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**DECLARATION OF COVENANTS,  
CONDITIONS, AND RESTRICTIONS OF  
CROCKETT TRACE ESTATES, SECTION 4**

**Basic Information**

**Date:** September 22, 2015

**Declarant:** STOECKER CORPORATION

**Declarant's Address:**

P. O. Box 247  
Conroe, Texas 77305

**Association:** PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION CROCKETT TRACE ESTATES

**Association's Initial Address:**

5750 West Davis  
Conroe, Texas 77304

**Property:** Crockett Trace Estates, Section 4, a subdivision in Montgomery County, Texas, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Cabinet Z, Sheets 3625-3626 of the Map Records of Montgomery County, Texas.

**Definitions**

1. "ACC" means the Architectural Control Committee of Crockett Trace Estates referenced in this Declaration.

2. "Assessment" means any amount due to the Association by an Owner or levied against an Owner by the Association under this Declaration.

3. "Association" means Property Owners Association of Crockett Trace Estates, a Texas nonprofit corporation, its successors and assigns, which serves as the property owners association (as that term is used and defined in Section 202.001(2) of the Texas Property Code) for the Subdivision.

4. "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Association.

5. "Bylaws" means the Bylaws of the Association adopted by the Board.

6. "Common Area" means any property within the Subdivision not designated as a Lot on the Plat and that has not been accepted for maintenance by the applicable governmental body.



7. "Covenants" means the covenants, conditions, and restrictions contained in this Declaration.

8. "Declarant" means Stoecker Corporation, a Texas corporation, and any successor that acquires all Lots owned by Declarant for the purpose of development and/or sale and is named as successor in a recorded document executed by Declarant.

9. "Developer Control Period" is the period of time beginning on the date that this Declaration is filed for record with the County Clerk of Montgomery County, Texas and continuing until Declarant owns no part of the Subdivision or any other tract or parcel of land located contiguous to the Subdivision and which Declarant intends to develop as additional sections of Crockett Tract Estates.

10. "Easements" means Easements within the Property for utilities, drainage, and other purposes as shown on the Plat or described in other documents of record.

11. "Governing Documents" means this Declaration and the Certificate of Formation, Bylaws, rules of the Association, and standards of the ACC, as amended.

12. "Lot" means each tract of land designated as a "lot" on the Plat.

13. "Member" means Owner.

14. "Owner" means every record Owner of a fee interest in a Lot.

15. "Plat" means the map or plat of the Property recorded in Cabinet Z, Sheets 3625-3626 of the Map Records of Montgomery County, Texas, and any replat of or amendment to the Plat made in accordance with this Declaration.

16. "Residence" means a site-built home or a single-wide or double-wide manufactured home that, unless otherwise approved in writing by the ACC prior to placement, is year model 2000 or newer and is designed for and used as a dwelling by a Single Family and placed on one or more Lots.

17. "Single Family" means a group of individuals related by blood, adoption, or marriage or a number of unrelated roommates not exceeding the number of bedrooms in a Residence.

18. "Structure" means any improvement on a Lot (other than a Residence), including a sidewalk, driveway, fence, wall, swimming pool, chicken coop, dog house, outbuilding, or recreational equipment.

19. "Subdivision" means the Property covered by the Plat, Crockett Trace Estates, Section 1, Crockett Trace Estates, Section 2, Crockett Trace Estates, Section 3, any future sections of Crockett Trace Estates, and any additional property brought within the general scheme of development of Crockett Trace Estates and made subject to the jurisdiction of the Association.

20. "Vehicle" means any automobile, truck, motorcycle, boat, trailer, or other wheeled conveyance, whether self-propelled or towed.

### **Clauses and Covenants**

#### **A. Imposition of Covenants**

1. Declarant imposes the Covenants on the Property. All Owners and other occupants of the Lots by their acceptance of their deeds, leases, or occupancy of any Lot agree that the Property is subject to the Covenants.

2. The Covenants are necessary and desirable to establish a uniform plan for the development and use of the Subdivision for the benefit of all Owners. The Covenants run with the land and bind all Owners, occupants, and any other person holding an interest in a Lot.

3. Each Owner and occupant of a Lot agrees to comply with the Governing Documents and agrees that failure to comply may subject him to a fine, an action for amounts due to the Association, damages, and/or injunctive relief.

#### **B. Plat and Easements**

1. The Plat, Easements, and all matters shown of record affecting the Property are part of this Declaration and are incorporated by reference.

2. An Owner may use that portion of a Lot lying in an Easement for any purpose that does not interfere with the purpose of the Easement or damage any facilities. No Residence or Structure of a permanent nature shall be located within an Easement. Owners do not own any utility facilities located in an Easement.

3. Neither Declarant nor any Easement holder is liable for damage to landscaping or a Residence or Structure in an Easement.

4. Declarant and each Easement holder may install, maintain, and connect facilities in the Easements.

#### **C. Use and Activities**

1. ***Permitted Use.*** A Lot may be used only for an approved Residence and approved Structures for use by a Single Family; PROVIDED HOWEVER, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained in this Section C or elsewhere in this Declaration, during the Developer Control Period, Declarant may use any Lot or any other portion of the Subdivision as a sales and/or construction office including any use or activity normally associated with such use.

2. ***Prohibited Activities.*** Prohibited activities are—

- a. any activity that is otherwise prohibited by the Governing Documents;

- b.** any illegal activity;
- c.** any nuisance or noxious or offensive activity;
- d.** any dumping of rubbish;
- e.** any maintaining or storage of—
  - i.** building materials except during the construction, placement, or renovation of a Residence or Structure;
  - ii.** vehicles, except vehicles in an enclosed garage or other Structure or current licensed, operable vehicles with current state inspection stickers on a driveway;
  - iii.** trucks larger than one and one-half (1 ½) ton; or
  - iv.** unsightly objects unless completely shielded by a Residence or Structure;
- f.** any exploration for or extraction of minerals;
- g.** any keeping or raising of animals or livestock, except for chickens not to exceed five (5) in number, and common domestic household pets, such as dogs and cats, not to exceed five (5) in the aggregate, confined to a fenced yard or within the Residence;
- h.** any commercial, industrial or professional activity except reasonable home office use;
- i.** the drying of clothes in a manner that is visible from any street within the Subdivision;
- j.** the display of any sign except—
  - i.** one not more than six square feet, advertising the Lot for sale or rent or advertising a garage or yard sale; and
  - ii.** political signage or religious displays not prohibited by law or the Governing Documents;
- k.** interfering with a drainage pattern;
- l.** hunting and the shooting of firearms; and
- m.** occupying a Structure that does not comply with the definition and standards of a Residence as set out in this Declaration.

## **D. Construction and Maintenance Standards**

### **1. Lots**

- a. Consolidation of Lots.** An Owner of adjoining Lots, with ACC approval, may consolidate those Lots into one site for the placement of a Residence thereon.
- b. Subdivision Prohibited.** No Lot may be further subdivided.
- c. Easements.** No Easement in a Lot may be granted without ACC approval.
- d. Maintenance.** Each Owner must keep the Lot, all landscaping, the Residence, and all Structures in a neat, well-maintained, and attractive condition.
- e. Appearance.** All Residences shall conform with other Residences within the Subdivision. The exterior of each Residence shall be maintained in a suitable condition that is harmonious to existing and proposed Residences. All Lots on which grass is grown or planted shall be mowed on a suitably frequent basis. The Association shall have the right to mow any Lot on which regular yard maintenance is not occurring. The minimum fee for mowing a yard shall be \$75.00.
- f. Propane or Natural Gas Storage Tanks.** All storage tanks which are placed upon a Lot for the purpose of storing butane, propane, or natural gas, must be set at least twenty-five (25) feet behind the front line of the Residence and reasonably screened from street view by a Residence or Structure, lattice-work, or shrubs.
- g. Cutting Timber and Removal of Soil.** No timber or iron ore shall be cut, sold, or removed from any Lot. All clearing of timber from a proposed building site shall be approved by the ACC. This restriction does not prohibit Owners of Lots from selectively clearing trees that are less than six inches (6") in diameter; however, the cutting or removal of any trees over six inches (6") in diameter must be approved by the ACC.
- h. Culverts.** All Owners or occupants upon constructing a driveway must use reinforced culverts, sized per construction drawings, twenty feet or more in width placed in the road ditch according to Montgomery County requirements. Owners must check with Declarant and Montgomery County officials for proper size and correct depth setting in ditch before installation. If a culvert is set incorrectly by an Owner and the culvert prohibits proper drainage of the road ditch, the Owner, at his expense, shall be responsible for resetting and/or reinstalling the culvert to correct depth setting. If the Declarant, the Association, Montgomery County or their contractors or assigns has to reset a culvert to allow for proper drainage, the Owner shall immediately reimburse such entity for all expenses incurred in resetting and/or reinstalling the culvert.

## **2. Residences and Structures**

- a. **Permits; Soil Analysis Tests.** Whenever a Residence is constructed or placed on a Lot, each Owner is responsible for obtaining all necessary building and other permits as required by the City of Cut and Shoot and/or Montgomery County, as applicable. A Residence is not allowed to be constructed or placed on a Lot without all necessary permits as required by the City of Cut and Shoot and/or Montgomery County.
- b. **Required Area.** The total area of a Residence, exclusive of porches, garages, or carports, must be at least 840 square feet, unless otherwise approved in writing by the ACC prior to construction or placement on a Lot. Only one Residence will be allowed on a Lot.
- c. **Garages.** Any Residence may have a garage if approved by the ACC. All garages must be accessed by a driveway. The garage may be a separate structure.
- d. **Location on Lot.** Unless otherwise approved in writing by the ACC, no Residence or Structure may be located in violation of the setback lines shown on the Plat or closer than fifty (50) feet from the rear boundary line of a Lot. All Structures must be located behind the Residence's exterior wall that is closest to the front boundary line of the Lot on which the Residence is situated.
- e. **Age.** Unless approved by the ACC, no manufactured home that is year model 1999 or older may be placed on any Lot or elsewhere in the Subdivision.
- f. **Site-Built Residence Foundations.** All site-built Residences shall consist of concrete slabs, unless the ACC approves a different type of foundation when circumstances such as the topography of the Lot makes it impractical to use a concrete slab for all or any portion of the foundation.
- g. **Manufactured Home Foundations; Skirting.** Manufactured homes are not required to be placed on a foundation exclusively, but may be placed on a foundation or have permanent under-skirting such as vinyl, wood, or hardiplank that is constructed along the exposed area between the manufactured home and the ground such that the exposed area is covered in its entirety and not visible from the street. Manufactured home Residences must be skirted no later than thirty (30) days after the manufactured home is placed on the Lot. The skirting material and color scheme must be approved by the ACC prior to its installation.
- h. **Storage of Tongue and Hitch Required.** All manufactured homes must have the tongue and hitch removed and stored out of sight.

- i. ***Anchored Manufactured Homes.*** All manufactured homes must be anchored by a licensed manufactured home installation contractor according to state standards and other governmental requirements.
- j. ***Exterior Requirements for Manufactured Homes.*** All manufactured homes placed or constructed on a Lot must have finished exteriors such as brick, vinyl siding, or evenly painted metal siding. All siding must be in good condition and show no dents or scratches. Corrugated metal siding is not acceptable under any circumstances.
- k. ***Repairs of Manufactured Homes.*** Any manufactured home that is approved in advance by the ACC will have all defined exterior repairs or improvements completed within sixty (60) days of mobile home being placed on a Lot.
- l. ***Manufactured Home Porches Required.*** All manufactured homes must have front porches built and attached to them (not just steps). The minimum size porch shall be eight feet by twelve feet (8' x 12') and constructed of new wood material. No used material will be accepted. If porch roofing is built, all porch roofing used must be covered with composition shingles, new metal roofing or other material approved in advance by the ACC.
- m. ***Water Supply and Sewage Disposal.*** All Residences must be connected to the central water and sanitary sewer systems serving the Subdivision. No water well, privy, cesspool, outdoor toilet, septic system, aerobic system, or other private sewage disposal system shall be permitted on any Lot. The central water system and sewer system have initial tap fees and monthly usage charges.
- n. ***Damaged or Destroyed Residences and Structures.*** Any Residence or Structure that is damaged must be repaired within sixty (60) days (or within a period approved by the ACC) and the Lot restored to a clean, orderly, and attractive condition. Any Residence or Structure that is damaged to the extent that repairs are not practicable must be demolished and removed within thirty (30) days and the Lot restored to a clean and attractive condition.
- o. ***Fences, Walls, and Hedges.*** No fence, wall, or hedge may be located forward of the Residence's exterior wall line that is closest to the front boundary line of the Lot on which the Residence is situated, except for trellises and decorative fences that are approved by the ACC; PROVIDED HOWEVER, with the written approval of the ACC, fences of open construction under three (3') feet in height may be constructed in front of the residence and in front of the building set back line. No side fence shall be located on any corner Lot nearer than the interior building setback line shown on the Plat. Fences that face a street must be of wood or metal construction and cannot be of solid construction. Barbwire fences are not allowed.
- p. ***Antennae.*** No antenna, satellite dish, or associated wires may be visible from the street or be located in violation of the setback lines of any Lot.

- q. **Traffic Sight Lines.** No landscaping that obstructs traffic sight lines may be placed on any Lot.
- r. **Sidewalks.** If required by governmental regulations, at such time as the Residence is constructed or placed, the Lot must be improved with sidewalks connecting with the sidewalks on adjacent Lots.
- s. **Landscaping.** Landscaping must be installed within thirty (30) days after occupancy. Landscaping must be approved in writing prior to installation by the ACC.

### 3. **Building Materials for Residences and Structures**

- a. **Construction Materials.** All Residences and other Structures must be constructed of new materials.
- b. **Site-Built Home Roofs.** Only composition or metal may be used on roofs of Residences and Structures, unless otherwise approved by the ACC.
- c. **Air Conditioning.** No window- or wall-type air conditioners shall be visible from the street.
- d. **Manufactured Home Roofs.** All manufactured home roofs must be composition roofing in good condition or metal roofing that will be cool sealed and repainted with aluminum color and complete within sixty (60) days after being placed on Lot. Any dents in roofs must be repaired or replaced.
- e. **Driveways and Sidewalks.** All driveway and sidewalk materials must be approved by the ACC prior to construction.

## E. **Association**

1. **Establishment and Governance.** The Association has been established by filing its certificate of formation and is governed by the certificate, this Declaration, and the Bylaws. The Association has the powers of a nonprofit corporation and the property owners association for the Subdivision under the Texas Business Organizations Code, the Texas Property Code, and the Governing Documents.

2. **Rules.** The Board may adopt rules that do not conflict with law or the other Governing Documents. On request, Owners will be provided a copy of any rules.

3. **Membership and Voting Rights.** Every Owner is a Member of the Association. Membership is appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of a Lot. The Association has two classes of voting Members:

- a. **Class A.** Class A Members are all Owners of Lots in the Subdivision, other than Declarant. Class A Members have one (1) vote per Lot. When more than one



person is an Owner, each is a Class A Member, but only one vote may be cast for a Lot.

- b. **Class B.** The Class B Member is Declarant. The Class B Member has twenty (20) votes for each Lot owned by Declarant in the Subdivision. The Class B Membership ceases on the earliest of—
  - i. the expiration of the Developer Control Period; or
  - ii. December 31, 2020; or
  - iii. such earlier time as Declarant shall determine.

Upon the expiration of the Developer Control Period, if the Declarant owns any Lots in the Subdivision, the Class B Membership will convert to Class A Membership.

During the Developer Control Period, the Class B Member will have the exclusive right to (i) appoint the Directors of the Association, subject, however, to the provisions of Texas Property Code §209.00591(c), (ii) amend the Certificate of Formation of the Association, (iii) amend the Bylaws of the Association, and (iv) amend this Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions.

## F. ACC

### 1. Establishment

- a. **Purpose.** The ACC is established as a committee of the Association to assist the Association in ensuring that all Residences, Structures, and landscaping within the Subdivision are aesthetically compatible and conform to the Governing Documents.
- b. **Members.** The ACC consists of at least three (3) persons appointed by the Board. The Board may remove or replace an ACC member at any time.
- c. **Term.** ACC members serve until replaced by the Board or they resign.
- d. **Standards.** Subject to Board approval, the ACC may adopt standards that do not conflict with the other Governing Documents to carry out its purpose. On request, Owners will be provided a copy of any standards.

### 2. Plan Review

- a. **Required Review by ACC.** No Residence or Structure may be erected or placed on any Lot, or the exterior altered, unless plans, specifications, and any other documents requested by the ACC have been submitted to and approved by the

ACC. The plans and specifications for all Residences must show the exterior dimensions, square footage, building materials, color scheme, and proposed location of the Residence. Additionally, the plans and specifications for manufactured home Residences must show the make, model, and year model. The plans and specifications for Structures must show exterior design, height, building materials, color scheme, and location of the Structures. All plans and specifications must be in the form and detail the ACC may require.

**b. Procedures**

- i. Complete Submission.** Within thirty (30) days after the submission of plans and specifications by an Owner, the ACC must notify the submitting Owner of any other documents or information required by the ACC. In the absence of timely notice from the ACC requesting additional documents or other information, the submission is deemed complete.
- ii. Deemed Approval.** If the ACC fails to give notice of disapproval of the plans and specifications to the submitting Owner within thirty (30) days after complete submission, the submitted plans and specifications are deemed approved.
- c. Appeal.** An Owner may appeal any action of the ACC to the Board. The appealing Owner must give written notice of the appeal to the Board. The Board shall determine the appeal within thirty (30) days after timely notice of appeal is given. The determination by the Board is final.
- d. Records.** The ACC will maintain written records of all requests submitted to it and of all actions taken. The Board will maintain written records of all appeals of ACC actions and all determinations made. Any Owner may inspect the records of the ACC and Board.
- e. No Liability.** The Association, the Board, the ACC, and their members will not be liable to any person submitting requests for approval or to any Owner by reason of any action, failure to act, approval, disapproval, or failure to approve or disapprove any request.

**G. Variances**

**Authority to Grant.** The Board may authorize variances from strict compliance with any of the provisions of this Declaration when circumstances such as topography, natural obstruction, hardship, aesthetic, or environmental considerations may require. Such variances must be evidenced in writing and must be approved by at least a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board and shall become effective upon execution of the variances. No Board member, except a representative of Declarant, shall participate in any voting, in the capacity as a Board member, regarding a variance involving that Board member's Lot or the improvements thereon. If such a variance is granted, no violation of this Declaration shall be deemed to have occurred with respect to the matter for which the variance was granted. The granting of such a variance shall not operate to waive any of the terms

and provisions of this Declaration for any purpose except as to the particular provision thereof, nor shall it affect in any way the Owner's obligation to comply with all applicable governmental laws and regulations. No granting of a variance shall be relied on by any Owner, or any other person or entity (whether privy or party to the subject variance or not), as a precedent in requesting or assuming variance as to any other matter of potential or actual enforcement of any provision of this Declaration.

## **H. Assessments**

1. **Authority.** The Association may levy Assessments to promote the recreation, health, safety, and welfare of the residents in the Subdivision, to fund operating expenses of the Association, and to improve and maintain the Common Area.

2. **Personal Obligation.** An Assessment is a personal obligation of each Owner when the Assessment accrues.

3. **Creation of Lien.** Assessments and all other charges to an Owner authorized in this Declaration are secured by a continuing vendor's lien on each Lot, which lien is reserved by the Declarant and assigned to the Association. By acceptance of a deed to a Lot, each Owner grants the lien, together with the power of sale, to the Association to secure Assessments.

4. **Commencement.** A Lot becomes subject to Assessments on conveyance of the Lot by Declarant. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Declaration, no Assessments shall accrue or be assessed against Lots owned by Declarant, whether such Lots are unsold Lots remaining in Declarant's inventory or have been previously sold or conveyed and subsequently foreclosed on or repossessed by Declarant.

### **5. Regular Assessments**

a. **Rate.** Regular Assessments are levied by the Board, annually, to fund the anticipated operating and maintenance expenses of the Association. Until changed by the Board, the Regular Assessment is \$120.00 for each Lot.

b. **Changes to Regular Assessments.** Regular Assessments may be changed annually by the Board. Written notice of the Regular Assessment will be sent to every Owner at least thirty (30) days before its effective date.

c. **Collections.** Regular Assessments will be collected annually or monthly in advance, payable on the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of March (if the Regular Assessment is collected annually) or the first (1<sup>st</sup>) day of each month (if the Regular Assessment is collected monthly).

6. **Special Assessments.** In addition to the Regular Assessments, the Board may levy Special Assessments for the purpose of funding the cost of any construction, reconstruction, repair, or replacement of any capital improvement on any Common Area in the Subdivision or for any other purpose benefitting the Subdivision but requiring funds exceeding those available from the Regular Assessments.

7. **Fines.** The Board may levy a fine against an Owner for a violation of the Governing Documents as permitted by law.

8. **Subordination of Lien to Mortgages.** The lien granted and reserved to the Association is subordinate to any lien granted by an Owner against a Lot not prohibited by the Texas Constitution. The foreclosure of a superior lien extinguishes the Association's lien as to Assessments due before the foreclosure.

9. **Delinquent Assessments.** Any Assessment not paid within fifteen (15) days after it is due is delinquent.

## **I. Remedial Rights**

1. **Late Charges and Interest.** A late charge of \$25.00 may be assessed for delinquent payments. Delinquent Assessments accrue interest at the rate of ten (10%) percent per year. The Board may change the late charge and the interest rate.

2. **Costs, Attorney's Fees, and Expenses.** The Owner is liable to the Association for all costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred by the Association in collecting delinquent Assessments, foreclosing the Association's lien, and enforcing the Governing Documents.

3. **Nonjudicial Foreclosure of Lien.** The Association may foreclose the Association's lien against a Lot by power of sale as permitted by law. The Association may designate a person to act as trustee or otherwise to exercise the power of sale on behalf of the Association.

4. **Judicial Enforcement.** The Association may bring an action against an Owner to collect delinquent Assessments, foreclose the Association's lien, or enforce or enjoin a violation of the Governing Documents. An Owner may bring an action against another Owner to enforce or enjoin a violation of the Governing Documents.

5. **Remedy of Violations.** The Association may access an Owner's Lot to remedy a violation of the Governing Documents.

6. **Suspension of Other Rights.** If an Owner violates the Governing Documents, the Association may suspend the Owner's rights under the Governing Documents in accordance with law until the violation is cured.

7. **Damage to Property.** An Owner is liable to the Association for damage to the Common Areas caused by the Owner or the Owner's family, guests, agents, independent contractors, and invitees in accordance with law.

## **J. Common Area**

1. **Common Area Easements.** Each Owner has an easement in and to the Common Area, if any, in the Subdivision, subject to the right of the Association to—

- a. charge reasonable admission and other fees for the use of recreational facilities, if any, situated on the Common Area, and if an Owner does not pay these fees, the Owner may not use the recreational facilities;
- b. suspend an Owner's rights under the Governing Documents;
- c. grant an easement approved by the Board over the Common Area for utility, drainage, or other purposes; and
- d. dedicate or convey any of the Common Area for public purposes, on approval by a vote of the Members holding at least two-thirds (2/3) of the total votes of the Association at a meeting in accordance with the Bylaws.

**2. *Permitted Users.*** An Owner's right to use and enjoy the Common Area, if any, extends to the Owner's family, guests, agents, and invitees, subject to the Governing Documents.

**3. *Unauthorized Improvements in Common Area.*** An Owner may not erect or alter any Structure on, or clear, landscape, or disturb, any Common Area except as approved by the Board.

#### **K. Required Subdivision Improvements.**

**1. *Dedication.*** Certain subdivision improvements which are required by the subdivision regulations of Montgomery County and/or the City of Cut and Shoot, Texas have been dedicated for the use and benefit of Owners within the Subdivision. The Association shall be responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of these required improvements and shall be authorized to assess and collect the Assessments against the Lots and to expend funds so collected for such purposes.

**2. *Street Lights.*** The Association shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of any street lighting within the Subdivision until such responsibility is assumed by a public entity.

**3. *Storm Water Detention Facilities.*** Storm water detention facilities have been located within the Subdivision. These facilities are intended to contain the storm water runoff associated with the development of the Subdivision. The Association shall be responsible for the operation and maintenance of these facilities.

**4. *Open Space and Common Areas.*** The Association shall be responsible for open spaces and Common Areas, if any, within the Subdivision. These facilities, if any, are dedicated for the use and benefit of Owners within the Subdivision only.

#### **L. General Provisions**

**1. *Reimbursement of Declarant.*** Recognizing that some of the costs of administration and maintenance of the Association may have to be subsidized by Declarant, the Directors (whether the Directors are same as the Declarant, its agents, servants, or employees and without being liable for any claim made by any Member of the Association that the Directors' duty to the other Members of the Association has been breached due to a conflict of interest) may execute promissory notes and/or other instruments evidencing any debt the Association owes the Declarant for monies

expended by the Declarant or loaned to the Association by Declarant for and on behalf of the Association.

**2. Term.** This Declaration runs with the land and is binding for a term of twenty (20) years. Thereafter this Declaration automatically continues for successive terms of ten (10) years each, unless within six (6) months before the end of a term, the Members holding at least two-thirds (2/3) of the total votes of the Association elect not to extend the term. An instrument reflecting the decision of the Members not to extend the Declaration will be executed by the President of the Association, attested by the Secretary and recorded in the Official Public Records of Real Property of Montgomery County, Texas.

**3. No Waiver.** Failure by the Association or an Owner to enforce the Governing Documents is not a waiver.

**4. Corrections.** The Board may correct typographical or grammatical errors, ambiguities, or inconsistencies contained in this Declaration, provided that any correction must not impair or affect a vested property right of any Owner.

**5. Amendment.** During the Developer Control Period, this Declaration may be amended by the Class B Member. After the Developer Control Period, this Declaration may be amended at any time by vote of at least sixty-seven (67%) percent of the total votes allocated to the Members of the Association. In the last instance, an instrument containing the approved amendment will be executed by the President of the Association, attested by the Secretary and recorded in the Official Public Records of Real Property of Montgomery County, Texas.

**6. Conflict.** This Declaration controls over the other Governing Documents.

**7. Severability.** The provisions of this Declaration are severable. If any provision of this Declaration is invalidated or declared unenforceable, the other provisions remain valid and enforceable.

**8. Notices.** Any notice required or permitted by the Governing Documents must be in writing. To the extent required by law, notices regarding remedial rights must be given by certified mail, return receipt requested. All other notices may be given by regular mail. Notice is deemed delivered (whether actually received or not) when properly deposited with the United States Postal Service, addressed to a Member, at the Member's last known address according to the Association's records, and the Association, the Board, the ACC, or a managing agent at the Association's principal office or another address designated in a notice to the Members. Unless otherwise required by law or the Governing Documents, actual notice, however delivered, is sufficient.

**9. Annexation of Additional Property.** On written approval of the Board, the owner of any property who desires to subject the property to this Declaration may record an annexation agreement that will impose this Declaration and the Covenants on that property; provided however, the Declarant may annex additional property without Board approval.

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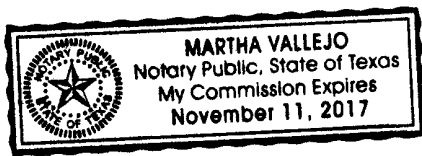
By: Michael B. Stoecker  
Michael B. Stoecker, President

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY §

This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 22 day of September, 2015, by MICHAEL B. STOECKER, President of STOECKER CORPORATION, a Texas corporation, on behalf of said corporation.

Martha Vallejo  
Notary Public – State of Texas



**AFTER RECORDING RETURN TO:**

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Conroe, Texas 77305

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*Mark Tumbull*

COUNTY CLERK  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

I hereby certify this instrument was filed in file number  
sequence on the date and at the time stamped herein  
by me and was duly RECORDED in the Official Public  
Records of Montgomery County, Texas.

**09/23/2015**



*Mark Tumbull*

County Clerk  
Montgomery County, Texas