

# Department of State

I certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the Articles of Incorporation of PLUM TREE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a corporation organized under the Laws of the State of Florida, filed on February 21, 1990, as shown by the records of this office.

The document number of this corporation is N36774.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital, this the 26th day of February, 1990.

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Jim Smith Secretary of State OF

# PLUM TREE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

#### A CORPORATION NOT-FOR-PROFIT

We, the undersigned, being desirous of forming a corporation not for profit, do hereby associate ourselves into a corporation for the purposes and with the powers herein specified and do hereby agree to the following Articles of Incorporation:

# ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this corporation shall be:

PLUM TREE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., (hereinafter referred to as the "Association").

#### ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

The purposes and object of the Association shall be to administer the operation and management of Plum Tree, a residential development, (hereinafter "the Development") to be established upon that certain real property in Duval County, Florida, as described in that certain Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions of Plum Tree dated February 1, 1989, recorded in Official Records Volume 6675, page 0285, et seq., of the current public records, Duval County, Florida, as amended by First Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions, as recorded in the current public records of Duval County, Florida under Clerk's #89-077219 (the "Declaration"), together with any additions to the property which may be brought into the jurisdiction of this Association by annexation under the terms and conditions as set forth in the Declaration. Stokes-Collins & Company, Inc., a Florida corporation, is the developer (the "Developer") of the Development.

The Association does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof and shall undertake and perform all acts and duties incident to the operation and management preservation and architectural control of the residence lots and common areas of the Development in accordance with the terms, provisions, and conditions of these Articles of Incorporation, the By-Laws of the Association and the Declaration.

#### ARTICLE III. POWERS

The Association shall have the following powers:

- A. All of the powers and privileges granted to corporations not for profit under the laws of the State of Florida and the Declaration as the same may be amended from time to time as therein provided, said Declaration being incorporated herein as if set forth in length.
- B. All of the powers reasonably necessary to implement and effectuate the purposes of the Association, including, without limitation, the power, authority and right to:
- 1. Make and establish reasonable rules and regulations governing the use of the Lots, Common Elements and Maintenance Area, as such terms will be defined in the Declaration.
- 2. Own, hold, improve, build upon, maintain, operate, lease, sell, manage, transfer, dedicate for public use, and otherwise dispose of and deal with such real and personal

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property as may be necessary or convenient in connection with the affairs of the Association.

- 3. To own, manage, administer and operate such property as may be conveyed to it by the Developer, its successors or assigns for the mutual benefit and use of all Members.
- 4. Tax, levy, collect and enforce payment by all lawful means all charges or assessments against members of the Association to defray the Common Expenses of the Development, as will be provided in the Declaration and the By-Laws, including the right to levy and collect assessments for the purpose of acquiring, owning, holding, operating, leasing, encumbering, selling, conveying, exchanging, managing and otherwise dealing with the Development Property, including Lots, which may be necessary or convenient in the operation and management of the Development and in accomplishing the purposes set forth in the Declaration, and to pay all expenses, including office expenses, licenses, taxes, or governmental charges levied or imposed against the Property of the Association, incident to the conduct of business of the
- 5. Maintain, repair, replace, operate and manage the Development Property, and any property owned by the Association, including the right to reconstruct improvements after casualty and to further improve and add to the Development Property and other property owned by the Association.
- 6. Contract for the management of the Development and, in connection therewith, to delegate any and/or all of the powers and duties of the Association to the extent and in the manner permitted by the Declaration, the By-Laws.
- 7. Enforce the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, the Declaration, the By-Laws, and all rules and regulations governing use of the Development which may hereafter be established.

#### ARTICLE IV. QUALIFICATION OF MEMBERS

The qualifications of members, manner of their admission to and termination of membership shall be as follows:

- A. The owners (as defined in the Declaration and the By-Laws) of all Lots in the Development shall be members of the Association, and no other persons or entities shall be entitled to membership, except the subscribers hereof.
- B. A person shall become a Member by the acquisition of a vested present interest in the fee title to a Lot in the Development. The membership of any person or entity shall be automatically terminated upon his being divested of his title or interest in such Lot.
- C. Transfer of membership shall be recognized by the Association upon its being provided with a certified copy of the recorded deed conveying such fee simple title to a Lot to the new Member.
- D. If a corporation, partnership, joint venture or other entity is the fee simple title holder to a Lot, or the Lot is owned by more than one person, the Lot owner shall designate one person as the Member entitled to cast votes and/or to approve or disapprove matters as may be required or provided for in these Articles, the By-Laws or the Declaration.
- E. Except as an appurtenance to his Lot, no Member can assign, hypothecate or transfer in any manner, his membership in the Association or his interest in the funds and assets of the Association. The funds and assets of the Association shall belong

solely to the Association subject to the limitation that the same be expended, held or used for the benefit of the membership and for the purposes authorized herein, in the Declaration, and the By-Laws hereof.

# ARTICLE V. VOTING

- A. There shall be two classes of voting membership which classes are more fully defined in the Declaration and By-Laws.
- B. On all matters upon which the membership shall be entitled to vote, there shall be only one vote for each "Developed Lot" (as such term is defined in the Declaration and By-Laws) in the Development. Such vote may be exercised or cast by the owner or owners of each Developed Lot in such manner as may be provided in the By-Laws of this Association. Should any Member own more than one Lot, such Member shall be entitled to exercise or cast one vote for each such Lot, in the manner provided for in the By-Laws. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Developer shall have the right to cast the number of votes allocated to it in the Declaration and By-Laws for so long as it owns any "Undeveloped Lots" as defined in the Declaration and By-Laws or until its right to such votes terminates as provided in the Declaration.
- B. Until the recordation of Declaration in the public records of Duval County, Florida, the membership of the Association shall be comprised of the subscribers to these Articles, each of whom shall be entitled to cast a vote on all matters upon which the membership would be entitled to vote.

### ARTICLE VI. TERM OF EXISTENCE

The Association shall have perpetual existence.

# ARTICLE VII. OFFICE

The principal office of the Association shall be 9000 Cypress Green Drive, Jacksonville, Duval County, Florida 32256, or such other place as the Board of Directors may designate.

# ARTICLE VIII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. The business affairs of this Association shall be managed by the Board of Directors. The number of members of the first Board of Directors shall be three.
- B. Subject to the Declaration, the Board of Directors shall be elected by the Members of the Association from among the membership at the annual membership meeting as provided in the By-Laws; provided, however, that the Developer shall have the right to elect all of the Directors on the Board subject to the following:
- 1. Lot owners other than the Developer shall be entitled to elect a majority of the Members of the Board of Directors when the Developer has conveyed one hundred percent (100%) of the Lots (including lots in the Future Development Property as provided in the Declaration).
- 2. The names and residence addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial Board of Directors until their successors are chosen, are as follows:

Director

Address

Barbara G. Moore

9000 Cypress Green Drive Jacksonville, Florida 32256

Gerald D. Holland

9000 Cypress Green Drive Jacksonville, Florida 32256

Mark A. Knowles

9000 Cypress Green Drive Jacksonville, Florida 32256

### ARTICLE IX. -- OFFICERS

- A. The officers of the Association shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer and, if any, the Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers, who shall perform the duties of such offices customarily performed by like officers of corporations in the State of Florida subject to the directions of the Board of Directors.
- B. Officers of the Association may be compensated in the manner to be provided in the By-Laws. The Board of Directors, or the President with the approval of the Board of Directors, may employ a managing agent, agency, and/or other managerial and supervisory personnel or entity to administer or assist in the administration of the operation and management of the Development and the affairs of the Association, and any and all such persons and/or entity or entities may be so employed without regard to whether any such person or entity is a Member, Director or officer of the Association.
- C. The persons who are to serve as officers of the Association until their successors are chosen are:

Officer

Name

President

Barbara G. Moore

Vice President

Gerald D. Holland

Secretary/Treasurer

Mark A. Knowles

- D. The officers shall be elected by the Board of Directors at their annual meeting as provided in the By-Laws. Any vacancies in any office shall be filled by the Board of Directors at any meeting duly held.
- E. The President shall be elected from the membership of the Board of Directors, but no other officer need be a Director. The same person may hold two offices, provided, however, that the office of President and Vice President shall not be held by the same person, nor shall the office of President and Secretary or Assistant Secretary be held by the same person. Officers shall be elected annually.

## ARTICLE X. BY-LAWS

- A. The Board of Directors shall adopt by a majority vote the original By-Laws of the Association.
- B. The By-Laws may be amended in accordance with the procedures set forth in the By-Laws.

# ARTICLE XI. AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

A. These Articles of Incorporation may be amended as follows:

- 1. Amendments shall be proposed by a majority of the Board of Directors.
- The President, or acting Chief Executive Officer of the Association in the absence of the President, shall thereupon call a special meeting of the Members of the Association for a date not sooner than twenty (20) days nor later than sixty (60) days from the date on which the Board of Directors approve the amendment Each Member shall be given written notice of such meeting stating the time and place of the meeting and reciting the proposed amendment or amendments in reasonably detailed form, which notice shall be mailed or presented personally to each Member not less than ten (10) days nor more than thirty (30) days before the date set for such meeting. Such notice shall be deemed properly given when deposited in the United States mail, addressed to the Member at his post office address as it appears on the records of the Association. At such meeting, the amendment or amendments proposed must be approved by an affirmative vote of a majority of the votes entitled to be cast in order for such amendment or amendments to become effective. If so approved, a certified copy of the said amendment or amendments shall be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida and recorded in the public records of Duval County, Florida.

#### ARTICLE XII. INDEMNITY

Every Director and every officer of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association against all expenses and liabilities, including attorneys' fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him in connection with any proceeding to which he may be a party, or in which he may become involved, by reason of his being or having been a Director or officer of the Association, whether or not he is a Director or officer at the time such expenses are incurred, except in such cases where the Director or officer is adjudged guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his duties; provided, that in the event any claim for reimbursement or indemnification hereunder is based upon a settlement by the Director or officer seeking such reimbursement or indemnification, the indemnification herein shall only apply if the Board of Directors approves such settlement and reimbursement as being in the best interests of the Association. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which such Director or officer may be entitled.

# ARTICLE XII. NON-PROFIT STATUS

No part of the income of this corporation shall be distributed to the Members except upon dissolution or final liquidation and as permitted by the court having jurisdiction thereof.

#### ARTICLE XIII. SUBSCRIBERS

The names and addresses of the subscribers to these  $\mbox{Articles}$  are:

Cecile E. Bass	1300 Gulf Life Drive, Jacksonville, Florida	700
Eva S. Adams	1300 Gulf Life Drive, Jacksonville, Florida	700
Vicki Lanphar	1300 Gulf Life Drive, Jacksonville, Florida	800

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the undersigned subscribing incorporators, have hereunto set our hands and seals this 19th day of

for profit under the laws of the State of Florida. Cecile 在vans Bass Eva Adams Vicki Lanphar

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF DUVAL

The foregoing ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION was acknowledged before this 19th day of February, 1990, by Cecile Evans Bass, a me subscriber.

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Notary Public, State of Florida My Commission Expires Mar, 2, 1991 Bended thru National Fire Ins. Co. of Hartford My Commission Expires:

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF DUVAL

The foregoing ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION was acknowledged before me this 19th day of February, 1990, by Eva S. Adams, a subscriber.

Public State of Florida at Large

Notary Public, State of Florida My Commission expires:

Notary Public, State of Florida My Commission Expires Mar. 2, 1991

Bonded-thru National Fire Ins. Co. of Hartford

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF DUVAL

The foregoing ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION was acknowledged before me this 19th day of February 1990, by Vicki Langhar, a subscriber.

> State of Florida at Large Public

Notary Public, State of Florida My Commission Expires: My Commission Expires Mar. 2, 1991

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# CERTIFICATE NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted:

That PLUM TREE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the articles of incorporation at City of Jacksonville, County of Duval, State of Florida, has named CECILE EVANS BASS, located at 1300 Gulf Life Drive, City of Jacksonville, County of Duval, State of Florida 32207, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Florida Statute relative to keeping open said office.

Cecile Evans Bass

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