and effectuating the fundamental concepts as set forth in this Declaration. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to interpret the meaning of any provision contained in this Declaration. This Declaration shall be construed and governed under the laws of the State of Colorado.
- Singular Includes the Plural. Unless the context otherwise requires, the singular shall include the plural, and the plural shall include the singular, and each gender referral shall be deemed to include the masculine, feminine and neuter.
- Section 9.9 Challenge to this Amendment. All challenges to the validity of this amendment or any future amendments must be made within one year after the date or recording of this document. The covenants and restrictions of this Declaration shall run with and bind the land in perpetuity.
- Section 9.10 Non-Waiver. Any forbearance or failure to enforce any provisions of this Declaration shall not operate as a waiver of any such provision or of any other provision of this Declaration or of any subsequent enforcement of such provision.

Section 9.11 <u>Conflict of Provisions</u>. In case of conflict between this Declaration and the Articles or Bylaws, this Declaration shall control. In the case of conflict between the Articles and Bylaws, the Articles shall control.

The undersigned, being the president and the secretary of Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Property Owner's Association, Inc., hereby certify that pursuant to C.R.S. §38-33.3-217(4.5), at least 67% of all Owners subject to each of the Original Declarations, separately, have approved this Declaration, or alternatively, a court order entered by the District Court for Rio Grande County, Colorado pursuant to C.R.S. §38-33.3-217(7), has been entered approving this Declaration. Approvals obtained shall remain in effect until this Declaration is approved unless approval is expressly revoked in writing.

BEAR CREEK AT SOUTH FORK RANCHES PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC., a Colorado nonprofit corporation,

By:

President

ATTEST:
Secretary

STATE OF COLORADO) ss COUNTY OF Rio Grande)

The foregoing Declaration was acknowledged before me by Robert Edwards President and by Torrest Tietek, as Secretary, of Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches Property Owner's Association, Inc., a Colorado nonprofit corporation, on this 17 day of Tuly, 2010.

MATTHEW K. HOBBS

NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF COLORADO

Notary Public

Commission

commission expires:

10/11/13

My Commission Expires

EXHIBIT A

PROPERTY

Lots 1 through 129, inclusive, Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches, Filings 1 through 4, County of Rio Grande, State of Colorado.

EXHIBIT B

Resolution of Approval and Setting Forth Owner Consents

BEAR CREEK PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THAT THE APPROVED CHANGES TO THE COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS BE RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE RIO GRANDE COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER

Whereas, Bear Creek at South Fork Ranches was established in four separate filing and was also governed by four sets of covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&Rs); and

Whereas, any covenant change within the Bear Creek community required approval from each filing, and also created a burden to efficient governance of the community; and

Whereas, the Property Owners' Association initiated a change to the CC&Rs that, among other things, brought all four filings under one set of CC&Rs for the Bear Creek community; and

Whereas, the 36 property owners in Filing No. 1 approved these changes to the CC&Rs by a vote of 26 yays and 2 neighs; and

Whereas, the 57 property owners in Filing No. 2 approved the changes to the CC&Rs by a vote of 49 yays and 1 neighs; and

Whereas, the 16 property owners in Filing No. 3 approved the changes to the CC&Rs by a vote of 12 yays and 0 neighs; and

Whereas, the 19 property owners in Filing No. 4 approved the changes to the CC&Rs by a vote of 15 yays and 1 neighs;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE BEAR CREEK POA that the changes to the CC&Rs approved by the property owners shall be filed along with a copy of this resolution in the Office of the Rio Grande County Clerk & Recorder.

DONE and SIGNED this 17 day of April, 2010

BEAR CREEK POA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By: Robert Edwards

Its: President

ATTEST:

Denise Fietek, Secretary